

HYUNDAI'S COMMITMENT TO GREENING ITS INDIA FOOTPRINT

Case Study on Fourth Partner Energy's Rooftop Solar unit for Hyundai's Tamil Nadu Facility

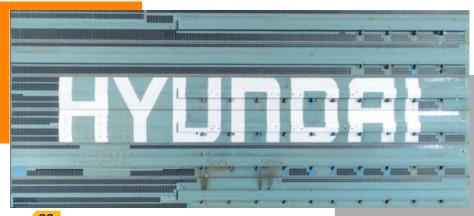
HYUNDAI'S 9.5 MWPROOFTOP SOLAR UNIT

FOR ITS TAMILNADU MANUFACTURING FACILITY

This rooftop solar installation by Fourth Partner Energy spans across 5 sheds of Hyundai's Tamil Nadu manufacturing unit. The unique design was executed keeping in mind Hyundai's energy consumption and the company branding that already occupied roof space. The sheer scale and generation potential of a 9.5 MWp rooftop facility has helped Hyundai accelerate its Decarbonisation goals.

This project was implemented during the global COVID-19 pandemic - testament to 4PEL's ability to overcome challenges related to coordination, logistics, construction during the monsoon season and seamless integration with the plant's operations. Another feat was executing this project despite regulatory ambiguity on rooftop solar capacities above 1 MWp in Tamil Nadu.

Non-penetrative technology was used for mounting of modules and structures across all the sheds, which ensured that the Hyundai's roof was not punctured, preventing water leakage that could potentially damage the Client's production line and operations.





KEY HIGHLIGHTS

OF THE PROJECT



Project Capacity: **9,552 kWp**



% of RE in Energy Mix **8%**



~ 13,120 tons of reduced CO2 emissions



CoD **17-June-2022**



Type of Roof **Tin Shed**



Annual Generation ~ 10 mn to 13 mn kWh



Project Location **Chennai**



Cost Savings **37% per unit**

HYUNDAI'S COMMITMENT

TO SUSTAINABILITY

Hyundai Motor India is the second-largest automaker in the country and is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Hyundai Motor Company headquartered in South Korea. Across geographies, Hyundai aims to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045 - by developing fuel cell vehicles, increasing EV production, investing in renewable energy, promoting sustainable mobility solutions, and reducing emissions in its supply chain.

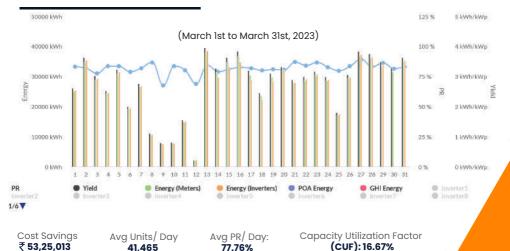
This rooftop solar unit is one way in which the company has effectively cut down on its Carbon footprint, while saving on electricity costs.



Hyundai's Tamil Nadu facility saves ₹ **6.4 Crores** on its annual electricity bills via this Rooftop Solar unit

SOLAR GENERATION

DATA



ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL

IMPACT



~ 13,120 tons of reduced CO2 emissions



~ 6,500 tons of other GHG emissions reduced



~ 30 million litres of Water conserved



equivalent
to planting
~ 6 Lakh Trees

4PEL'S CUSTOMISEDSOLUTIONS FOR HYUNDAI

Strategic Procure-Solar modules ment: contribute 50-60% to the project cost and purchasing in earlier stages execution would have tied up a significant amount of capital in leading inventory, to increased costs. By procuring them towards the end of the project, 4PEL was able to optimize cash flow and reduce inventory carrying costs.



02 Plant Efficiency Value Engineering: The right materials were chosen increase plant efficiency while being cost-effective, and its impact on plant generation from any design parameter variation carefully was approach evaluated. This helped to maximize the efficiency and generation capacity of the plant while minimizing costs.

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103 Timing: The installation took place during the COVID-19 pandemic, which presented several challenges such as travel restrictions, workforce availability, and safety protocols. 4PEL adopted multiple protocols and measures to ensure the safety of its workforce and comply with the guidelines set by the local authorities. We also worked with our supply chain partners to ensure timely delivery of equipment and materials, despite the nationwide lockdown.

104 Liasoning: 4PEL faced liasoning issues during the installation, as Tamil Nadu did not have proper regulations for renewable energy (RE) capacities on rooftops of more than 1 MW. 4PEL worked closely with the local authorities to understand the regulatory requirements and obtain necessary approvals and permits. We also engaged with industry bodies to advocate for clearer regulations for renewable energy capacities on rooftops in Tamil Nadu.

Integration with plant operations: The integration of the solar installation with the operations of Hyundai's car manufacturing plant meant that the installation had to be carried out with minimal disruption to the plant's operations. As a result, the workforce was only able to work on the rooftop installations for 2–3 hours each day. 4PEL also adopted innovative solutions such as pre-fabrication of modules, which helped to speed up the installation process and minimize disruption to the plant's operations.

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