

## Electric vehicle policy zimbabwe

The Policy Framework will assist in introduction of electric mobility in Zimbabwe and address various barriers to its scale up. The Government of Zimbabwe expresses its gratitude to the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN) and UNEP-CCC for availing the technical support to develop the National Electric Mobility Policy Market Readiness

The National Electric Mobility Policy Roadmap serves as an action plan with a focus on the development pathways which will achieve wide-scale electric vehicle (EV) deployment in the context of Zimbabwe. For this, a set of policies were selected from the National Electric Mobility Policy and Market Readiness Framework (hereinafter referred to as ...

The National Policy Roadmap for Electric Mobility in Zimbabwe was developed after the National Electric

The government is presently crafting a national electric vehicle policy, which it plans to release later this year. The policy will mark Zimbabwe's first steps towards an expedited transition from dependence on internal combustion engine vehicles to greener EVs in the future.

In response to extreme climate fall-out, Zimbabwe is ramping up its transition to electric vehicles as one of its key mitigation measures. Debra Matabvu investigates

Like most countries, Zimbabwe is grappling with climate change, characterised by changes in rainfall patterns, perennial droughts, extreme weather temperatures and floods.

The Southern African country experienced one of its worst climate disasters in March 2019 when Cyclone Idai hit eastern parts Zimbabwe. The cyclone left a trail of destruction, displacing 240,000 people, leaving 340 dead and hundreds others missing.

This prompted authorities to revisit the country's climate change policies and redirect Zimbabwe towards a greener, more sustainable future.

Ahead of the United Nations climate change conference in Glasgow, Scotland, last year, the government pledged to reduce the country's greenhouse gas emissions by 40% from current levels by 2030. Zimbabwe had previously committed to a 33% emissions reduction in its first nationally determined contribution to lowering global emissions in 2017.

An expedited transition to climate-friendly electric vehicles (EVs) as a conduit towards reducing emissions was identified as one of the key mitigation measures Zimbabwe was to pursue.



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Indications are that the policy will introduce a raft of incentives for importation of EVs, establishment of EV assembly plants and related infrastructure. Some of the proposed incentives include a total waiver or drastic reduction of import duty on EVs and a preferential licensing system.

The Transport and Infrastructural Development Secretary, Engineer Theodius Chinyanga, said the policy aims to promote innovation, technology and environmental conservation, and to encourage individuals to turn to clean fuel.

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