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Overview

In the 2000s, Syria's struggled to meet the growing demands presented by an increasingly energy-hungry society. Demand grew by roughly 7.5% per year during this decade, fueled by the expansion of Syria's and sectors, the spread of energy-intensive , and state policies (i.e. high and low) that encouraged wasteful energy practices. Syria's inefficient infrastructure compounded these prob.

In the heart of the Middle East, Syria is quietly making waves with its groundbreaking energy storage project – a \$120 million initiative aiming to stabilize the national grid while integrating solar farms across Homs and Aleppo. Is Syria's energy system in ruins?

Syria's energy system is in ruins. To rebuild energy security the country's new government faces two major challenges. The first, vital for Syria's swift recovery and political stability, is bringing reliable flows of electricity and fuel to its people.

What if Syria doesn't have reliable energy supplies?

The lack of reliable energy supplies is a major concern for Syrian citizens and its new government, making it a key point of leverage. Qatar and Türkiye have stepped in to provide short-term assistance. The two states have provided two floating power stations, while Türkiye is also connecting its grid to Syria.

What is the outlook for Syria's Energy Resources & Infrastructure?

A quick outlook regarding Syria's energy resources and infrastructure, including the role of declining oil revenue under the Assad regime's governance and the prospects for, and geopolitical impact of, Syrian energy production and trade in a new era.

Should Syria become an energy hub?

In the longer term, it should offer Syria a role in an interconnected Eastern Mediterranean energy hub with independent access to the EU market for gas and electricity. For more than a decade, Syrians have been coping with severe energy shortages. Years of war and division have crippled over 50% of the

country's electricity grid.

How many power plants were destroyed in Syria?

Between 2015 and 2017, violence and looting destroyed three major power plants, namely the Aleppo Thermal Station, Zayzoon in Idlib, and al-Taim in Deir Ezzor. Pre-war, these three plants had accounted for almost one-fifth of Syria's total generation capacity.

Why does Syria have a low electricity supply?

The war has seen a drop in electricity generation capacity from 8 500 Megawatts to just 3 500, primarily due to the destruction of key power plants including Mahardah, Aleppo and Zayzoun. The lack of reliable energy supplies is a major concern for Syrian citizens and its new government. Syria's oil and gas sector is in an even worse state.

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