

What is solar power in Tonga?

The solar PV system is part of a 1.25 MW portfolio, where power will be sold to the island's villagers through pre-paid net metering. The Asian Development Bank, with the help of other institutions, is supporting the deployment of solar on the Pacific Ocean's small island nations. Tonga has a goal of 50% renewable energy by 2020 and 70% by 2030.

What is a solar farm & how can it help Tonga?

Producing energy since August this year, and providing power for up to 10,336 households, the Solar Farm is helping The Government of Tonga pursue its National Energy Roadmap plans to see up to 70% of Tongatapu's electricity generation sourced from renewables by the end of 2025.

What is the largest solar power project in the South Pacific?

It is reportedly the largest solar power project in the South Pacific, replacing 18% of current diesel-fueled power with solar energy on the Tongatapu island. This solar project was completed under the partnership between Sunergise New Zealand Limited and Tonga Power Limited with support from the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

How does the Tonga solar plant work?

Once operational, the solar plant will sell its electricity to Tonga's power utility, Tonga Power Limited (TLP), through a subsidized tariff, which is assessed by the ADB for each project. The island's citizens purchase the electricity through prepaid metering.

Why is Tongan King Tupou VI opening a solar power plant?

Tongan King Tupou VI at the official opening of the biggest solar power plant in the South Pacific. Photo /Sunergise Tongan Prime Minister Hu'akavameiliku Siaosi Sovaleni, who was also at the launch, said the plant indicates the need for independent power - like solar energy - to achieve their National Energy Roadmap.

How many solar PV plants will be built in Tonga?

The overall project comprises nine individual solar PV plants that will have a cumulative capacity of 1.25 MW to be built on Tonga's remote islands. Some will feature additional storage systems, to power households, public facilities, and medical facilities.

The Solar Farm is capable of producing 6.9MWp of renewable power, helping lower power costs to Tonga and producing enough renewable energy to offset 18% of Tongatapu's current diesel-powered generation.

The largest solar plant in the south Pacific will be built in Tonga through the country's second commercially financed public-private partnership (PPP) after an agreement was signed in the capital (Nuku'alofa).



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We aim to bring positive change to society by promoting a culture of solar energy use, demonstrating that environmental and economic sustainability can go hand in hand. We hope to contribute to reducing harmful emissions and building a brighter, more prosperous future for generations to come.

Al-Nasr Solar has implemented hundreds of solar energy projects of various types, including Off-Grid, On-Grid, and Hybrid systems, across most Yemeni governorates in residential, commercial, governmental, service, agricultural, and industrial sectors.

The Project will result in reducing the cost of electricity for consumers in Vava'u and will reduce Tonga's economical dependency to oil price fluctuations. This is achieved by: Feeding solar...

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