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# **Maldives Wind-Solar Energy Storage Power Generation Project**



## Overview

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**Project Summary:** The project involves the development of a 36-megawatt (MW) solar power project and 40 megawatt hours (MWh) of battery energy storage solutions across various selected islands in the Maldives. What is the Maldives solar project?

The Maldives solar project is a 36 MW solar power project and 50 MWh of battery energy storage solutions development across various islands in the Maldives. It also includes grid modernization for the integration of variable renewable energy with the grid, which will be financed under the proposed AIIB loan.

Why solar PV with storage in Maldives?

Solar PV with storage has proven suitable and competitive for Maldives' high penetration of renewable energy (POISED type B projects), with an average fuel savings of 25%. The concept design of hybrid systems (efficient diesel generators + solar PV plants + energy storage) has resulted in success for Maldives.

Will a 5 MW solar installation make Maldives a popular destination?

Now, one of the first sights for any of the 1.7 million tourists visiting the Maldives will be that of the 5 MW solar installation on the highway linking the airport island to Male and its satellite town of Hulhumale.

How much solar energy does the Maldives receive?

Maldives, located in the Equator, receives abundant solar energy. Specifically, it receives about 400 Million MW of solar energy per annum.

Should investors invest in sustainable solar projects in the Maldives?

In 2014, the first 1.5 MW solar project under ASPIRE only had four investors bids, and resulted in a high power purchase price (PPA) of 21 US cents per unit of electricity, indicating a lack of interest from investors in investing in

sustainable projects in the Maldives.

When will the Aspire project start in the Maldives?

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