



Supplementary Materials

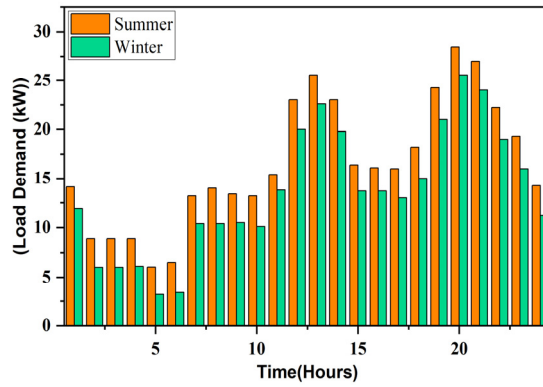


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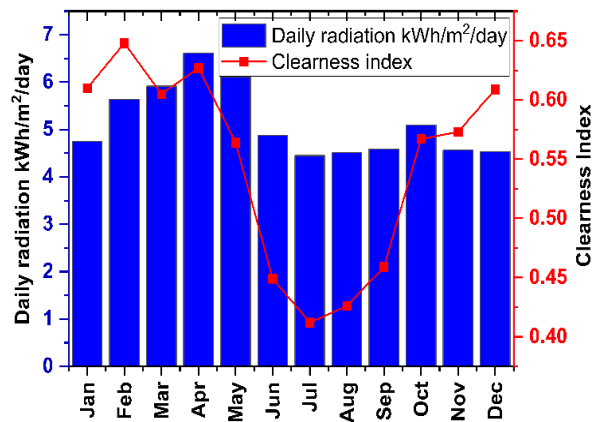


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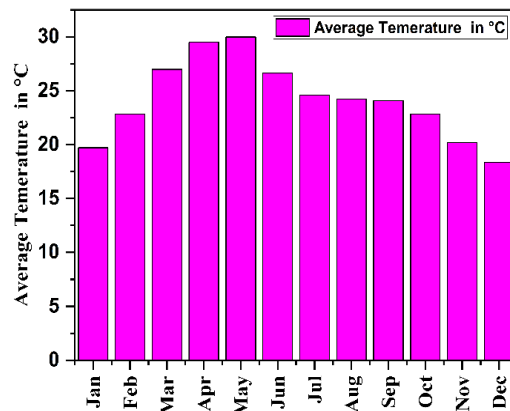


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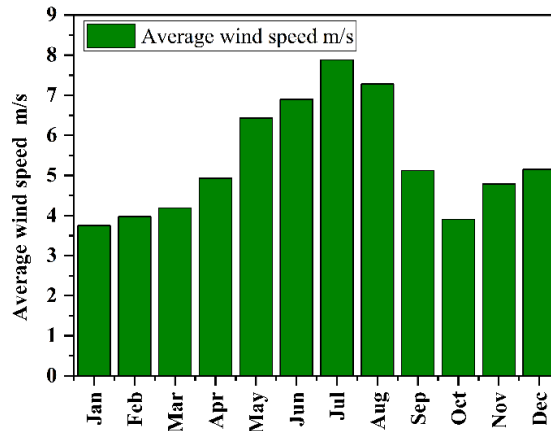


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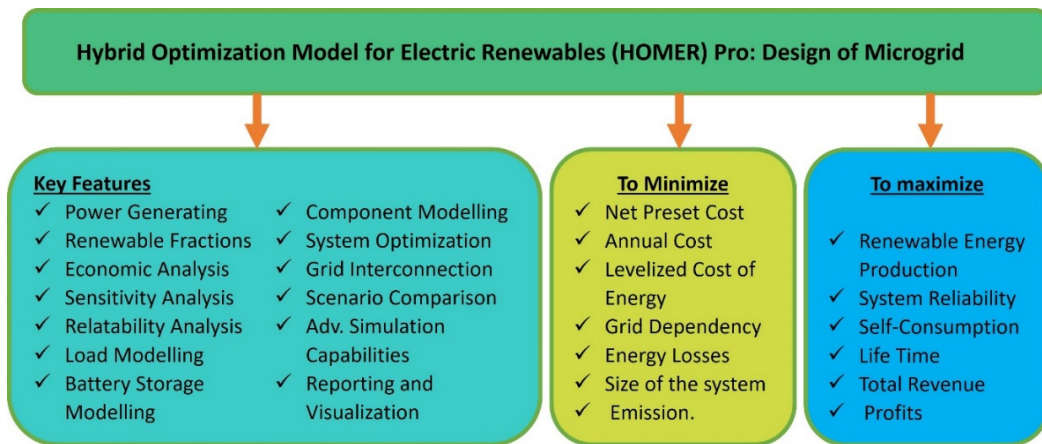


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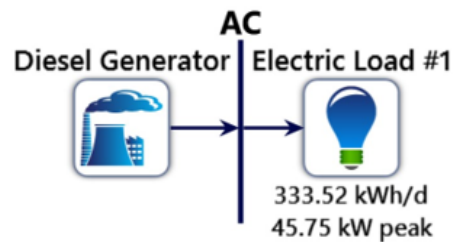


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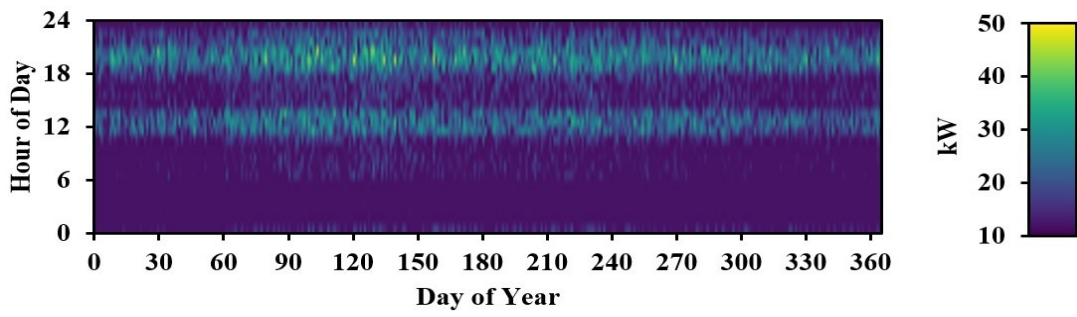


