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**Analyst Visit to Solar Plant
Kamuthi – Tamil Nadu**

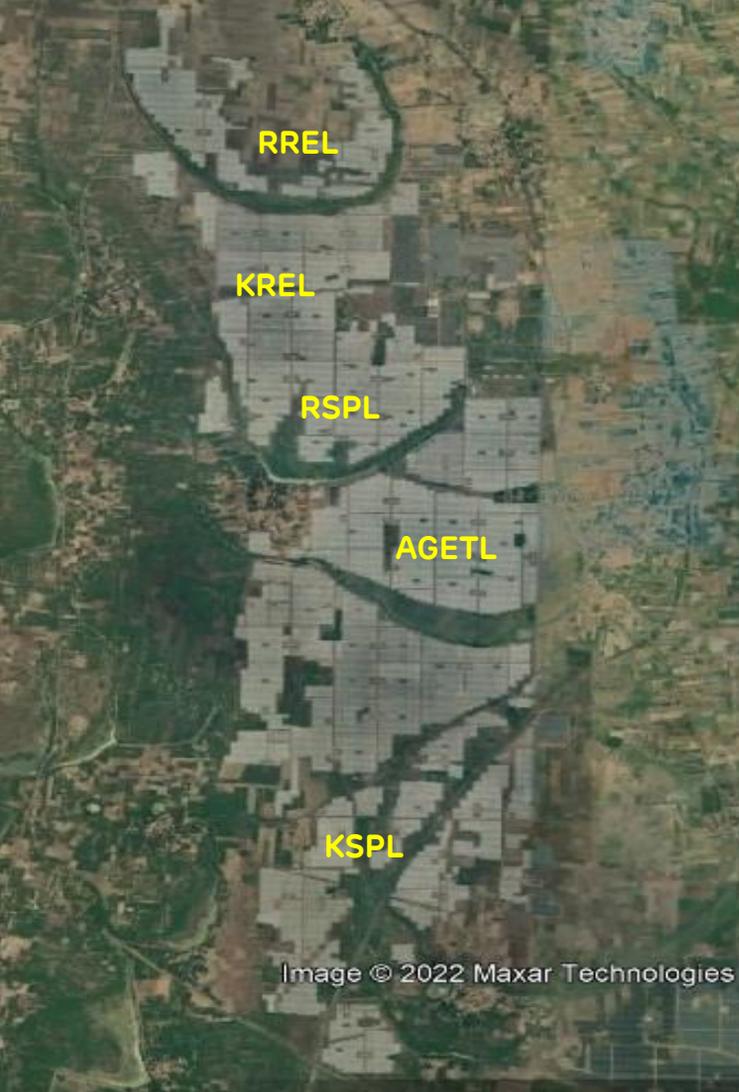
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Plant Location - 648 MW Solar Power Plant at Kamuthi, Tamilnadu



Project at a Glance:

Site Location	Sengapaddai, Pudukottai, & O'Karisalkulam villages, Kamuthi Taluka, District – Ramanthpuram
Total Land area in Acres	2500 Acres
Nearest Airport	Madurai (approx. 90km from Site)
Nearest Road	Porthbanur – Kamuthi – Arrupukottai Road (Adjoining Site)
Nearest Port	Tuticorin Port, approx. 110km
Nearest Railway Station	Tiruchuli, Tamil Nadu (Approx. 25km from site)



One of the World's Largest single location solar power project of capacity 648MW was commissioned in FY 2016 by the Adani Group at Kamuthi, in Tamil Nadu, with an investment of around INR 45.5 billion.

It spans a vast area of 2,500 acres, equivalent to about 950 Olympic-sized football fields. The entire facility was completed within a record eight months by nearly 8,500 dedicated personnel who worked day and night to set up this 648 MW clean energy plant.

The Kamuthi plant is now fully operational and connected with the 400 kV substation of TRANSCO, powering 265,000 homes in a suitable manner.

