

# Egypt's solar power generation policy

Does Egypt have a solar plan?

In 2012, the Egyptian government approved the Egyptian Solar Plan, which includes adding 3.5 GW (2.8 GW CSP and 700 MW PV) of solar energy by 2027. The Ministry of Electricity and Renewable Energy signed seven memoranda of understanding worth USD 500 million for solar and wind projects in Egypt.

Does Egypt use solar energy?

In 2020, solar energy in Egypt accounted for 1.9% of its total electricity production, making it the second-highest renewable energy source. Egypt is the second country in Africa after South Africa in solar energy utilisation, ranked thirty-first worldwide (IRENA, 2021).

How is the energy sector governed in Egypt?

The overall governance of the Egyptian energy sector is guided at the strategy and policy level by regulations and directions issued by the Supreme Energy Council (SEC) and is managed at the execution level by the Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources and the Ministry of Electricity and Renewable Energy (MOERE).

Will Egypt reach 42% renewable power by 2030?

Expansion of installed renewable capacity largely plateaued after the inauguration of the major Benban solar plant in 2019, according to data from Egypt's New and Renewable Energy Authority (NREA), putting in doubt an earlier target of 42% of power generation through renewables by 2030.

How much energy will Egypt need by 2030?

Egypt will need significant investment in energy capacity by 2030 in order to meet the rising energy needs of the country, with demand expected to increase by almost 120% over the period. The Reference Case sees investment in renewable energy capacity averaging USD 2.5 billion per year to 2030.

Can Egypt achieve 42% of its energy generation capacity by 2035?

At present, Egypt has set an ambitious objective of achieving 42% of its energy generation capacity from renewable sources by 2035 (known as the 2035 energy target) (IRENA, 2018b). To better exploit the RE potential in Egypt, a few review studies have covered different aspects of RE technologies.

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The project will catalyze the development of decentralized, grid-connected small-scale renewable energy (RE) power generation market in Egypt and the solar PV in particular. The target is to ...

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In the land of gold, near Aswan, the jewel of the Nile, lies one of the largest solar parks in the world: Benban. This is no coincidence: located between latitudes 22 and 31.5 north, Egypt has ...

Despite the relatively small contribution of Egypt to the African and the global RE market, Egypt has a power generation potential of 73,656 TWh/y through concentrated solar ...

Officials touted Egypt's potential in wind and solar power as well as green hydrogen at a two-day Egypt-EU investment conference in Cairo at the weekend, hoping to secure financing and benefit ...

Between 2015 and 2021, around 28.5 GW of generation capacity was added to the Egyptian power grid, enabling the country to become a power surplus nation from a power deficit one. Egypt has increased its share ...

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