

Special Product for the Iraqi Population

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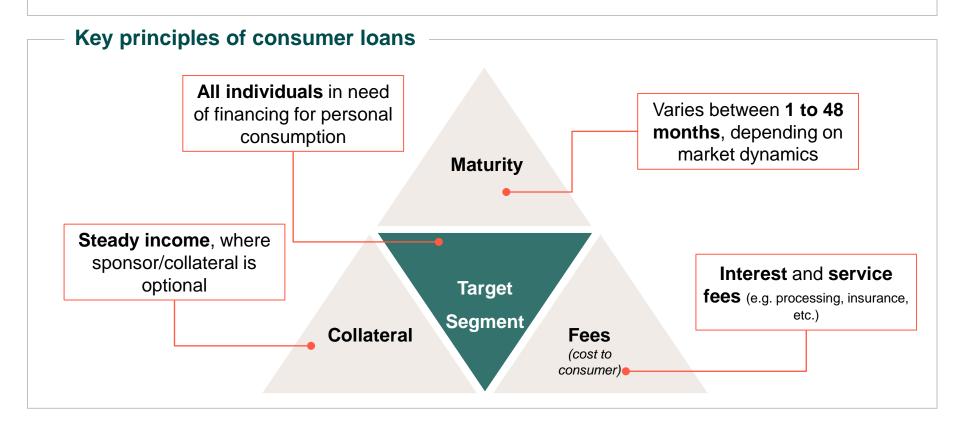
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### Consumer loans are a very common financing tool, supporting individuals with their purchases of goods and services

#### What is a consumer loan?

A common financing tool provided to all individuals with varying available funds to finance their purchases for personal consumption



### By promoting trade and helping to further social benefits, a loan is a crucial tool which lays a pathway towards economic growth and social well-being

#### Consumers

- Increase purchasing power of individuals, enabling them to purchase goods and services when they lack funds (at the moment)
- Eliminate the inconvenience of having to ask relatives or "unofficial" (gray market) resources to borrow from
- Improve living conditions and well-being

#### Macro-economy

- Stimulate macroeconomic progress, economic growth, and development through:
  - Boosting output and **generating jobs**
  - Lowering income inequality
  - Preventing shadow (gray) economy
  - Increasing financial inclusion and literacy
  - Higher amount of recorded money in circulation
  - Sustainability of consumption

#### **Banks & funders**

- Improve relationship with customers while building trust
- Generate income within the industry
- Minimize opportunity cost of keeping money at the safe (deposit and interest rate)
- Promote investments

Benefits (country and individual) of loans have been proven time and again in every market and the Iraqi population also deserve to have access to such benefits

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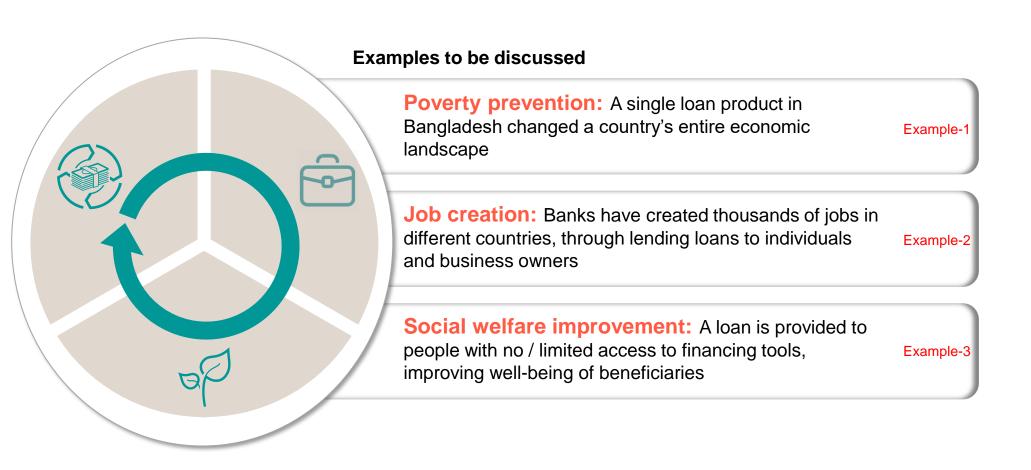
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### If managed appropriately, the entire market benefits from consumer lending since it utilizes circulating money for creating value and helping society



