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# Cook Islands Energy Storage Project Distribution



## Overview

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How will the Cook Islands energy project impact the environment?

The project will result in annual savings of 1.09 million liters of diesel consumption and annual reduction of 2,930 tons of carbon dioxide emission, for greater energy security and sustainability in the Cook Islands. The impact of the project will be increased energy security in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Can solar power save the Cook Islands?

It will construct new solar photovoltaic power plants on up to six islands of Cook Islands' southern group. The project will result in annual savings of 1.09 million liters of diesel consumption and annual reduction of 2,930 tons of carbon dioxide emission, for greater energy security and sustainability in the Cook Islands.

What does the GCF grant mean for the Cook Islands?

The GCF is providing a \$12-million grant to co-finance the project, which is part of the seven-year Pacific Islands Renewable Investment Program covering the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, and Tonga. The grant will fund assistance to the Cook Islands in procuring and installing battery storage.

Does Rarotonga have solar power?

The Cook Islands Electricity Sector All inhabited islands of the Cook Islands currently have centralised power supplies that have historically been powered by diesel generators. Since around 2011, increasing solar PV generation on Rarotonga has changed this situation.

Where do most people live in the Cook Islands?

Most of the Cook Islands people live in the Southern Islands. Two largest Islands are Rarotonga (main island) and Aitutaki The Government of the Cook

Islands has a long standing policy commitment of 100% renewable electricity by 2020.

How much battery storage capacity will be installed in Rarotonga?

Additional battery storage capacity consisting of 1 megawatt (MW)/4 megawatt hour (MWH) for grid stability will be installed in the diesel power station in Avatiu Valley, Rarotonga, and 2 MW/8 MWh for load-shifting capability will be installed at the Rarotonga International Airport.

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