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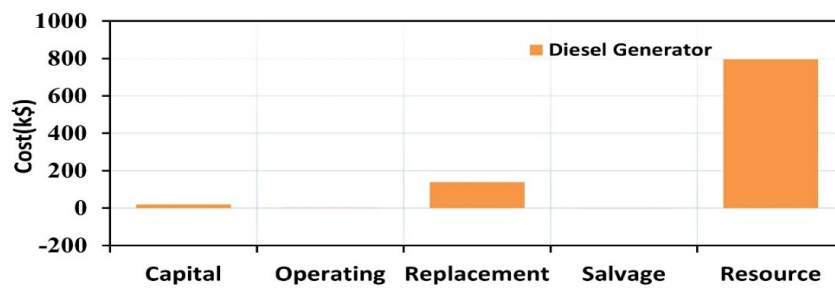


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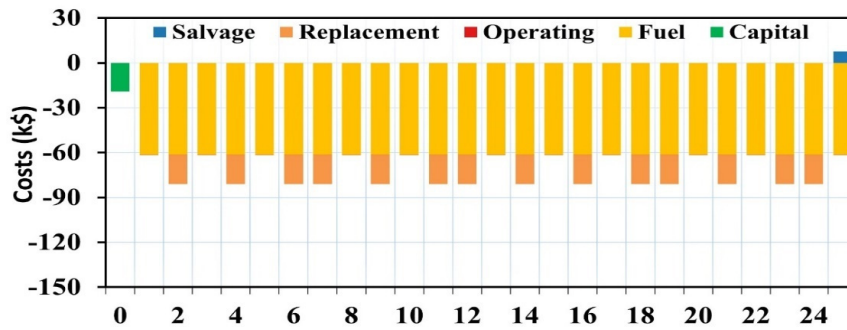


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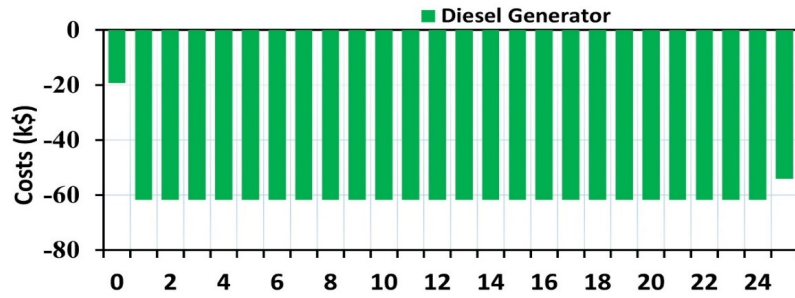


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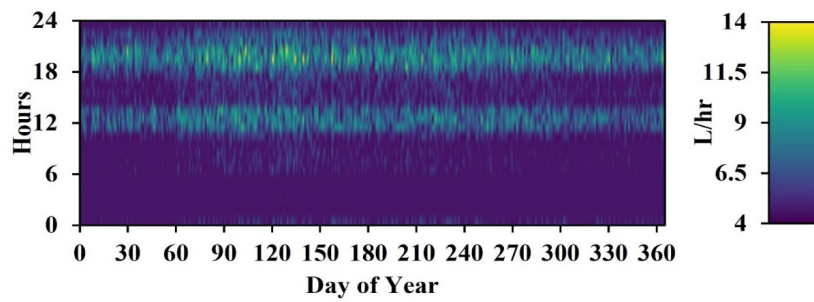


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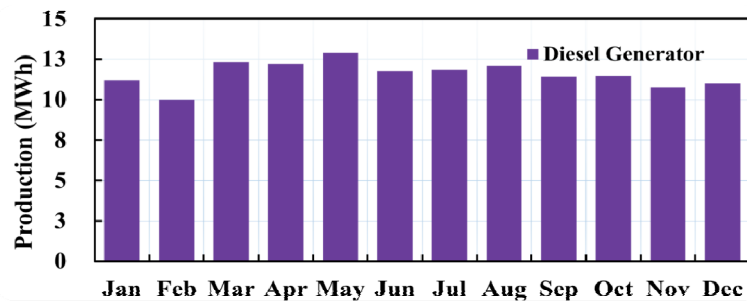


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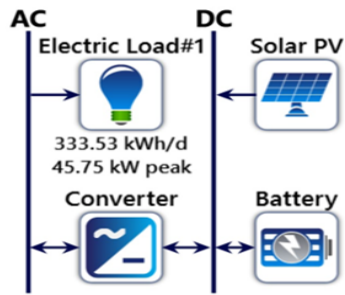


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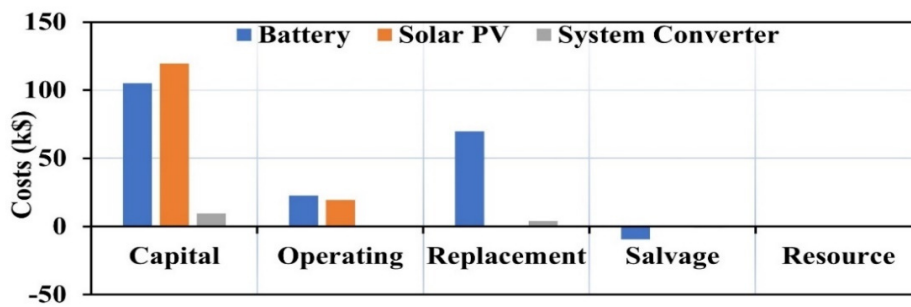


Fig. S14. Hybrid PV, BAT, CONV microgrid system cost summary.



