

#### Microfinance Masterclass

Learn the business solution to solving poverty www.microfinancemasterclass.com.au











#### Agenda

- Poverty painting the picture
- Microfinance
  - global sector
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- Current issues
  - interest rates
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  - client protection
  - measuring impact and outreach



#### What is poverty?

790 million

Chronically undernourished

2.6 billion



No access to basic sanitation

1.1 billion



No access to clean drinking water

Every 3.6 seconds



Someone dies from starvation

Sources: www.un.org, www.globalissues.org, www.unmillenniumproject.org







#### What does poverty mean?

- Vulnerable to catastrophe
- Lacking in business and financial skills
- Lacking essential services: health, education, sanitation and finance



#### What does poverty mean?

- Creative
- Hardworking
- Family-oriented
- Looking for a better future



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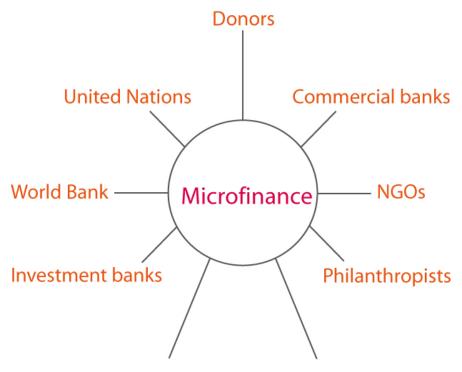
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#### **Entities involved in microfinance**



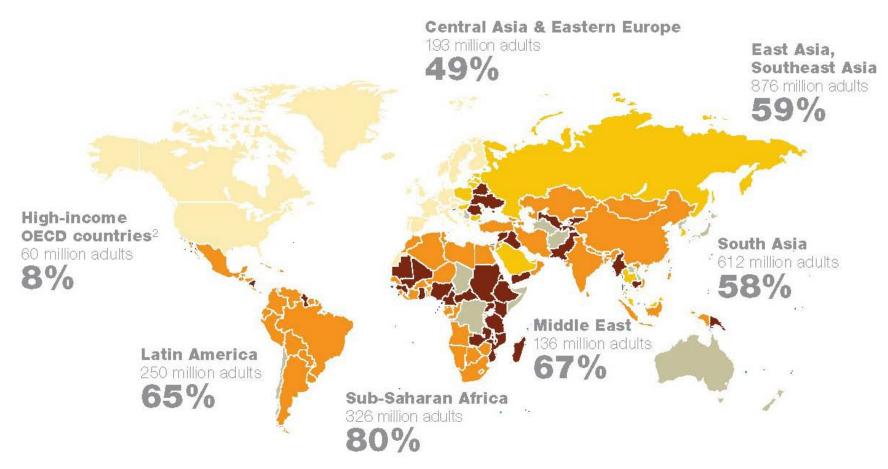
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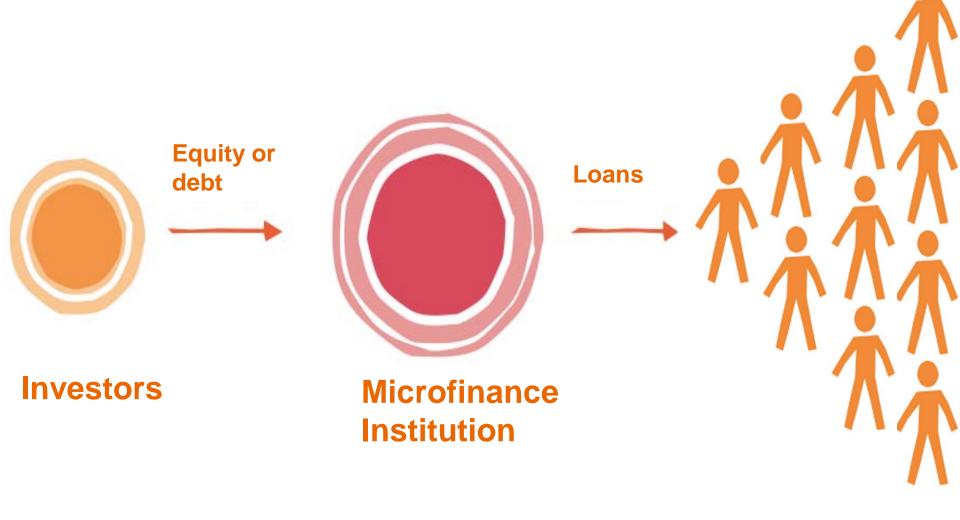
#### More than half the world's adults do not use formal or semiformal financial services.

