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**The largest battery energy storage project in East Africa**



## Overview

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CAPE TOWN, 27 June 2025: Globeleq, a leading independent power company in Africa, together with its project partner, African Rainbow Energy, announced that they have reached commercial close on the 153 MW/612 MWh Red Sands battery energy storage project (Red Sands BESS) in South Africa, by signing.

Updated 1st July 2025 – The Red Sands Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), set to be Africa's largest of its kind, has officially reached commercial close. Developed by Globeleq, which is 30% owned by Norfund, in partnership with African Rainbow Energy, the 153 MW/612 MWh project was signed off in.

The Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC (KenGen), has been designated to be the Implementing Agency for the Kenyan Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), which is part of the Kenya Green and Resilient Expansion of Energy (GREEN) program, funded by the World Bank. KenGen is the leading electric.

In a major win for South Africa's clean energy transition, Globeleq and African Rainbow Energy have officially reached commercial close on the 153 MW / 612 MWh Red Sands Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) —now Africa's largest standalone battery energy project to achieve this milestone. Set in.

The Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) market is currently the fastest growing segment of global battery demand, with y-o-y growth of 53% in 2024, according to Rho Motion's BESS database. This expansion has been partly fuelled by falling cell costs along with flexibility demand, which together.

Globeleq said the Red Sands project in the Northern Cape has been awarded preferred bidder status in South Africa's energy storage capacity independent power producer procurement programme. The Red Sands project is 100km south-east of Upington and will be the largest standalone battery energy.

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