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# East Timor energy storage power station commissioned



## Overview

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Will East Timor retire its diesel power plants?

**East Timor Solar Plant:** East Timor plans to retire its diesel power plants and shift to renewable energy sources, starting with the construction of its first large solar plant in 2026. The project aims to reduce expensive diesel imports and pave the way for a more sustainable energy future for the nation.

Can East Timor transition its energy sector?

A man sells electricity credit at a shop in Dili, East Timor Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024. (AP Photo/Firdia Lisnawati) Still, East Timor's government has expressed interest in transitioning its energy sector. In 2020, it hired energy consultants to conduct a feasibility study for supplying natural gas to the three power plants.

Is East Timor interested in solar power?

East Timor President José Ramos-Horta told The Associated Press in an interview in Dili last week that his country is interested in exploring various types of renewable energy sources, including wind, sea and especially solar power. "We have plenty of sun," he said, adding that the cost of solar technology continues to fall.

Does East Timor have electricity?

Recovery was slow after East Timor gained formal independence in 2002. By 2015, just 60% of the population had access to electricity, according to the World Bank. Efforts to electrify the country have jumped since then, with 100% of residents having access to electricity since 2021, according to the International Renewable Energy Agency.

Is East Timor at an energy development crossroads?

Streetlights are seen at sunset in Dili, East Timor Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024. (AP Photo/Firdia Lisnawati) JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — East Timor is at an energy

development crossroads.

What is East Timor doing to boost power?

East Timor has also issued rights to mine gold to joint ventures between Timorese companies and Australian miners, and is exploring onshore natural gas in central and eastern Timor, which could further boost demand for power.

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