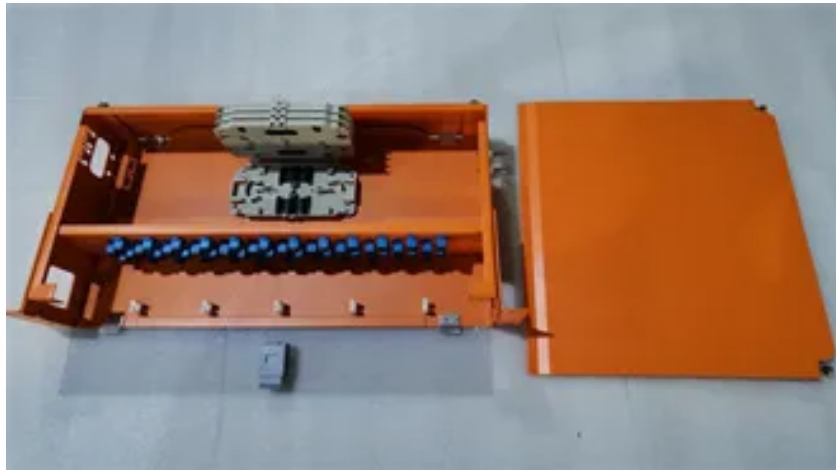


Rural telecom site lithium battery storage diesel savings Nigeria



Overview

This study evaluates the performance of hybrid energy systems deployed at rural Nigerian telecom sites, focusing on reductions in DG runtime, diesel consumption, cost savings, and improvements in site reliability. Keywords— Hybrid Power Systems, Lithium-Ion Batteries, Diesel Generator Optimization. Transitioning to a hybrid solar-diesel telecom site isn't just a “green” initiative; it is a clinical move to slash fuel consumption by 40% to 75% and secure a payback period of under 36 months. It's an attempt to reduce reliance on high-cost diesel and increase coverage. According to Airtel Africa's annual report for the 2025/26 financial period, it. For rural telecom towers, the best ROI usually comes from hybrid solar-battery-diesel power because it cuts diesel use by 60-90%, reduces refill trips from about 52 to 12 per year, and lowers generator maintenance. When annual site savings reach USD 20,000-30,000, payback often falls between 2. 09 per litre monthly, according.



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Solar-plus-storage systems can provide a cleaner and often more economical alternative for businesses and communities. Fourth, BESS can support rural electrification. Mini-grids equipped

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Various technologies exist, ranging from traditional methods like pumped hydro storage to modern innovations such as lithium-ion batteries. In the context of Nigeria's rural homes, the

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Aside from Airtel, other telecom companies are shifting to other energy sources such as solar, lithium batteries, CNG, and LPG to reduce their dependence on diesel usage.

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The remote-monitored, telecom-specific storage solution has achieved in-the-field fuel savings of between 30% and 60% over 10 months of operation. The work is directly applicable to other single

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Bridging Nigeria's rural energy gap with hybrid energy

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