#### Grameen Bank of Bangladesh changed the lives of millions of people living in poverty by stimulating economic and social welfare through micro-loans



1976

Mohammad Yunus takes loans from banks and distributes it to the landless

1979

Success of GBP attracts other banks into supporting **GBP** 

2006



**Nobel Peace Prize** for Muhammad Yunus for creating economic and social development

**Today** 

8.9 \$ 23

million borrowers

hillion disbursed

31%

1.6%

increase in household income<sup>1</sup>

decrease in poverty

rate<sup>1</sup> per

year

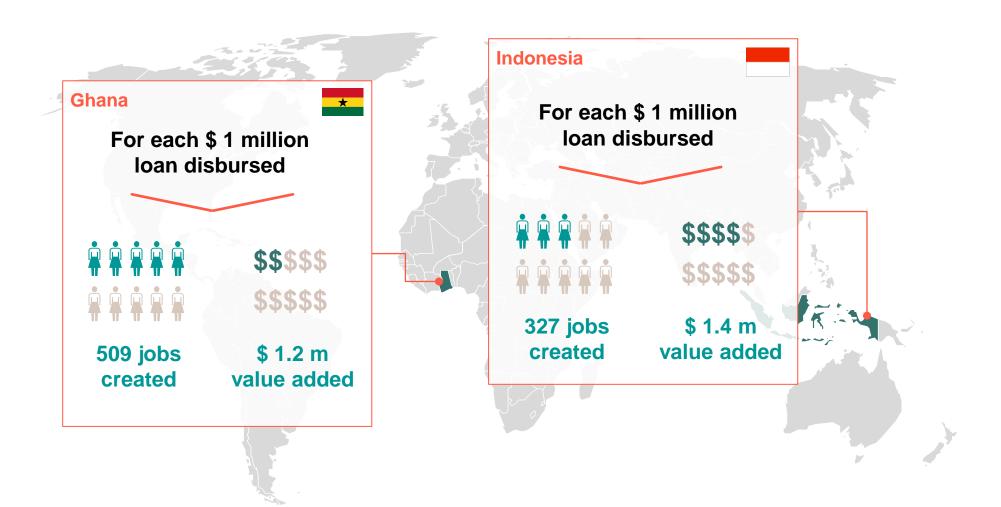
1978

Grameen Bank Project (GBP) is created with a commercial bank to provide group loans 1983

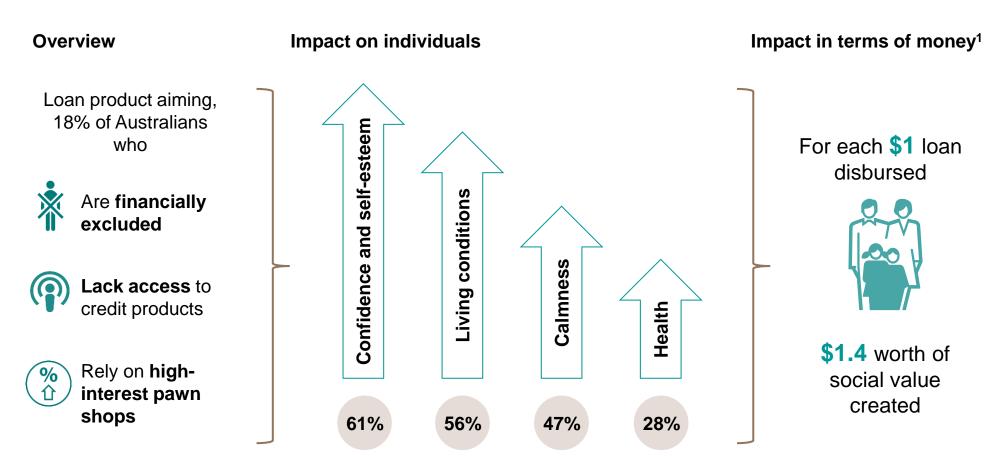
GB becomes an independent institution that is focused on microloans

