# Innovative Financing and Private Investment for Decentralized Renewable Energy Projects with Smart Grids

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## **Key Energy Challenges in Asia and the Pacific**







Energy Access	Energy Security	Environmental Sustainability
<ul> <li>Roughly 350 million people remain without adequate supply, and 150 million people still have no access to electricity</li> <li>About 1.6 billion people without access to clean cooking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>IEA scenarios suggest doubling of electricity demand in the region by 2040</li> <li>Cumulative renewable energy investments of \$6.0 trillion by 2040</li> <li>Cumulative electricity grid investments of \$6.4 trillion by 2040</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>About 50% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fossil fuels</li> <li>Approximately 25% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from coal power generation</li> </ul>





## **Opportunities and Changing Energy Landscape**







Energy Landscape	Global Commitments	ADB's Commitment
Profound changes in Asia and the Pacific:	Global commitments to universal access and climate action:	ADB is the Asia and the Pacific Climate Bank:
Falling cost of renewable energy vs. conventional energy	<ul> <li>Sustainable Development Goal 7: Universal Energy Access by 2030</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$100 billion of cumulative climate finance by 2030 from our own resources</li> </ul>
Emerging new and innovative low- carbon energy technologies	<ul> <li>Paris Agreement: Nationally         Determined Contributions (NDCs)     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>At least 75% of our operations support climate action for the period 2019 to 2030</li> </ul>





## **ADB's Energy Portfolio in** 2021

- About \$1.7 billion total energy sector lending approved across 19 energy projects
- Approximately \$693 million in climate finance were approved in the energy sector
  - \$659 million climate mitigation (clean energy projects),
  - \$ 34 million climate adaptation,
  - \$317 million in energy efficiency,
  - \$376 million in renewable energy
- 17 projects addressed climate change and disaster resilience



## **ADB's Energy Policy (2021)**

Supporting Low-Carbon Transition in Asia and the Pacific

- Approved on 20 October 2021
- Prioritizes energy efficiency, renewable energy, energy storage, decarbonization and electricity transmission and distribution expansion and upgrade
- Supports energy policy reforms, long-term planning, regional cooperation and greater private sector participation
- Promotes use of smart, digital, innovative and best available technologies
- Supports deployment of renewable-energy-based micro-grids and investment in smart and resilient power grids.
- Highlights need to address environmental liabilities of use of PCBs in transformers and sulfur-hexafluoride (SF6) in substations.



## ADB Financial Products & Lending Modalities

## Sovereign and Non-Sovereign Financial Products:

- Loans
- Grants
- Technical Assistance
- Guarantees
- Others

### **Lending Modalities:**

- Project lending
- Sector lending
- Financial intermediation
- Emergency assistance lending
- Multitranche financing facility
- Policy-based lending
- Sector development program
- Results-based lending
- Others



## **ADB's Approved Clean Energy Projects**

#### Financial Intermediation Loan for Rooftop Solar in Sri Lanka:

\$50 million credit line, through the government, to multiple local banks for financing of rooftop solar PV systems.

#### **Concessional Loan for Energy Efficiency in India:**

\$200 million loan, combined with \$13 million grant, to establish an energy efficiency revolving fund to finance LED streetlights, LED bulbs, ceiling fans, electric vehicles and charging stations through public Super-ESCO.

#### **Private Sector Loan for Wind Power in Thailand:**

First project to integrate utility-scale wind power generation with battery energy storage in the country. ADB provided long-term financing of \$240 million.

#### **Sovereign Project Loan for Battery Storage in Mongolia:**

\$100 million loan for the first Utility-Scale Energy Storage Project to support decarbonization and help increase renewable energy use by providing a large energy reserve, load shifting capacity, and emergency backup.

### **Grant Support for Renewable Energy in Kiribati:**

\$8 million grant for the South Tarawa Renewable Energy Project – ADB's first project in Kiribati's energy sector – to install climate-resilient solar power capacity on a water reserve.

## ASEAN Catalytic Green Financing Facility (ACGF)

- An initiative of the ASEAN Infrastructure Fund to accelerate green infrastructure investments in Southeast Asia
- Provides ASEAN governments with technical assistance and access to over \$1 billion in loans from cofinancing partners.
- Supports governments to identify and prepare commercially viable green infrastructure projects
- Supported the preparation of the 100 MW Cambodia National Solar Park Project





### **ADB's Technical Assistance**

#### **Developing Smart Grid Technology for Efficient Utilization of Renewable Energy in China:**

\$0.9 million technical assistance to draft a smart grid roadmap, update technical standards, improve wind resource forecasting.

#### **Smart Energy System in Mongolia:**

\$1.5 million technical assistance to upgrade the electricity transmission and distribution grid to enable uptake of variable renewable energy. Project aims to establish a smart integrated monitoring, and control energy system using innovative technologies and solutions.

#### **Gujarat Solar and Smart Grid Development Investment Program in India:**

\$0.3 million technical assistance to develop smart grid distribution system for grid-connected solar PV from rural and agricultural areas.

### Promoting Distributed Solar Photovoltaic Systems for Enhanced Energy Access in Uzbekistan:

\$1.3 million technical assistance to promote development of distributed solar PV including sector strategy, installation of pilot 20 kW solar PV system and strengthen institutional capacity.

### **Smart Grid Capacity Development in South Asia:**

Training and capacity building covering South Asian developing member countries.







## ADB's Decentralized Renewable Energy Projects

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## Multitranche Financing Facility for Solar Rooftop Investment Program in India:

\$500 million financial intermediation loans and \$5 million capacity development technical assistance to on-lend to local banks

#### **Upscaling Renewable Energy Sector Project in Mongolia:**

\$20.6 million grant and \$40 million loan to install distributed renewable energy systems in remote and less developed regions and build capacity of public utilities to optimize grid control systems

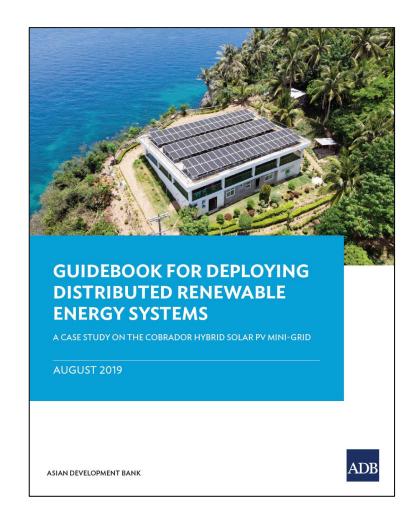
### Pilot Project for Solar PV, Battery and Small Hydro Project in the Philippines:

\$0.5 million pilot project in Daguitan that combines solar PV, battery and small hydropower in irrigation canal to power eco-tourism sites



## ADB Case Study Cobrador Hybrid Solar PV Mini-Grid

- Remote and isolated rural areas
- Need for legal, regulatory and market environment
- Locally-available natural resources
- Use of geo-spatial mapping to determine best locations
- Hybrid Optimization of Multiple Energy Resources (HOMER) to model and determine least-cost options
- Solar PV + Battery + Diesel Mini-Grid solution to allow for affordable electricity access to rise from 8 hours to 24 hours per day
- Government support, capacity building, and grant funding were essential to attract private sector interest







## Thank you!