

The Kenya Energy Regulator, known as the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority, is the Kenya energy regulatory agency. It has developed and gazetted Energy (Solar Photovoltaic Systems)

Regulations, 2012, which seek to streamline the solar PV industry.

What is solar energy in Kenya?

Solar energy refers to the radiant light and heat from the sun harnessed using different forms of technologies such as solar photovoltaic, solar thermal energy, solar heating and solar architecture. Kenya receives daily insolation of 4-6 kWh/m².

How many solar PV systems are there in Kenya?

An estimated 300,000 rural households in Kenya have solar home systems and annual PV sales in Kenya are between 10,000-20,000systems. The demand for solar PV systems in Kenya is driven by rural class purchasing power.

Does solar PV support income generation activities in Kenya?

Solar PV also plays a substantive role in supporting the use of electric light for key social activities such as evening time study by children. However its role in supporting income generation activities is yet to be fully embraced. The average solar PV system size for households in Kenya is 25-30Wp.

What are the pillars of achieving a solar vision in Kenya?

Achieving a solar vision in Kenya relies on several key elements. One of these is manufacturing, which is enabled by the availability of clean and reliable energy. Kenya's estimated solar potential is almost 15000 MW, with the current installed capacity being more than 100 MW. The largest installation to date is Garissa Solar, with a capacity of 55MW.

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Solar PV Systems. Kenya has one of the most active commercial PV system market in sub-Saharan Africa, with an installed PV capacity is in the range of 4 MW. An estimated 300,000 rural households in Kenya have solar home systems and annual PV sales in Kenya are between 10,000-20,000 systems.



Understanding eligibility criteria is fundamental to securing solar energy grants in Kenya. To qualify, you must meet specific grant requirements set by funding sources, such as government bodies, NGOs, or international organizations.



To apply for a Solar Photovoltaic Contractor license, visit the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) Website New users will be required to register with the EPRA online user portal, hover the mouse cursor over the "Online Service" Option, and select "License Application" on the drop box.

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Kenpro Solar Program (KSP) is intended to advance the principal aim of Sustainable Development Goal 7, namely to ensure access to affordable, reliable and sustainable energy for all. Program Objectives. To partner with development partners in renewable energy sector to ensure affordable and sustainable access to energy in Kenya and the region;



The regulations require that only licensed technicians are allowed to design and install solar PV systems; and to be licensed, technicians shall be required to have undertaken a solar training course allowing them to practice within the following parameters:



If you"re installing solar panels in Kenya, you"ll need to comply with numerous regulations and obtain various permits. The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) mandates a construction permit and operational license. You"ll also need to adhere to Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) guidelines for equipment safety and efficiency.

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The government of Kenya through the Ministry of Energy (MoE) has initiated programs intended to electrify schools and health facilities in rural areas using solar systems. This includes provision of solar powered laptops to primary schools.