Among the borrowers

### Providing consumers and businesses with critical financing instruments results in significant improvements in job market and overall economy



## In addition to quantified economic benefits of consumer loans, their positive qualitative impact on societies are an important factor to take into consideration



Percent of borrowers who improved an aspect of their social life

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### It is time for the entire population of Iraq to take advantage of financial tools to further lives and economic growth – progress to date has been too slow

# Macroeconomics



#### Socio-economic

- Unemployment rate is 11% nationally
- 23% of the population earns below the poverty line
- +2 million widows live in Iraq



#### **Financing**

- 11% of the population has an account at a financial institution
- Only 4% of Iraqi citizens borrowed formally
- 65% of Iraqi citizens were left to borrow informally

# Financing



#### Housing

- Only for mortgage seekers
- 10 years maturity



#### **Agricultural**

- Only for farmers
- 5 years maturity

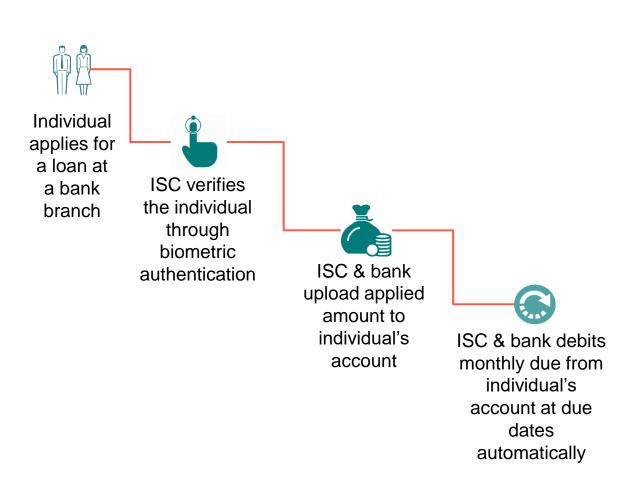


#### Smallprojects

- Only for business owners
- 10 years maturity

### We have substantial experience in the field and have already achieved major success with different financial products in the market

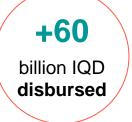
#### **Existing loan application process**



### What we have achieved so far







# As a consumer trusted financial operation with substantial technological capacity we are well positioned to manage the needed growth for the mass Consumer Loan product

#### Main pain points

- O1 Limited number of financing offerings in Iraqi market for consumers with generic needs
- O2 Extensive set of required documents in existing approval and underwriting processes
- Narrow coverage and low penetration rate due to eligibility terms and sales network
- O4 Time-consuming and labor heavy collection processes with high risk of default
- 05 Limited preventive actions against bad debt and NPL

#### **Our solution**

- We propose a well-designed consumer loan that will:
  - Target all consumers in Iraq
  - Authenticate consumers through biometric profile authorization without the hassle of mass document collections
  - Utilize its extensive nation-wide network and Bank partnerships to distribute the funds
  - Manage the risk of fraud and NPL thanks to salary-backed payment structure and historical experience in the market
  - Further build confidence in the Iraqi financial system and improve economic prosperity

