

# **RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY**

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# NIGERIAN ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT OVERVIEW

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### OVERVIEW

The objective of the Nigerian Electrification Project (NEP) is to increase electricity access to households and Mirco, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), students and patients at federal universities and university teaching hospitals throughout Nigeria. The Rural Electrification Agency (REA) (Implementing Agency for the project) has been working with the World Bank team to develop a robost project that when implemented will be the largest off grid electrification project in West Africa.

The project is a \$350 million facility from the world bank to the Nigerian government for off grid development. The implementing Agency is the Nigeria Rural Electrification Agency (REA):

### This project has four components:

- 1. Component 1 Solar Hybrid Mini Grids for Rural Economic Development – US\$150m
- 2. Component 2 Standalone Solar Systems for Homes, Farms and Enterprises – US\$ 75m
- 3. Component 3 Power systems for public universities and teaching hospitals – US\$105m
- 4. Component 4 Technical assistance US\$20m

## NIGERIAN ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT (NEP)

The project is part of the Nigerian Economy Recovery and Growth Plan (EGRP)

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To support FGN's goal of increasing electricity access;
- To develop a data driven off grid model for Nigeria that will become an exemplar for Sub Saharan Africa;
- To utilize the funding from the Nigerian Electrification Project (NEP) as a catalyst to scale up rapid implementation of off- grid solutions across Nigeria;
- To align with the Country Partnership Strategy (CPS) for Nigeria;
- To contribute to Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG7), Sustainable Energy for All (SEfor4ALL), the World Bank's Energy Sector Directions Paper (ESDP), and is aligned with the Multi-Tier Framework for Energy Access (MTF);
- To increase gender Inclusion in the Nigerian power sector;
- To increase economic growth in critical sectors e.g. Agriculture;
- To provide reliable power supply for 250,000 SMEs and 1 million Households;
- To provide **uninterrupted power supply** in Federal Universities and University Teaching Hospitals;
- To supports the FGN's climate change obligations under the Paris Agreement, with respect to promoting renewable and reducing carbon emissions.

## Nigerian Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP)



### NIGERIAN OFF GRID MARKET THERE IS A \$10B/YR MARKET OPPORTUNITY TODAY FOR MINIGRIDS AND SOLAR HOME SYSTEMS THAT WILL SAVE NIGERIANS \$6B/YR

- \$10 billion annual market opportunity to supply off-grid and underserved customers with minigrids and solar home systems\*
- With 8% economic growth through 2030 there is an additional \$670 billion value proposition
- This estimate is based on current expenditures, but customers may pay more for superior service
- This shift from expensive generating sets would save Nigerians customers \$6B/yr over current energy costs



#### Today's off-grid and underserved annual market size in Nigeria, by off-grid technology\*

Source: RMI analysis

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\* Assumes 50% adoption of solar home systems by torches and other substitutes, and 75% adoption of minigrids by small-scale self generation; conservatively does not assume growth in electricity use

### NIGERIA ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT (NEP)

### **Components and Breakdown of funds \$350 Million**

### COMPONENT 1: \$150 Million for solar mini grids.

- \$70 Million: Competitive bidding for portfolios of mini grid sites
- \$80 Million: Connecting new customers
- Mini grids built to grid code standard
- First-mover potential in the next 5 years: 300,000 households and 30,000 SMEs served by 1000 mini grids

### COMPONENT 2 : \$75 Million for SHS.

- \$15 Million: "Accelerator" grants to high-potential importerdistributors
- \$60 Million: Output-based grants
- Business model neutral
- First-mover potential in the next 5 years: 1.5 million households and micro-enterprises.

#### COMPONENT 3: \$105 Million for University & Hospital Power Systems.

- 37 federal universities and 7 affiliated hospitals
- EPC contracts for constructing power systems
- O&M contracts for 10 years
- Power systems designed to operate independently from the Grid

#### COMPONENT 4: \$20 Million Technical Assistance

- Institutional support for REA
- Investment pipeline development
- Financing needs assessment
- Regulatory support
- Pre-investment support to mini grid developers
- Ecosystem development for SHS
- Environmental & Social Safeguards

## **COMPONENT 1:**

## SOLAR MINI GRIDS: \$150M

### \$70 Million: Competitive Bidding

- 100 pre-selected mini grid sites clustered into bid packages for auction
- Bidders compete on lowest subsidy to build, own, and operate a portfolio of mini grids
- Detailed economic and geospatial data will be made available to developers
- Standardized design: solar PV & diesel hybrid with smart meters using a prepaid system
- An additional 70+ mini grids will be auctioned off in high-risk environments (e.g., conflict areas) – these will be fully financed by the project



#### \$80 Million: Connection Cost Subsidies

- \$300+ for each new connection to a mini grid, 100% payment made after connection
- Payments made upon completion
- Applications assessed on a rolling basis



## COMPONENT 2: SOLAR HOME SYSTEMS (SHS): \$75M

### \$15 Million: Accelerator Grants

- Up-front grants to strongest and most capable SHS providers
- Pre-qualification based on evidence that applicant has ready-to-go capabilities for scaling rapidly
- Grants will crowd-in large-scale additional private sector investment and provide liquidity for working capital
- Grants disbursed in lump sums based on milestones outlined in grant proposal
- Prospective Market Players:



### \$60 Million: Output Based Grants

- Pre-qualification based on business capabilities and SHS technical standards
- Focus will be primarily on strong new entrants and Nigerian start-ups
- Grants set at 15-20% of the nominal retail price and paid in tranches on verified product installations
- Grant support is business model neutral



## **COMPONENT 3:** ENERGIZING EDUCATION: \$105 million

### \$105 Million: University & Hospital Power Systems

Objectives:

- Support to Nigerian Government's Energizing Education Program
- Provide new or improved power systems for 37 federal universities and 7 associated teaching hospitals

EPC contracts for:

- Solar hybrid or gas-fired power systems to operate independently of DISCO grid, with capability to be connected at a later stage
- Campus-wide distribution system upgrade as necessary
- Campus-wide street lighting
- Training center facilities dedicated to renewable energy and electrical engineering education

O&M contracts for:

- Operating and maintaining power system and street lighting for 10 years
- O&M contracts will be offered to EPC contractors upon satisfactory completion of works

### Sites for the Energizing Education Program



Power System Characteristics:

- Capacity: 0.5 8.0 MW
- Technology: Solar-Hybrid or Gas fired with Smart Metering
- Reliability: > 99% for high-priority loads

### **COMPONENT 3**: **ENERGIZING EDUCATION: \$105 million UNVERSITIES - SOLAR POWERED PROJECTS**

- 1. University of Abuja, FCT
- 2. University of Maiduguri & Teaching Hospital, Borno
- 3. Federal University Gashua, Yobe
- Nigerian Defense Academy, Kaduna 4.
- Michael Okpara, University of Aariculture Umudike, Abia 5.
- University of Calabar & Teaching Hospital, Cross River 6.





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### COMPONENT 4: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: \$20m

### Market Intelligence for Mini Grid Development Tool Powered by Odyssey



#### Cross River State: Abo Ogbagante, Boki LGA



### **KEY MILESTONES & NEXT STEPS**





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