Development Phase

Phases	Companies	Capacity	Cumulative	COD	Achievement
1	Ramnad Solar Power Limited (RSPL)	72 MW	72 MW	8 th Feb 2016	Tamil Nadu's largest 08 th Feb 2016
2	Adani Green Energy TN Limited (AGETL)	216 MW	288 MW	11 th Mar 2016	India's Largest
3	Ramnad Renewable Energy Limited (RREL)	72 MW	360 MW	31 st Mar 2016	Asia's Largest
4	Kamuthi Solar Power Limited (KSPL)	216 MW	576 MW	18 th Sep 2016	World's Largest
5	Kamuthi Renewable Energy Limited (KREL)	72 MW	648 MW	18 th Sep 2016	World's Largest

**PLANT INAUGURATED BY HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER OF TAMIL NADU
AND DEDICTAED TO NATION ON 21.09.2016**

PPA execution in presence of Honourable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu
on 04th July, 2015





Site photographs: as it was in the beginning



Site Infrastructure: Temporary Stores



Precast Boundary Wall and Road



Site Infrastructure: Temporary Office & Dining Area



Material Storage Yard – Module & MMS



Foundation for MMS



MMS Erection Works



Module Erection Works



Inverter Room and Distribution Transformer Erection



HT Switchgear, Power Transformer & Switchyard



Lightning Arrestor



DC Cable Laying & Termination











Main Gate view:



October 2016



Stores

Water Treatment Plant



October 2016



Drone Monitoring



Thermal Imaging



Dust detection



SUN
Natural Energy Source



SOLAR PANEL
Solar Energy, being converted to DC electricity



SCB
DC electricity is being collected



INVERTER ROOM
DC converted to AC electricity



TRNASMISSION LINE

Solar Power Generation flow Block diagram:



INVERTER DUTY TRANSFORMER



SWITCHYARD



POWER TRANSFORMER



SWITCHGEAR PANEL



Mammoth Volume of Works:

S No	Particular	Nos
1	Total Project Land Area in Acres	2500
2	Foundations (Nos)	3,80,000
3	Module Mounting Structure (MT)	27,000
4	Solar Modules (Nos)	25,00,000
5	String Combiner Boxes (Nos)	5,500
6	Inverters (Nos)	576
7	Transformers (Nos)	154
8	Switchyards (Nos)	5
9	Perimeter Wall / Fencing (KM)	62
10	Length of Internal Roads (KM)	58
11	Length of Cables (KM)	7,700
12	Cement Consumption (MT)	30,000

Kamuthi	AGETL	KSPL	RSPL	KREL	RREL	Total
DC Cap	260MW	260MW	86MW	86MW	86MW	778MW
AC Cap	216MW	216MW	72MW	72MW	72MW	648MW
No of Blocks / IDT	44 nos	54 nos	16 nos	15 nos	15 nos	144
ABB INVs	16 nos	216 nos	12 nos	12 nos	32 nos	288
Hitachi INVS	160 nos	0	48 nos	48 nos	32 nos	288
Power Transformer & Capacity	2 nos	2 nos	2 nos	2 nos	2 nos	10 nos
	240MVA 33kV/230kV	240MVA 33kV/230kV	90MVA 33kV/110kV	90MVA 33kV/110kV	90MVA 33kV/110kV	750MVA
Transmission Towers	2 nos	24 nos	2 nos	2 nos	2 nos	32 nos

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Solar PV Modules	8,29,440	8,28,480	2,78,440	2,76,444	3,26,048	25,38,852
	Fixed Type	Fixed Type	Fixed Type	Fixed + Bifacial	Fixed + Tracker + Thin Film + Season Tilt	
Make	SunTech Canadian Trina GCL Hanwa	SunTech Canadian Trina Hanwa	Adani SunTech Trina Hanwa	SunTech Canadian Hanwa Mega Cell	SunTech Hanwa Solar Frontier CGL First Solar	

Absorption of Technology:

- Modules are sourced from Tier-1 Suppliers only
- Adopted Robotic Module Cleaning technology initiative to promote new technology and for operational feedback for the future plants in order to reduce water consumption

Ecoppia



Absorption of Technology:

New Technology adopted for pilot purpose for about 25 MW.

