

## SolarTech Power Solutions

# Mozambique Power Plant Energy Storage System



## Overview

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What energy sources are available in Mozambique?

Mozambique has abundant energy sources available for exploitation. As of 2021, the country was ranked first in energy potential of all the countries in the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP), with an estimated energy capacity of 187,000 MW. Available energy sources include coal, hydroelectricity, natural gas, solar energy and wind power.

How much power does Mozambique have?

The country's biggest power plant, Cahora Bassa hydro plant, has an installed capacity of 2,075 MW. Currently, over 75% of the electricity generated from the hydropower plant is exported to South Africa. The remaining capacity, around 1,300 MW, is utilised to meet local electricity demand in Mozambique.

What is the optimal power system expansion plan for Mozambique?

The optimal power system expansion plan if wind and solar capacity are allowed to triple to reach almost 3 GW by 2032. Currently, the power system of Mozambique is separated into two transmission networks isolated from one another: the Central-Northern and Southern systems. Over 50% of the annual power demand is seen in the Southern system.

What is the largest power station in Mozambique?

The 2,075 megawatts Cahora Bassa Hydroelectric Power Station (CBHPS) across the Zambezi River, is the largest power station in Mozambique. The power station is operated by Hidroelectrica de Cahora Bassa (HCB), a Mozambican parastatal company.

How much electricity does Mozambique have in 2021?

Despite this huge generation potential only 38.6%<sup>1)</sup> of its population had access to electricity in 2021. The total installed power capacity in Mozambique stood at around 2,800 MW in the year 2021 whereas the peak demand

reported by the state-owned energy utility Electricidade de Moçambique (EDM) was at 1,035 MW.

Why is Mozambique focusing on hydropower projects?

Since Mozambique has high hydro power potential, the country is focusing on developing large hydro projects that aim to be operational at the beginning of 2030's. Hydropower projects play an important role in decarbonizing the power sector in Mozambique.

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