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GUYANA ENERGY AGENCY

**ECLAC's Project 'Regional Observatory on Sustainable Energy' (ROSE)**

**Transition in Energy Access – SDG 7.1.1**

# Outline of Presentation

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# Policy Framework

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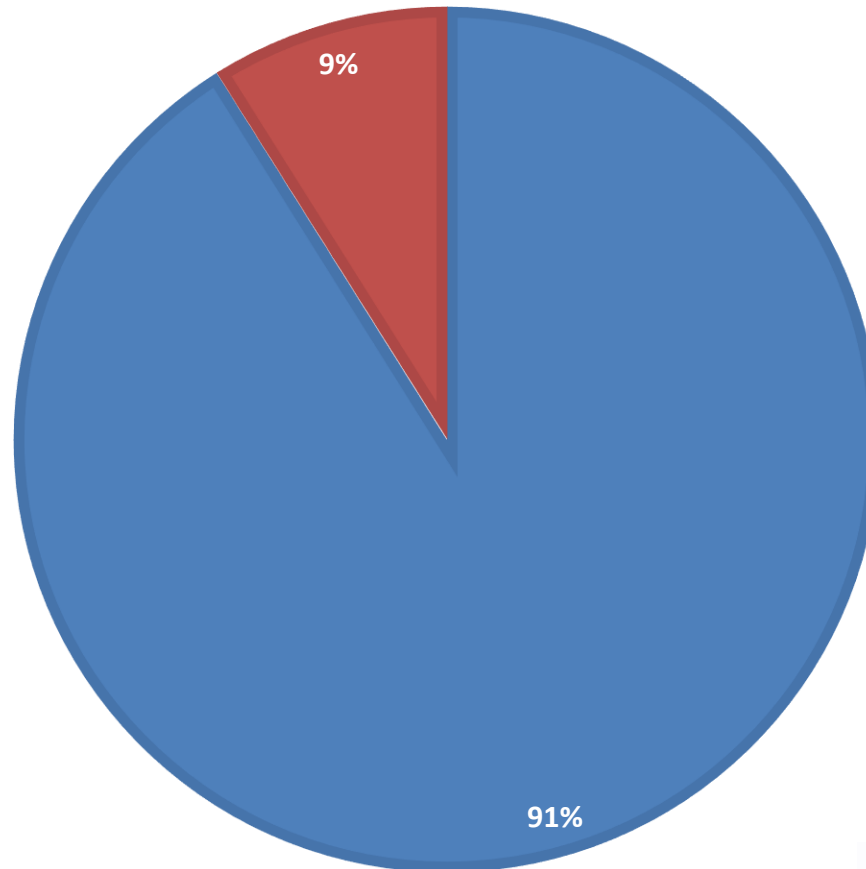
The Government of Guyana aims to provide **affordable, stable and reliable energy** to benefit both **households and businesses** and will pursue a programme with an energy mix that includes **hydropower, natural gas, solar and wind**, which will lead to more than **400 MW of newly installed capacity** for residential and commercial users over the next 5 years and a reduction in the cost of energy (electricity) by at least 50 percent.

The Government is committed to implementing measures as part of its energy diversification and access initiatives including:

- Completion of the Amaila Falls Hydroelectric project
- Investigating and exploring all possibilities for the use of natural gas for electricity production
- Investment in solar and wind systems for off-grid areas
- Expansion of the Hinterland Electrification Programme
- Replacement and upgrade of solar panels in the Hinterland
- Urgent action to improve and upgrade the national grid (transmission and distribution)
- Development of micro grids for large hinterland areas

