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#### How is the energy sector regulated in the Solomon Islands?

Solomon Islands National Energy Policy 2014 21 5.2 Governance and regulation The current institutional framework for governance and coordination is vertically structured and there is no overall coordination or regulation for the energy sector. Petroleum pricing and storage are regulated through the Price Control Act and Petroleum Act

### What is the Solomon Islands energy policy?

to the achievement of Solomon Islands' national vision: 'A united and vibrant Solomon Islands' (see Solomon Islands NDS 2011-2020) and the vision of the energy sector (see 2.1 below). The policy is also intended to guide the development over the next five years of energy sub-sector strategies and investment plans.

#### Why is energy important in the Solomon Islands?

Energy is included in the Solomon Islands National Infrastructure Investment Plan and the National Development Strategy as being integral and important for achieving the goals they have set. Energy is a key driver of economic growth, social development and improvement in the livelihood of communities.

#### What are the energy security indicators for Solomon Islands?

against the energy security indicators. The 2009 energy security indicators for Solomon Islands can be used as a baseline for planning and monitoring progress if there is no other baseline information available. In addition, SINEP outputs should also be monitored according to the NDS objectives and goals.

What are the challenges and opportunities in the Solomon Islands?

Solomon Islands has its own challenges and opportunities in terms of our energy situation. Our extremely low national electricity coverage, high energy costs and high dependence on imported fossil fuel are exacerbated by the geographical spread of the archipelago, and this adversely affects our economic and social development.

#### What are the policy instruments of the Solomon Islands?

These policy instruments include the setting up of regulations and standards, quantity instruments, procurement strategies and price instruments. Research, development and assessment of renewable energy technology options, including biomass gasification, is considered vital due to the high land mass area of Solomon Islands.

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In 2009, Solomon Islands energy consumption totalled 4,857 TJ with petroleum fuels accounting for 99.96% and renewable energy (RE) from hydro and solar accounting for 0.04% (contribution from biomass is

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excluded in this analysis).

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The Solomon Islands Government (SIG) views its energy sector as a key enabling factor to support its poverty alleviation effort, accelerate access to better health care and education services, and improve the

Solomon Islands has the potential to increase electricity access and use through renewable energy resources and technologies to 100% by 2050. However, increasing the use of these renewable energy resources presents challenges.

developing areas. Energy self-sufficiency has been defined as total primary energy production divided by total primary energy supply. Energy trade includes all commodities in Chapter 27 of the Harmonised System (HS). Capacity utilisation is calculated as annual generation divided by year-end capacity x 8,760h/year. Avoided

finance new solar farms in Guadalcanal and Malaita province, along with a utility-scale grid-connected energy storage system in Honiara; pilot a business model for rooftop solar systems at two regional schools; support Solomon Islands" power sector reforms including identifying and preparing one private sector renewable project; and



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