

How many people in Senegal will get solar power?

Nearly 540,000 people in Senegal will get access to clean and affordable power following the launch of two solar photovoltaic (PV) plants, financed by IFC, the European Investment Bank and Proparco, under the World Bank Group's Scaling Solar program.

Why should Senegal invest in solar power plants?

Solar power plants in Senegal form part of the strategy for increasing access to electricity, focusing on regenerative sources. Senegal's government wants to become an emerging economy by 2035 and the energy sector is one of the major components of Senegal's growth. Rural areas remain the most challenging areas to install power grids.

Will two solar plants be built in Senegal's southern Casamance region?

DAKAR, Nov 13 (Reuters) - Two solar plants with a combined 60 megawatts (MW) capacity and battery storage will be built in Senegal's southern Casamance region to electrify rural areas, Africa-based project developer Axian Energy said on Wednesday.

Who sponsors Senegal's solar power plants?

The PV plants, located in Western Senegal, are sponsored by Engie, Meridiam, and the Senegalese Sovereign Wealth Fund for Strategic Investments (FONSIS). The competitive tendering process was led by Senegal's Energy Regulatory Commission (CRSE). For more information, please read the press release here.

How many jobs will the new solar power plants create in Senegal?

The addition of the solar power plants form part of the World Bank Group's Scaling Solar program and are funded by the International Finance Corporation (IFC), European Investment Bank and Proparco. The project estimates that more than 400 jobs in the towns benefit from the existence of the new solar power plants in Senegal.

How much does a solar power plant cost in Senegal?

The paired solar power plants cost \$40.77 million, providing electricity to 540,000 people at under four cents per kWh - not only the cheapest energy in Senegal but among the most cost-effective across sub-Saharan Africa.

Scaling Solar-tendered PV Plants Bring Clean Energy to More Than 500,000 in Senegal. The Kael and Kahone solar plants, the first financed and tendered under the Scaling Solar program in Senegal, became operational in May 2021. The ...

The United States Government announced up to \$475,000 in grants to support eligible Senegalese renewable energy developers to expand access to reliable, affordable, and clean energy for commercial and industrial

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