

Energy Access and Finance



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SEforALL Energising Finance Series Taking the Pulse

- Over 100 off grid energy access providers interviewed
- Mini grids / Solar home Systems, Lanterns, Cooking and fuels

5 countries

- Kenya, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Myanmar and Bangladesh
- Focus on their financial structure and future plans
- Grant, Equity and Debt





Types of finance

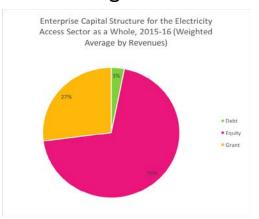
Debt	Equity	Grants
Loans / mortgages International v. local sources	Owner / friends / family capital	Project funding
Working capital debt / payment terms Overdraft	Angels / Impact investors / Philanthropist	Technical Assistance
		Expansion into new products / territories

Breakdown by country

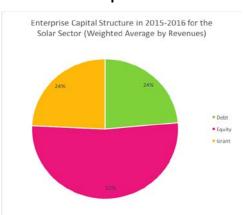
Kenya

Enterprise Capital Structure Across All Companies, 2015-2016 (Weighted Average by Revenues) 19% Debt Equity Grant

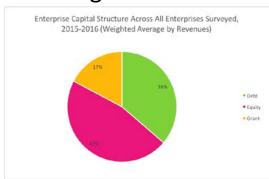
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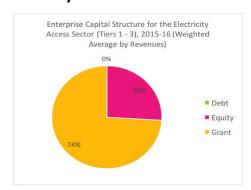
Ethiopia



Bangladesh



Myanmar





Key Findings

- (Un) availability of local debt local financial institutions do not understand business model – barriers too high
- Currency availability and fluctuations
- Less finance available for indigenous companies
- Mini grid funding model is very different to other sectors
- Cost of fuel in cooking is rarely considered
- More developed markets preferred NOT to take grants

Recommendations

- Increase availability of local Debt

 Awareness campaigns with local banks to explain opportunity

 Concessionary money to provide first loss, collateral and/or guarantees
- Aggregated hedging of local currency against (mainly) dollar
- More money focussed on off grid
- Loan size and tenure to fit local need
 - Capacity development of indigenous companies to present compelling business plans / applications