



# Market Potential of Rooftop Solar PV in Surabaya

**A Report** 

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### MARKET POTENTIAL OF ROOFTOP SOLAR PV IN SURABAYA: A REPORT

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### **BACKGROUND**



### Indonesia

Indonesia has committed to Paris Agreement and has set the target for solar energy development of 6.5 GW by 2025.



IESR works to accelerate low-carbon energy transition and has been playing active role in One Million Rooftop Solar Initiative. IESR sees high potential for solar energy deployment through rooftop solar use.



### 2018 Survey

In 2018, IESR in collaboration with GIZ-INFIS conducted residential survey on rooftop solar in Greater Jakarta.

### **RESIDENTIAL SURVEY**





### STUDY INFORMATION



### **METHODOLOGY**

- >> Random and quantitative samplings
- Pre-selected respondents: based on power capacity, house type, decision makers for energy-related issues
- >> No gender preference









### **COVERAGE**

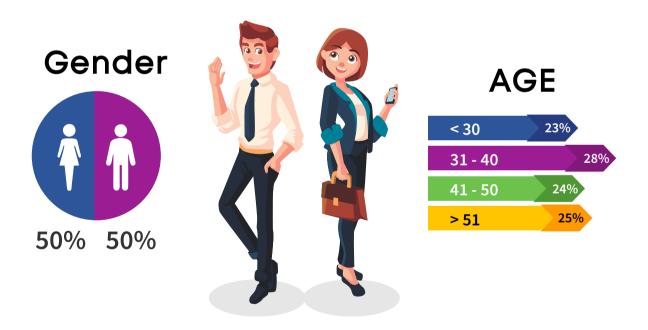
- Only covers residential area
- Number of respondents in Surabaya: 400
- Number of respondents in Greater Jakarta: 500



### **RESULT**

- Awareness and perception
- >> Interest
- >> Procurement preference
- >> Financial scheme preference





### RESIDENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS





### PEOPLE IN SURABAYA MOSTLY CONCERN ON THE ELECTRICAL POWER USAGE DUE TO COST SAVING MOTIVES.

### HOW DO PEOPLE BEHAVE TOWARD THEIR ENVIRONMENT?

Turn off the light when not in use

BOFF

Always try to use natural light

6

Buy energy-saving lights

3

Using natural ventilation minimize the use of AC

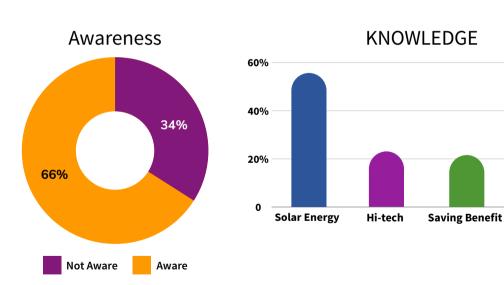
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Unplug the power cord when not in use

68



## **7 IN 10** PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF ROOFTOP SOLAR. AROUND 1 IN 4 PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF ITS TECHNOLOGY AND COST SAVING BENEFIT.

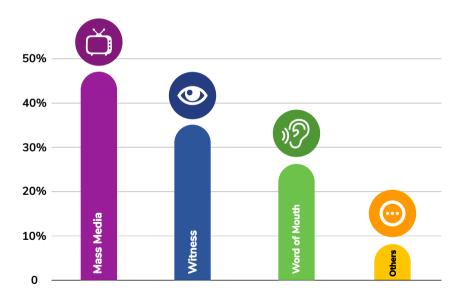


<sup>\*</sup>People in Greater Jakarta consider cost saving benefit of rooftop solar more than its high technology.

Others



## DOMINANT SOURCE OF INFORMATION IS MASS MEDIA



# PEOPLE IN SURABAYA FOUND ROOFTOP SOLAR INTERESTING AND OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY.



**INTERESTING** 



Hi-Tech



### PEOPLE IN SURABAYA ARE INTERESTED IN HIGH TECH, COOL, AND TRENDY THINGS.



### 7 IN 10 PEOPLE STATED THE PRODUCT IS ATTRACTIVE.



## LACK OF PRODUCT KNOWLEDGE AND PERCEPTION OF EXPENSIVE PRODUCT ARE THE MAIN BARRIERS FOR CONSUMERS TO CONSIDER INSTALLING ROOFTOP SOLAR

#### REASONS OF **NOT RELEVANT**

PRODUCT KNOWLEDGE (28%)



 Have no idea about the product and how it works 18%

FINANCIAL MATTER (28%)



