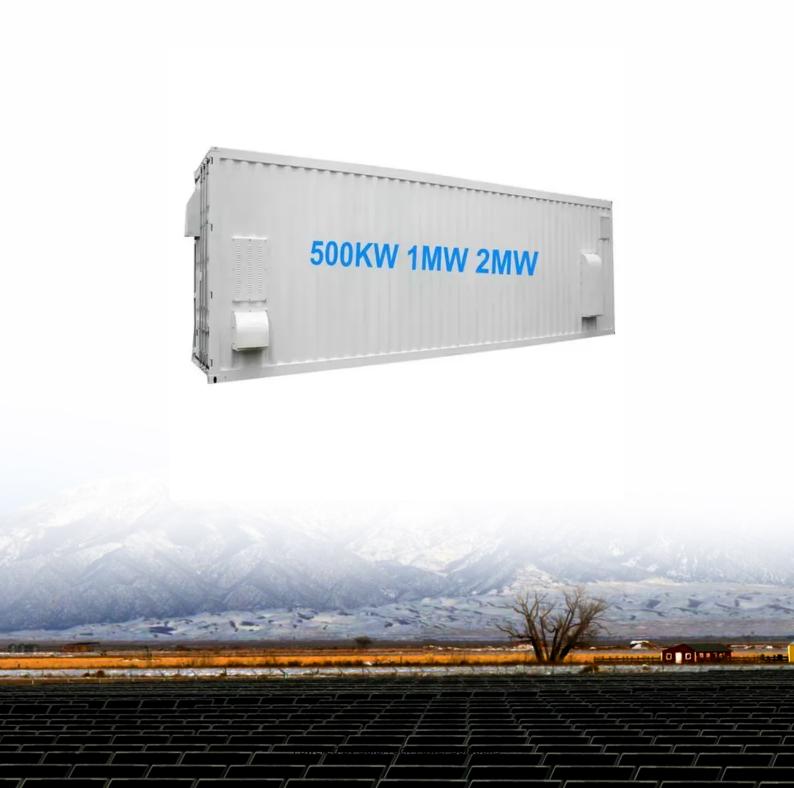


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#### **Overview**

Why is Africa a good place for battery production?

Each system can contribute uniquely to Africa's diverse energy storage needs. Africa's potential for local battery manufacturing is substantial due to its natural resource wealth and available labour force. The continent is rich in minerals such as lithium, cobalt, and graphite, essential components for battery production.

Why are lithium ion batteries popular in Africa?

Lithium-ion batteries are prevalent due to their high energy density and decreasing costs. Flow batteries offer longer discharge times suitable for larger-scale applications, while lead-acid batteries remain widely used due to their low cost and established technology. Each system can contribute uniquely to Africa's diverse energy storage needs.

What is a battery energy storage system?

Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) have emerged as a pivotal solution, storing excess solar energy generated during the day for use at night or during periods of high demand. Storage batteries can also be integrated with existing grid power to stabilise use between peak and off-peak usage.

Why should African countries develop local supply chains for battery production?

The continent is rich in minerals such as lithium, cobalt, and graphite, essential components for battery production. By developing local supply chains for battery manufacturing, African countries can meet their energy storage needs while creating jobs and stimulating economic growth in related sectors.

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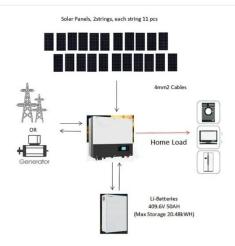


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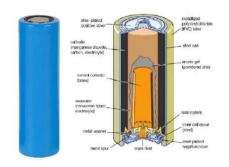
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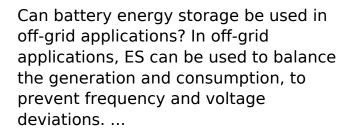




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