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Madagascar is an island country in the Indian Ocean off the coast of Southeast Africa. The main island is the world's fourth-largest. Madagascar suffers from a slow economy. Tourism and agriculture, together with big investments in education, health, and private enterprise are essential to the government's development strategy. In recent years, these investments have produced some substantial economic growth.

Madagascar has a technically feasible hydropower potential of about 180,000 GWh. Less than 1% has been developed so far, with 162 MW of installed hydro capacity producing 61% of the nations' electricity.

In 2016, the government introduced the "New Programme for Energy" to increase generation capacity and therefore boost hydropower development. Under this premise three major sites for hydropower schemes have been identified with a total capacity of more than 500 MW. One project - HPP Sahofiaka on the Onive River - could already be contracted. For HPP Volobe Upstream the Irondro River and HPP Antetezambato on the Mania River the bidding processes are ongoing. A further 13 small hydropower sites have been identified, seven at less than 15 MW.