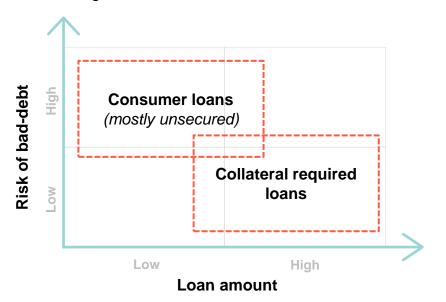
#### **BACKGROUND**

Concept of consumer loan

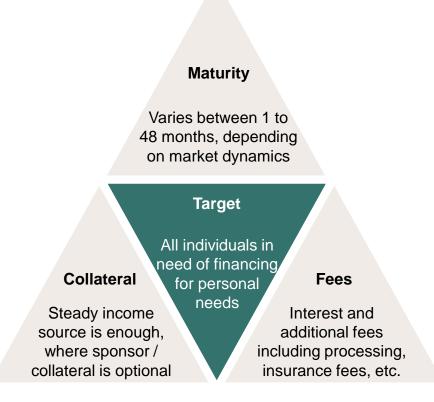
### Consumer loans are a very common financing tool, aiming to assist the purchases of goods and services of individuals

General overview of consumer loans

- Consumer loan is a common financing tool provided to individuals with limited available funds to finance their purchases for personal consumption
- These types of loans are usually general purpose and for all consumers, rather than focusing on a special group (e.g. farmers, small business owners, etc.)
- Depending on the risk/credibility profile of the consumer and disbursed loan amount, financial institutions generally offer loans categorized under two areas:



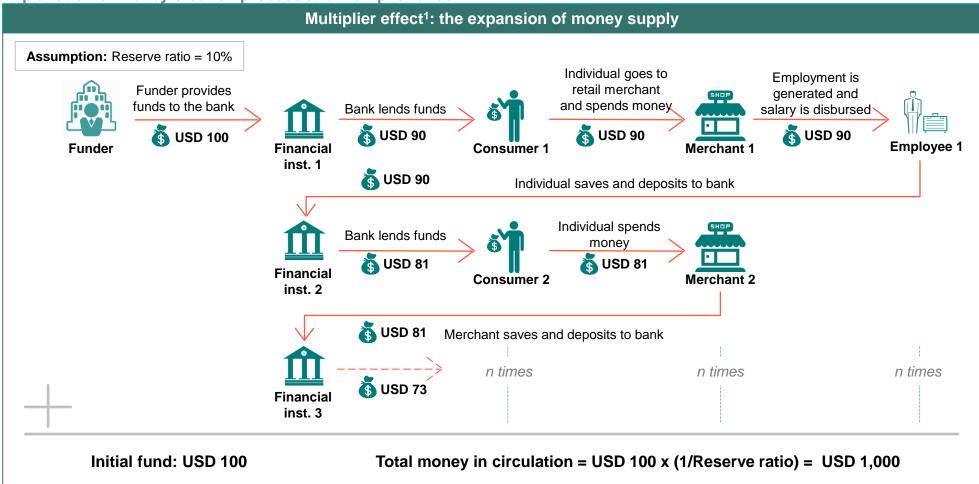
Main principles of consumer loans



Economic impact of consumer loans

# An initial fund of \$100 (for example) generates continuous growth, bringing total money in circulation to \$1,000 – fueling increased levels of financial inclusion, job creation and economic growth

