

Why do we need solar power in Tonga?

Renewables like solar are a significant means for Tonga to expand energy access, stabilize power grids as well as reduce pollution. Considering the shortage of solar expertise and finances for countries like Tonga, the role of independent power producers and the practice of PPA provide solid support to smooth the way for solar deployment.

Who are Sunergise New Zealand & Tonga Power Limited?

This solar project was completed under the partnership between Sunergise New Zealand Limited and Tonga Power Limited with support from the Asian Development Bank (ADB). Sunergise led the construction and meanwhile united local Tongan civil, mechanical and electrical sub-contractors to the team.

What does Sunergise's 6MW solar system mean for Tonga?

As Hu'akavameiliku, Prime Minister of Tonga said at the ceremony: "The successful completion of the Sunergise's 6MW Independent Power Producers solar generation system today, demonstrates the major role renewable energy independent power producers play towards achieving our 70% target by [the]end of [the]year 2025."

Why is Tongan King Tupou VI opening a solar power plant?

Tongan King Tupou VI at the official opening of the biggest solar power plant in the South Pacific. Photo /Sunergise Tonga Prime Minister Hu'akavameiliku Siaosi Sovaleni, who was also at the launch, said the plant indicates the need for independent power - like solar energy - to achieve their National Energy Roadmap.

Where is Tongatapu solar farm located?

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Does Tongatapu need a solar power plant?

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"In Tonga, we have taken the decision of building of renewable capacity by 70% by 2030 and solar will be a key driver for achieving our targets. The role of ISA will be crucial in helping the countries strengthen their NDCs and to chart a roadmap for achieving their climate action targets," Hon Tei said.

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Ha"apai volcanic eruption and resulting tsunami, as well as the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tonga Power Limited is continuously expanding its Renewable Energy Portfolio, through the introduction of solar generation and most recently Tonga's first ever large scaled wind generation system in Niutoua.

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The commissioning of the Niuatoputapu Solar Hybrid System & Mini Grid is a significant milestone for Tonga. It brings the country's total electricity accessibility to around 99%. The project will also help to reduce Tonga's reliance on imported fossil fuels, which will benefit the environment and the economy.

Maama Mai Solar. Solar | Popua, Tongatapu. The Maama Mai solar facility was commissioned in July 2012 by his Majesty King Tupou VI at Tonga Power Limited's Power Station at Popua. The project was funded by the NZ Aid Programme at a total of \$7.9 million NZD. In Tongan, Maama Mai means "Let there be Light".

The NZ-based company has implemented over 20 megawatt of solar energy around Aotearoa, Fiji, Tonga and other parts of the South Pacific. Tongan King Tupou VI at the official opening of the...

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Tonga Power Limited (TPL) signed the power purchase agreement with Sunergise New Zealand Limited (Sunergise), which will finance, build, and operate the 6-megawatt solar farm on Tongatapu and sell the electricity generated to TPL for 25 years.

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The system includes a 350kW solar plant and a 1003kW/1856kWh battery energy storage system, which will enable TPL to integrate renewable energy into its electricity grid and provide reliable power to customers. Her Excellency Rachael Moore, the Australian High Commissioner to the Kingdom of Tonga, was present as the guest of honour at the event.

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