% of total adult population that does not use formal or semiformal financial services1



















Profit-maximising shareholders

**Government-owned** 

Member-owned (co-operative)

Socially-minded shareholders



#### Social MFIs recycle funds

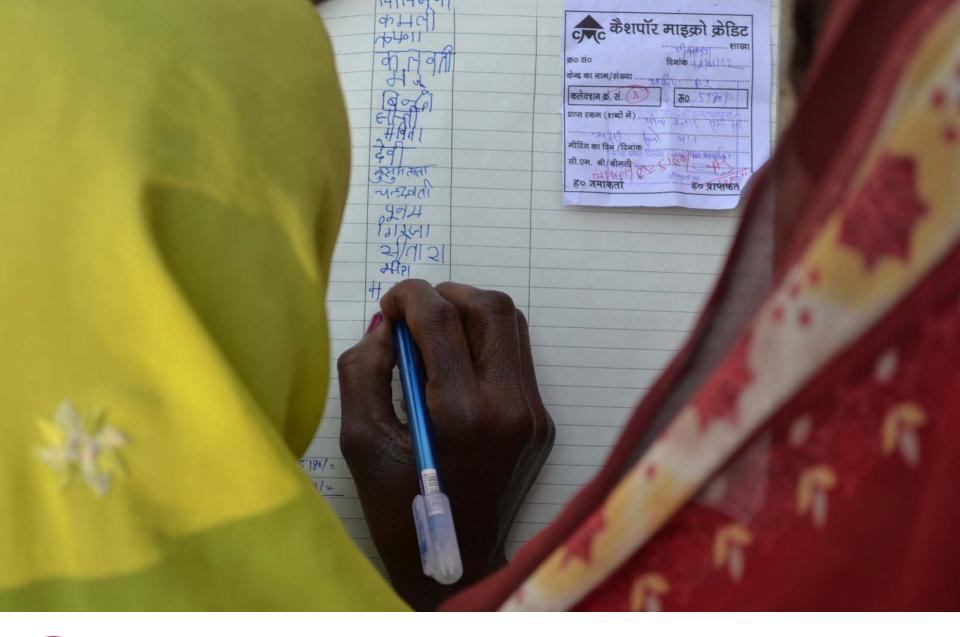
Invest in complementary services

Expand services into underserved communities

Reduce interest rates

Opportunity only supports socially focused MFIs.











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#### Why charge an interest rate?

Offer a hand up, not a hand-out

Access alternative sources of credit

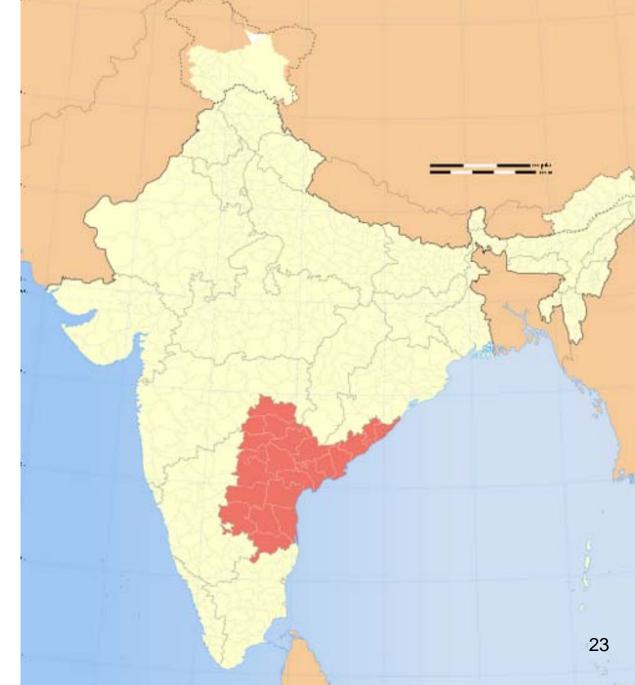
Improve operational costs and sustainability

