



# Australia's renewable investment in PNG

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#### INTRODUCTION

- PNG renewable energy context: Why Australia is here and how we work.
- Overview of the Australian Government's renewable energy investments in PNG:
  On- and off-grid infrastructure, technical assistance, and governance reforms.
- Opportunities for partnerships and cooperation to support PNG to increase renewable energy investment and meet its energy access goals.

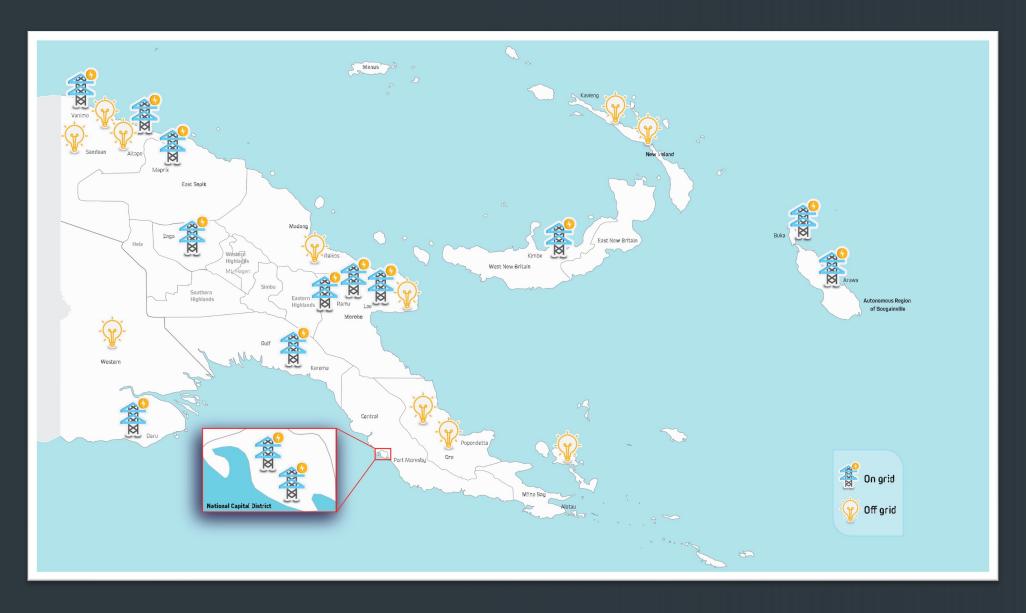


#### **RENEWABLE ENERGY IN PNG**

- PNG's energy infrastructure deficit needs significant investment to support economic growth and social development.
- Improving PNG's energy sector is a shared priority for the governments of PNG and Australia.
- Australia is committed to renewable energy investment in PNG—it supports increased access to reliable, affordable, clean power and responds to the reality of climate change.



#### **AUSTRALIA'S ENERGY PROJECTS IN PNG**



#### AUSTRALIA'S SUPPORT: WHAT WE DO IN ON-GRID ENERGY

- Working with PNG Power to improve on-grid electricity through critical works on key hydropower assets and on transmission and distribution upgrades and repairs.
- Solar upgrades to provincial grids in Aitape, Arawa, Kimbe, Kerema, Maprik, Daru, Buka and Finschafen.



### AUSTRALIA'S SUPPORT: WHAT WE DO IN OFF-GRID ENERGY

- Supporting increased access to renewable energy in remote communities across the country through small-scale solar systems and community lighting.
- Delivered over 55,000 solar home kits and solar systems for community facilities, more than 1,500 solar streetlights.
- Capacity building and advisory support for the National Energy Authority to improve its regulatory expertise.



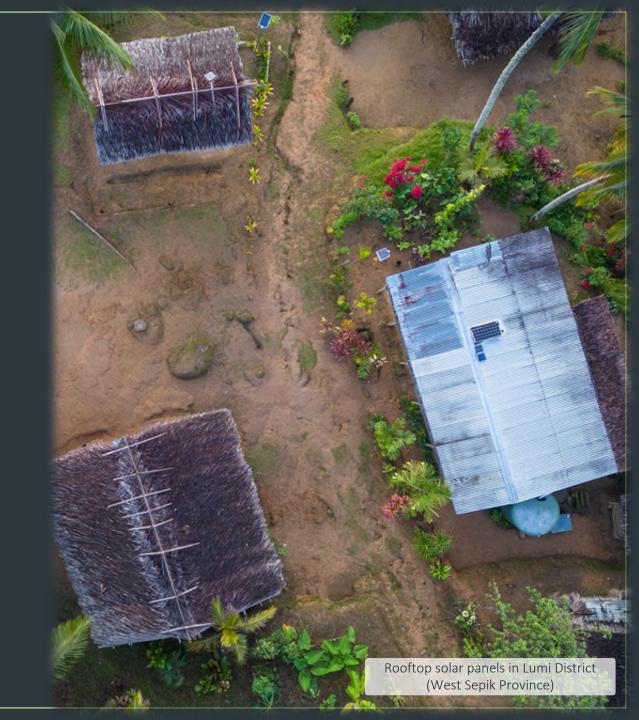
## **AUSTRALIA'S SUPPORT: HOW**WE WORK

- Alignment with the PNG Government's infrastructure priorities.
- Local participation to maximise benefits to local communities.
- Ensure project designs embed the latest climate science to build resilient infrastructure.
- Focus on investments that deliver long-term benefits, are fit for purpose and provide a return to the economy.



### REFORM AND GOVERNANCE IMPROVEMENTS

- PNG Government has identified that infrastructure investments will be most effective when coupled with sector reform.
- Australia will continue to support PNG Government efforts to strengthen the legislative and regulatory environment that governs the energy sector.



### OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Work together to support PNG Power's and the National Energy Authority's management and regulatory reforms.
- Opportunities to share renewables expertise, including to develop strong regulatory frameworks.
- Collaboration on pilot projects to test renewable technologies and business models that are new to PNG.





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