## ELECTRICITY ACCESS 2019

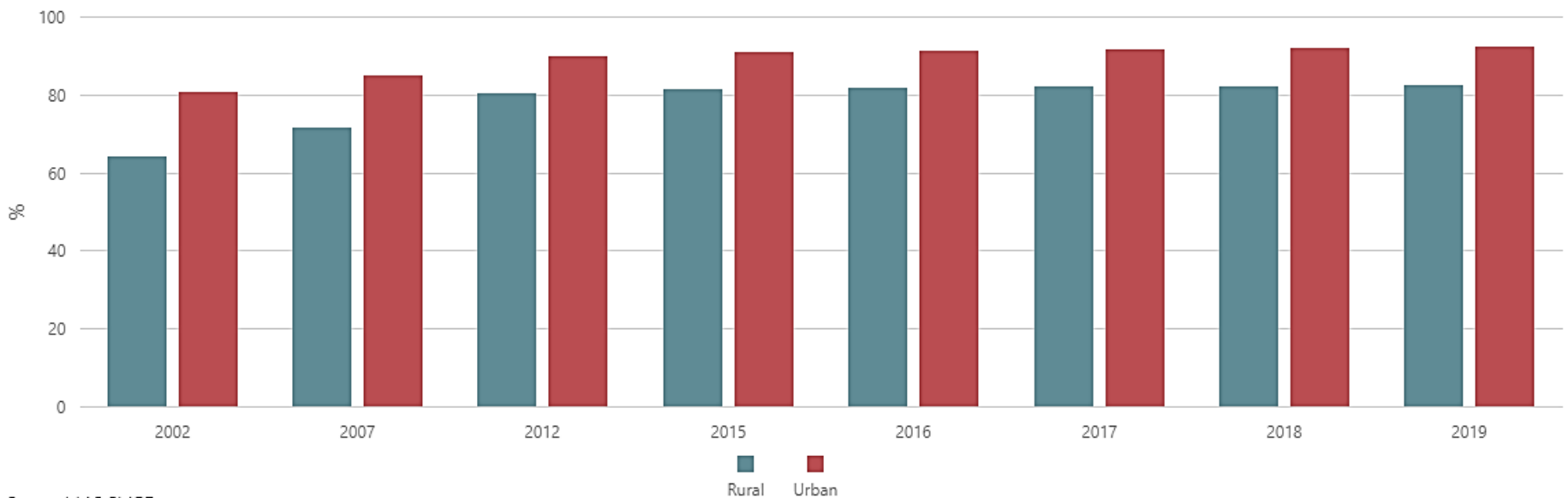
■ Electricity Access %   ■ No Access %



Percentage of household using electricity as the main source of lighting

## Electricity Coverage

Guyana - Electricity %

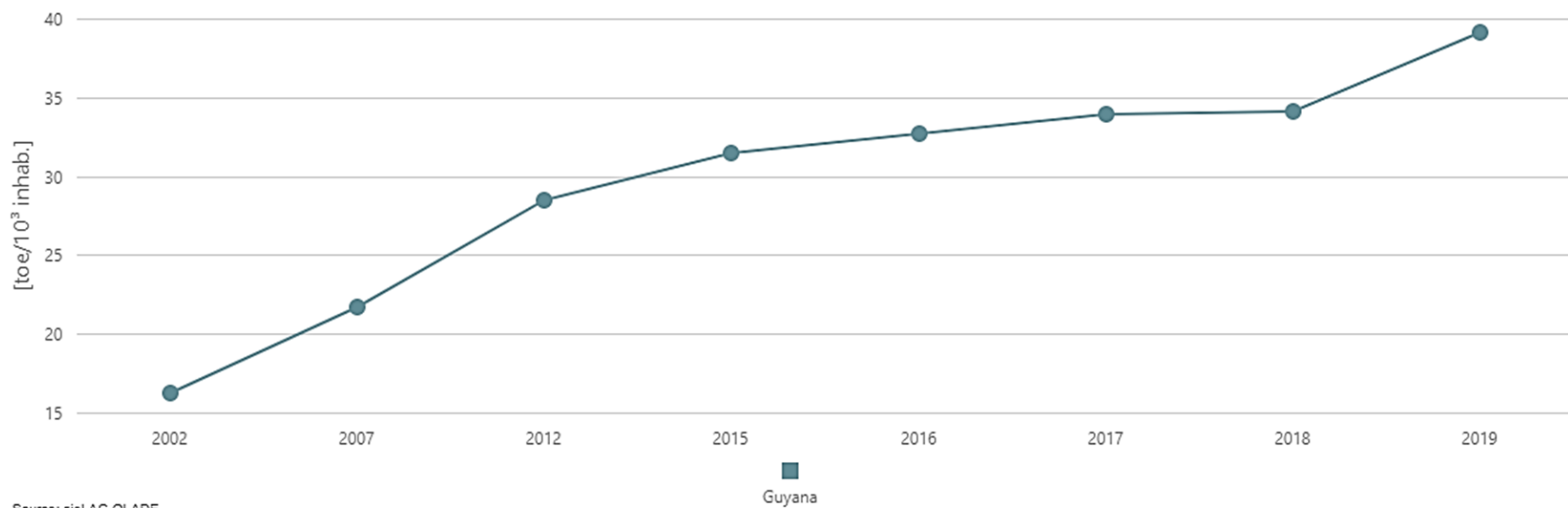


Source: sieLAC-OLADE

Percentage of population with access to electricity, by urban/rural

## Indicators: Economic Energy

Residential Electricity Consumption per capita



Source: sieLAC-OLADE

# Strategies for Energy Access (SDG7)

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## Solar and Hydro

- During the period 2012 – 2019, the Guyana Energy Agency facilitated the installation of more than 5 MW of new solar panels on the roofs of 291 Government buildings across the ten Administrative Regions.
- The Guyana energy Agency provided support for the completion of a 400kW solar PV farm and 20kW hydropower station in a Hinterland town (Mabaruma).
- The Guyana Energy Agency facilitated the completion of a 72kW Solar Micro Grid System in Moraikobai, Region 1. The project will provide electricity from a renewable source to approximately 270 households (approx. 1000 persons). The project will allow the increased duration of daily electricity supply from 4 hours to 12 hours.

