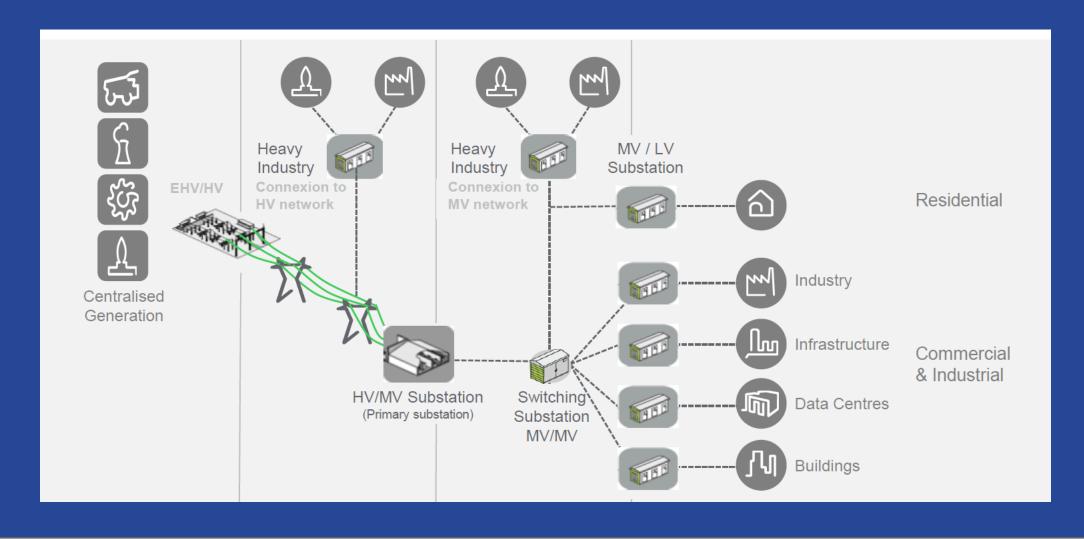


Distributed Solar Power Solutions – Opportunities & Technical Considerations

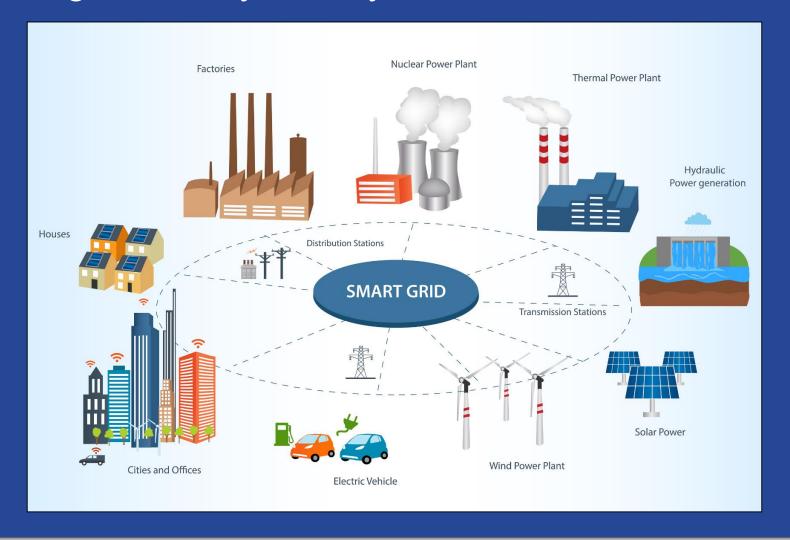
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# Traditional electricity eco-system... Centralized, One Way



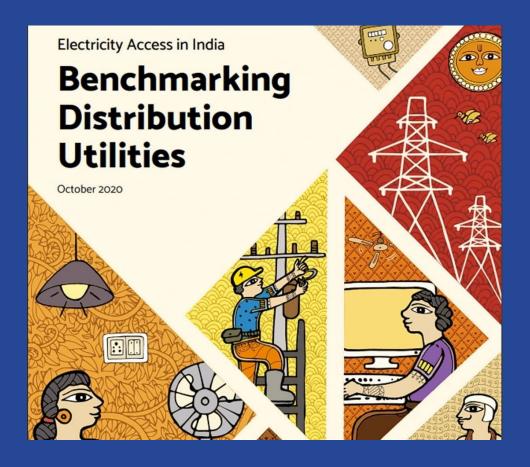


# Transforming Electricity Eco System... Distributed & Connected





### **India Scenario**



#### **Key findings of the report:**

"92% of customers reported the overall availability of electricity infrastructure within 50 metres of their premises; Not all have connections

Overall, 87% of the surveyed customers have access to grid-based electricity.

