

# Solar and wind hybrid system for home São Tomé and Príncipe

How is Sao Tome & Principe generating electricity?

Medium The Government of Sao Tome and Principe is strongly motivated to increase and diversify its generation capacity through mini/smallhydropower plantsand is driven by its plans to increase access to electricity services to the population.

Are there any studies on solar power potential in Sao Tome & Principe?

2. Solar PV:As per the publication "Emission Reduction Profile: Sao Tome and Principe",June 2013" prepared by RISO with the support of ACP-MEA &UNFCCC,there are,to date,"no official studieson the exact solar power potential: therefore,further calculations of the emissions reduction potential can be hazardous".

What is a hybrid solar-wind energy system?

Given the intermittent nature of solar and wind energy,hybrid solar-wind energy systems are also equipped with battery storage solutions. These batteries store excess energy generated during peak sun or wind periods,ensuring a consistent and continuous power supply even during periods without sunlight or low wind speeds.

What is the relationship between wind speed and solar availability?

In many regions,wind patterns and solar availability often show an inverse relationship. This means that during periods of low sunlight (such as cloudy days,overcast periods,or specific times like early mornings or evenings),wind speed tends to be greater.

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The 160 000 km<sup>2</sup> exclusive economic zone around São Tomé and Príncipe is an untapped solar heat battery, which OTEC platforms could harness to supply carbon-free, baseload power. An OTEC plant can generate electricity at a ...

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Onshore wind: Potential wind power density (W/m<sup>2</sup>) is shown in the seven classes used by NREL, measured at a height of 100m. The bar chart shows the distribution of the country's land area in each of these classes compared to the global distribution of wind resources. Areas in the third class or above are considered to be a good wind resource.

(NREAP), the grid system in São Tomé and Príncipe has losses of around 33%, of which 11% are technical losses, and the remaining 22% are commercial losses (EMAE 2019). The NEEAP states that the STP government aims to reduce the total grid losses to 30% by 2030 and 8% by 2050, limiting technical losses to 5% and commercial losses to 3%.

Cleanwatts has signed a contract with the local government under which it will install and connect to the grid solar photovoltaic (PV) arrays at the national airport in Sao Tome, as well as on the island of Principe.

Developed by Global OTEC and named Dominique, the structure can generate 1.5 MW net output by harnessing the ocean waters using an array of OTEC modules and is set to be installed in São Tomé and Príncipe.

The hybrid solar-wind energy system taps into the strengths of wind and solar sources, providing a solution to enhance the reliability of renewable energy systems. Before delving into the basics of how this hybrid system works, it is important to understand the inverse relationship between solar and wind energy, which makes hybrid solar-wind ...

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