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Solar Renewable Energy for Sustainable Development in India: Current Status, Future Prospects, Challenges, Employment

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Abstract: As the scarcity of conventional energy sources like coal, petroleum, natural gases are increasing and causing the environmental and climatic changes, use of natural resources is growing in the recent years. Solar energy is playing a key role in compensating the electrical energy short fall. India is running one of the largest and most ambitious solar renewable capacity expansion programs. Solar energy is one of the key elements of socio-economic development and also responsible for sustainable jobs creation in the society. This paper aims to present significant achievements, prospects, generation of electricity as well as challenges and investment and employment opportunities due to the development of solar renewable energy in India. In this review, we have identified the various obstacles faced by the renewable sector. The recommendations based on the review outcomes will provide useful information for policymakers, entrepreneurs, solar industries, associated stakeholders, researchers, and scientists.

Keywords: Solar energy status, challenges, opportunities, employment

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