Bifacial module technology - 1.25 MW



Absorption of Technology:

Thin film technology - 10 MW (First Solar, Solar Frontier),



Absorption of Technology:

Seasonal Tilt technology - 5 MW.



Absorption of Technology:

Single Axis Tracking technology – 8.75 MW (Smart Track, Scorpius, Archtech, Twincity, Runsol, Insolar, Solpower of 1.25 MW each)



Absorption of Technology:

- One of the LARGEST MMS table of 8x20 landscape module (2mx1m) configuration has been considered which resulted in the optimized footprint area.
- First ever design, engineering and implementation of GROUP Control feature enabling auto adjustment output of individual inverters by single point set point by control room operator.
- For area/road lighting, Solar streetlights have been used to reduce energy consumption.
- Illumination of complete plant has been done with LED lights only to reduce energy consumption



Major Suppliers:

Sr No	Items	Supplier
1	Modules	Suntech, CSI, Trina Solar, GCL & Hanwah - China Solar Frontier – Japan, First Solar - USA, Megacell – Italy & Adani Mundra.
2	Module Mounting Structure	Zhongxingbo (Arctech) & Jiangsu Weir - China Ganges International & Satec Envir Engineering - India
3	Inverters	Hitachi & ABB
4	Transformers	ABB / Transformers & Rectifiers / Schneider Electric - IDT
5	Switchyard / SCADA System	ABB
6	HT Switchgear / RMU	Siemens
7	Cables	Sterlite Industries, KEI Cables, Polycab, Apar Industries
8	DC Combiner Boxes	Jakson Engineers / Statcon Power
9	Cable Connectors	Bizlink, Taiwan

Generation:

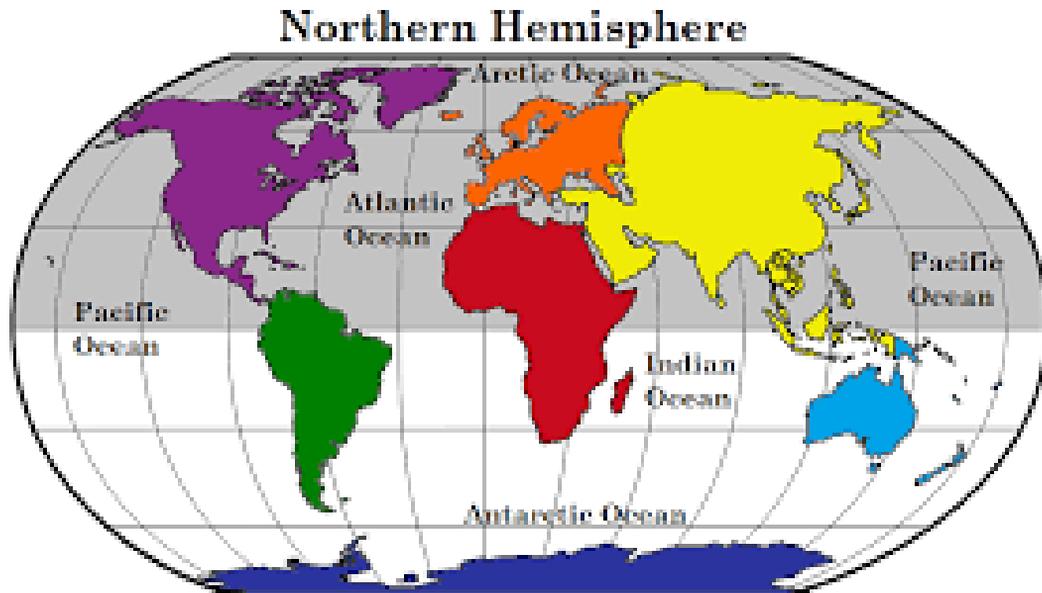
Output varies depending on:

- Module temperature
- Sun's radiation (which depends on):
 - Season
 - Weather
 - Time of the day
- Majorly renewable electricity generating plants have a **Must-Run status** meaning the electricity generated here is given a preference over the electricity generated in nonrenewable electricity generating plants (thermal or nuclear plants)
- **Kamuthi is one such plant enjoying a Must-Run status**
- The only factor that could limit the supply of electricity here would be due to grid security reasons and curtailments



Modules:

- The modules selected at this plant are Crystalline Silicon modules
- Tamil Nadu is in the Northern Hemisphere and thus, the modules are placed South facing for capturing maximum solar energy



Slope of site along North to Southeast

106 ft
730 ft -0.4%

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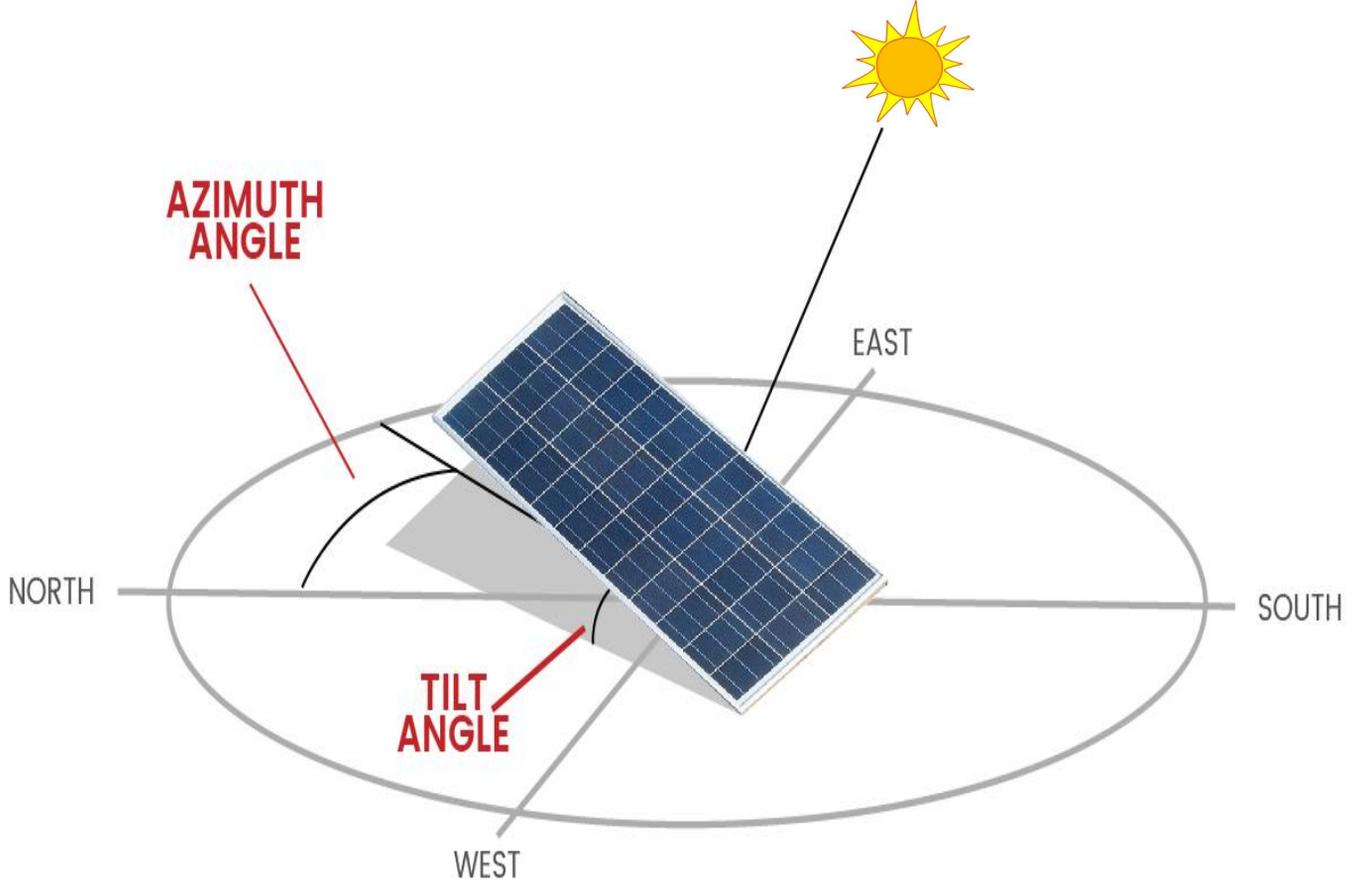
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Graph: Min, Avg, Max Elevation: 74, 95, 111 ft

