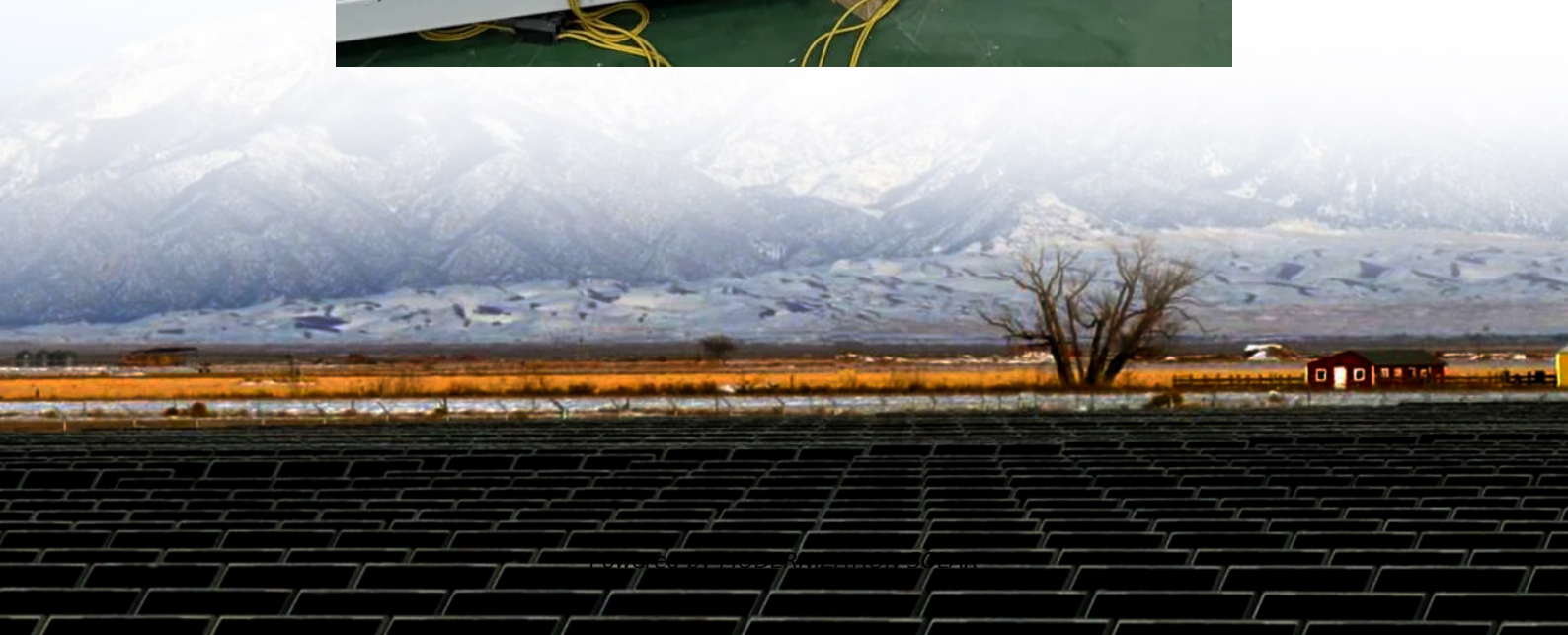


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## Overview

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On 27 June 2024, the South African Revenue Service (SARS) announced the insertion of tariff subheading 8541.43, in Part 1 of Schedule No.1 to the Customs and Excise Act, " Ordinary Customs Duty ", to increase the rate of customs duty on crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules or solar panels from free to 10% ad valorem. Should South Africa impose a 10% tariff on solar panels?

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How will South Africa's solar tariff changes affect small businesses?

**Summary for End Users/Installers** The proposed tariff changes aim to bolster South Africa's renewable energy manufacturing sector but will likely increase costs for small businesses and end users in the short term due to higher duties on imported components and the potential discontinuation of the solar PV rebate.

Does South Africa need solar panels?

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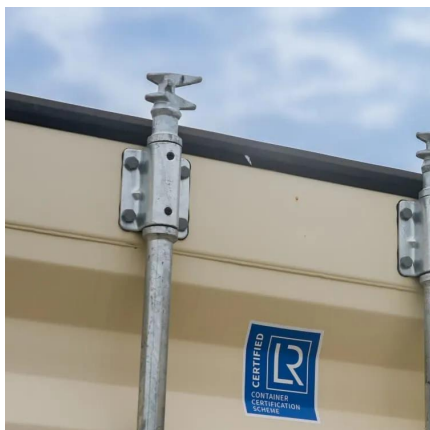
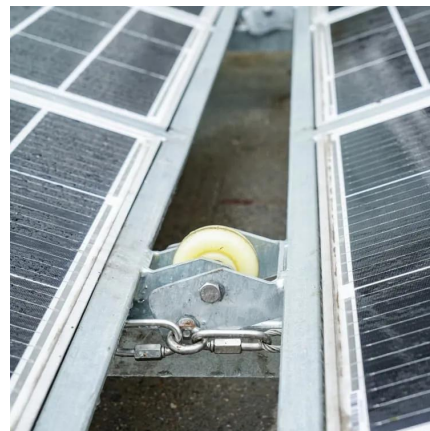


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