

Can Mozambique take full advantage of its solar potential?

In a new monthly column for pv magazine, SolarPower Europe describes how Mozambique may take full advantage of its huge solar potential by implementing its recently launched Renewable Energy Auctions Programme for large-scale projects, while also pushing for more off-grid renewables in remote areas.

What is the market for off-grid solar in Mozambique?

The total estimated addressable market for off-grid solar is currently 173 MW, and is expected to grow in line with the growth of the aforementioned sectors. Recent energy policy reforms are also changing the game for off-grid renewables in Mozambique.

Who built Mozambique's first large-scale solar power plant?

Capital and expertise from Scatec Solar, KLP and Norfund enabled the construction of Mozambique's first large-scale solar power plant. Central Solar de Mocuba (CESOM) provides over 79 GWh of electricity annually, which is equivalent to the electricity consumption of more than 170,000 households in Mozambique.

What is central solar de Mocuba?

Central Solar de Mocuba has increased Mozambique's energy generation capacity by 40 MW and will produce approximately 79 GWh per year. The project's strategic location will reduce energy transmission losses and improve the security of energy supply in northern Mozambique and stabilize the grid.

Will Mozambique get a solar power plant in 2023?

Future tenders are expected to be announced in Q4 of 2023, including the selection of two independent power producers for two 30 MW solar photovoltaic power plants and one 50 MW wind power plant. But Mozambique has an enormous challenge that spreads far beyond where the national grid ends.

Where is a new energy storage system located in Mozambique?

The US\$32 million project is located in the Tete District of the city of Cuamba, Niassa province, about 550 kms west of the coastal town Nacala. The project is the first IPP in Mozambique to integrate a utility scale energy storage system and includes an upgrade to the existing Cuamba substation.

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Large scale renewable projects are becoming a point of interest for investment in Mozambique, specifically solar and hydro. Mozambique's main body to promote renewable energy access, FUNAE, expects that the capacity of on-grid ...

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