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What is the Yemen solar project?

The project aims to restore or improve access to electricity for 1.4 million people in these areas of Yemen, around half of them women. Solar power for critical infrastructure, such as hospitals, schools, water corporations, and rural electricity providers will also be covered under the project.

Can solar power solve Yemen's energy crisis?

A project between UNOPS and the World Bank will help finance off-grid solar systems to power vital basic services and improve access to electricity for vulnerable populations. Solar power has proved to be the most immediate solution for severe energy shortages throughout Yemen.

Why are people moving to solar power in Yemen?

The migration to solar power is part of what researchers say is an energy revolution in the country of 28 million, where the electric grid has been decimated by fighting. More than 50 percent of Yemeni households rely on the sun as their main source of energy, and solar arrays power everything from shops to schools to hospitals.

How will solar power improve Yemen's electricity?

"Investing in solar will make Yemen's electricity more resilient, reduce the dependence on fuels for critical service facilities, and create jobs in the private sector," said Joern Torsten Huenteler, World Bank Energy Specialist and Task Team Leader of the project.

Is solar power the solution to Yemen's energy shortages?

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Can solar power save Yemeni rials?

Farmer Mohamed Ahmad Sid El Rassam can attest to those benefits. He built a solar-powered water pump on his land in the region of Beni Hocheich. The setup chopped his diesel use by more than 85 percent, saving him 17 million Yemeni rials (\$68,000) a year.

Yemen operates on a 230 Vac 50 Hz electrical system, and Power inverters are a great way to attain off-grid, mobile and/or emergency backup power. Inverters produce clean, non-polluting energy unlike fuel-powered generators.

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the \$50 million IDA-funded Yemen Emergency Electricity Access Project. ESMAP-funded studies were used to determine the potential impact of off-grid solar power in Yemen, to understand the willingness of consumers to pay for those connections, and how to facilitate sales and market credit to rural and peri-urban households for small-

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