

Title: Iraqun teaching outdoor solar power hub

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Why is Iraq opening a solar plant in Karbala?

Abdul-Zahra reported from Baghdad. Iraq is opening its first industrial-scale solar plant in Karbala province. This marks a significant step in the government's push to expand renewable energy in a country often facing electricity crises despite its oil and gas wealth.

Is Iraq advancing solar power projects?

Iraq is advancing several solar power projects as part of a plan to meet its electricity needs. This aerial photo shows panels at a newly opened industrial-scale solar power plant in Karbala, Iraq, on September 17, 2025 [Anmar Khalil/AP]

Why is Iraq implementing large-scale solar power projects?

The projects are part of an ambitious plan to implement large-scale solar power projects in an effort to ease the country's chronic electricity shortages. Deputy Minister of Electricity Adel Karim said Iraq has solar projects with a combined capacity of 12,500 megawatts either being implemented, in the approval process, or under negotiation.

Our center recently held a workshop titled "Using Solar Energy as a Source of Energy Production." Led by Assistant Lecturer Suhad Hamza Muhammad Ali, the session explored the ...

Conduct a thorough assessment of solar resources in different regions of Iraq. This involves analyzing solar radiation data, weather patterns, and climatic conditions. Utilize advanced tools like solar ...

In various exchange and networking sessions participants shared their experiences and skills to support increasing efforts to leverage the potential of solar power in Iraq.

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Iraq is set to open its first industrial-scale solar plant in a vast desert area in Karbala as the government attempts to tackle an electricity crisis that has led to widespread blackouts.

Apart from its oil riches, Iraq has vast solar potential that the authorities say they will use to close the gap between supply and demand, at the same time, reducing carbon emissions.

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Although it is a challenge to build solar plants to produce electricity in Iraq, the relevant lawmakers and decision-makers need to calculate the profitability and the large energy independence...

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