

1. Nigeria: Senate Passes Bill Prohibiting Gas Flaring

- The Nigerian Senate, on the 17th of April 2019 passed a bill for an Act to Prohibit Gas Flaring in Nigeria.
- The bill seeks to ensure that any person who acted on behalf of a licensee to supply inaccurate data to the Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) or to any other person duly empowered by a lawful authority, commits and upon conviction to a fine of N10 million or to imprisonment for a maximum term of six months or to both fine and imprisonment.
- The bill also contained provisions on gas flaring fee, powers of the minister to make regulations, as well as repeal of the Associated Gas Re-Injection Act 2004
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2. Kenya: Kilifi, Garissa to Benefit From Sh100 Million Solar Power Project

- The overboard project by the national government to provide solar energy and cash transfers to over a million Kenyans in 47 counties has kicked off with pilot projects in Kilifi and Garissa counties.
- The programme dubbed Mwangaza Mashinani is being funded by the Swedish government and Unicef.
- Its aim is to ensure that most vulnerable people in the country are not left behind as homes are connected to solar power.
Dailynation.com

3. Nigeria: Senate passes the Petroleum Industry Governance Bill 2019

- The Petroleum Industry Governance Bill (PIGB) has again been passed by the Nigerian Senate.
- The bill seeks to establish a framework for the creation of commercially-oriented and profit driven petroleum entities, to ensure value addition and internationalisation of the petroleum industry, through the creation of efficient and effective governing institutions with clear and separate roles for the petroleum industry.
Punchng.com

4. Zimbabwe: US Investors Eye 900mw Solar Project

- Labacorp Power Company an America based company has expressed interest in developing a 900 megawatt solar project in Zimbabwe.
- The US-based corporate has applied to the Zimbabwe

Government, through their local partners Craft Properties (Pvt) Ltd, to make presentations on the envisaged implementation of the gigantic and game-changing project.

- The 900MW project is expected to feed electricity onto the national grid when complete.
Theherald.com

5. Mozambique: Chevron Buys Anadarko for \$33 bn, Taking Part of Cabo Delgado Gas

- U.S. oil major Chevron has bought over Anadarko recently, however it has been stated that it is mainly to obtain Anadarko's interests in shale gas and Gulf of Mexico oil.
- Anadarko's part of Mozambique's giant gas field off Cabo Delgado is just a small part of the deal.
Allafrica.com

6. Malawi Seal K94bn Electricity Deal With Mozambique to Start 2022

- Malawi has signed technical and commercial agreements with Mozambique for the sharing of power in a bid to address chronic blackouts hitting the country
- The deal will give Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi (Escom) an opportunity to buy 200 megawatts (MW) of power from the Southern Africa Power Pool (Sapp) starting in 2022.
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7. Nigeria: Government Begins Real-Time Monitoring of Gas Flaring, Oil Spill

- The Federal Government has disclosed that it has started the real-time tracking and monitoring of gas flaring and oil spillage across the country.
- This was stated during the launch and handover of the environmental monitoring tools, the 'Oil Spill Monitor and Gas Flare Tracker', Director General of the Nigerian Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency, Mr. Idris Musa, stated that with these tools, accurate data can be obtained on the actual volume of gas flared by oil companies, crude oil spillage and would help in determining the losses in terms of revenue to the country.
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8. Angola's Aenergy Is First African Business To Receive Anti-Bribery Certificate

- One of Africa's major energy and transportation firms - Aenergy - has become the continent's first business to be recognised by Bureau Veritas for its outstanding work practices.
- Angola-based Aenergy, which operates the country's largest

thermal power plant and provides locomotive engines for the nation's railways, has been awarded the Anti-Bribery Management System Certificate.

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9. Nigeria: Over Five Million Nigerians Still Unmetered - NERC

- The Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) has recently stated that over five million Nigerian electricity consumers were still unmetered.
- Abdulkadir Shettima, NERC General Manager, made this known at the launch of a Mojec International Limited, bank consumer and retail financing scheme, for Meter Asset Programme (MAP) in Lagos.
- NERC also has recently issued permits to some MAPs to commence roll out of prepaid meters to tackle metering gap and estimated billing.

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10. Zimbabwe: Scramble for Solar Power Plants

- Three independent power producers have applied to the Zimbabwe Energy Regulatory Authority (ZERA) for licences to establish solar power plants that will add about 100MW to the national grid.
- The three include Schweppes Zimbabwe Limited, which seeks to establish a 1MW photovoltaic rooftop power plant at its premises in Harare; Lumigar Solar (Private) Limited that seeks to construct a 65MW plant at Cactus Hill Farm in Chegutu; and Zhenje Solar Park (Private) Limited that intends to construct a 33MW solar power plant at Makokoro in Seke District.

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