

Why do we need solar power in Tonga?

Renewables like solar are a significant means for Tonga to expand energy access, stabilize power grids as well as reduce pollution. Considering the shortage of solar expertise and finances for countries like Tonga, the role of independent power producers and the practice of PPA provide solid support to smooth the way for solar deployment.

Who are Sunergise New Zealand & Tonga Power Limited?

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). Sunergise led the construction and meanwhile united local Tongan civil, mechanical and electrical sub-contractors to the team.

What does Sunergise's 6MW solar system mean for Tonga?

As Hu'akavameiliku, Prime Minister of Tonga said at the ceremony: "The successful completion of the Sunergise's 6MW Independent Power Producers solar generation system today, demonstrates the major role renewable energy independent power producers play towards achieving our 70% target by [the] end of [the] year 2025."

Does Tongatapu need a solar power plant?

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. There is an aim to have up to 70 per cent renewable energy use in Tongatapu by the end of 2025.

Where is Tongatapu solar farm located?

Prime Minister of Tonga today announced the official launch of the 6-MW power purchase agreement (PPA) based Tongatapu Solar Farm located at Fualu, Tongatapu, which has supplied electricity to over 10,336 households since August this year.

Why is Tonga a good country to live in?

As an island country with a total surface area of merely 290 sq mi, Tonga's power generation heavily relies on imported fossil fuels. Renewables like solar are a significant means for Tonga to expand energy access, stabilize power grids as well as reduce pollution.



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We currently have a fully functioning Independent Power Producer solar system from Singyes Solar, with a capacity of 2MW. Singyes owns, generates and maintains this solar plant. Once power is generated, Tonga Power only purchases power generated by Singyes at ???



The Tonga Outer Islands Solar Electrification Program has been in operation since 1987, covering the Vava'u and Ha'apai island groups. Almost 90% of the population of these outer islands now has electricity, which equates to approximately 2000 systems, 230 kWp of solar energy and 2600 kWh of stored energy. The aim of the program is



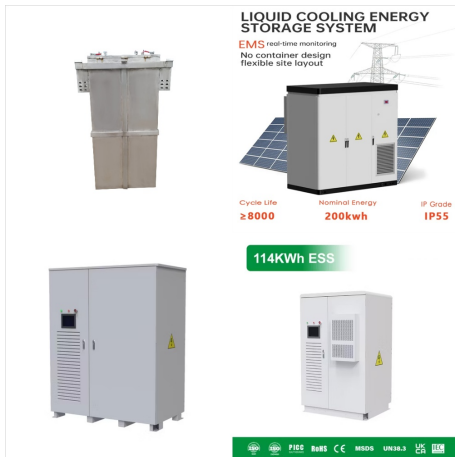
Maama Mai Solar. Solar | Popua, Tongatapu. The Maama Mai solar facility was commissioned in July 2012 by his Majesty King Tupou VI at Tonga Power Limited's Power Station at Popua. The project was funded by the NZ Aid Programme at a total of \$7.9 million NZD. In Tongan, Maama Mai means "Let there be Light".



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The commissioning of the Niuatoputapu Solar Hybrid System & Mini Grid is a significant milestone for Tonga. It brings the country's total electricity accessibility to around 99%. The project will also help to reduce Tonga's reliance on imported fossil fuels, which will benefit the environment and the economy.



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The Ha Mai Solar Facility is the first solar farm installed at Lifuka, Ha"apai. It has a capacity of 550 kW and 660 kW/hr of battery storage. Ha"apai is the first island in Tonga to reach 50% renewable energy, another step towards Tonga's overall goal of ???



The study confirmed that the proposed Tonga Sustainable Solar Electrification Project is in line with the priorities of the Tonga Government. Decentralised solar home systems have been identified as the best power generation option for the target islands.