

# **South Africa Energy Storage Power Generation**





## Overview

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What is the largest battery energy storage system in Africa?

Unveiled in 2023, thanks to \$195 million from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and \$220 million from AfDB, this flagship project represents the largest battery energy storage system (BESS) on the African continent.

Why is battery storage important in South Africa?

In South Africa, battery storage is increasingly seen as a key pillar to help provide grid stability and integrate variable renewables given its ageing coal-fired power fleet and grid.

What is battery energy storage project?

The Battery Energy Storage Project (Project) provides a solution to address both challenges. The Project can store excess renewable energy in low demand periods and release the energy during peak hours, meeting the demand with energy from renewable resources and minimizing the use of fossil-fuel based generation.

Will solar batteries help South Africa's energy grid?

South Africa's state-owned utility Eskom anticipates that these projects will showcase the effectiveness of batteries in facilitating the integration of renewable energy into the country's energy mix, while simultaneously easing the strain on the national electricity grid.



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