Fig. S15. Cash flow of PV, BAT, and CONV systems by cost type.

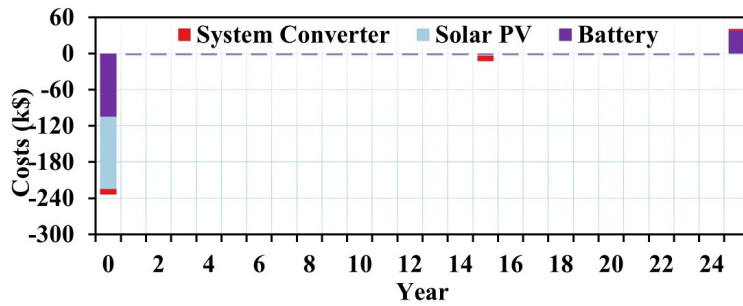


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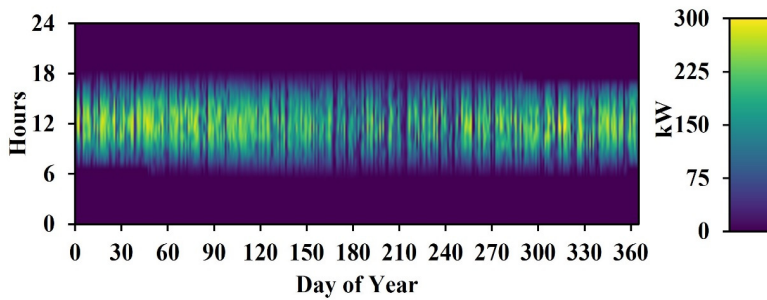


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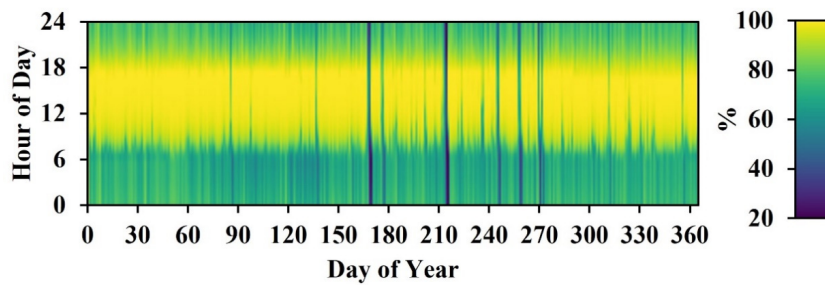


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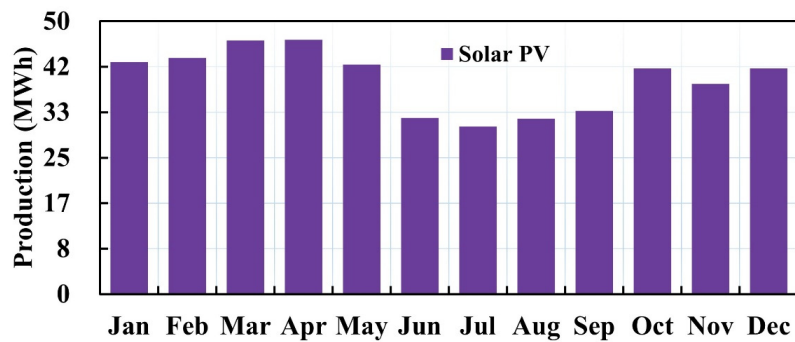


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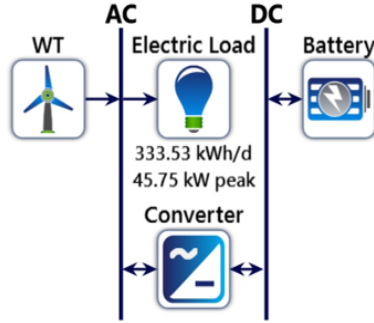


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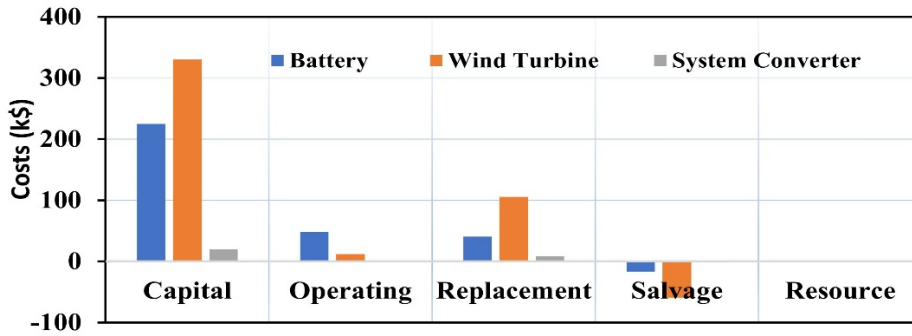


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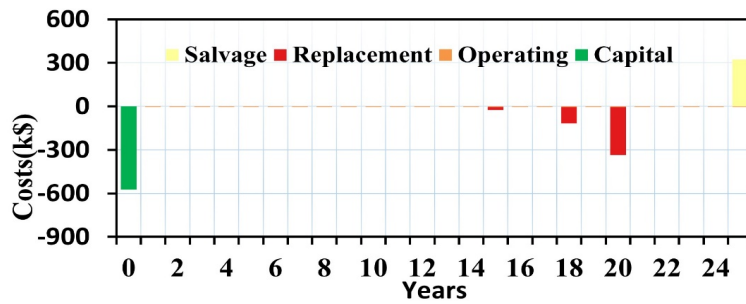


