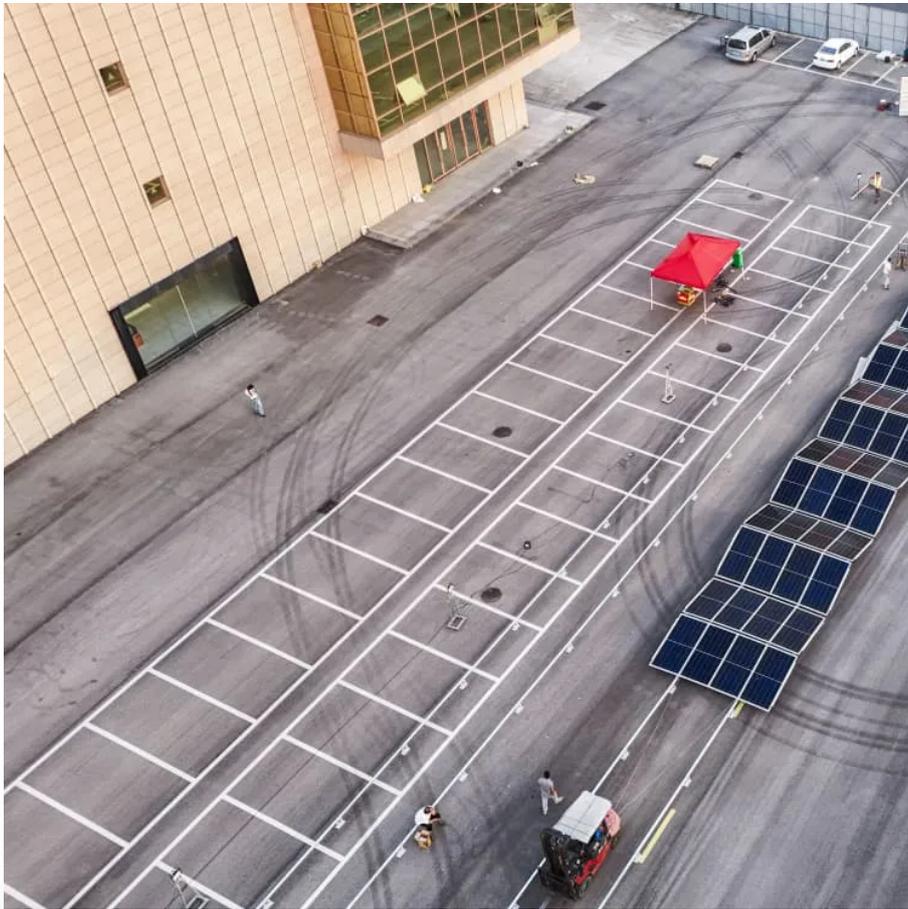


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## Overview

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The tender, which seeks to develop a 12 MW solar and 36 MWh battery energy storage system (BESS) in the northeastern port city of Berbera, marks a major milestone in Somalia's efforts to transition to renewable energy sources. Should Somalia invest in solar & wind?

This is not just a statistical correlation; it is a clear indication that investing in solar, wind and other renewables could fundamentally place Somalia on the path of increased energy access and green transition. By contrast, other forces are pushing in the wrong direction.

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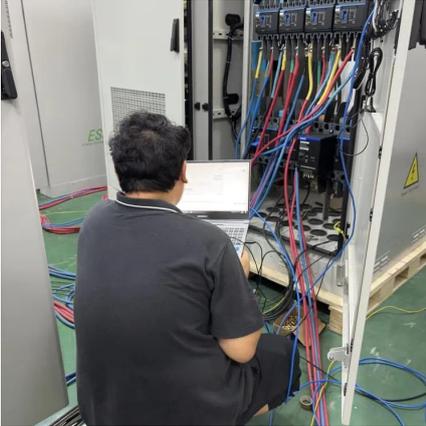
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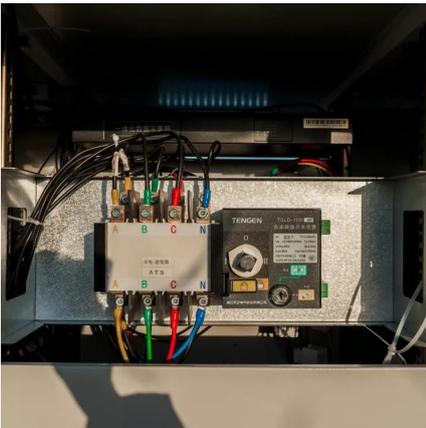
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