

# The value and application of solar power generation

What are the applications of solar energy?

Some of the major application of solar energy are as follows: (a) Solar water heating (b) Solar heating of buildings (c) Solar distillation (d) Solar pumping (e) Solar drying of agricultural and animal products (f) Solar furnaces (g) Solar cooking (h) Solar electric power generation (i) Solar thermal power production (j) Solar green houses.

What is solar power?

Solar power is the conversion of sunlight into electricity, either directly using photovoltaic (PV), or indirectly using concentrated solar power (CSP). The research has been underway since very beginning for the development of an affordable, in-exhaustive and clean solar energy technology for longer term benefits.

What is the future of solar energy?

Power generation by fossil-fuel resources has peaked, whilst solar energy is predicted to be at the vanguard of energy generation in the near future. Moreover, it is predicted that by 2050, the generation of solar energy will have increased to 48% due to economic and industrial growth [13,14].

What is the contribution of solar energy to global electricity production?

While the contribution of solar energy to global electricity production remains generally low at 3.6%, it has firmly established itself among other renewable energy technologies, comprising nearly 31% of the total installed renewable energy capacity in 2022 (IRENA, 2023).

Why do we need a large installed capacity of solar energy applications?

Both technologies, applications of concentrated solar power or solar photovoltaics, are always under continuous development to fulfil our energy needs. Hence, a large installed capacity of solar energy applications worldwide, in the same context, supports the energy sector and meets the employment market to gain sufficient development.

What is the progress made in solar power generation by PV technology?

**Highlights** This paper reviews the progress made in solar power generation by PV technology. Performance of solar PV array is strongly dependent on operating conditions. Manufacturing cost of solar power is still high as compared to conventional power. **Abstract**

In this context, the European Union (EU) and China play a key role, being two important PV value chain players committed to reaching carbon neutrality by 2050 [ ] and 2060 ...

The energy crisis, air pollution, global warming, and other environmental issues have stimulated the development of renewable energy, which is expected to account for about 40% of energy consumption by

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