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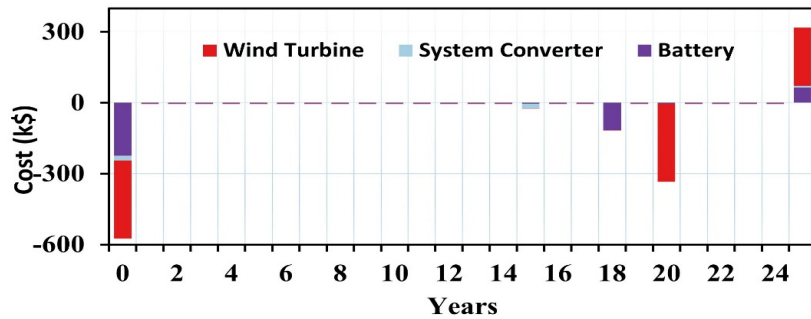


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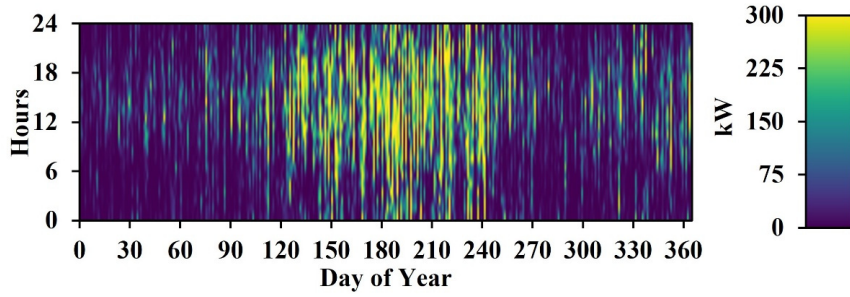


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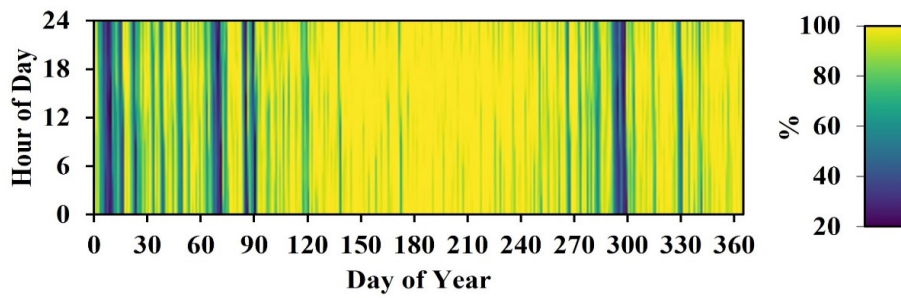


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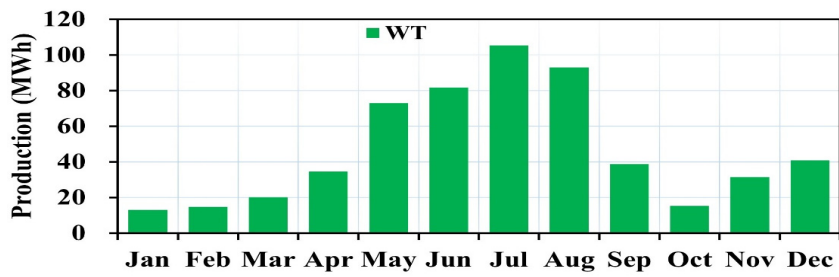


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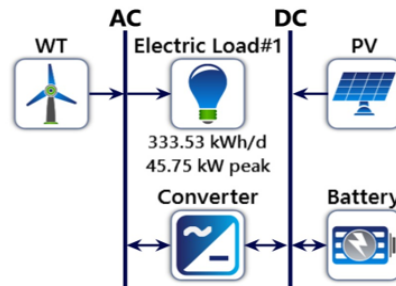


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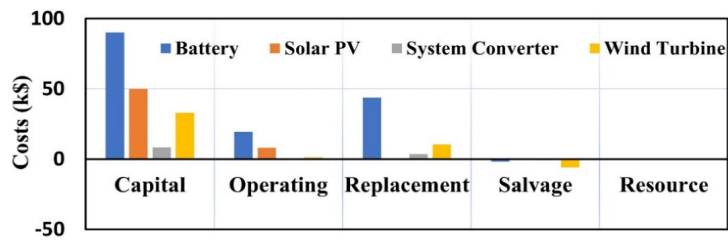


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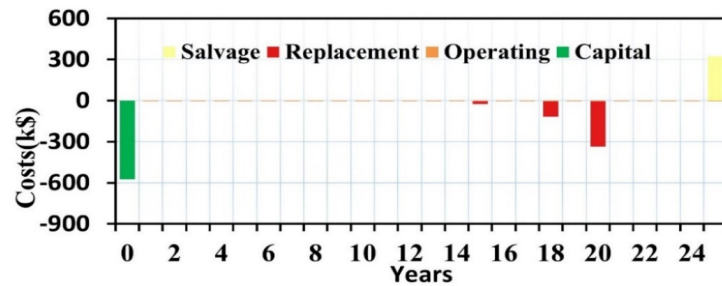


