

Who will implement solar project in Nauru?

The executing agency will be the Department of Finance and Sustainable Development. The implementing agency for solar component of project will be the Nauru Utilities Corporation (NUC). NUC will establish a project management unit within their existing organisational structure to implement the project.

How will ADB support the Nauru solar power development project?

ADB also provided GoN support to prepare a Feasibility Study for the recommended Nauru Solar Power Development Project which will comprise of a 6 megawatt PV plant coupled with a 5 megawatt /2.5 megawatt-hour battery energy storage system coupled with a SCADA installation.

How does Nauru get its energy?

Nauru predominantly sources its energy through diesel power generators. About 5% of its current energy demand is sourced from renewable energy, of which all is from solar power photovoltaic (PV) installations. A 500-kW ground-mounted solar installation was commissioned in 2016, and a number of residences have rooftop solar PV installations.

What is the impact of Nauru energy project?

The project impact is a reliable, affordable, secure, and sustainable energy supply to meet the socio-economic development needs of Nauru. The outcome of the project will be that NUC, the state-owned power and water utility, will supply reliable and cleaner electricity.

Who owns Nauru electricity?

The Nauru electrical network is owned and operated by Nauru Utilities Corporation (NUC), a state-owned enterprise, established under the Nauru Utilities Corporation Act of 2011. NUC is responsible for energy generation and energy distribution, and water supply. Nauru predominantly sources its energy through diesel power generators.

What is a Nauru power expansion plan?

The electrical network comprises 11kV, 3.3KV and LV overhead lines. Asian Development Bank (ADB) provided Government of Nauru (GoN) a transactional technical assistance TRTA to prepare a Nauru power expansion plan. The plan identified that a PV array and battery energy storage system should be constructed.

Nauru has recently invested almost \$30 million in a photovoltaic and battery energy storage combination. The project will finance a 6 megawatt (MW) grid-connected photovoltaic solar system together with a battery energy storage system, that will be completed in 2023 and save over 11,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions annually.

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