

How big is Japan's energy storage capacity?

Global energy storage capacity was estimated to have reached 36,735MW by the end of 2022 and is forecasted to grow to 353,880MW by 2030. Japan had 1,671MW of capacity in 2022 and this is expected to rise to 10,074MW by 2030. Listed below are the five largest energy storage projects by capacity in Japan, according to GlobalData's power database.

What is the Hirohara battery energy storage system?

The Hirohara battery energy storage system is Eku Energy's first project in Japan set to reach Financial Close and our latest global project that combines our global energy storage specialisation coupled with our deep local presence. We are pleased to be partnering with Tokyo Gas as offtaker as we together accelerate the energy transition.

What are the policy settings for battery energy storage in Japan?

The policy settings in Japan support investment in Battery Energy Storage and are compatible with delivering safe, secure and reliable green energy in a cost-effective manner to energy consumers, which is our mission. Kentaro Ono, Eku Energy Japan's Managing Director, said:

Who owns the battery storage facility in Japan?

Project financing has been arranged by MUFG Bank representing the first battery storage project they have arranged finance for in Japan. Under the offtake agreement, Eku Energy will own the BESS while Tokyo Gas will own 100% of its operating rights for 20 years, with Eku Energy responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the facility.

When will Hirohara energy storage plant be built in Miyazaki?

The actual construction of the 30MW/120MWh Hirohara Energy Storage Plant in Miyazaki City, which is the first grid-scale project in Miyazaki Prefecture, will begin on October 1, 2024. Development of the project was first announced this April and the facility is expected to be commissioned in July 2026.

What is Renova-Himeji battery energy storage system?

The Renova-Himeji Battery Energy Storage System is a 15,000kW lithium-ion battery energy storage project located in Himeji, Hyogo, Japan. The rated storage capacity of the project is 48,000kWh. The electro-chemical battery storage project uses lithium-ion battery storage technology. The project will be commissioned in 2025.

It announced its first 11MW/23MWh project in Osaka Prefecture, west Japan, in partnership with utility Osaka Gas in June. The company also entered a partnership with Australian developer Akaysha Energy for utility-scale BESS projects in Japan a while back, which it announced in September. Fundamental need for storage in Japan

Stonepeak and CHC launch platform for energy storage projects in Japan. The platform secured a 20-year fixed revenue capacity market contract for four battery energy storage system (BESS) projects in Japan's first long ...

Containerised battery storage units at a project in Hokkaido, northern Japan, where grid operator's rules require renewable generators to add storage. Image: Sungrow. Energy storage projects will be eligible to take part ...

Pacifico Energy's Shiroishi Energy Storage Plant in Hokkaido, Japan, one of the two projects recently brought online by the developer. Image: Pacifico Energy. A milestone has been reached in the development of a ...

The project, under construction in Ishikari Bay, Hokkaido, Japan. Image: Pattern Energy. US-headquartered developer Pattern Energy has achieved financial close on an offshore wind project in northern Japan which ...

Japan, which targets renewable energy representing 36% to 38% of the electricity mix by 2030 and 50% by 2050, is seeking to promote energy storage technologies as an enabler of that goal. At the same time, electricity ...

Storage battery facilities of at least 10 MW capacity that can be independently connected to the grid (Stand-alone SB Facilities) are permitted to participate in the Program. Background. Japan has seen a tremendous increase in the development of renewable energy projects over the past few years, in particular solar and wind projects.

growth of renewable energy . Storage technologies hold promise as part of the solution to these issues and present a potentially significant new business opportunity for energy investors in Japan. ENERGY STORAGE IN JAPAN Some of the more recent new-build renewable power plants in Japan include an energy storage component.

The three partners will establish a grid-scale battery energy storage system (BESS) project with 11MW output and 23MWh energy capacity in Suita City, Osaka Prefecture, western Japan. Itochu will procure battery storage equipment and power conversion system (PCS) components from its own network of contacts, and will construct the system as well ...

Tesla's Megapack grid-scale batteries have been selected to back an energy storage project in Japan, coming as the latest of the company's continued deployment of the hardware. As detailed in ...

Global energy storage specialist, Eku Energy, has announced the Hirohara Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) located in Oaza Hirohara, Miyazaki City, Miyazaki Prefecture. The 30MW/120MWh battery is Eku's first ...

