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OVERALL GOVERNANCE

2025 SCORE/100	2025 RANK/8	CHANGE 2016-2025
48.8	4th	+1.0

TREND

- Increasing Improvement
- Slowing Improvement
- Warning Signs
- Bouncing Back
- Slowing Deterioration
- Increasing Deterioration
- No Change
- Not Classified

SECURITY & RULE OF LAW

	SCORE/100 2025	RANK/8 2025	CHANGE 2016-2025
SECURITY & RULE OF LAW	45.8	4	-1.1
SECURITY & SAFETY	67.9	5	-3.5
Absence of Armed Conflict	86.2	5	-2.1
Absence of Violence against Civilians	70.9	5	-1.9
Absence of Forced Migration	79.7	5	-2.3
Absence of Human Trafficking & Forced Labour	47.0	5	-6.7
Absence of Crime	65.6	3	-3.6
Public Perception of Security & Safety	50.6	4	-6.6
RULE OF LAW & JUSTICE	42.4	4	-1.9
Executive Compliance with the Rule of Law	49.8	4	-3.3
Impartiality of the Judicial System	41.0	5	-8.3
Judicial Processes	43.0	4	-0.6
Equality before the Law	37.0	3	-2.8
Law Enforcement	37.9	6	+2.7
Property Rights	47.9	5	-0.3
Public Perception of the Rule of Law	42.6	4	-0.5
ACCOUNTABILITY & TRANSPARENCY	34.4	3	+0.3
Institutional Checks & Balances	36.7	4	-6.4
Absence of Undue Influence	27.0	3	-3.8
Civic Checks & Balances	45.2	3	0.0
Disclosure of Public Records	33.2	3	+7.3
Accessibility of Public Records	28.5	4	+2.5
Public Perception of Accountability	45.4	4	+3.6
ANTI-CORRUPTION	38.4	4	+0.9
Anti-Corruption Mechanisms	30.0	3	-3.7
Absence of Corruption in State Institutions	42.6	4	+1.9
Absence of Corruption in the Public Sector	40.3	4	+0.6
Public Procurement Procedures	31.0	4	+2.1
Absence of Corruption in the Private Sector	44.8	3	+3.6
Public Perception of Anti-Corruption	48.2	4	-1.5

FOUNDATIONS FOR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

	SCORE/100 2025	RANK/8 2025	CHANGE 2016-2025
FOUNDATIONS FOR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY	51.0	4	+3.3
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	51.0	4	+0.7
Civil Registration	60.7	5	-2.4
Capacity of the Statistical System	48.4	5	+7.7
Effective Administration	44.8	4	+1.3
Tax & Revenue Mobilisation	47.1	3	-1.2
Budgetary & Financial Management	57.2	7	+0.8
Public Perception of Easiness to Obtain an Identity Document	48.0	3	-8.7
BUSINESS & LABOUR ENVIRONMENT	46.0	3	+1.3
Regional Integration	43.8	4	+2.1
Economic Diversification	66.4	2	-1.1
Business & Competition Regulations	51.1	3	+3.1
Access to Banking Services	29.7	3	+3.0
Labour Relations	41.9	4	0.0
Secure Employment Opportunities	51.0	4	+1.1
Public Perception of Economic Opportunities	33.0	7	+0.4
INFRASTRUCTURE	46.6	2	+8.1
Transport Network	33.7	3	+0.9
Access to Energy	48.3	3	+7.0
Mobile Communications	74.4	4	+17.7
Internet	38.8	2	+10.7
Shipping & Postal Network	39.9	3	+9.1
Public Perception of Infrastructure	43.2	6	-2.1
RURAL ECONOMY	59.9	4	+3.1
Rural Land & Water Access	62.7	4	+1.4
Rural Market Access	54.4	4	+4.5
Rural Economy Support	64.6	4	+5.9
Rural Representation & Participation	64.6	6	+5.0

PARTICIPATION, RIGHTS & INCLUSION

	SCORE/100 2025	RANK/8 2025	CHANGE 2016-2025
PARTICIPATION, RIGHTS & INCLUSION	44.1	4	-0.4
PARTICIPATION	37.2	5	-2.0
Freedom of Association & Assembly	22.6	5	-1.2
Political Pluralism	28.3	6	-7.3
Civil Society Space	40.2	4	-5.4
Democratic Elections	36.7	3	-0.8
Deliberative & Participatory Governance	51.0	4	+2.4
Public Perception of Political Participation	57.2	4	0.0
RIGHTS	40.9	4	-2.2
Personal Liberties	37.7	5	-1.3
Freedom of Expression & Belief	47.9	4	-3.9
Media Freedom	43.2	6	-6.0
Digital Freedom	47.0	5	-1.3
Protection against Discrimination	21.2	4	+0.6
Public Perception of Freedom of Speech	63.7	6	-0.2
INCLUSION & EQUALITY	41.7	5	-2.5
Equal Political Power	36.1	5	-2.2
Equal Political Representation	39.9	3	-4.1
Equal Civil Liberties	47.7	5	-4.0
Equal Socioeconomic Opportunities	46.4	5	-0.2
Equal Access to Public Services	40.5	4	+2.2
Public Perception of Inclusion & Equality	41.3	6	-11.5
WOMEN'S EQUALITY	56.4	5	+4.9
Political Power & Representation of Women	50.3	5	+5.0
Rights & Civil Liberties for Women	66.1	4	+1.9
Socioeconomic Opportunity for Women	48.5	3	+2.7
Access to Public Services for Women	40.0	7	+0.4
Laws on Violence against Women	74.3	5	+10.5
Public Perception of Female Leadership	65.5	4	+11.5

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

	SCORE/100 2025	RANK/8 2025	CHANGE 2016-2025
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	54.2	3	+2.2
HEALTH	60.8	3	+2.2
Access to Healthcare	48.4	3	+1.0
Access to Water & Sanitation	58.7	2	+5.7
Control of Communicable Diseases	79.5	3	+4.2
Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)	66.5	7	-1.4
Child & Maternal Health	71.8	3	+4.5
Health Quality	45.0	2	+3.3
Public Perception of Health Provision	50.4	3	-6.7
EDUCATION	52.8	3	+0.5
Equality in Education	46.7	4	+1.9
Education Enrolment	41.2	2	+1.3
Education Completion	57.6	3	-1.5
Human Resources in Education	83.9	4	-4.6
Education Quality	47.9	2	+2.2
Public Perception of Education Provision	58.0	3	+0.7
SOCIAL PROTECTION & WELFARE	51.9	4	+2.7
Social Safety	35.4	4	+3.5
Poverty Reduction Policies	48.5	4	+0.8
Socioeconomic Inequality Mitigation	58.4	4	+1.7
Decent Housing	64.5	4	+10.8
Food Security	60.5	4	-1.6
Public Perception of Social Protection & Lived Poverty	40.6	5	-5.5
SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT	51.4	4	+3.6
Promotion of Environmental Sustainability	50.2	5	+4.1
Enforcement of Environmental Policies	51.1	5	+7.1
Air Quality	58.0	3	+5.3
Sustainable Use of Land & Forests	54.9	6	+2.3
Land & Water Biodiversity Protection	43.0	3	+0.4