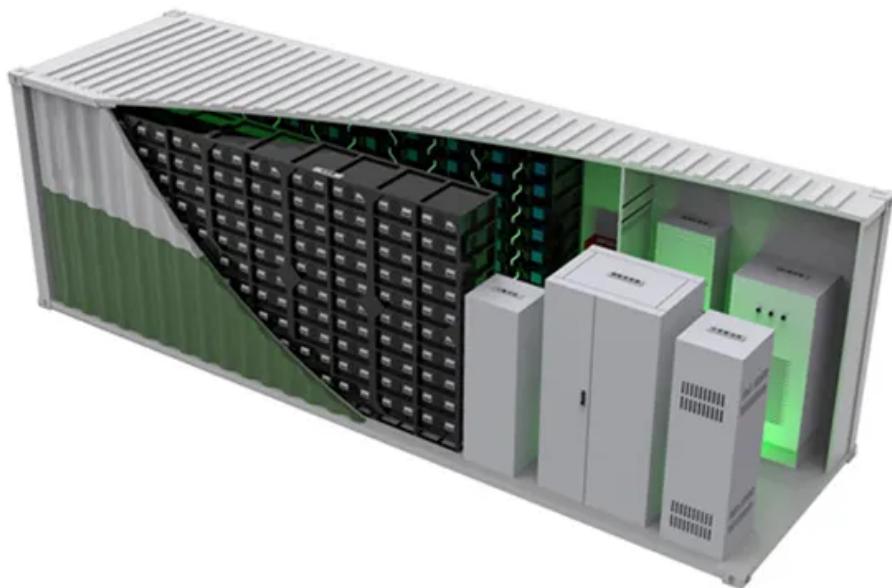


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## Overview

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Is Afghanistan the Saudi Arabia of lithium?

The global race for lithium, a crucial component in electric vehicle (EV) batteries, has shifted attention to Afghanistan, hailed as the “ Saudi Arabia of lithium.” As China dominates the EV market, Afghanistan’s vast lithium deposits have become a geopolitical focal point.

Could lithium be used to produce batteries in Afghanistan?

The Taliban spokesman even mentioned the possibility to use the lithium to produce batteries inside Afghanistan and export them. Such a prospect appears far-fetched though. «Afghanistan has all the raw materials necessary to produce lithium-based batteries,» Dr. Wnuk told SIGA.

Could lithium be the answer to China-dominated lithium market in Afghanistan?

Afghanistan therefore finds itself in a unique position at an opportune moment. Lithium is in high demand, and that demand will only continue to grow in the years to come. The vast Afghan deposits of lithium could be the answer to an increasingly China-dominated lithium market as well as the increasing global demand for lithium.

Is there a lithium rush in Afghanistan?

Recent predictions of an alleged lithium rush in Afghanistan focus on lithium-bearing hard rock minerals mined in the eastern Afghan provinces of Nuristan and Kunar, from where also the stones seized by the Taliban in January 2023 originated. (That said, there are also reports on lithium-containing brines in other places in Afghanistan.

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