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Lesotho Solar Energy Storage Investment Project



Overview

It is the first utility-scale solar project in Lesotho, divided into two phases: the first phase will deliver 30 MW and the second 40 MW, with commissioning scheduled for early 2025. Will Lesotho be able to pilot a hybrid solar PV mini-grid?

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Is Lesotho launching a solar mini-grid project?

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What is Lesotho solar energy society?

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Is Lesotho still lagging behind on energy investment?

In spite of the aforementioned investment incentives that have been formulated by Lesotho, the country is still lagging behind on the key incentives essential for investment in energy i.e. clearly formulated policy targets and incentives such as the REFIT. 3.3.1 Barriers¹⁵.

What are the potential energy resources in Lesotho?

Potential grid and off-grid renewable energy resources in Lesotho include hydro power, solar and wind energy. Biomass can also be considered where the material can be transformed to produce electricity

either through direct combustion or via biogas. Hydro and pumped Storage.

What is Lesotho's new mini-grid?

The pilot mini-grid and those of the planned larger portfolio are solar PV hybrids with battery storage and limited LPG backup generation. The hybrid nature of the design is to ensure 24-hour, year-round electricity supply, including Lesotho's harsh winters.

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