**Narrative:**
Government of Rwanda (GoR) has provided considerable support to the off-grid solar sector as it aggressively pursues the country’s universal access goals. According to the National Strategy for Transformation, Rwanda targets to achieve universal electrification by 2024, 48% through off-grid solutions and 52% through grid connections. The allocation for off-grid solutions is informed by geo-spatial mapping that identified areas that are difficult to reach due to the hilly terrain or have scattered settlements.

**Total Population:** 12.21 million (World Bank, 2017)
**Off-grid Population:** 8 million (World Bank)

**Rural Electrification Rate (World Bank, 2016):** 17.7%
**Poverty Headcount Ratio in 2010 (World Bank):** 55.5%

**RSE Score:**
- **78**

**Ease of Doing Business (World Bank 2017):** 29

**Pay As You Go Attractiveness Index (IFC Lighting Global 2018):** NA

**Mobile money use (World Bank Financial Inclusion Index 2017):** 35%

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