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Welcome to Solar Weekly Insight, presenting the most important developments in the global solar industry, ranging from significant industry trends, policies, research, and new technologies to markets and pricing.

This week's edition focuses on Indian anti-dumping duties, large PV projects in China, new renewable energy generating capacity in the U.S., net metering policy in Nevada, and renewables in Sub-Saharan Africa

India will decide not to impose anti-dumping duties on imported solar PV modules

Although there is no official word yet, NDTV has reported that the Indian government has decided to put off the anti-dumping duties on imported solar photovoltaic (PV) modules.



According to the news article, the decision was taken after a last minute meeting between the Finance Minister, Commerce & Industry Minister and the Minister for New and Renewable Energy.

The lobbying "for" and "against" imposition of anti-dumping duties (ADD) had been heavy, with the Assocham and the developers battling against the ADD and the Manufacturers pleading for the imposition of ADD. [More](#)

Picture left: Given the growing global demand Indian manufacturers have a great opportunity opening up, despite the disadvantages of lack of scale or vertical integration. Image: Moser Baer

JinkoSolar announces PV projects in China totaling 600 MW

Last week JinkoSolar announced two large utility-scale projects in China with a total generation capacity of 600 MW.



JinkoSolar's PV plant development is moving towards China's southern and eastern coasts

On August 13th, 2014 JinkoSolar announced that JinkoSolar Power Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of the Company, has signed a solar photovoltaic (PV) project development agreement with the Economic Development Zone of Lishui City, Zhejiang Province, China, to develop a 500 MW PV project with an aggregate investment amount of RMB 5 billion (approx. USD 813 million). [More](#)

And on August 22nd, 2014 the company announced that JinkoSolar Power Co. has signed project investment agreements with the local government of Hengfeng County in Jiangxi Province to develop solar photovoltaic (PV) projects totaling 100 MW. [More](#)

REC Group, Sunrun agreement on 100 MW supply deal, as REC accelerates U.S. market push

REC on August 21st, 2014 announced the signing of a supply agreement with Sunrun (San Francisco), the largest dedicated residential solar photovoltaic (PV) company in the United States.



Under the agreement Sunrun will buy a minimum of 50 megawatts (MW) and up to 100 MW of REC's high-quality Peak Energy Series solar modules in 2015. The agreement also signifies REC Group's plans to further increase its footprint in the U.S. [More](#)

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Renewable energy provides 100% of all new U.S. generating capacity in July 2014

According to the latest "Energy Infrastructure Update" report from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Office of Energy Projects, all new U.S. electrical generating capacity put into service in July came from renewable energy sources: 379 megawatts (MW) of wind, 21 MW of solar, and 5 MW of hydropower, the SUN DAY Campaign announced.



"This is not the first time in recent years that all new electrical generating capacity for a given month has come from renewable energy sources," noted Ken Bossong, Executive Director of the SUN DAY Campaign. "And it is likely to become an ever more frequent occurrence in the months and years ahead." [More](#)

Image left: PV plant in Colorado

Thousands of Nevadans urge utilities commission to stand strong for rooftop solar PV, net metering

On August 19th, 204 dozens of concerned Nevadans gathered at the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (PUCN) to show support for one of the state's most important solar photovoltaic (PV) rooftop programs, the *Vote Solar Initiative* (San Francisco, California, U.S.) announced.

The energetic crowd delivered more than 4,300 petition signatures urging state leaders to stand strong for rooftop solar and the many economic, environmental and grid benefits it delivers throughout the state. [More](#)

BNEF: Sub-Saharan Africa will see more non-hydro renewable energy capacity come online in 2014 than in whole 2000 - 2013 period

Sub-Saharan Africa is emerging as one of the most exciting new markets for renewable energy technologies such as onshore wind, small-scale and utility-scale solar photovoltaics (PV) and geothermal power, according to research company Bloomberg New Energy Finance (BNEF).



BNEF's latest analysis suggests that 1.8 gigawatts (GW) of renewable power capacity (excluding large hydro-electric projects) will be commissioned in the region in 2014.

That is still small by world standards, but it is more than the amount that came online in the entire 2000-13 period. [More](#)

In July 2014 Abengoa secured the debt of USD 142 million towards the development of its 100MW Xina Solar One solar thermal (CSP) project in South Africa

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