Singapore-headquartered renewable energy company Gurin Energy has revealed plans for a 500MW, 4-hour

duration (2,000MWh) battery storage project in Japan. It's the biggest battery energy storage system ...

Regular readers of Energy-Storage.news will likely be aware that grid-scale battery storage activity in Japan has shown early signs of being on an upward trend, with major Japanese players and foreign market entrants ...

energy transition, alongside other energy storage technologies. 2) Three level assessment framework: adopt system needs assessment; technology options assessment; and project optimisation to avoid, minimise and mitigate social and environmental impacts. 3) PSH impacts are site-specific. The internationally recognised

Japan Battery Energy Storage System. Gurin Energy is developing a pipeline of utility-scale battery energy storage system (BESS) projects to enable greater flexibility of the grid and support the increased use of renewable energy in ...

A total of 12 projects totaling 180MW/595.3MWh was awarded 13 billion yen through Tokyo's FY2024 subsidy for promoting grid-scale battery storage, the metropolitan government's document released in February 2025 ...

Report: Energy Storage Landscape in Japan. Aside from Japan's plans for wide-spread implementation of smart-city and smart-grid technology during the coming decades, the country's market is also defined by a general shift away from nuclear and fossil-fuel energy towards a highly-diffuse renewable energy infrastructure. The emergence of this ...

Image: Pacifico Energy. In June, Japanese renewable energy developer Pacifico Energy put in action the first trades from battery energy storage system (BESS) assets in the country's power markets. The two ...

Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. JP Design Co., Ltd. IDD JR 11-019 Chapter 19 Design of Pumped Storage Projects 19-1. Part 5 Operation and Maintenance Chapter 20 Operation and Maintenance 20-1 . Part 1. Significance of Hydroelectric Power Development ...

Over a gigawatt of bids from battery storage project developers have been successful in the first-ever competitive auctions for low-carbon energy capacity held in Japan. ...

The Japanese government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, has recognised the importance of battery energy storage system projects. By Joseph Kim, Yuko Ino and Jared Raleigh, with contributions from Stephanie Li, Motohiro Matsumura, Shuhei Mikiya and Sari Sakurai, Greenberg Traurig in Singapore and Tokyo.

Macquarie-backed Eku Energy has completed the financing on its first battery energy storage system (BESS) project in Japan. The pureplay energy storage developer, jointly owned by Australia's Macquarie Asset Management ...

Introduction. Japan is aiming to source 36-38% of its electricity generation from renewable sources by FY2030 and achieve carbon neutrality by 2050, while at the same time maintaining a stable and affordable supply. The amendment of ...

Battery storage developer Eku Energy has partnered with utility Tokyo Gas on a grid-scale energy storage project in Japan, with construction expected to start soon. The developer, jointly owned by a fund managed by ...

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Eku Energy's Japan subsidiary Nihon Chikuden broke ground on its first BESS project on September 24, 2024. The 30MW/120MWh Hirohara Energy Storage Plant in Miyazaki City is the first grid-scale project in Miyazaki Prefecture.

In August, Japanese prime minister Fumio Kishida called for an acceleration in the introduction of stationary battery storage along with a power grid expansion, to enable the planned increase in renewable capacity. BESS ...

Home battery storage aggregation projects have launched with participation of Tokyo Electric Power Co, and Tokyo Gas, two major utility companies in the Japanese capital. On Tuesday (3 September), power ...

Eku Energy's Japan subsidiary Nihon Chikuden held ground breaking ceremony for its first BESS project on September 24, 2024. The actual construction of the 30MW/120MWh ...

Japan currently has three major pumped hydro projects in various stages of completion, including one serving Tokyo that will have the world's third-largest pumped-storage power capacity when fully online. Utilities are also ...

LG Chem Ltd. has dominated the storage battery market in Japan. The company has supplied storage systems to 2 of the 6 operational and 5 of the 9 under-construction solar plus storage plants, equating to around 47% of the ...

According to Storage Discover, on February 4, 2025, Nikkei News and several other media outlets reported that Tesla (TSLA.O) has entered into a partnership with Japanese financial services group ORIX to provide a Megapack energy storage system with a total capacity of 548 megawatt-hours (MWh) for its energy storage plant in Yonehara City, Shiga Prefecture, central ...

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