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# **15kW Photovoltaic Container Used in Tirana Cement Plant**



## Overview

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This work describes the implementation of concentrated solar energy for the calcination process in cement production. Approach used for providing solar energy includes the utilisation of a solar tower sy.

Can solar energy be used for calcination of cement?

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Can solar energy be used in cement manufacturing?

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How to run solar reactor for calcination of raw material in cement production?

Solar and thermal energy needed to run the solar reactor for the calcination of raw material in cement production using a heat balance equation is as follows: Solar incident power on the solar reactor (Gonzalez and Flamant, 2013): (7)  $Q_{SR} = Q_r \times n + Q_{hrm} \cdot 1 - \% Q_l$  The mirror surface needed: (8)  $S_{mirror} = \frac{Q_{SR}}{\eta_{SF} \cdot DNI}$ .

Which cement plant is used for solar thermal application?

Location and DNI availability of the investigated plant A conventional cement plant (Kotputli Cement Works (KCW), an UltraTech Cement Limited manufacturing unit) at Kotputli, Jaipur, Rajasthan, was investigated for solar thermal application.

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