
UZBEKISTAN EXPANDS GREEN ECONOMY INITIATIVES TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

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Uzbekistan has unveiled ambitious plans to raise \$10 million through carbon credit trading as part of its 2025 state program, which prioritizes environmental protection and green economic development. The program aligns with the country's long-term Uzbekistan 2030 strategy, as 2025 has been declared the Year of Environmental Protection and the Green Economy by President Shavkat Mirziyoyev.

The program outlines significant initiatives to expand renewable energy, aiming to increase its share to 26% of total power generation. To achieve this, Uzbekistan plans to launch 16 green power plants with a combined capacity of 3.5 GW and hydroelectric stations with a total capacity of 160 MW. Furthermore, the government will implement a program to install small-scale solar panels in 35,000 households and 27,000 private and social facilities. By the end of 2026, 3,000 small hydropower plants with a total capacity of 164 MW are also expected to be operational.

Starting April 1, Uzbekistan will introduce preferential tariffs for electricity generated from solar, wind, and waste recycling. Energy produced using biogas technologies will also qualify for these incentives.

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