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Will Korea build more energy storage by 2038?

Korea's 11th BPLE sets a target to build an additional 23 GW of energy storage by 2038, including 1.25 GW of pumped-hydro storage. The government announced its Development Strategy for the Energy Storage Industry in October 2023.

Why is Korea so energy-intensive?

Korea's economy is one of the most energy-intensive in the OECD, with the third-highest energy use per unit of GDP.¹ It is a manufacturing economy that relies on its energy-intensive sectors such as petrochemicals, steel, automotives, shipbuilding and textiles.

How can Korea unlock the full potential of battery storage?

To unlock the full potential of battery storage, Korean policy makers and regulators need to ensure that the regulatory regime recognises the full value of the services that long-duration energy storage technologies offer, enable market access and establish price signals that accurately reflect its various contributions.

What does Korea do with lithium battery-based energy storage systems?

Korea aims to boost the global competitiveness of lithium battery-based energy storage systems (ESS) and develop non-lithium, long-duration energy storage technologies. Using large-scale batteries, Korea aims to stabilise the grid during periods of high demand while smoothing out fluctuations in VRE supply.

This compilation of articles explores North Korea's energy security challenges and chronic electricity shortages by utilizing commercial satellite imagery, state media and other sources to survey the ...

While the country struggles with chronic electricity shortages, recent satellite imagery reveals surprising solar panel installations popping up like mushrooms after rain. But here's the kicker: energy storage ...

This report, "North Korea's Energy Sector," is a compilation of articles published on 38 North in 2023 that surveyed North Korea's energy production facilities and infrastructure.

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A Development Strategy for the Energy Storage Industry was announced in October 2023, and in July 2025, Korea launched its first Energy Storage System Central Contract Market.

North Korea is increasingly turning to solar power to help meet its energy needs, as the isolated regime seeks to reduce its dependence on imported fossil fuels amid chronic power shortages.

With its capital Pyongyang experiencing chronic power shortages, the nation is doubling down on energy storage hydropower stations - a hybrid solution combining traditional hydropower ...

You know how people talk about energy independence? Well, North Korea's new energy storage capacity plans for 2025 might just be their ticket to overcoming chronic electricity shortages.

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