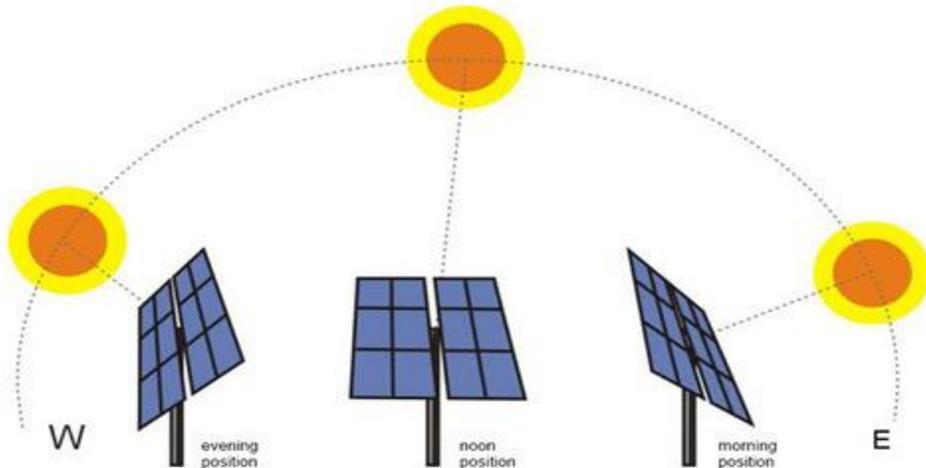
Range Totals: Distance: 4.83 mi Elev Gain/Loss: 229 ft, -257 ft Max Slope: 10.6%, -5.7% Avg Slope: 1.1%, -1.1%





- The angle of fixed tilt structures is 8 degrees

- Single Axis Tracker rotates according to the sun's movement from -45 degrees to +45 degrees
- Depending upon the season, the modules start backtracking (coming back to 0 degrees, which is parallel to the ground).



- The Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) is used to control the tracker based on the Sun's movement
- The PLC is programmed such that if the wind speeds increase above the set limit, the tracker will come back to 0 degrees for avoiding breakage of modules

Water Neutrality

Water is a precious natural resource, and its judicious use is responsibility of every company.

- AGEL has taken many initiatives to reduce its water consumption and monitors its water. The company has also declared a **long-term solar panel cleaning water target of 0.7 lit/module/wash from a baseline of 1.3 lit/module/wash.**



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Water Accounting Data of FY 2020-21 as Estimated**/ Measured by AGEL

AGEL site	Water Debit*	Water Credit*	Water Balance Index (Water Balance / Water Debit)	Water Balance status
	Estimated Freshwater Consumption [§]	Increased Potential Created (additional rainwater storage by pond rejuvenation) **	E=B/A	
	A	B		
Kamuthi	35,670	52,982	1.48	Positive



Fully autonomous solutions

Water-free

Ecoppia robots remove over 99% of soiling on a nightly basis using a completely water-free cleaning technology that is both eco-friendly and cost effective

Energy independent

Ecoppia robots have their own on-board dedicated solar module, allowing batteries to quickly charge in between operations

Self-cleaning

Fully autonomous, Ecoppia robots self-clean their on-board solar panel and the cleaning microfiber elements



Deepening and Strengthening of water bodies at **Sengapaddai Village**



Deepening and Strengthening of water bodies at **Dadakulam Village**



Deepening and Strengthening of water bodies at **Pudukottai Village**



Benefits of the ponds deepening:

- The water will be held in limited deepened area, reducing evaporation losses (compared to same water in the available ponds area).
- Water level in the deepened area will be relatively better, delaying this getting shallow and muddy (which may be unusable even for drinking by cattle)
- Villagers have already requested the ponds deepening under CSR and we can meet their expectations to improve our social relations with nearby community



Water body after Rain

Water consumption reduction initiatives



Conventional Module Cleaning System (Manual)



Innovation in Module Cleaning System (Semi - Automatic)



Robotic Cleaning (Proposed)

Water Consumption / module / cycle

1.3 L

0.7 L

Near Zero

Semi Automatic Machine (SAM) based solar panel cleaning has shown the following benefits, compared with our conventional cleaning process:

1. Consumes less water (1.8 lit/module to 0.7 lit/ module)
2. Increases cleaning capacity per day
3. Reduces cost of O&M (MW/year)





Single Use Plastic Free

Single-use plastic is not only harmful to the health of the people, but it is also a major reason for the deterioration of the health of the land. My country is going to ban single-use plastic in the coming years.

-Shri. Narendra Modi, PM



Do's and Don't to Avoid Single Usage of Plastic
#DitchTheDisposable

Do's	Don'ts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bring your own carry bag whenever go for shopping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allow vendor to provide any items in less than 50-micron plastic bag
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replace plastic water bottles, cups and cutting boards with ceramic and stainless-steel products	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use plastic container with recycling number 3, 6 and 7. Which can be found on bottom of the container
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use aluminum foil to wrap food rather than plastic cling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use plastic straw , fork, plates , non-woven bags
	

SUP Items – Before - After



Feb 2, 2021 10:10:43 AM



Feb 2, 2021 10:11:40 AM

BEFORE – Use of polyethene bag to carry grocery items

AFTER – Replaced by Cotton/tote bag



BEFORE – Use of plastic bottles for drinking water



AFTER – Use of metal bottle

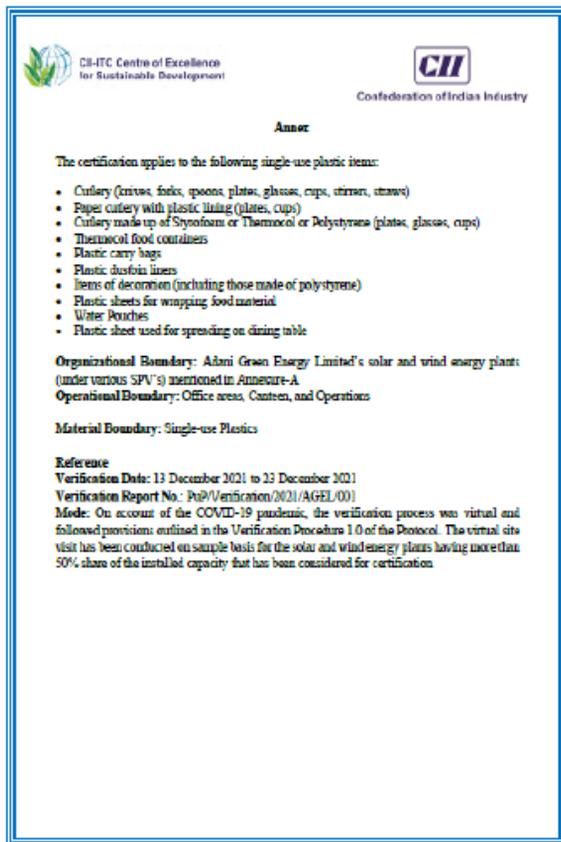


Replacement of Flex banners with Cotton/Metal board



Innovative Site visuals from Waste Modules





CSR ACTIVITIES TAKEN UP BY ADANI GROUP IN NEARBY



We Share.....We Learn..... (Industrial Visit)



Transformation.....

August 2015



Sept 2016

Kamuthi O&M Team



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