Build a credit history

Give dignity



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## Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recommended regulations

Only lend to low income households

Cap on loan amounts – Rs.50k (\$1,000)

Total indebtedness cap - Rs.50k (\$1,000)

Loan term at least 24months for loans of Rs.15k+ (\$300)

No collateral

75%+ of loans for income generation

Client can choose repayment period (weekly, fortnightly, monthly)

Margin cap 12%; interest rate cap 26%

Individual loans allowed



#### Client protection principles

- Appropriate product design and delivery
- Prevention of over-indebtedness
- Transparency
- Responsible pricing
- Fair and respectful treatment of clients
- Privacy of client data
- Mechanisms for complaint resolution







### What does it take for a client to benefit from a loan?

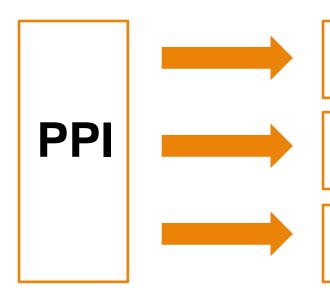
Business potential

Market access

Productive use of income



### Purposes of the Progress Out of Poverty Index (PPI)



Target clients who are in greatest need

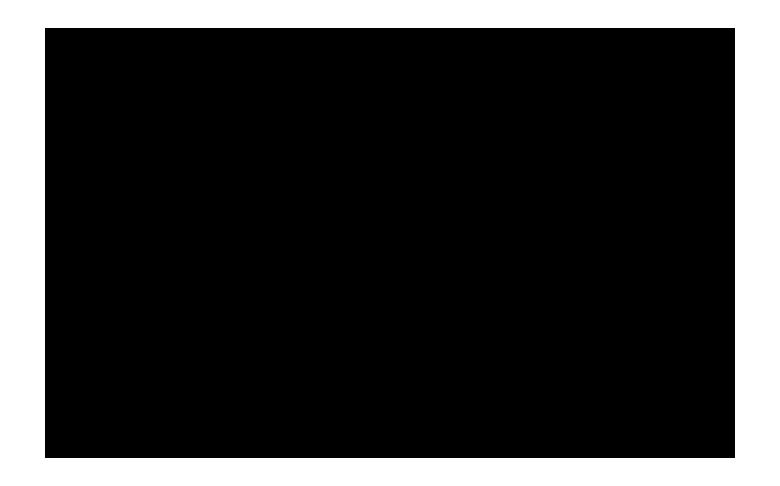
Assess the relative effectiveness of different financial products

Demonstrate social impact to potential and existing investors



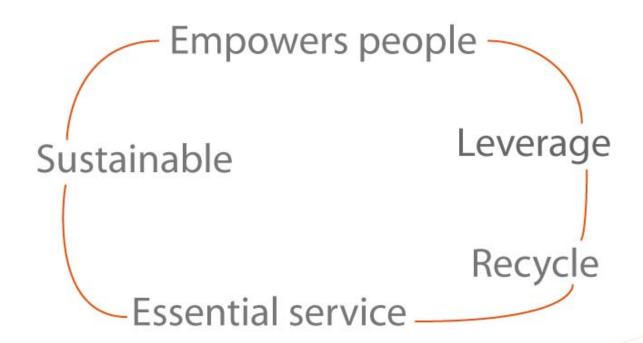








#### A sustainable poverty alleviation tool







**Learn purposefully** 



**Shout loudly** 



**Give generously** 





