

Djibouti Solar Power System





Overview

The launch of the Grand Bara solar power plant is a significant step towards Djibouti's goal of achieving carbon neutrality by 2035. This 25 MW plant, built by French company Engie, is the largest solar facility in the country and marks a major milestone in Djibouti's renewable energy development. What is Djibouti's new solar project?

The project will be the first solar Independent Power Project (IPP) in Djibouti and will be located in Grand Bara, south of Djibouti City. The solar project is being fully developed by AMEA Power under a Build-Own-Operate and Transfer (BOOT) model and will generate 55 GWh of clean energy per year, enough to reach more than 66,500 people.

What is the source of Djibouti's energy?

Approximately 65 percent of Djibouti's electricity comes from external sources. The remaining energy comes from its own geothermal, solar, wind, and biomass sources. According to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), this reliance on imported energy can lead to price volatility that can hinder economic development plans.

Why is Djibouti constructing a solar farm?

Djibouti's \$390 million solar farm is under construction in southern Djibouti as a result of a public-private partnership between Djibouti's Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources and Green Enesys, a German renewable energy firm. Construction began in 2018 after \$50 million in funding was secured by the World Bank and other financiers.

Who signed the Djibouti Solar Power Project (IPP)?

The signing was witnessed by the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, H.E. Yonis Ali Guedi. The project will be the first solar Independent Power Project (IPP) in Djibouti and will be located in Grand Bara, south of Djibouti City.



Who will take over the Djibouti electricity project?

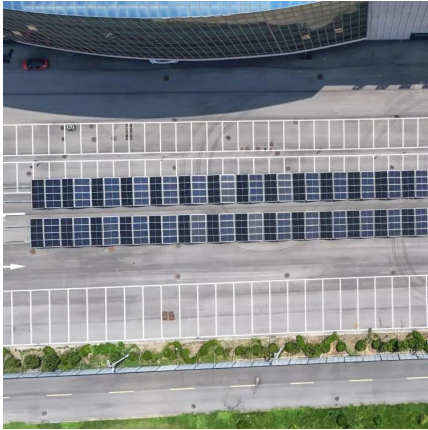
The Sovereign Fund of Djibouti (FSD) will be joining the project before financial close as a minority shareholder. The offtaker for the project will be Electricité de Djibouti. As part of its strategic plan, the Government of Djibouti aims to reduce CO2 emissions by around 40% by 2030.

Does Djibouti have geothermal power?

Djibouti currently has just over 100 MW of installed generation capacity, but only 57 MW is reliably available to serve a population of 940,000 and its key industries. Geothermal resources in Djibouti have been recognized for years, and exploration activities are currently underway to identify economic vapor resources.



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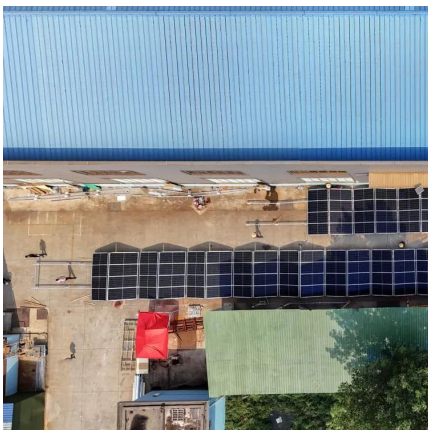
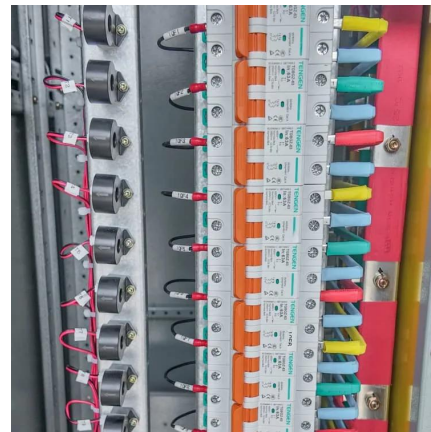


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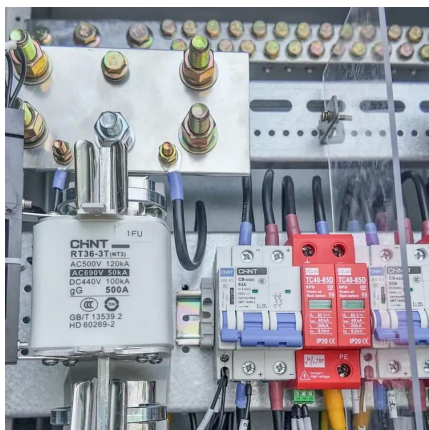
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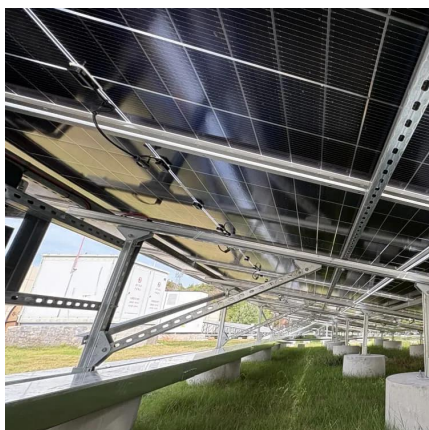


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