

# Cook Islands solar diesel generator hybrid system

Does the Cook Islands have solar power?

The Cook Islands Electricity Sector historically been powered by diesel generators. Since around 2011, increasing solar PV generation on Rarotonga has changed this situation. And in 2014- 15, installation of 95-100% renewable solar hybrid systems on the Northern Group Islands further altered the mix.

What is a Cook Islands map?

Cook Islands Map depicts Northern and Southern Island groupations. All Islands from the Northern group are smaller and have limited requirements for electrical energy. Most of the Cook Islands people live in the Southern Islands. Two largest Islands are Rarotonga (main island) and Aitutaki

How many islands are in the Cook Islands?

The Cook Islands Located in the South Pacific Ocean, the Cook Islands has 15 islands, of which 12 are inhabited. Most of the Cook Islands 13,000 permanent residents live on Rarotonga, in the south. Aitutaki has a population of approximately 1,800, and remaining islands are sparsely populated. Fig 1.

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includes four diesel generators with nameplate capacity between 100 kVA and 180 kVA (which will provide backup diesel power), and the existing distribution grid. The system will deliver reliable, 24/7 power to almost all residents and businesses on Atiu (2 houses were identified as remote from the grid and have existing off-grid power supply).

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Mitiaro can now switch off its diesel generators and run entirely on reliable solar and battery power thanks to its new hybrid renewable power system. Hybrid energy projects on another three southern islands - Atiu,

Mangaia and Mauke - will be completed over coming months, followed by a range of other initiatives on a further two islands ...

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The Solar PV Diesel BESS solution is a hybrid energy system that integrates solar energy, battery energy storage systems, and diesel generators. Its purpose is to maximize the use of solar energy, reduce dependency on diesel fuel, optimize energy supply, lower energy costs, and minimize carbon emissions.

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