• The price is expensive 15%

#### REASONS OF RELEVANT BUT NOT NECESSARY

FINANCIAL MATTER 42%



Economic factors/no budget
 12%

PRODUCT KNOWLEDGE (18%)



 Have no idea about the product and how it works 11%

## TOP 3 FACTORS CONSIDERED BY CONSUMERS TO INSTALL ROOFTOP SOLAR



ELECTRICAL BILL SAVING





7 IN 10

AFFORDABLE INSTALLATION COST





6 IN 10







1 IN 2

\*People in Greater Jakarta mentioned affordable installation cost first

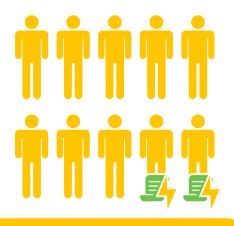
## 1 IN 3 PEOPLE INTENDS TO INSTALL ROOFTOP SOLAR



Installation cost affects their intention, however, explaining rooftop solar benefit can increase their willingness to install.



## SAVING ON ELECTRICAL BILL IS THE MAIN FACTOR FOR CONSUMERS TO CONSIDER INSTALLING ROOFTOP SOLAR.



**ELECTRICAL BILL SAVING** 



CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY TO THE ENVIRONMENT



## PEOPLE IN SURABAYA SHOW A TENDENCY TOWARDS POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION FOR BETTER ENVIRONMENT.

## HIGH COST AND LACK OF PRODUCT KNOWLEDGE ARE THE MAIN REASONS OF CONSUMERS NOT CONSIDERING TO INSTALL ROOFTOP SOLAR.



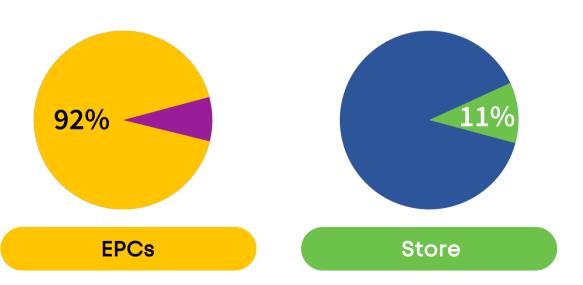
**EXPENSIVE PRICE** 



NOT SURE IF THERE IS AFTER-SALES SERVICES

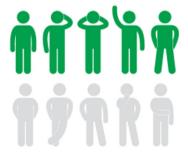


### MOST CONSUMERS CHOOSE TO BUY ROOFTOP SOLAR FROM EPCs/VENDORS.



## TOTAL PRICE AND AFTER SALES SERVICE ARE THE MAIN CONSIDERATION WHEN CHOOSING ROOFTOP SOLAR PROVIDER.

Total price includes product and services



5 OUT OF 10

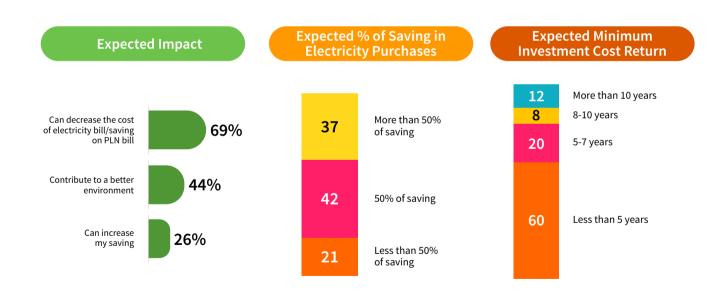
After-sales services are offered



3 OUT OF 10



## OTHER THAN ELECTRICITY SAVING BENEFITS, PEOPLE IN SURABAYA ALSO EXPECT ROOFTOP SOLAR USE CAN CONTRIBUTE TO A BETTER ENVIRONMENT.



### THEIR PREFERRED PURCHASING SCHEME IS INSTALMENT WITHIN 5 YEARS.



54%

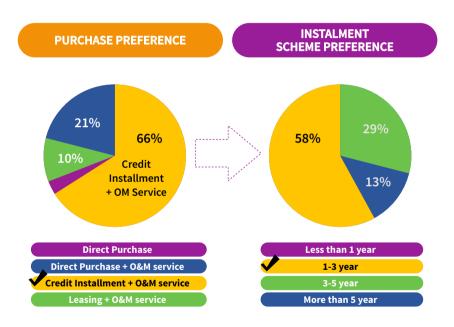
#### Total price

(price of products and services offered)