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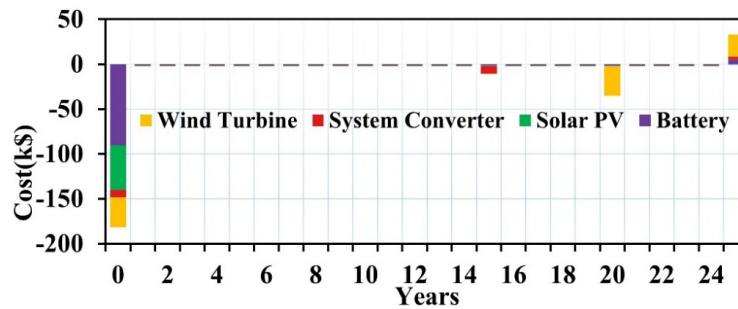


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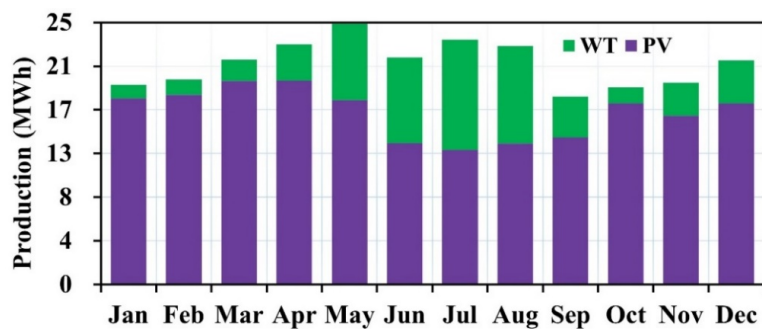


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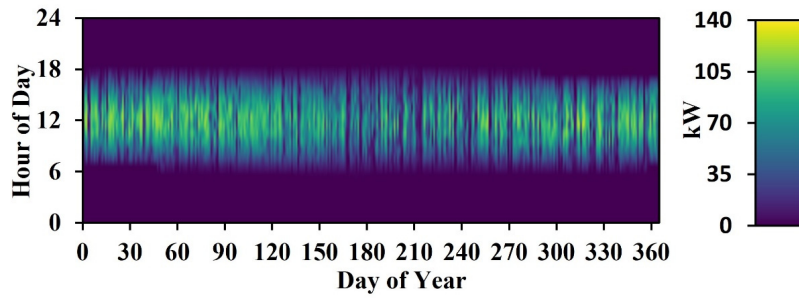


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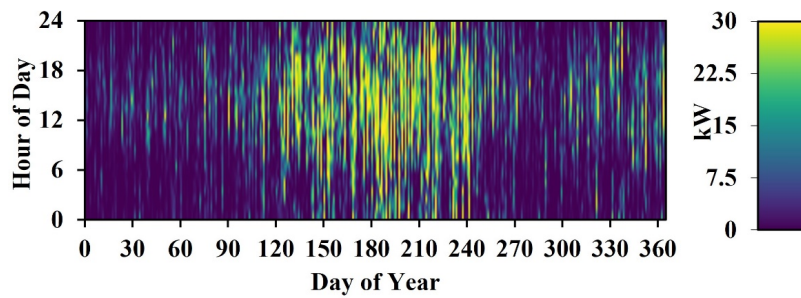


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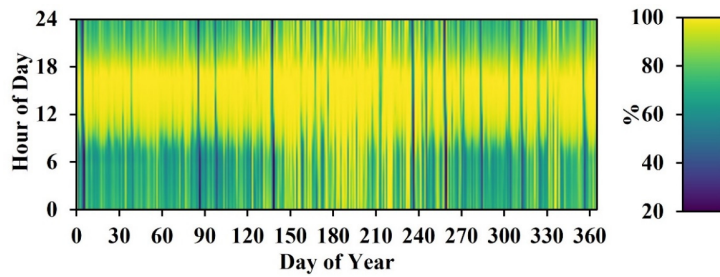


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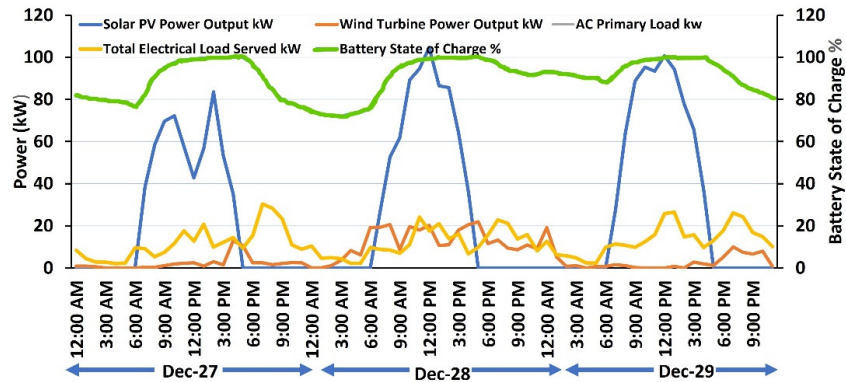


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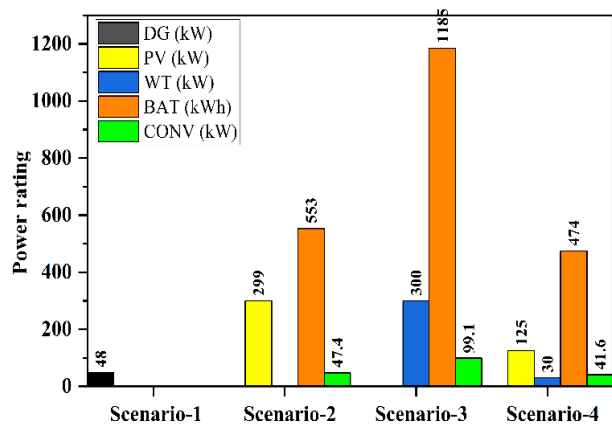


