

What is Uganda's energy policy?

The Cabinet adopted the Energy Policy for Uganda in April 2023 and it was launched in September 2023. Regarding renewable energy, the policy states that "The government shall promote the sustainable development and utilization of all renewable energy resources in a socially and environmentally responsible manner" (MEMD, 2023).

How can Uganda achieve its energy goals?

Notably, Uganda already has in place much of the technical expertise, government institutions and policy frameworks to reach its energy goals. It is also a leader in the region on high-quality energy statistics, which are crucial for evidence-based policy making.

What is the main energy source in Uganda?

Sugar cane bagasse accounts for the second-largest electricity generation source in Uganda after hydropower (see Chapters 2 and 3). The Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development (MEMD) is the main government institution in Uganda's energy sector.

How much electricity does Uganda use?

While electricity represents only around 2% of Uganda's total energy consumption, over 80% of generating capacity is based on hydropower. Most of the remainder is also renewable, including several solar photovoltaic (PV) installations and thermal power plants that burn sugar cane bagasse.

What is energy access in Uganda?

The Uganda Energy Policy (2023) defines energy access according to the Multi-Tier Framework as the ability to obtain energy that is adequate, available when needed, reliable, of good quality, affordable, formal, convenient, healthy and safe for all required energy applications.

What is the biomass energy strategy Uganda?

the Biomass Energy Strategy Uganda (2013). The 2023 National Energy Policy states that the government shall promote "sustainable biomass energy production and utilization across all sectors... equitable and widespread use of affordable, clean and efficient cooking technologies [and] access to affordable, reliable and clean LPG energy services".

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The Commissioner, Renewable Energy Department at the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development (MEMD), Dr. Brian E. Isabirye (Ph.D.) made a presentation on Renewable Energy Development in Uganda; Carbon Neutrality Trajectory highlighting the status of the country's renewable sector, opportunities, challenges and the national development plan ...

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The future of renewable energy in Uganda is promising, but it requires concerted efforts from all stakeholders. By addressing existing challenges and capitalizing on available resources, Uganda can achieve a sustainable energy future. Diversifying the Energy Mix. To enhance energy security, Uganda must diversify its energy mix beyond hydropower ...

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Energy development in Uganda has struggled with governance issues, corruption, inconsistent policies and resource limitations. A stable regulatory framework that fosters long-term investment in renewable and non-renewable energy is vital.

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