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Can a solar array power Tokelau?

Solar arrays seen on the three tiny islands of Tokelau to completely produce solar power energy. The renewable energy system comprising of solar panels, storage batteries and generators running on biofuel derived from coconut will generate enough electricity to meet 150% of the islands' power demand.

What's new in Tokelau & New Zealand?

Jointly funded through the governments of Tokelau and New Zealand through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the project will see an additional 210 kW solar array and 2MWh battery storage system installed on each of the three atolls: Atafu, Fakaofu and Nukunono.

What is the Tokelau PV project?

The Government of Tokelau sees the PV Project as the first step and therefore trial towards the long-term goal of energy independence based on renewable energy. The project is implemented by the Government of Tokelau and funded jointly by Government of New Zealand, Government of France, UNESCO Apia and UNDP Samoa.

Could Tokelau be the world's first renewable nation?

Solar power plants and coconut biofuel-powered generators switched on in Tokelau has made the islands the world's first truly renewable nation.' Imagine a place where the only energy to be found is clean, reliable solar power. Solar arrays seen on the three tiny islands of Tokelau to completely produce solar power energy.

Who will install a new solar system in Tokelau?

Jointly funded by the governments of Tokelau and New Zealand, the \$NZ9 million (\$USD5.7m) system will be installed by New Zealand company Vector PowerSmart. Tokelau's existing solar system was eight years old and in need of upgrading because of increasing demand for electricity and wear and tear from the harsh marine environment, it said.

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Energy self-sufficiency (%) 100 100 Tokelau COUNTRY INDICATORS AND SDGS TOTAL ENERGY



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SUPPLY (TES) Total energy supply in 2021 Renewable energy supply in 2021 100% Oil Gas Nuclear Coal + others Renewables 2% 98% Hydro/marine Wind Solar Bioenergy Geothermal 0% 0% 0% 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100%

Tokelau is the first country in the world to produce all its electricity needs from renewable energy. This small Pacific nation with three atolls and 1160 people has switched off its noisy, polluting diesel generators and is now totally powered by the sun.

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Diesel usage, previously needed for power generators, is said to have dropped by 90 percent. Some power generation using diesel remains necessary as backup and in prolonged cloudy spells. The initial investment was NZ\$7.5 million by New Zealand plus NZ\$1 million by ...

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