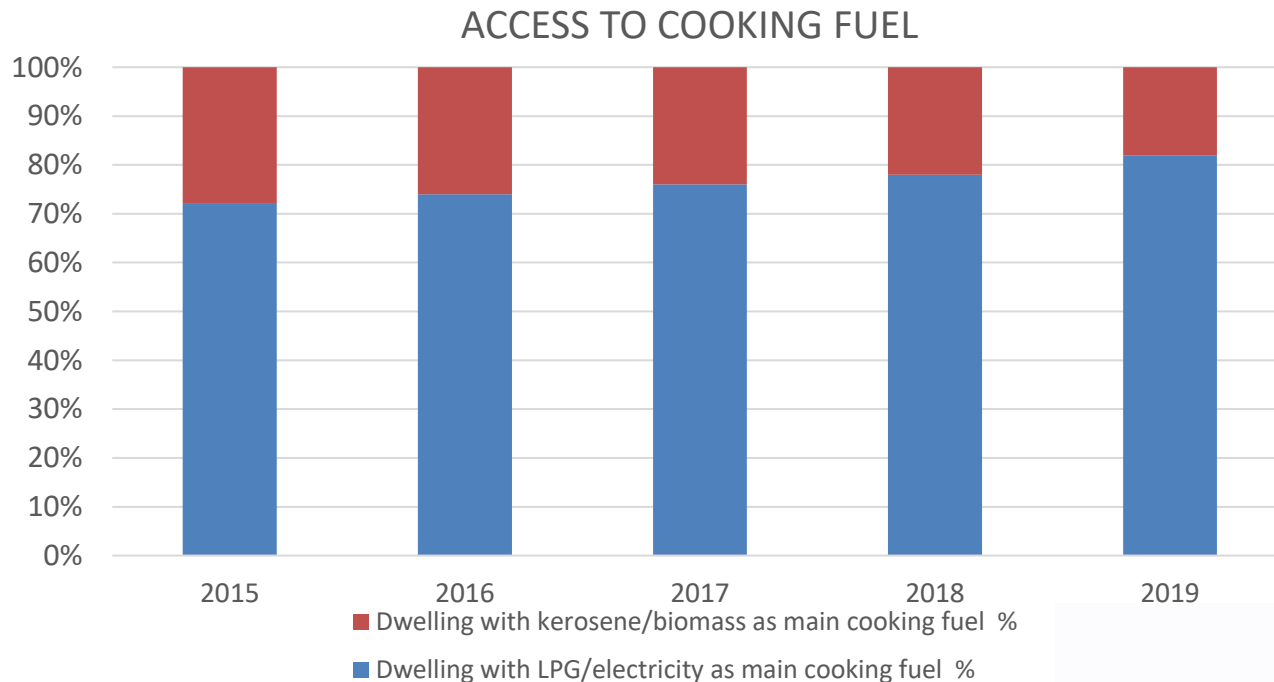
## LED Lights

- The Guyana Energy Agency installed in excess of 602 Stand Alone Solar Powered LED Street Lights installed across all 10 Administrative Regions.
- Under the Hinterland LED Lighting Project the Guyana Energy Agency initiated an energy conservation initiative that will replace energy inefficient lights with energy efficient lights. Beneficiaries are customers of the 6 hinterland utilities.

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## Energy Efficient Cook Stove

- Energy Efficient Wood Stoves Projects – The GEA distributed a total of 10 institutional size energy efficient wood stoves to 7 dormitory schools.
- 100 residential type energy efficient wood stoves were distributed to 10 hinterland communities.





# Pipeline Projects for Hinterland Electrification

	Project	Installed Capacity (MW)	Timeline
1	Bartica Utility scale Solar PV Farm	1.5	2021
2	Lethem Utility scale Solar PV Farm	1.0	2021
3	Kato Hydropower Project	0.15	2021
4	Mahdia Utility scale Solar PV Farm	0.65	2022
5	10 Solar PV mini-grids	1.4	2022
6	30,000 x 150Watts Solar Home Systems	4.5	2022
7	Wakenaam Utility scale Solar PV Farm	0.75	2022
8	Kumu Hydropower Project	1.5	2023
9	Moco Moco Hydropower Project	0.7	2023
10	Leguan Utility scale Solar PV Farm	0.6	2023
<b>Total</b>		<b>12.8</b>	<b>2023</b>

# Energy Plans for Hinterland Electrification

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## **Plans for energy access (subject to availability of resources)**

- Energy Needs Assessments (about 200 communities)
- Solar PV Micro-grids in rural communities (total capacity of 50 MW)
- Local LPG plant to cater for domestic demand.
- Hinterland Electrification Programme
- Replacement and upgrade of previously installed solar PV systems
- Solar PV and wind systems for off-grid areas
- Micro-grids for large hinterland areas
- Opportunities for hydropower development



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