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Part 1 About Afghanistan

- Location: located between Central and South Asia
- Population: Around 32.5 M
- 36% of population living in poverty (UNDP 2013 HDR)
- Agriculture is the largest sector contributing 33% of GDP and employing 78.6% of labor
- Over the past three decades, forest cover has decreased by 50%.
 Today forests cover only 2% of Afghanistan (UNEP 2013)
- One of the most vulnerable countries to climate change (UNEP 2014)



Part 2



No	Туре	Potential
1	Hydro Power	 23,000MW of Energy Current collective installed capacity of Hydro Power energy is over 270 MW. 125+ sites have been identified for MHP, with potential of over 600MW of electricity Micro/Mini hydropower (MHP) prefeasibility studies plants have been done in nine provinces.
2	Wind Energy	 Commercially exploitable wind resources exist in many parts of the country. 68000 MW Potential, 5MW/km² 31,600km² windy land area i.e. 5% of Afg. total land area. The most windy areas of Afghanistan are; Herat, Farah, Balkh, Naimroz and Takhar Provinces.



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3	Solar Energy	 Afghanistan has excellent solar energy resources throughout its regions. 300 Sunny day in one year. 3,000 Hours of Sun. 6.5 kWh/m² per day solar radiation average Over 100,000 (over 650 Villages) solar home systems (SHSs) have been installed in various parts of the country. Solar street lights have been put in place at different parts of the country. Solar water pumps at different part of the country used for irrigation and drinking water.



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4	Bio-Mass	 More than 85% of Afghanistan's energy needs are met by traditional biomass, mainly wood and dung, however this has led to severe deforestation. Other sources of Biomass in Afghanistan are; Human/Animal waste, Municipality Waste (Garbage) etc. An estimated 350 small biogas digesters have been installed in different parts of Afghanistan.
5	Geo-Thermal Energy	 Prospects of low to medium temperature geothermal resources are widespread all over Afghanistan. 3 big possible regions of geothermal (Heart-Panjshir, Chaman – Moqor and Sarobi – Altimore) Tectonic structure of Afghanistan suggests the presence of vast hot water circulation systems underground - 27 Geysers has bee identified Power plants to be built in Afghanistan could range from 5 to 20MW each



Part 3

Renewable Energy Framework



Name of the Document	Dated and Version	Remarks
AREP	2016, Approved	
PSMP	2013, Final	
RAGA	2015, Draft	
Strategy and Guidelines for Implementation of AREP	2015, Draft	
Energy Service Law	2015, Approved	
Feed-in-Tariff Policy	2015, Final Dari Version	
Investment Policy	2015, Final Dari Version	
RREP	2014, Draft Version	
EOI for 100 MW	2016, Final Version	



Part 4

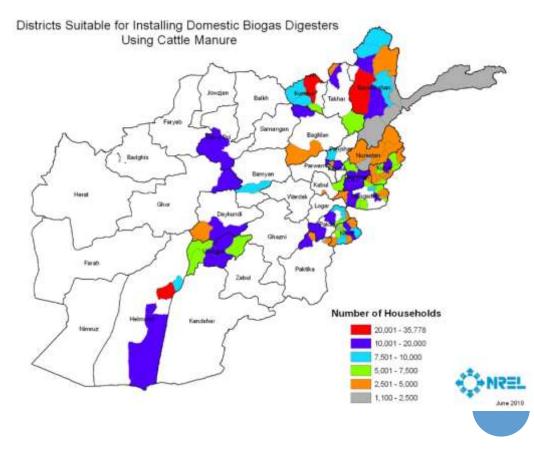
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Biogas Potential in Afghanistan

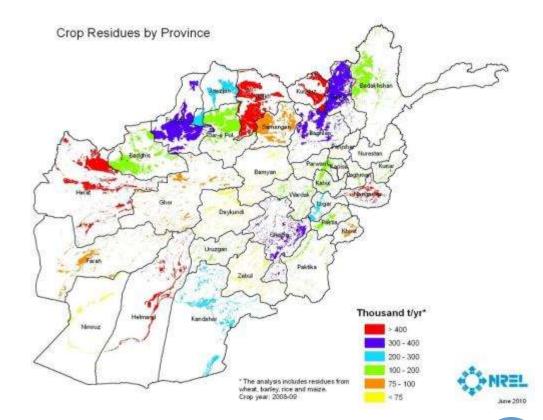


- Total animal manure produced is 39.187
 MT annually.
- This volume can produce 1567 MCM of biogas.
- This is equivalent to produce 7367 GW h of energy.

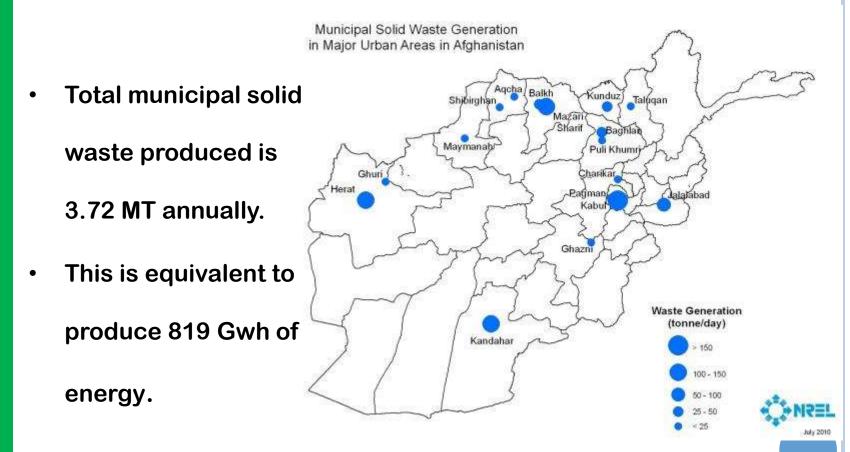




- Total crop residues produced is 6.49 MT annually.
- This is equivalent to produce 27.083 Gwh of energy









Current Status

- Approx. 350 domestic biogas projects are implemented by different stakeholders
- Biogas Consortium Afghanistan is developed for knowledge sharing and coordination



- Cold climate biogas is initiated
- Capacity building programs for small/medium enterprises and local craftsmen
- Ongoing research







