

# World's Largest Solar Rooftop System Goes Online, Will Power 8,000 Homes

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The Indian state of Punjab is now home to the world's largest rooftop [solar](#) plant. The massive array will produce 11.5 megawatts of energy and is expected to provide clean power to 8,000 homes.

The plant, which has an installed capacity of 19.5 megawatts, is spread over 82 acres of rooftop in a single campus on multiple roofs at the Dera Baba Jaimal Singh, the world headquarters of the Radha Soami religious organization.

Punjab chief minister Parkash Singh Badal and renewable energy resources minister Bikram Singh Majithia inaugurated the facility last week, to usher a “[solar power revolution](#)” and to motivate other Indian states to replicate similar projects, according to the [Press Trust of India](#).

“Today, pollution has become a major source of worry and concern,” Majithia told [Reuters India](#), “and [renewable energy](#) is the way forward.”

Majithia boasts that the project will help reduce 400,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide over the next 25 years, or the equivalent to planting nearly 200,000 trees.

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