As a result of a commanding 3-2 win over Algeria on Tuesday in Yaounde, Cameroon, Rwanda’s women’s national volleyball team has qualified for the semi-finals of the CAVB Women’s African Nations Volleyball Championship for the first time.

Despite a tough game, Paulo De Tarso’s team beat Algeria 3-2, squeezing themselves into the semi-final against Morocco.

The Algerians dominated the first two sets, winning (23-25) and (25-15), respectively, but the Rwandans came back to win the tie break by 16-14.

Despite losing the opening game to pre-tournament favorites Kenya, Rwanda won three consecutive games against Lesotho.

They defeated Burkina Faso and Uganda in insurmountable fashion before qualifying for the quarterfinals after finishing second in Group B behind table leaders Kenya.

Meanwhile Morocco made light work of Cameroon while the Pharaohs of Egypt were the first team to book a spot in the semis after eliminating Uganda.

The tournament attracted 12 teams in total; these include; hosts Cameroon, Algeria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Egypt, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Uganda and Rwanda.