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Botswana solar Panel Project



Overview

Botswana is set to launch a tender for a 200 MW solar PV project in the second quarter of 2025, marking a significant step in its renewable energy development. Will a 100 MW solar plant be built in Botswana?

State-owned Botswana Power Corp. has signed a power purchase agreement with a consortium of Chinese enterprises and other companies to construct a 100 MW solar plant in southern Botswana. The project is expected to start generation by the end of 2025.

How will solar power plants be financed in Botswana?

The solar power plants are estimated to be financed by BWP 936 million (USD 68 million) of non-recourse project debt and equity from Scatec. Financing for the first 60 MW will be provided by the Rand Merchant Bank in Botswana and the World Bank's International Finance Corporation (IFC).

Where is the largest solar project in Botswana?

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Will a solar project help Botswana meet its electricity demand?

Botswana has launched its first utility scale grid-connected solar project which is expected to help the country meet its electricity demand. Botswana President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi at the launch of the first phase of the solar project. Image Source: Botswana Power Corporation (BPC)/X.

How will Botswana Power Projects be implemented?

These projects, with a combined capacity of 1.5GW, will be implemented through private sector investment, with the Botswana Power Corporation

(BPC) acting as the offtaker under long-term Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) of up to 25 years.

When will Mmadinare 100MW solar project be delivered in Botswana?

Image Source: Botswana Power Corporation (BPC)/X. Botswana has launched the first phase of a solar project expected to be delivered by next year. Last week, Botswana President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi, launched the construction work of Phase 1 of the Mmadinare 100MW Solar Cluster.

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