

Will Kengen implement a 100MW Bess project in 2024?

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How much Bess is needed in Kenya?

KP believes that more than 480MW of BESS is required across different locations in the country, such as western Kenya, where there is inadequate transmission capacity at peak times as well as at substations along Kenya's coast.

What is the Bess project?

The BESS project has been identified as a possible solution to increased proportion of intermittent energy to the Kenyan power system and energy curtailment during off peak hours. The BESS project will reduce the impact of intermittency on the grid and store power for use during peak hours.

What is a Bess & how does it work?

The BESS will be utilized in the storage of excess energy generated by geothermal plants and help address grid instability arising from high levels of intermittent power by providing load balancing power to the grid.

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The LCPDP's demand forecast includes Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) to be used to support the integration of variable renewable energy technologies and system support. BESS features prominently in the generation capacity expansion plan which includes 50MW of BESS in the generation mix by 2022 with the number rising to 250MW by 2026.

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