

Kasikornbank

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Introduction

In December 2022, Kasikornbank ("KBank" or the "Issuer") issued two sustainability bonds (collectively the "Sustainability Bonds") raising USD 65 million to finance or refinance projects related to renewable energy and employment generation. In December 2025, KBank engaged Sustainalytics to review the projects financed with proceeds from the Sustainability Bonds (the "Nominated Expenditures") and provide an assessment as to whether they meet the use of proceeds criteria and whether KBank complied with the reporting commitments in the KBank Sustainability Bond Framework (the "Framework").¹ Sustainalytics provided a Second-Party Opinion on the Framework in June 2020.² This is Sustainalytics' seventh annual review of allocation and reporting of the instruments issued under the Framework, following previous reviews in October 2019, November 2020, December 2021, December 2022, December 2023 and December 2024.³

Evaluation Criteria

Sustainalytics evaluated the Nominated Expenditures and KBank's reporting based on whether they:

1. Meet the use of proceeds and eligibility criteria defined in the Framework; and
2. Reported on at least one key performance indicator (KPI) for each use of proceeds category defined in the Framework.

Table 1: Use of Proceeds Categories, Eligibility Criteria and Associated KPIs

Use of Proceeds Category	Eligibility Criteria	Key Performance Indicators
Renewable Energy	<p>Financing for renewable energy projects, including the production and transmission of renewable energy, and the manufacturing of renewable energy appliances and products. Solar energy, biomass, biogas and waste-to-energy projects can be included.</p> <p>For biomass energy, only the projects that meet the criteria below will be included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects involving crops not grown in areas converted from land with previously high carbon stock, such as wetlands or forests; • Projects not obtained from land with high biodiversity such as primary forests or highly biodiverse grasslands not suitable for human consumption. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renewable energy generated (kWh)
Employment Generation	<p>Supporting small and medium enterprises (SMEs), loans given to SMEs, including through the following loan programmes:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of SMEs, projects, farmers that benefitted

¹ KBank, "KBank Sustainability Bond Framework", (2020), at: https://www.kasikornbank.com/en/sustainable-development/sustainability-bond/SustainableBondFramework/KBank_Sustainability%20Bond%20Framework_June2020.pdf

² Sustainalytics, "Second-Party Opinion, KASIKORNBANK Sustainability Bond Framework", (2020), at: https://mstar-sustops-cdn-mainwebsite-s3.s3.amazonaws.com/docs/default-source/spos/kasikornbank-sustainability-bond-framework-second-party-opinion.pdf?sfvrsn=7c05c3a1_3

³ Sustainalytics, "Annual Reviews, Kasikornbank", (2019-2024), at: <https://www.kasikornbank.com/en/sustainable-development/sustainability-bond/Pages/Sustainable-Bond-Report.aspx>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special rate overdraft for SME payroll programme. The programme aims to increase the liquidity of KBank's SME payroll clients by offering customers an opportunity to lower the cost of funding for their payroll payments. • Overdraft or loan programme for SMEs. The programme will help entrepreneurs by providing a credit limit that is higher than their collateral, within a maximum credit limit of THB 5 million. • Franchise credit programme. This loan programme is for entrepreneurs who want to start new franchise businesses. This programme will select customers from their future cash flow and require no or less collateral than usual loan programme. • Overdraft programme for SME retail shops, for which the credit limit is lower than THB 3 million. The programme is for SME retail shop owners who need working capital to operate their businesses but do not have collateral. The programme aims to offer customers easier access to financial support that helps them maintain the smooth operation of their business and create value for SME retailers. The maximum overdraft limit is THB 1 million. 	
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Issuer's Responsibility

KBank is responsible for providing accurate information and documentation relating to the details of the projects, including descriptions, amounts allocated and impact.

Independence and Quality Control

Sustainalytics, a leading provider of ESG research and ratings, conducted the verification of the use of proceeds from KBank's Sustainability Bonds. The work undertaken as part of this engagement included collection of documentation from KBank and review of said documentation to assess conformance with the Framework.

Sustainalytics relied on the information and the facts presented by KBank. Sustainalytics is not responsible nor shall it be held liable for any inaccuracies in the opinions, findings or conclusions herein due to incorrect or incomplete data provided by KBank.

Sustainalytics made all efforts to ensure the highest quality and rigor during its assessment process and enlisted its Sustainability bonds Review Committee to provide oversight of the review.

Conclusion

Based on the limited assurance procedures conducted,⁴ nothing has come to Sustainalytics' attention that causes us to believe that, in all material respects, the Nominated Expenditures do not conform with the use of proceeds criteria and reporting commitments in the Framework. KBank has disclosed to Sustainalytics that the proceeds from the Sustainability Bonds were fully allocated as of September 2025.

⁴ Sustainalytics' limited assurance process includes reviewing documentation relating to details of projects, as provided by the issuing entity, which is responsible for providing accurate information. These may include descriptions of projects, estimated and realized costs, and reported impact. Sustainalytics has not conducted on-site visits to projects.

Detailed Findings

Table 2: Detailed Findings

Framework Requirements	Procedure Performed	Factual Findings	Error or Exceptions Identified
Use of Proceeds Criteria	Verification of projects to determine alignment with the use of proceeds criteria outlined in the Framework.	The Nominated Expenditures comply with the use of proceeds criteria.	None
Reporting Criteria	Verification of projects or assets to determine if impact was reported in line with the KPIs outlined in the Framework.	KBank reported on at least one KPI per use of proceeds category.	None

Appendices

Appendix 1: Allocation of proceeds

Table 3: Allocation of proceeds of the Sustainability bonds

Use of Proceeds Category	Project Description	Location	Allocated Amount (USD million)
Renewable Energy	39 MW solar energy project	Cambodia	7.19
	29 MW solar energy project	Prachin Buri, Samut Sakhon, Thailand	13.43
	139.4 MW solar energy project	Prachuap Khiri Khan, Sa Kaeo, Phichit, Lopburi	21.06
Employment Generation	Franchise credit programme	Thailand	8.41
	Overdraft programme for SME retail shops		14.91
Total Allocated Amount			65.0
Total Unallocated Amount			0
Total proceeds Raised			65.0

Appendix 2: Reported Impact

Table 4: Reported impact of the Sustainability Bonds

Use of Proceeds Category	Project Description	Key Performance Indicator	Reported Impact
Renewable Energy	39 MW solar energy project	Renewable energy generated (kWh)	59,276,020
	29 MW solar energy project	Renewable energy generated (kWh)	41,444,897
	139.4 MW solar energy project	Renewable energy generated (kWh)	205,148,920
Employment Generation	Franchise credit programme	Number of beneficiaries	103
	Overdraft programme for SME retail shops	Number of beneficiaries	1,366

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