

Should solar PV devices be adopted in Uganda?

Solar PV devices adoption is largely a rural phenomenon in Uganda. Policy intervention should focus on addressing affordability issues in rural areas. 1. Introduction Access to clean energy, such as electricity, is a prerequisite for economic and sustainable development of any economy (World Bank, 2018).

Is solar energy a viable option in Uganda?

The solar energy resource on average is 5.2 kWh/m² /day on horizontal surface with average daily sunshine of around 8 h throughout the year, favourable for solar electricity generation. However, adoption of solar PV systems is intractably low in Uganda (Manjeri et al., 2021, Rahut et al., 2018). This raises an important question.

How can Uganda address the energy access gap?

To address electricity access gap and the negative effects associated with unsustainable use of biomass and fossils, the government of Uganda is devising policies and programs to increase uptake of alternative renewable energies, such as solar photovoltaic devices (MEMD, 2019; Energy Africa, 2018).

Why is solar PV adoption low in northern Uganda?

The low levels of solar PV adoption in Northern is in line with findings of the study by Munro and Bartlett (2019), who reported that households in Northern Uganda depend on car batteries, cell torches, kerosene wick lamps and phone torches as their main source of lighting.

Taking advantage of the now robust farming extension network, the Power Africa Uganda Accelerator provided education, training, and an introduction to solar products for hard-to-reach rural ...

These home solar systems and mini grids could "serve as a bridge while waiting for the grid," says Heymi Bahar, senior renewable energy markets analyst at the IEA, and lead author of ...

In Uganda's rural heartlands, where electricity poles are rare, the faint glow of solar-powered kits is beginning to replace the noisy hum of diesel generators and the toxic flicker of ...

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Solar photovoltaic (PV) mini-grids are a nascent technology in Uganda; only a few are operational, such as the Kitobo solar power plant in Kalangala district. Most solar PV mini-grid ...

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