

## SolarTech Power Solutions

# Benin Energy Storage Project



## Overview

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With 43% of Benin's population still lacking reliable electricity access [1], this \$300 million initiative aims to balance growing urban demand with rural electrification needs. How can Benin increase local production?

However, the government of Benin is making serious efforts to increase local production through national projects, specifically the Solar Energy Promotion Project (PROVES) and the Renewable Energy Development Program (PRODERE). The principal RE sources in Benin are hydro energy, biomass energy, wind energy and solar energy.

What is the energy sector strategy in Benin?

In Benin, the energy sector strategy is aimed at improving the energy independence of the country and diversifying its sources of supply through the implementation of various interconnection projects with neighbouring countries and the enhancement of the national RE potential.

How can bioenergy contribute to the energy sector in Benin?

In addition, the Vossa hydroelectric power plant of 60.2 MW is to be built with an annual production capacity of 188.2 GWh. An additional hydroelectric plant is planned to be installed in Bétérou to increase the national electricity production in Benin. Bioenergy can also play a crucial role in the energy sector in Benin.

Which institutions are working to provide access to affordable energy in Benin?

Several institutional frameworks in the energy sector in Benin are working to provide access to affordable energy in the country. The ME is the biggest institution of the energy sector, responsible for the management of the energy sector and in charge of the implementation of RE projects.

Will Benin provide 100% electricity to its community by 2050?

Solar photovoltaic (PV) accounts for 0.30% of the mix by form of energy compared with 1.36% in 2016, as shown in Fig. 3. This shows that the government must make more effort to provide 100% electricity access to its community by 2050 . Electricity mix of Benin from 2016 to 2020 .

How affordable is electricity in Benin?

In 2019, in terms of the affordability of electricity for consumers, Benin obtained a score of 81 out of 100 compared with the average value, which is 77.25 out of 100 . The government of Benin plans to continue its efforts to make electricity accessible to the population and ensure energy self-sufficiency .

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