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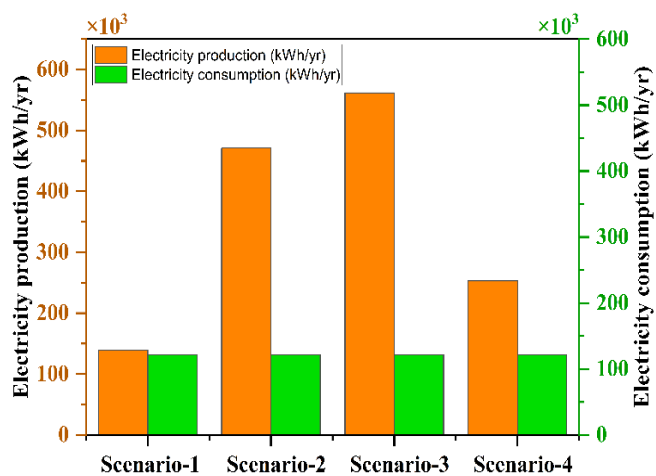


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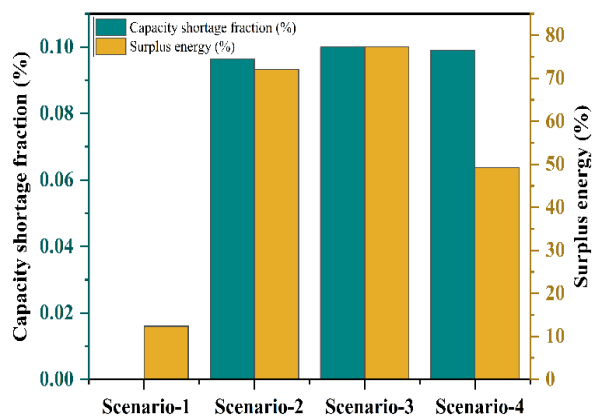


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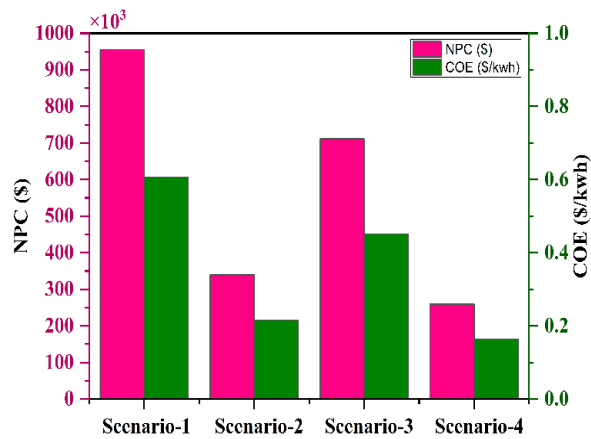


Fig. S39. NPC AND COE.

Table S1. Electrical load sharing of the study area.

| Type of load | Daily load in kWh/day |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Domestic load | 165.4 |
| Community loads | 49.5 |
| Agriculture load | 118.63 |
| Total loads | 333.53 |

Table S2. Details of the microgrid system.

| Microgrid system | Scenario |
|--|----------|
| Stand-alone Diesel Generator | 1 |
| Solar PV, Battery, and Converter | 2 |
| Wind Turbine Battery and Converter | 3 |
| Solar PV, Wind Turbine, Battery, and Converter | 4 |

Table S3. Technical details of microgrid components.

| Component | Parameters | Value |
|---|-------------------------|---------------|
| Diesel generator (Kohler 48 kW Standby) | Rated Power | 48 kw |
| | Fuel curve slope | 0.267 L/hr/kW |
| | Intercept coefficient | 1.35 L/hr |
| | Lifetime | 87,600 hr |
| | Minimum load ratio | 25% |
| | Fuel density | 820 kg/m3 |
| | Carbon content | 88% |
| | Sulfur content | 0.40% |
| | Carbon Monoxide | 16.34 g/L |
| | Nitrogen Oxides | 15.359 g/L |
| | Lower heating value | 43.2 MJ/kg |
| | Price of diesel fuel | 1.26 \$/L |
| Converter | Efficiency | 95% |
| | Relative capacity | 100% |
| | Lifetime | 15 years |
| Solar PV (PV Sun 330) | Rated power | 0.33 kW |
| | Nameplate voltage | 46.20 V |
| | Nameplate current | 9.38 A |
| | Temperature coefficient | -0.4294 |
| | Efficiency at STC | 13% |
| | Derating factor | 85% |
| | Ground reflectance | 0% |
| | Lifetime | 25 years |
| Wind turbine (Eocycle EO10) | Rated power | 10 kW |
| | Cut-in velocity | 2.75 m/s |
| | Cut-off velocity | 20 m/s |
| | Rated velocity | 6.5 m/s |
| | Hub height | 23 m |
| | Lifetime | 20 years |
| Battery (BAE SECURA SOLAR 12 V 2 PVV 140) | Nominal voltage | 12 V |
| | Nominal capacity | 1.58 kWh |
| | Maximum capacity | 132 Ah |
| | SOC limits | 20~100% |
| | Roundtrip efficiency | 95% |
| | Capacity ratio | 0.265 |
| | String size | 50 |
| | Max charge current | 45.2 A |
| | Max discharge current | 255 |
| Lifetime | 18 years | |

Table S4. Cost data of microgrid components.

