

# China's nuclear power research and development of energy storage

Why does China need a nuclear power plant?

The impetus for nuclear power in China is due to air pollution from coal-fired plants, as well as climate commitments and energy security. China's policy is to have a closed nuclear fuel cycle. China has become largely self-sufficient in reactor design and construction, but is making full use of Western technology while adapting it.

How to develop nuclear energy in China?

The nuclear energy must be developed safely and high efficiently. The strategy is to develop with three steps: thermal reactors, fast reactors, and fusion reactors. China has always adhered to the strategy of closed fuel cycle. Spent fuel storage facilities at some nuclear plants are close to full capacity.

What is China integrated fast reactor nuclear energy system?

China integrated Fast Reactor Nuclear Energy System is composed of several fast reactors and one fuel regeneration subsystem (Dry Reprocessing + fuel production line) and other supporting subsystems. It is located at the same nuclear power plant site and forms a complete nuclear energy systems.

Why is China expanding its nuclear power?

This consistent expansion reflects China's broader national energy strategy. In 2024, nuclear energy accounted for 444.7 billion kilowatt-hours--approximately 4.72% of total electricity generation--helping to avert an estimated 334 million tons of carbon emissions.

Does China have a nuclear power industry?

Over the past decade, China has experienced rapid growth in nuclear power, developing substantial expertise and engineering capabilities in nuclear technology research and development, engineering design, equipment manufacturing, and construction operations, said Zhang Jianhua, head of China's National Energy Administration.

Is China a leader in nuclear power development?

China has achieved significant strides in nuclear power development in recent years, rapidly expanding the industry and establishing a comprehensive nuclear power supply chain, positioning itself as a global leader in the sector.

He underscored the importance of maintaining high nuclear safety standards amid global demand for clean energy, driven by climate change and data center growth. ...

The most recent Chinese "Five-Year Plan" makes nuclear fusion one of the top priorities for strengthening China's comprehensive national power. As a rough estimate, Beijing is currently ...

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China, the world's largest electricity consumer, has strong motivations to deploy nuclear power due to increasing electricity demand and environmental concerns. However, ...

This study undertakes a comparative investigation of global nuclear energy modeling paradigms, aiming to elucidate methodological strengths and limitations in predicting ...

Initially launched by the Center for Energy Studies as the Baker Institute China Oil Map in February 2019, the 2024 edition of the China Energy Map is an interactive, comprehensive and ...

China's National Energy Administration (NEA) has released the China New Energy Storage Development Report 2025, marking the first official and comprehensive ...

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China's nuclear power development adheres to the principle of "cooperating with other countries with itself playing the major role", and follows the "three-step" technology roadmap of "thermal ...

The development aligns with China's broader green transition goals outlined in a recent guideline, which identified coastal nuclear power alongside wind, solar, and hydropower ...

The regional constraints of China's new energy development are mainly reflected in two aspects: first, due to the big gap in regional development and residents' income ...

It is China, the fastest expanding nuclear power generator in the world. "China is a big country. We have higher energy demand than other countries, but also more room for nuclear power," ...

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China's nuclear power industry has achieved large achievements in industrial policy, technical and economic condition during the last three decades. However, there still ...

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To implement the Four-Energy Revolution of General Secretary Xi Jinping and to realize the promise of emission reduction by 2020 and 2030, which China has made to the ...

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In 1970, the former Chinese premier Zhou Enlai pointed out the necessity for the peaceful use of atomic energy and development of nuclear power. This triggered nuclear power development ...

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With rapid economic development, China faces a great challenge to meet its increasing energy demand. Currently, China's energy supply is dominated by coal ...

This study explores the impact of energy storage innovation, clean fuel innovation, and energy-related R& D expenditures on sustainable development. The empirical ...

III. nuclear development in china 3.1 Nuclear development before 2011 Though the decision to develop civilian nuclear energy in China dates back to the 1970s, concrete ...

On 8 June 2024, the Research Institute of Physical and Chemical Engineering of the Nuclear Industry (IPCE) marked a significant step forward with the prototype of the "Nuclear Storage ...

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