

# **Cape Town Unicom Base Station Energy Storage Project**





## Overview

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What is Eskom's largest battery energy storage system in South Africa?

Power utility Eskom has unveiled what it has called the largest of its kind Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project in South Africa. The group officially opened the Hex BESS site at Worcester in the Western Cape on Thursday (9 November), which is the first project to be completed under Eskom's flagship BESS project announced in July 2022.

Who owns the Red Sands battery energy storage system?

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 June 2025 in Cape Town.

Does South Africa have a battery storage tender programme?

South Africa is aiming to procure utility-scale battery storage with two tender programmes: its Battery Storage IPP Procurement Programme as well as hybrid battery storage and variable renewables projects through its Risk Mitigation IPP Procurement Programme.

Who owns 153 MW & 612 MWh in South Africa?

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 June 2025 in Cape Town. It will be located in South Africa's Northern Cape Province and occupies a five-hectare site.



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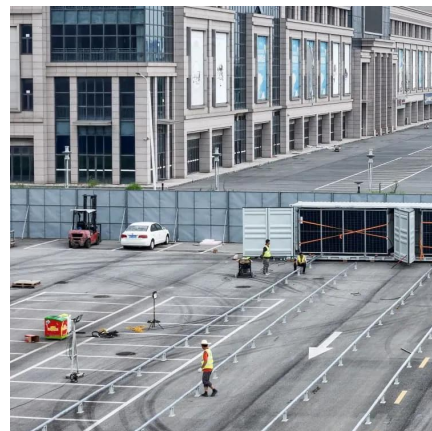
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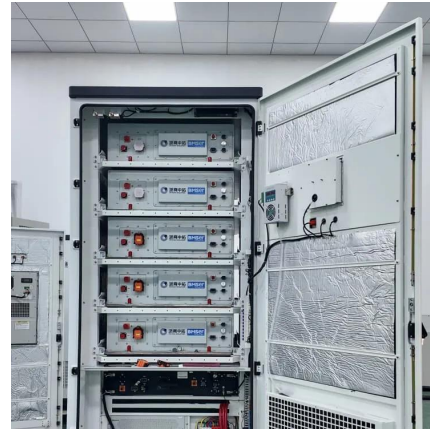
Why did the battery energy storage system replace the kiwano project?The Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project replaced the Kiwano project due to technology risk, cost, and ...





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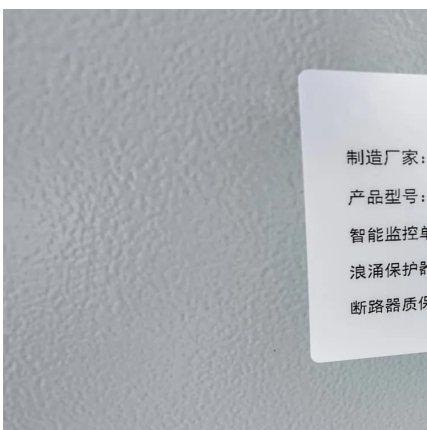


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