The hours of supply across the customer categories is nearly 17 hours per day

Nearly 85% of customers reported to have a metered electricity connection

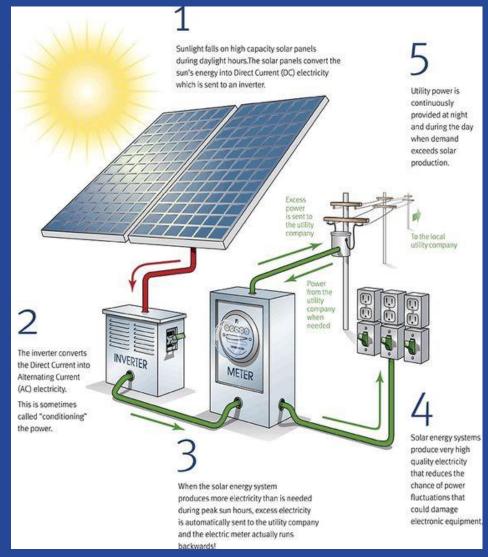
Access to electricity is observed in 83% of household customers.

The study suggested that a total of 66% of those surveyed were satisfied—74% of customers in urban areas and 60% in rural areas"



### Distributed Solar Power

Electricity that is generated using Solar Systems close to the loads, available when needed and gives user the flexibility to manage and control



https://medium.com/@solar.dao/how-energy-travels-what-happens-with-pv-solar-power-16a047dbe87e



# Key Drivers for Distributed Solar Power

Consumer demands are increasing ... Continuous Power is a necessity now...Environmental awareness is growing

Grid has become complex... Weak Distribution Infrastructure... Consumers are facing significant power outages

Solar Panel and Battery Costs have come down significantly, Efficiencies have increased

Power Electronics & Controls, Energy Storage and Digital Technologies have evolved rapidly

Overall cost of electricity from distributed power is competitive to grid power





### **Consumer Applications**

Rural Power Deficient Semi Urban Urban

Very High High Medium Low No Grid Power Cut >10 hour Power Cut 2-10 hour Power Cut 0-2 hour Power Cut

