

Boundiali(Ivory Coast) (AFP) - The sun beats down from a cloudless sky on the town of Boundiali,where Ivory Coast's first solar power plant embodies the drive to embrace clean energy without abandoning fossil fuels. Issued on: 07/06/2024 - 11:51 Modified: 07/06/2024 - 11:49

How many solar plants will Ivory Coast have?

The Ivory Coast's Ministry of Mines, Oil, and Energy has unveiled plans to build 12 solar plantswith a total capacity of 678 MW. Mamadou Sangafowa Coulibaly, the Ivory Coast's Minister of Mines, Oil and Energy, has announced plans to install 678 MW of solar capacity by 2030 and 1,686 MW by 2040.

Why is Ivory Coast launching a solar power plant?

Ivory Coast's first solar power plant represents a significant step towards a greener and more resilient energy future. By reconciling economic development and environmental protection, the country is showing the way to a successful energy transition.

Who financed the Ivory Coast solar power station?

The 75.6-million-euro (\$82.1-million) cost of building the solar power station was financed by Ivory Coast, a German loan and a European Union grant. " This is the result of the EU's long-standing commitment to the renewable energy sector, with almost 140 million euros since 2017, " EU ambassador to Ivory Coast Francesca Di Mauro told AFP.

Will Ivory Coast become a major power supplier in West Africa?

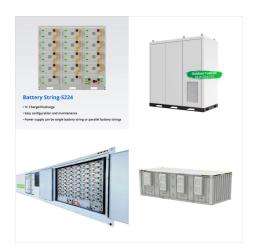
BOUNDIALI, Ivory Coast, April 3 (Reuters) - Ivory Coast officially opened a 37.5 megawatt (MW) solar power plant on Wednesday in what the government said was the first step of a plan to integrate more renewable energy into the power sector. Ivory Coast, the world's top cocoa producer, is seeking to become a major power supplier in West Africa.

How many solar panels does Côte d'Ivoire have?

Inaugurated in June 2023, the plant consists of 68,000 solar panels on 36 hectares, with the aim of doubling this figure by the end of 2024 to reach a capacity of 80 MWp. The project, with a total cost of 75.6 million



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TotalEnergies and L'Ivoirienne d''H?v?a (IDH) have signed a partnership to develop a 5 MW solar photovoltaic power plant to supply IDH's production site with green energy. This project aims to install more than 8,200 photovoltaic panels, reinforcing IDH's commitment to sustainable development and the energy transition.



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