

Over 100,000 (over 650 Villages) solar home systems (SHSs) have been installed in various parts of the country. 4 Bio-Mass oMore than 85% of Afghanistan's energy needs are met by traditional biomass, mainly wood and dung oAn estimated 300 small biogas digesters have been installed in different parts of Afghanistan. 5 Geo-Thermal Energy

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They concluded that solar and wind power-plants in both provinces acquired penetration levels of 65-70% without curtailment which led to less dependency on neighboring countries for generating required electricity, lower consumption of fossil fuels, lower costs, and also less environmental pollution.

Afghanistan is presently highly dependent on foreign energy imports and only about 32% of its population has access to grid-connected power, according to the Asian Development Bank (ADB). The lender in November 2017 committed to extend a USD-44.8-million grant for a 20-MW solar park in Kabul, the capacity of which could potentially reach 40 MW.

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has extended a USD-4-million (EUR 3.6m) loan to several companies owned by Turkey-based civil works contractor 77 Group to support the construction of a 15.1-MW solar photovoltaic (PV) farm in Afghanistan.

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Afghanistan has significant potential for solar energy production, estimated to exceed 220 GW. 10 The government has ambitious plans to develop 2,000 MW of solar power by 2032 to boost the nation's electricity supply. 11

designed, built, owned and operated solar PV power plants under long-term contracts at competitive tariffs. Market-tested, "bankable" contract documentation: Under the Scaling Solar program, a 20 - 25 year offtake / PPA agreement will be entered into by Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS), the government owned national utility.

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