| Component | Capital | Replacement cost | O&M |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| DG [1] | 400\$/kW | 400\$/kW | 0.020\$/Op.hr |
| PV [2] | 400\$/kW | 400\$/kW | 5\$/kW/yr |
| WT [2] | 11,000 \$/turbine | 10,000 \$/turbine | 30/turbine/yr |
| CONV [2] | 200\$/kW | 200\$/kW | 0\$/kW/yr |
| BAT [3-4] | 300\$/Bat | 150\$/Bat | 5\$/Bat/Yr |

Table S5. Illustrates the various types of loads employed in the remote study area.

| S. No | Category of load | Quantity | Power (Watts) | Summer (Feb-July) | | Winter (Aug-Jan) | |
|--|--|----------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| | | | | Hrs./day | Watt-hrs./day | Hrs./day | Watt-hrs./day |
| Type A. Domestic load (Lighting Load, Fan loads, etc....) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Compact Fluorescent Lamps | 5 | 20 | 10 | 1,000 | 7 | 700 |
| 2 | Compact Fluorescent Lamps | 1 | 11 | 8 | 88 | 11 | 121 |
| 3 | Ceiling fans | 2 | 100 | 20 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Radio | 1 | 40 | 3 | 120 | 3 | 120 |
| 5 | Charging lamps | 2 | 50 | 4 | 400 | 4 | 400 |
| 6 | Mobile phone chargers, etc. | 2 | 50 | 2 | 200 | 2 | 200 |
| | Total demand (One house) | -- | -- | -- | 5808 | -- | 1,541 |
| | No. of Houses | 45 | -- | -- | 261,360 | -- | 69,345 |
| | Total demand (Type A) in (kWh/day) | -- | -- | -- | 261.36 | | 69.34 |
| | | | | | 165.4 | | |
| Type B. Community loads (Medical center, school, and street loads) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Medical Centre | 1 | 1,500 | 9 | 13,500 | 9 | 13,500 |
| 2 | Elementary school | 1 | 500 | 11 | 5,500 | 11 | 5,500 |
| 3 | Community shops | 4 | 500 | 3 | 6,000 | 5 | 10,000 |
| 4 | Community center | 1 | 1,000 | 9 | 9,000 | 9 | 9,000 |
| 5 | Flour Mill | 1 | 3,000 | 4 | 12,000 | 3 | 9,000 |
| 6 | Street lights | 10 | 30 | 9 | 2,700 | 11 | 3,300 |
| | Total demand (Type B) in (kWh/day) | -- | -- | -- | 48.7 | -- | 50.3 |
| | | | | | 49.5 | | |
| Type C. Agriculture load (water pump, irrigation pump, well, etc.) | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Water storage tanks and pumps | 1 | 5,500 | 6 | 33,000 | 4 | 22,000 |
| 2 | Electric motors for pumping water from the river | 4 | 5,500 | 4 | 88,000 | 3 | 66,000 |
| 3 | Irrigation sprinkler systems | 3 | 750 | 3 | 6,750 | 2 | 4,500 |
| 4 | Drip irrigation systems | 2 | 750 | 3 | 4,500 | 2 | 3,000 |
| 5 | Electric Fencing to Protect Crops | 1 | 500 | 9 | 4,500 | 10 | 5,000 |
| | Total demand (Type C) in (kWh/day) | -- | -- | -- | 136.75 | -- | 100.5 |
| | | | | | 118.62 | | |
| Total demand (A + B + C) (kWh/day) | | | | | 333.52 | | |
| Peak demand (kW) | | | | | 45.75 | | |

Table S6. Illustrates the electrical energy consumption survey form used in the remote study area.

| Electrical Energy Consumption Survey Form | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|
| House number | | |
| Type of house | | |
| No. of people living | | |
| No. of units consumed in last month | | |
| Name of the Electrical Appliances | Power Rating in Watts | No. of Hours Used |
| Bulbs (Main lamps) (High power rating) | | |
| Bulbs (Bed lamps) (Low power rating) | | |
| Ceiling fans | | |
| Radio and Television | | |
| Charging lamps | | |
| Mobile phone chargers | | |
| Electric motors | | |
| Mixers and grinders | | |
| Any other appliances | | |
| Total Energy consumption | | |

Table S7. Illustrates the technical aspect comparisons of various types of batteries [5].


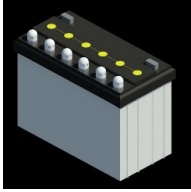

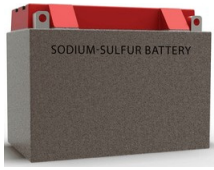
| Technical Aspect | Lithium-Ion Batteries | Lead-Acid Batteries | Nickel-Metal Hydride (NiMH) Batteries | Sodium-Sulfur (NaS) Batteries |
|---------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Images |  |  |  |  |
| Energy Density (Wh/kg) | 150-250 | 30-50 | 60-120 | 100-150 |
| Cycle Life (cycles) | 500-2000 | 300-500 | 500-1000 | 2000-4500 |
| Charge Time (hours) | 1 to 4 | 6 to 8 | 2 to 6 | 4 to 6 |
| Discharge Depth | Up to 80-90% | 50-60% | Up to 80% | Up to 90% |
| Operating Temperature(°C) | -20 to 60 | -20 to 50 | -20 to 60 | 300 to 350 |
| Efficiency in percentage | 90-95 | 70-85 | 70-80 | 75-80 |
| Environmental Impact | High impact. | Lower Impact. | Moderate impact. | Lower impact. |
| Cost (\$/kWh) | 150-400 | 100-200 | 300-600 | 200-500 |

Table S8. Illustrates the nomenclatures.

