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Will Bhutan build a mega solar power plant?

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Can a solar power plant power a household in Bhutan?

Households could be powered for a year by the solar plant at Rubesa, given the average household in Bhutan uses 1,567 kWh of electricity per year. The pilot project, a 180-kilowatt solar photovoltaic (PV) plant was built at Rubesa village, in the western district of Wangduephodrang.

Who inaugurated a solar power plant in Bhutan?

4 October 2021: The Chairperson of the National Council of Bhutan, Lyonpo Tashi Dorji, inaugurated the 180 kW grid-tied ground mounted solar photo-voltaic power plant at Rubesa, Wangduephodrang today.

What are Bhutan's upcoming solar projects?

He added that those involved would greatly benefit and take part in Bhutan's upcoming solar projects. One imminent project is the construction of Bhutan's first mega solar power plant, a 17MW plant in Sephu, Wangdue. Today, all of Bhutan's electricity generation is from renewables such as hydropower, wind, and solar.

Can a solar power plant boost hydropower supply in Bhutan?

"Solar plant such as this can augment hydropower supply to meet our rapidly increasing domestic electricity demand, especially in winter months," he said. Electricity in Bhutan is mostly generated from hydropower, a renewable energy source, unlike fossil-fuel driven power plants that are major contributors to carbon dioxide emissions worldwide.

How many solar panels does Bhutan have?

With 464 solar panels, the 180kW plant will produce 263,000 units of energy a year, which is adequate to meet the electricity supply demands for around 90 households. Director of the Department of Renewable Energy (DRE), Phuntsho Namgyal, said that Bhutan was endowed with 12,000 megawatts (MW) of solar power potential.

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Sephu plant will serve as an addition to the 180 kW grid-connected ground-mounted solar photovoltaic power station in Rubesa (near Punakha), which became operational in October 2021. The Sephu plant is currently under construction over an area of 65 acres in Yongtru village, situated in the Sephu Gewog. Upon its completion, the overall installed capacity of the facility will reach 22.38 megawatts and is expected to be complete by March 2025. It was initially planned ...

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The Sephu Power Station will be a central component of Bhutan's growing solar industry. The government of Bhutan plans to have installed solar capacity of 500MW by the end of 2025 and 1GW by the end of this century. Bhutan hopes to diversify its energy structure and reduce its dependence on imported electricity from India. Currently, biofuels ...



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