**Explanation of money creation process and multiplier effect** 

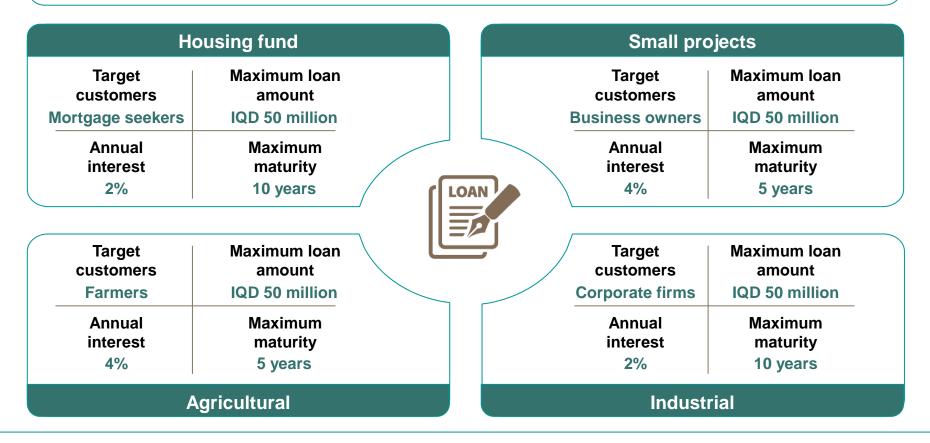


<sup>1.</sup> Multiplier effect is the term explaining how an economic activity may cause an increase with many other economic activities

### The currently limited loan offering in Iraq targets only specific financing purposes, rather than answering generic consumer needs

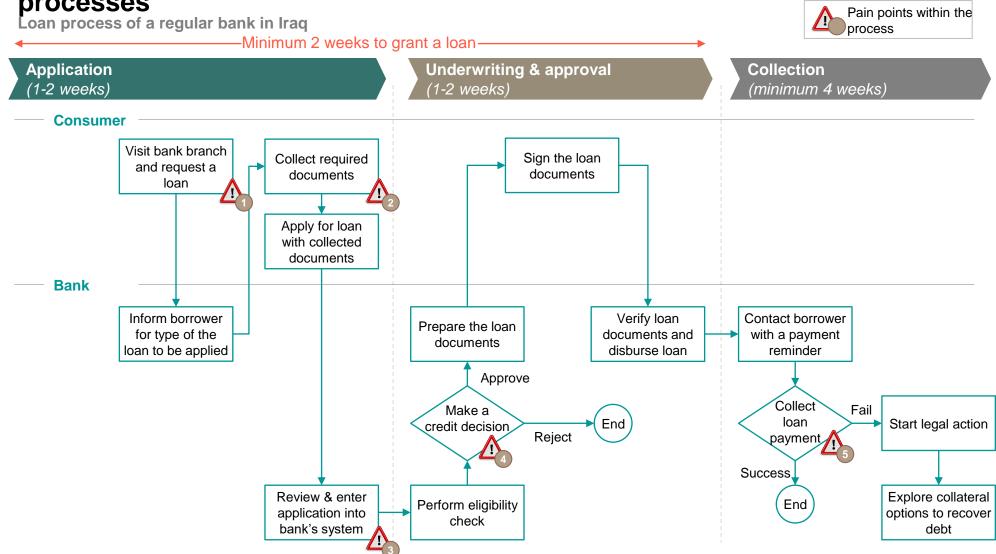
**Existing loan market and offerings in Iraq** 

- Currently in Iraq there are few loan products offered, mainly grouped in 4 categories: housing, small projects, agricultural and industrial
- Each loan requires extensive set of documents (collateral, guarantor, notary public approval, feasibility study, etc.), resulting in limited coverage and penetration within customer segments with special needs



Iraqi loan processes overview

Existing loan process in Iraq takes at least 2 weeks for consumers to complete, due to extensive set of required documents and labor-heavy processes



