

Ethiopia to launch 17 energy and road PPPs

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Ethiopia's Office of the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) has announced that up to \$6.5 billion of energy and road projects will be launched as PPPs by July 2019.

Teshome Tafese, director general of the PPP Office, said that a total of 17 projects – comprising 14 power developments and three roads – will be put out to tender within this fiscal year, which in Ethiopia runs from July 2018 to July 2019.

The planned power projects – and their expected cost – are:

- 798MW Dabus \$984 million
- 469MW Genale Daw 5 \$793 million
- 424MW Halele Werabe \$1.2 billion
- 280MW Chemoga 1&2 \$729 million
- 150MW Weranso \$165 million
- 150MW Wolenchiti \$165 million
- 125MW Dichato \$150 million
- 125MW Gad \$150 million
- 125MW Hurso \$150 million
- 125MW Metema \$150 million
- 100MW Genale 6 \$387 million
- 100MW Humera \$120 million
- 100MW Mekelle \$120 million

At least six of these projects are confirmed to be solar farms.

Meanwhile, the road projects are:

- 160km Mieso Dire Dawa motorway \$445 million
- 125km Adama Awash motorway \$440 million
- 72km Awash Mieso motorway \$230 million

The new roads are expected to improve transport links between the capital city Addis Ababa and a port in neighbouring Dijbouti, as well as a new port under development in Somalia.

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