| Symbol | Definition | Dimension |
|------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| A | Swept area | m ² |
| CAPC | Capital of the microgrid system | \$ |
| CSF | Capacity shortage fraction | - |
| C _{Tot,an} | Total annualized cost | \$/year |
| DOD | Battery depth of discharge | Percentage (%) |
| d _r | Annual real discount rate | Percentage (%) |
| d' _r | Nominal interest rate to borrow money | Percentage (%) |
| E _L | Average daily load | kWh |
| E _g | Annual useful electrical energy generated by the microgrid | kWh/year |
| E _{BAT,r} | Rated storage energy of the battery | VA |
| FC | Fuel consumption | L/h |
| f _{go} | DG fuel curve slope | - |
| f _{gr} | DG fuel curve intercept coefficient | - |
| FLC _n | Fuel cost in n year | \$ |
| f _r | Expected inflation rate | Percentage (%) |
| FC(t) | Fuel consumption of the diesel generator | Liters |
| G | Solar radiation on the panel | W/m ² |
| G _{ref} | Solar irradiance at standard temperature conditions (STC) | W/m ² |
| H _{1hf} | Lower heating value of diesel | kJ/kg |
| OPEC _n | Operation cost in n year | \$ |
| P _g | Power generation | kW |
| P _{pv} | Power of the PV module | kW |
| Pr | Rated capacity of the utilized DG | kW |
| Prated | Rated power at reference condition | kW |
| p _f | Density of fuel | kg/L |
| p | Density at sea level | kg/m ³ |
| P _{pv} | Power of the PV module | kW |
| P _{CONV} | Converter capacity | kW |
| P _{diesel} | DG output power | kW |
| PL | Total annual load served | kWh/year |
| PL | Load Demand | kWh |
| RPC _n | Replacement cost in n year | \$ |
| \$ | United States Dollar | USD |
| SECO ₂ | Litre diesel's specific emission of CO ₂ | kg CO ₂ /liter |
| SOC | State of charge | Percentage (%) |
| SOC _{BAT,min} | Minimum state of charge of battery | Percentage (%) |
| SOC _{BAT,max} | Maximum state of charge of battery | Percentage (%) |
| η _{gn} | Efficiency of the DG set | Percentage (%) |
| η _{pv} | Photovoltaic conversion efficiency | Percentage (%) |
| η _{bat} | Battery efficiency | Percentage (%) |
| η _{inv} | Inverter efficiency | Percentage (%) |
| η _{DC/AC} | Converter efficiency from DC to AC | Percentage (%) |
| η _{AC/DC} | Converter efficiency from AC to DC | Percentage (%) |
| Γ | Gamma function | - |
| Y _{pv} | Derating factor | - |

Table S9. List of abbreviations.

| | | | |
|----------|---|----------|---|
| AC | Alternating current; | IHS | Improved harmony search; |
| ALA-QPSO | Adaptive local attractor-based quantum-behaved particle swarm optimization; | INSEL | Integrated simulation environment language; |
| APSIM | Remote area power simulator; | IPSYS | Integrated power system tool; |
| AQO | Aquila optimizer; | LCOE | Levelized cost of energy |
| ARES | Autonomous renewable energy Systems; | LF | Load following; |
| BAT | Batteries; | LLP | Load loss probability; |
| BESA | Bald eagle search algorithm; | LS | Load shifting; |
| BG | Bio-gas; | MCDM | Multi-criteria decision-making approach; |
| BSPSO | Butterfly particle swarm optimization; | MFO | Moth flame optimization; |
| BT | Battery; | MG, | Microgrid; |
| CO2 | Carbon dioxide; | MHT | Micro hydro turbine; |
| COE | Cost of energy; | NPC | Net present cost; |
| CONV | Converter; | NSGA-II | Non-dominating Sorting Genetic Algorithm II; |
| CSF | Capacity shortage fraction; | P-GA-PSO | Parallel hybrid genetic algorithm-particle swarm optimization; |
| DA | Dragonfly algorithm; | PSO | Particle swarm optimization; |
| DC | Direct current; | PV | Photovoltaic; |
| DE | Differential evolutionary algorithm; | RES | Renewable energy systems; |
| DERs | Distributed energy resources; | RF | Renewable friction; |
| DG | Diesel generator; | SA | Simulated annealing; |
| DHRES | Distributed hybrid renewable energy system; | SCA | Sine cosine algorithm; |
| DOD | Depth of discharge; | SDG7 | Sustainable development goal 7 |
| ESS | Energy storage system; | SE | Surplus energy; |
| FA | Firefly algorithm; | SMA | Slime mold algorithm; |
| FC | Fuel cell; | SOA | Seagull optimization algorithm; |
| GA | Genetic algorithm | SOC | State of charge; |
| GOA | Grasshopper optimization algorithm; | SOMES | Simulation and optimization model for renewable energy systems; |
| GRG | Generalized reduced gradient method; | SSA | Salp swarm algorithm; |
| GWO | Gray wolf optimization; | STC | Standard test conditions; |
| HGWOSCA | Hybrid gray wolf optimizer-sine cosine algorithm; | TAC | Total annual cost; |
| HOMER | Hybrid optimization model for electric renewables; | TCE | Total carbon emission; |
| HT | Hydrogen tank; | TLBO | Teaching learning-based optimization; |
| HybSim | High altitude balloon simulator; | TRNSYS | Transient energy system simulation program; |
| HySim | Hybrid energy simulation model; | UL | Unmet load; |
| HySys | The Hybrid Power System Balance Analyser; | VCS | Virus colony search; |
| iGRHYSO | Improved grid-connected renewable hybrid systems optimization; | WCA | Water cycle algorithm; |
| iHOGA | Improved hybrid optimization by genetic algorithms; | WOA | Whale optimization algorithm; |
| | | WHO | Wild horse optimizer; |
| | | WT | Wind turbine; |

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