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Overview

Does Ethiopia have a solar energy sector?

However, despite all its available potential, the country’s energy sector especially solar energy is still in its infancy stage. The main objective of this systematic review is to identify the present status of solar energy utilization and development in Ethiopia and any possible challenges that may hinder its’ utilization and development.

What is the solar energy utilization status in Ethiopia?

There are also, ongoing solar energy utilization, like Metehara, in Oromia, gad in Somali and Dicheto in Afar regional states. Generally, solar radiation utilization status in Ethiopia is very low because, its’ installation material is imported from abroad and needs huge amounts of foreign currency.

Can solar power transform Ethiopia's energy landscape?

Among these, solar energy emerges as a beacon of hope, poised to transform Ethiopia's energy landscape and drive socioeconomic development. Significantly, the country has relied heavily on hydropower, which accounts for more than 90% of its electricity generation.

How much solar PV is installed in Ethiopia?

Solar PV capacity in Ethiopia has almost tripled in the past five years. However, 14 MW of solar PV systems has been installed up to now, counting for 0.3% of the Nation’s total energy capacity. Ethiopia’s solar capacity is expected to increase in the coming years with the number of ongoing solar PV projects.

How many people in Ethiopia have access to electricity?

The international energy agency estimates that around 45% of Ethiopia’s total populations have access to electricity. Nearly 85% of Ethiopia’s urban population has access to public electricity, but this Figure is only 29% for the

rural population. Actual status of solar energy site in Ethiopia.

How to use solar energy efficiently in Ethiopia?

For effective and efficient utilization of solar energy in Ethiopia, the following recommendations and policy implications will be useful: • Government should subsidize the cost of importation of Renewable Energy Technologies (RET) most especially solar PV to bring down the high cost in Ethiopia, and make it affordable.

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