

# Tunisia solar power house cost

## Can Tunisia build a large-scale solar project?

Tunisia's Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy has kicked off a new procurement exercise for large-scale solar. Tunisia's Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy has launched a tender for the construction of several large-scale PV projects with a combined capacity of 200 MW.

#### What is the Tunisian Solar Plan?

The Tunisian Solar Plan contains 40 projects aimed at promoting solar thermal and photovoltaic energies, wind energy, as well as energy efficiency measures. The plan also incorporates the ELMED project; a 400KV submarine cable interconnecting Tunisia and Italy.

## Is Tunisia a good place to invest in solar energy?

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#### Does Tunisia support solar?

Tunisia is supporting utility-scale solarthrough a series of tenders, the latest of which was launched in January 2023. It also finalized a 500 MW solar tender in December 2019. The country's cumulative installed PV capacity stood at just 506 MW by the end of 2023, according to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA).

Where is the first large scale solar power plant in Tunisia?

The first large scale solar power plant of a 10MW capacity,co-financed by KfW and NIF (Neighbourhood Investment Facility) and implemented by STEG, is in Tozeur. TuNur CSP project is Tunisia's most ambitious renewable energy project yet.

## When do solar projects start in Tunisia?

Interested developers have until Jan. 15 to submit their project proposals. Tunisia is supporting utility-scale solar through a series of tenders, the latest of which was launched in January 2023. It also finalized a 500 MW solar tender in December 2019.

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SolarPower Europe, supported by the Global Solar Council and the Chambre Syndicale du Photovoltaïque (CSPV) of Tunisia, publishes the second edition of its report on solar investment opportunities in Tunisia.



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This is the first solar project to reach financial close under the concession regime in Tunisia. The concession regime covers projects over 10MW for solar PV, awarded through a competitive bidding process.

"The prices proposed under this tender will help bring down the cost of production of electricity nationwide and reduce the bill for energy subsidies in addition to lowering national imports of...

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