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Release of Annual NPL Trends Study

Announcing the IPAF latest publication, offering a comprehensive analysis of recent Non-Performing Loan (NPL) trends across the region. This annual research provides valuable insights into the evolving economic landscape and addresses key thematic areas of interest to IPAF members.

In addition to thematic coverage, the study presents updated information on the current status of member institutions, supporting informed dialogue and strategic planning.

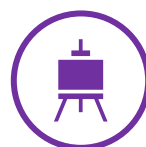
To promote ongoing knowledge-sharing, this study will be made available annually on the IPAF website—serving as a cornerstone of our growing repository of industry research and insights.



BACKGROUND

NPL Watch – Asia, a new annual report jointly developed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the International Public Asset Management Companies Forum (IPAF). This initiative provides timely insights into nonperforming loan (NPL) trends and resolution efforts across Asia and the Pacific.

The first edition, shaped by a 2025 IPAF member survey, interviews with asset management companies in China, Korea, and Viet Nam, and recent ADB research, offers a comprehensive view of market pressures and policy responses.



While NPL ratios declined modestly to 1.6% in 2024, credit stress persists in key sectors such as real estate and small enterprises. Structural barriers, uneven servicing capacity, and emerging digital platforms continue to influence the region's trajectory.

Stay tuned for annual updates on the IPAF website—bringing together shared diagnostics, evolving market developments, and regionally grounded strategies for financial stability.

