



# Ethiopia affordable power solutions

Does Power Africa support energy projects in Ethiopia?

Power Africa supports the development of electricity generation projects in Ethiopia. In addition, various firms have received U.S. Embassy support to move transactions forward. For more information about the energy sector in Ethiopia and Power Africa's involvement in the country, please refer to the page below.

What is energy sector support in Ethiopia?

The focus of energy sector support in Ethiopia is aligned with Power Africa 2.0 objectives, which include advancing sustainable development through private sector led partnerships, promoting economic prosperity, and an increased focus on the enabling environment, transmission, and distribution. Technical assistance provided includes:

Does Ethiopia have a state-owned power company?

Yes, Ethiopia does have a state-owned power company named Ethiopia Electric Utility (EEU). It provides electricity to about three million customers across the country and aims to extend electricity service to all of the nation's 100 million citizens. However, there are challenges to achieving this goal.

Why is energy important for Ethiopia?

Energy is one of the most significant sectors for Ethiopia's economic growth and development and is expected to increase significantly in the medium run. Ethiopia has abundant renewable energy resources and the potential to generate over 60,000 megawatts (MW) of electric power from hydroelectric, wind, solar, and geothermal sources.

Why does Ethiopia need an electrification program?

This is essential to sustain the country's fast pace of electrification," said Ousmane Dione, World Bank Country Director for Ethiopia, Eritrea, South Sudan and Sudan. The program, together with other ongoing and planned energy projects, can potentially support the entire population of the country over the program's lifetime.

Does Ethiopia have a power shortage?

Ethiopia has the third largest energy access deficit in Sub-Saharan Africa with about half the population still without access to reliable electricity. Over the past decade, the Government of Ethiopia has made encouraging progress on its electrification program and expanded the grid network coverage to nearly 60% of towns and villages.

This scenario is not fiction but a looming reality for Ethiopia, a country experiencing one of the fastest urbanization rates in Africa. With an urban population expected to reach 42.3 million by ...

About 624km of mini-grid power will be generated, with more than 31,000 Ethiopians benefiting from access to electricity for lighting and cooking through a new Africa Mini-grid Programme (AMP) to be implemented

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Now Ethiopia is moving forward with the new Distributed Renewable Energy-Agriculture Modalities (DREAM) project to test distributed solar mini-grids as a solution for improving irrigation, increasing agricultural productivity and farmer ...

These and other features reveal that Ethiopia lacks a modern, flexible, reliable, and affordable energy system that could withstand its fast-growing energy demand due to high ...

Ethiopia is located on the horn of Africa, in the east of the continent, located between the Equator and the Tropic of Cancer, between 30 and 150 N latitude and 330 and 480 E longitude and is ...

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