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What is the future of battery storage in Japan?

Solar panels in the western Japanese city of Kitakyushu: As Japan integrates more renewables into its energy mix, the market for battery storage is forecast to grow. (Photo by Shinya Sawai)

Are lithium-ion batteries a threat to Japan's Energy Transition?

Lithium-ion batteries (LiBs) have long been the dominant choice for energy storage for grid applications. Despite their widespread adoption, LiBs pose several critical challenges that threaten the sustainability and security of Japan's energy transition.

How big is Japan's battery storage capacity?

Rystad forecasts Japan's battery storage capacity could reach about 4 GW based on projects under construction, planned and awarded, which would require \$6 billion in investment.

Why are Japanese companies investing in battery energy storage systems?

That is creating surging interest in battery energy storage systems (BESS) to smooth mismatches in supply and demand. Since December 2023, companies have announced investments of at least \$2.6 billion in Japanese battery storage projects, according to calculations by Reuters.

With battery allocations halved and discharge requirements raised to six hours, developers warn the economics of storage projects ...

Japan, which relies on imported fossil fuels for around 70% of its electricity, has been expanding renewables to improve energy security, ...

As of the end of December 2024, approx. 170 MW of grid-scale storage batteries had been interconnected. Issues of grid-scale ...

By reducing dependence on critical mineral imports, Japan is enhancing its energy security and diversifying its battery supply chain, ...

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