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What is Sunbox doing in the Middle East?

After achieving success in Palestine, the company is now looking to expand its operations in the Middle East. SunBox is currently working on a pilot project in Saudi Arabia to provide solar energy to different mosquesin Jeddah and Riyadh, and is raising \$690,000.

Will Palestine cut its energy imports from Israel?

The country aims to expand its solar energy capacity to 200MW in eight years' time - a move that could see Palestine cut its energy imports from Israel by 17 per cent, according to the Palestine Investment Authority. SunBox offers different financial models for families, where they can share costs of installing a panel.

How much does a solar system cost in Gaza?

"We also work in the water sector providing desalination plants in Gaza with solar facilities that help Palestinian families get clean and fresh water." The cost of installing a solar panel can range from \$1,200 and could go up to \$15,000. Sometimes, the company installs the system on the entire building with 20 families or more splitting the cost.

What makes Sunbox unique?

SunBox currently provides employment to 65 people and is also training young engineers to improve their skills in the field,she says. "What makes this company unique is it is headed by a woman. We are the first solar company that was founded and headed by a woman," Ms Mashharawi says.

How much electricity do Palestinians in Gaza get a day?

About 86 per cent of Palestinians in Gaza reported they receive electricity for six to eight hoursdaily on average during the year, with 82 per cent reporting they are unable to refrigerate food due to the lack of electricity provided by the public network, according to a survey conducted by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Picture Credit: SunBox is a Palestine-based start-up founded by Majd Mashharawi. Photo: Sunbox Majd Mashharawi's inspiration for her start-up SunBox, which powers thousands of homes in Gaza city with cost-effective solar panels, stemmed from her own experience with the electricity crisis that mars the lives of those in the 365-kilometre ...

SunBox solar kits could be the key to ending Gaza"s electricity crisis. SunBox has provided solar energy for 300 families since the company's launch two years ago. Its solar kits have produced 600,000 watts of energy so far.

By expanding solar access, Qudra is helping bridge this energy gap, enabling communities to thrive and industries to grow. Operating in Palestine presents unique challenges, particularly in securing financing and

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dealing with the political complexities that often disrupt the region's economic stability.

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