Gigawatt Solar Energy in Nepal

Overview

According to the "Energy" report released by the Investment Board Nepal (IBN) in April 2024, Nepal receives solar radiation equivalent to the potential for producing 3. 2 units of electricity per square meter. Kathmandu, Ap— In a significant stride towards sustainable energy, the Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) has awarded contracts for 960 megawatts (MW) of solar power projects. This article was submitted as part of the Global Voices Climate Justice fellowship, which pairs journalists from Sinophone and Global Majority countries to investigate the effects of Chinese development. While the Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA) and the energy ministry continue to offer differing perspectives on the issue, they converge on one undeniable fact: Nepal is facing an electricity shortage. The immediate victims of this crisis are Nepal's industries, as the NEA prioritises residential. Nepal has announced an ambitious plan to develop 10,000 megawatts (MW) of solar energy capacity by 2035, marking a significant shift in its national energy strategy. Blessed with an estimated 83,000 MW of hydropower potential and about 42,000 MW of pumped storage potential.

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Alongside hydropower, Nepal is steadily expanding solar generation, with about 140 MW already connected to the national grid and around 1100 MW in various stages of development.

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