Pain points in Iraqi loan processes

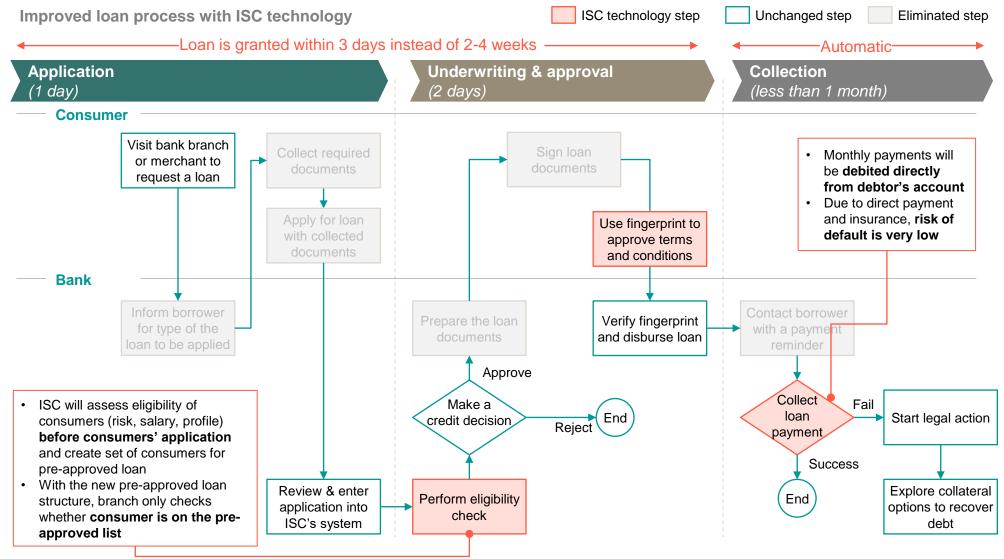
### The current sub-optimal loan process results in under-performance within the industry – loans in Iraq can be (should be) managed much better

Pain points defined in current loan process of a regular bank in Iraq

Pain p	oints	defined in curren	it loan process of a	a regular bank in Iraq	Balik	Fulldel	Customer
		Step	Issue definition	Details	Result	Affected party	Impact on the parties
Application	1	Visit bank branch and request a loan	Limited branch coverage	<ul><li>Inconvenience to borrowers</li><li>Limiting bank's reach to potential borrowers</li></ul>	<ul><li>Limited penetration</li><li>Low customer satisfaction</li></ul>	ВС	Medium
	2	Collect required documents	Extensive set of required documents	Minimum 1 day to collect all of the documents	<ul> <li>Limited penetration</li> <li>Low customer satisfaction</li> <li>High labor &amp; documentation cost</li> </ul>	ВС	Medium
			Requirement of collateral and sponsor	Restraining the potential number of eligible borrowers			
	3	Review & enter application into bank's system	Manual labor where there is fraud risk	<ul> <li>Open to fraud due to potential limited supervision of branch employee</li> </ul>	High fraud risk	B F	Medium
Underwriting & Approval	4	Make a credit decision	Long waiting times for credit approval	Approximately 2 weeks for banks to reach a credit decision	Low customer satisfaction	ВС	Low
			Human intervention with fraud risk	Open to fraud as manual human intervention	High fraud risk	B F	Medium
Collection	5	Collect loan payment	Limited branch coverage	Requiring branch visit for each payment term	Low customer satisfaction	ВС	Low
			Manual collection	Potential increase in default rates due to low financial literacy and manual collection	High NPL & bad debt ratio	B <b>F C</b>	High

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### As ISC, we would like to introduce a technology-based approach which will optimize end-to-end loan process with our extensive financial know-how



### The new structure will result in improved customer experience, operational efficiency and financial results with minimized risk of NPL

Benefits of ISC technology and proposed loan process

	Application	Underwriting & approval	Collection
Customer satisfaction	<ul> <li>Hassle free application phase where required documents / information are eliminated as ISC already has database of its current customer portfolio</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Shortened decision period from minimum 2 weeks to maximum 2 days as pre-approved limit has already assessed the consumer before consumer's application</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improved convenience through extended agent network of ISC with more 5,000 merchants which will be utilized as collection points</li> </ul>
Technology & operations	Minimized cost of labor and document management / archiving as ISC infrastructure substitutes existing paper-based application processes	Automatized manual underwriting processes as pre-approved loan takes place	No human intervention or paper work required where debt is debited automatically at payment due
Financial impact	<ul> <li>Eliminated the risk of fraud and corruption in loan applications through advanced biometric identification</li> </ul>	Limited possibility of accepting high risk customers or fraud as ISC automatically checks eligibility without human touch	Reduced the bad debt risk as ISC introduces auto-collection