



East Timor Single Battery Energy Storage

Will Timor-Leste's first solar power project integrate with a battery energy storage system?

In a landmark moment for Timor-Leste's energy future, a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) has been officially signed for the country's first-ever solar power project integrated with a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).

What is the Timor-Leste solar power project?

The Project involves the construction and 25-year operation of a new power plant in Manatuto, Timor-Leste, comprising a 72 MW solar power plant co-located with a 36 MW/36 MWh battery energy storage system. This will be the country's first full-scale renewable energy IPP project.

Is East Timor interested in solar power?

East Timor President Jos#233; Ramos-Horta told The Associated Press in an interview in Dili last week that his country is interested in exploring various types of renewable energy sources, including wind, sea and especially solar power. "We have plenty of sun," he said, adding that the cost of solar technology continues to fall.

Why should Timor-Leste invest in solar & storage infrastructure?

Jos#233; added: "The investment in Timor-Leste's solar and storage infrastructure is transformative. It will help reduce dependence on fossil fuels while improving grid stability and energy access across the country". Jos#233; de Ponte was supported by special counsel Marnie Calli, senior associate Lisa Huynh and solicitor Jeraldine Mow.

Does East Timor have electricity?

Access to electricity is a modern development for many of East Timor's 1.3 million people, after much of the country's infrastructure was razed by Indonesian forces during the war for independence. Recovery was slow after East Timor gained formal independence in 2002.

Who bids for solar IPP project in Timor-Leste?

For Timor-Leste, bidders are typically from legacy countries such as Indonesia, Portugal and People's Republic of China. For the Solar IPP project, Government of Timor-Leste represented by the Ministry of Finance has provided backstop guarantee for EDTL obligations under the Implementation Agreement.

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