33%

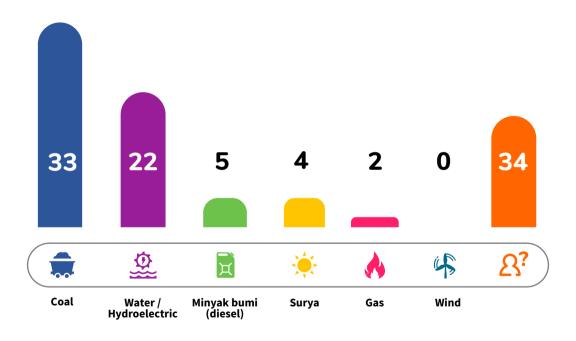
#### After-sales services offered

(services, guarantees, spareparts)



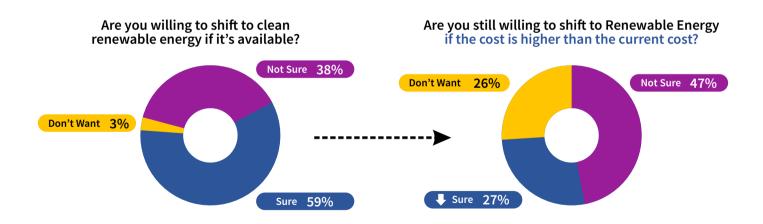
### KNOWLEDGE OF HOUSEHOLD ENERGY SOURCES

Coal and hydroelectric are the most known sources of energy for household electricity.

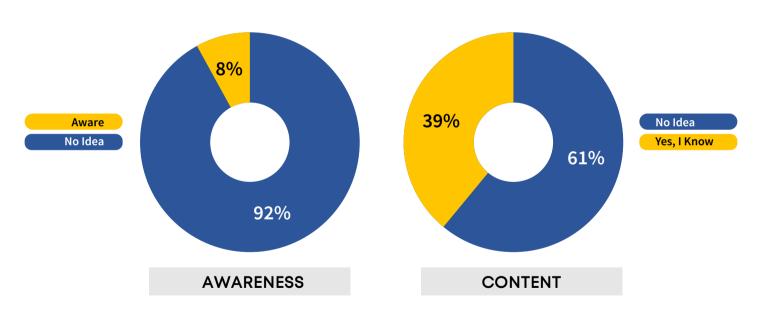




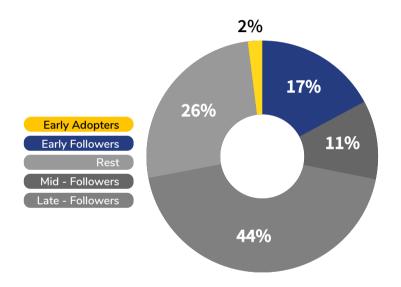
More than half people is actually willing to shift to renewable energy, however, if it takes higher cost, the willingness drops by half.



### AWARENESS ON MINISTERIAL REGULATION ON ROOFTOP SOLAR IS LIMITED.



### MARKET POTENTIAL



The combination of early adopters and early followers amounts to 19%, equals to

85,000 - 93,000 households.

<sup>\*</sup>error margin 4.85%, number of households with minimum Type 45 is 60% from total population, number of total households is taken from East Java CBS for the year 2015



### THIS NUMBER IS EQUIVALENT TO

### 170 – 186 MWP

CUMULATIVE CAPACITY OF ROOFTOP SOLAR, ONLY FROM RESIDENTIAL SECTOR.

\*assuming each household installs a minimum 2 kWp of rooftop solar

### WHAT'S MISSING?

### **Information**

Lack of comprehensive information



### **Policies**

Lack of
supportive policies
(national and
local levels),
covering but
not limited to ease
in installation,
legal aspects,
fair credit transaction,
and financing scheme



### **Incentives**

No existing incentives at all







### RECOMMENDATION



More information, more channels

More comprehensive, transparent, objective information are needed and they should be disseminated through more channels, including mass media.



Tailored message is important to encourage homeowners to opt for solar energy People in Surabaya care for the environment and they like something cool and of high tech. This perception can be adopted to promote rooftop solar use.



Provide supportive policies & incentives

Reassess current ministerial regulation, promote local government regulation, give incentives, such as tax exemptions for land value and property tax or installation cost subsidies.



When incentives are limited, work with financial institutions and EPCs

People are willing to buy on their own as long as there is instalment scheme to reduce high upfront payment and they need guaranteed O & M and performance of system.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS ON SOLAR ENERGY



Rooftop Solar Revolution



IESR Position Paper: Accelerating Solar Deployment in Indonesia



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