

Can the Gambia transform the energy sector?

An unprecedented level of support from the international community provides The Gambia with the opportunity to transform the energy sector and emerge as one of the leading energy sectors in the sub-region and the African continent. In this context, the Electricity Roadmap has undergone its third update since 2015.

Why is access to electricity important in the Gambia?

Providing access to electricity to support inclusive and sustainable socio-economic development is one of the pivotal cornerstones of the Gambia government's priorities as articulated in the national energy sector policies and strategies, and highlighted in the National Development Plan (2018-2021).

Are biomass power plants suitable for the Gambia?

However, biomass candidate power plants were excluded from the analysis as they were considered by NAWEC inadequate technologies for The Gambia. The potential of wind capacity in The Gambia is estimated to be approximately 197 MW with a capacity factor below 20% and 5 MW with a capacity factor higher than 30%.

Does the Gambia need more power generation capacity?

The Gambia's power sector will soon need additional generation capacity to be able to cover the forecast demand. A gap between available capacity and peak demand is identified from 2022 with the expiration of the Karpower contract and by 2025 nearly 140 MW of new capacity will be needed.

How is electricity financed in the Gambia?

A large proportion of this is already financed through on-going national and regional projects sponsored by development partners. The Gambia is poised to provide access to electricity for all its people. His Excellency, President Adama Barrow has stipulated that there is to be Universal Access by 2025.

How much biomass capacity does the Gambia have?

The Gambia is considered to have approximately 25 MW of potential biomass capacity with the primary fuel being waste. However, biomass candidate power plants were excluded from the analysis as they were considered by NAWEC inadequate technologies for The Gambia.

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The Gambia's Electricity Sector Roadmap (2019-2025) aims to scale up electricity generation to 200 MW of available capacity at peak in 2025, with 14 MW expected from the OMVG project with Guinea and Senegal, and 50 MW from the Souapiti project and the remainder through Independent Power Producers (IPP).

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developing areas. Energy self-sufficiency has been defined as total primary energy production divided by total primary energy supply. Energy trade includes all commodities in Chapter 27 of the Harmonised System (HS). Capacity utilisation is calculated as annual generation divided by year-end capacity x 8,760h/year. Avoided

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The United Arab Emirates (UAE) is leading the way in Africa's clean energy transition with a 10GW growth plan across six Sub-Saharan nations, announced by its renewable energy company Masdar at the 28th United Nations Climate Change Summit (COP28) in Dubai.

The European Investment Bank (EIB), World Bank and European Union (EU) have agreed to support a renewable energy programme in Gambia, West Africa. The programme will ensure that 1,100 rural schools and health centres will benefit from an energy supply using solar and battery technology.

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The 2021 update of the strategic electricity roadmap exemplifies the Gambia government's drive and commitment to modernizing the electricity sub-sector by building on the gains achieved over so many decades, but also to capitalize on the opportunity for low-cost imports available in the emerging West Africa Power Pool (WAPP) regional ...

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