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Solar panels have quickly spread throughout Japan after the 2011 nuclear disaster triggered by a devastating



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earthquake and tsunami, accounting for nearly 10 percent of the country"s power generation in the fiscal year through April 2024. However, there is only so much space left in Japan to house large conventional silicon-based solar cells.

While current renewable energy usage remains low, Japan is planning to accelerate further renewable energy development. Among them, solar energy is considered as one of the most promising energy alternatives.

The Japanese government is planning to generate some 20 gigawatts of electricity, equivalent to the output of 20 nuclear reactors, through thin and bendable ...

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