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Overview

What does Vietnam's Solar Policy update mean for energy storage?

Vietnam's solar policy update highlights growing role of energy storage. (Photo: iStock) Vietnam's Ministry of Industry and Trade (MOIT) has announced a new round of feed-in tariffs (FIT) for solar power, introducing location-based pricing and, for the first time, incorporating energy storage systems.

Are battery energy storage systems economically feasible in Vietnam?

However, in Vietnam, there is a widely held industry perception that Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) are not economically feasible at this moment, while the country's first pumped storage hydropower (PSH) project Bac Ai with a capacity of 1,200 MW will not be commissioned until 20289.

How much money does Vietnam need to build a grid?

According to PDP8, the total investment required for the development of grid from 2021 to 2030 amounts to \$14.9 billion, equivalent to \$1.5 billion per year or 0.4% of Vietnam's GDP in 2020 (Table 1). The strained state budget alone may struggle to accommodate such substantial financial requirements.

Does Vietnam have new feed-in tariffs for solar power?

April 2025 | Southeast Asia Impact Alliance Vietnam is taking another step toward modernizing its renewable energy sector by unveiling updated feed-in tariffs (FiTs) for solar power, with a notable emphasis on encouraging battery energy storage systems (BESS).

How will Vietnam's new energy storage scheme help investors?

Supa Waisayarat, Vietnam's adversary consultant at Thailand's Super Energy Corporation, noted that the new scheme supports the adoption of storage and provides developers and investors with more transparent pricing, which could encourage more power purchase agreements (PPAs) and improve financing

confidence.

How much does a solar project cost in Vietnam?

Overall, projects with storage receive higher FIT rates. Previously, Vietnam's FiTs were relatively low. In January 2023, the top rate was NT\$1.49/kWh for ground-mounted solar and NT\$1.89/kWh for floating solar, with no regional or storage-based distinctions.

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