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Nepal: Emerging Green Industries: Policies for Human Resource Preparation



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Energy Development Roadmap, 2023

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Industrial Energy Consumption in Nepal



- Major Industries
 - Steel
 - Spinning mill
 - Cement
- Green Urea Planned



Source: WECS, 2024

 Greening the industries will require technological advancements, infrastructure expansion and human resource preparation





Electricity Access and MTF Aggregate Tier Distribution

17.9%

17.3%

- Access to Electricity in 2024 99%
- Access to NEA Grid 97%

15.3%

 In 2017 more than 30% population had access to below Tier 3 electricity

11.5%

Load level		Indicative electric appliances	Capacity tier typically needed to power the load
Very low (3–49 W)	Ø	Task lighting, phone charging, radio	TIER 1
Low (50–199 W)	2	Multipoint general lighting, television, computer, printer, fan	TIER 2
Medium (200–799 W)	<mark>।</mark> ≉	Air cooler, refrigerator, freezer, food processor, water pump, rice cooker	TIER 3
High load (800–1,999 W)		Washing machine, iron, hair dryer, toaster, microwave	TIER 4
Very high load (2,000 W or higher)		Air conditioner, space heater, vacuum cleaner, water heater, electric cookstove	TIER 5

<u>Source:</u> Nepal Beyond Connections Energy Access Diagnostic Report Based on the Mult-Tier Framework, World Bank Group, 2019



31.7%





Energy Transition in Nepalese Context

Generation and Storage

- Increased Hydropower
- Energy Mix with Solar
- BESS and Pumped Hydro Storage

Demand

- Clean Cooking Intervention
- Electrification of Transport
- Greening the Industrial Processes

Just Transition

- Environment and Social Safeguards
- GESI
- Improved Livelihood

Power Grids

- Transmission and Distribution Network
 Expansion
- Grid Modernization/Automation
- Resilient Grid Infrastructure

Energy Efficiency

 Efficiency in Buildings, Industries and Transport

Information Technology

- Digitization of administrative procedures
- EV Charging and Digital payments
- Infrastructures, Data Centers, Cloud and Cyber Security

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Human Resource Preparation Needs



Policy Needs

- Expanded education and training:
- Reskilling and upskilling programs
- Certification and accreditation
- Collaboration between education, industry, and government
- Access to Green Funds







- Energy transition will require technological advancements, infrastructure expansion and human resource preparation.
- Power system will be bigger and more complex bringing challenges to power utilities
- Human resource should be prepared to plan, implement, operate and maintain the complex energy infrastructures
- Human resource requirement in energy transition is multidisciplinary and cross-sectoral.
- Human resource adaptation to rapidly evolving IT is crucial for effective governance and administration.
- Policy actions required well in advance for skill expansion and upskilling.





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