**Characteristics** 

**Power cut** 

per day

Remote locations/Rural Basic need of electricity

Outside urban areas
Need of 24/7 electricity
Inverter batteries fail

Urban areas
Power backup &
Savings over normal
inverter/battery

Urban/Posh areas
Uninterrupted power
supply
Savings & Social image

24/7 Uninterrupted power for all equipments Reducing DG usage

**DG Backup** 

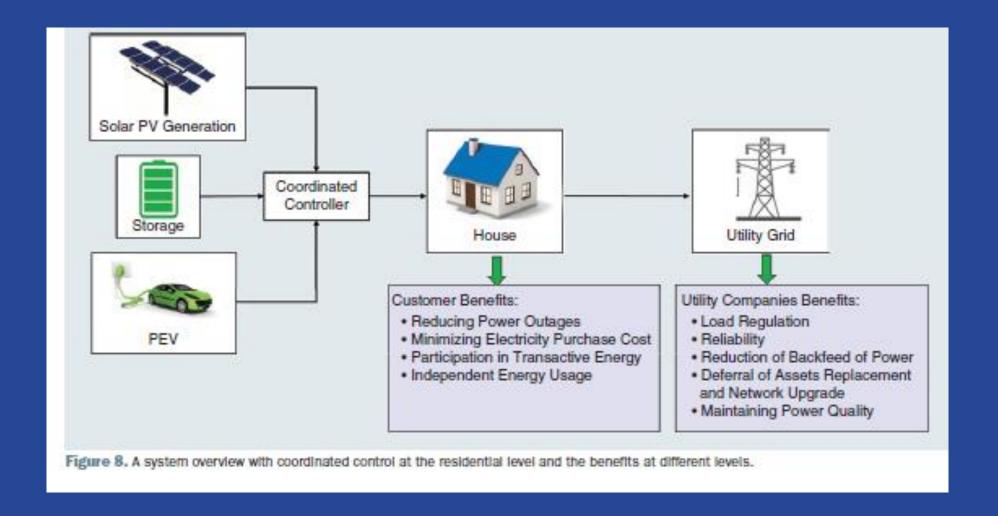
Commercial/

**Industrial** 

Now consumers have a choice to become prosumers



### Benefits of Distributed Solar Solutions





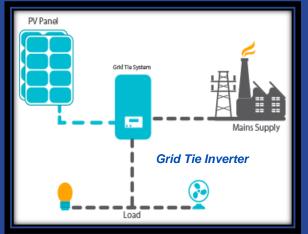
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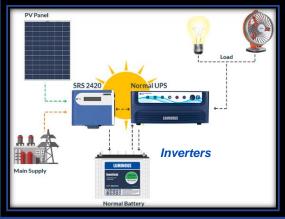
- Distribution Utilities need to repurpose their business
- Govt, Utilities, Tech providers and Consumers should work hand-in-hand to accelerate
- Consistent Consumer Centric Policies should continue to
   evolve
- Appropriate Financing models would help drive faster adoption
- Technology and Innovation will continue to play a key role

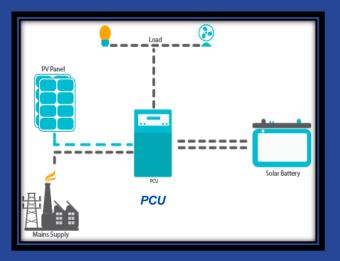


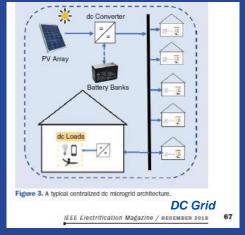


# Solar System Configurations









### **Technical Considerations**

Solar Panels... Poly, Mono, Bifacial, PERC, Thin Film (CIGS, CdTe), Perovskite etc..

Inverters... String, Central, Micro, Connected, High Frequency, Grid Forming etc..

Batteries.. Lead Acid/Li-ion/Solid-State etc..

Protection.. DC cables, Junction Boxes, Earthing Requirements, etc..

Integrated Systems & Controls... PWM/MPPT, BMS, Grid resilient, smart load management etc..

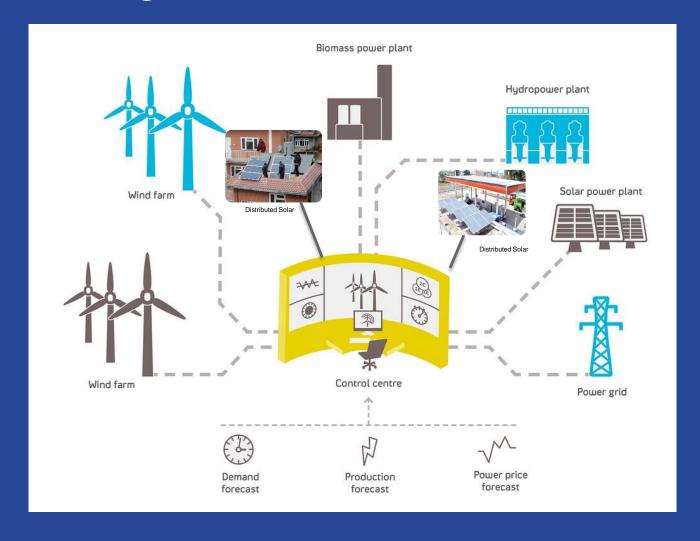
Data Analytics... IOT, Remote Analytics etc..



# Coupled with Digital Technologies..



# Looking into the Future...



Virtual Utility Concepts are emerging globally

Opportunity for Distributed Solar Solutions to participate

Transactive Energy Technologies evolving



# In Closing...

Transformation of Electricity Ecosystem is happening at a rapid pace

Consumers have a choice now.. Will pay a key role

Solar Solutions have become viable today

Consumer Centric Policies and Financing models critical

Technical Skill workforce enhancement needed



India is a leader in clean energy transformation... Great opportunity to leapfrog with Distributed Solar Solutions.



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