Zambian export of 200kW photovoltaic integrated power plant at CIF price



Overview

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Key Takeaways

A 200 kW photovoltaic integrated power plant in Zambia can be estimated at a CIF cost of approximately USD $0. 9–1. 2 million, depending on module type, inverters, and shipping logistics.

Cost Estimation

Based on Zambia's recent solar PV projects, the Kafue Gorge Lower 200 MWac Solar PV Project had a total investment of USD $90 million for 200 MW, translating to roughly $450 per kW installed locally. Scaling this to a 200 kW plant, the base cost would be approximately $90,000. However, for export with CIF pricing, additional costs for international shipping, insurance, and port handling must be included, which typically adds 10–30% to the base cost, bringing the CIF estimate to $0.

9–1. 2 million for a fully integrated system with modules, inverters, and mounting structures.

Technical Specifications

Modules: Bifacial monocrystalline silicon modules (e.g., JA Solar JAM72D42-630/LB) with 630 W peak output. Inverters: String inverters or fully integrated turnkey solutions, similar to Sungrow SG350HX-20 used in larger Zambian projects. Mounting: Single-axis trackers to optimize energy capture.

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Integration: Can be connected to local mini-grids or the national grid, with potential exemption from ERB licensing for plants under 500 kW.

Government Incentives

Zambia offers customs duty and VAT exemptions for solar PV modules, accessories, and lithium-ion batteries, which can reduce the cost of exported systems. Additionally, the open access policy encourages Independent Power Producers (IPPs) to integrate solar plants into the national grid, facilitating smoother export and deployment.

Logistics Considerations

Shipping: CIF pricing includes transport to the destination port, insurance, and handling. Installation: Local EPC partners can assist with assembly, grid connection, and commissioning. Regulatory Compliance: Ensure adherence to Zambia's Renewable Energy Strategy and Action Plan (RESAP 2022) and any local import/export regulations.

Summary

Exporting a 200 kW PV integrated power plant from Zambia at CIF pricing involves estimating the base cost of modules, inverters, and mounting (~$90,000), then adding shipping, insurance, and handling (~10–30%), resulting in a CIF range of $0. 9–1. 2 million.

Leveraging Zambian government incentives and local EPC expertise can optimize costs and ensure compliance with grid integration standards.

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