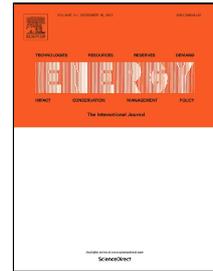


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18 **Abstract:** Rural electrification is a critical global challenge specifically in developing countries and  
19 Bangladesh is no exception. Most of the people live in the rural areas of the country and having no access  
20 to grid electricity hindering the development of these areas and the overall progress of the country's  
21 economy severely. In this regard, renewable energy based hybrid mini-grid can be a viable solution to  
22 ensure access to electricity for all. This paper presents a case study of supplying electricity through hybrid  
23 mini-grid to the rural unelectrified areas of the northern region of Bangladesh, and provides an analysis  
24 of its business creation, operation and related challenges. The study involves modelling of three  
25 alternative configurations for electricity generation with the different combination of solar energy,  
26 biomass generator, diesel generator and battery storage resources. Hybrid Optimization Model for  
27 Electric Renewable (HOMER) software is used to carry out the techno-economic analysis and identify the  
28 optimal off-grid system configuration. The analysis exposed that the per unit cost of electricity from the  
29 optimum off-grid supply configuration is much higher than the regulated tariff for grid connected  
30 residential consumers and cannot reach grid parity even with the full capital subsidy. However, the cost  
31 of off-grid supply is economical than the diesel-only supply option or the cost of owning a solar home  
32 system. The analysis further considered different electricity selling tariff to obtain a practical and  
33 reasonable payback period to make the proposed hybrid mini-grid system economically worthwhile. From  
34 the emission analysis, it is found that the proposed hybrid system would produce 75% lower CO<sub>2</sub> than the  
35 existing methods of fulfilling energy needs in the study area.

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37 **Keywords:** Bangladesh; Hybrid mini-grid; Rural electrification; Solar Photovoltaic; Biomass; Electricity  
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