

## Unlocking Dubai's D33 Power Policy: Maximizing ROI for Your Industrial Operations

If you're in manufacturing, data centres, or agri-tech in Dubai, there's a game-changing opportunity you can't afford to miss. Dubai's D33 Industry Friendly Power Policy is reshaping how industrial operations manage energy costs and sustainability goals. At Enova, we're ready to help forward-thinking industrial clients transform this policy into tangible financial and operational benefits. Let me walk you through what this could mean for your business.

### What Exactly is the D33 Industry Friendly Power Policy?

Simply put, the D33 policy is Dubai's strategic initiative to boost the industrial sector by making power infrastructure more affordable and sustainable. Launched as part of Dubai's D33 economic agenda, it specifically targets three sectors:

- **Manufacturing**
- **data centers**
- **and agri-tech**

Here's what makes it revolutionary:

- **25% reduction in connection charges** with interest-free payment options spread over two years
- **No cap on captive solar generation** up to your maximum demand load
- **Guaranteed feed-in tariff of 10.5 fils/kWh** for excess energy (during non-winter months)
- **Both rooftop and ground mounted installations permitted** within your plot
- **Priority allocation of international renewable energy certificates (i-RECs)**

The kicker? Once you obtain your D33 Eligibility Certificate, these benefits are locked in for 10 years, providing the long-term stability essential for industrial planning.

### How Enova Transforms D33 Policy into Operational Advantage

Having partnered with industrial leaders across the region, we've developed a specialized approach to maximize D33 benefits through our integrated facility and energy management solutions.

### Tailored Solar PV Solutions for Maximum Returns

The policy's removal of solar capacity caps presents an unprecedented opportunity. Take Sarten Ambalaj in Türkiye, the largest producer of metal packaging in the MENA region. We implemented Solar PV installations across six industrial facilities utilizing 16,987 solar modules with a total capacity of 9,258 kWp. In the first year alone, these installations generated 13.1GWh of energy, which equates to avoiding 4,913 tonnes of CO2 emissions.

By applying similar expertise to D33-eligible facilities in Dubai, we can design, implement and maintain solar PV solutions that precisely match your maximum demand load—something previously impossible under standard regulations.

### End-to-End D33 Implementation Support

Navigating new policies can be overwhelming. Our teams handle the entire process:

1. **Eligibility assessment** and application support for D33 certification
2. **Custom solar design** optimized for your specific industrial processes and approved by DEWA
3. **Turnkey EPC installation** with minimal disruption to operations
4. **DEWA-compliant monitoring systems** meeting D33's specific requirements
5. **Ongoing performance management** to maximize feed-in tariff revenue

### Real-World ROI: The Numbers That Matter

Let's talk about what matters most—return on investment. For a typical manufacturing facility in Dubai with 1MW maximum demand, here's what the D33 policy could mean:

- **Connection charge savings:** 25% reduction can save hundreds of thousands of AED
- **Solar generation:** Up to 1.8 million kWh annually from a 1MW ac system
- **Electricity cost reduction:** Approximately 600,000-800,000 AED annually
- **Feed-in revenue:** Additional 40,000-60,000 AED annually from excess generation
- **Payback period:** Typically reduced by 1.5-2 years compared to pre-D33 scenarios

Our client Henkel in Türkiye saw similar benefits, with their 405.9 kWp installation generating 452,600 kWh annually and avoiding 199 tons of CO2 emissions. Under D33's enhanced terms, your ROI potential is even greater.

### Calculating Your D33 Solar ROI

When evaluating your potential ROI under D33, consider these key factors:

1. **Maximum demand load:** The higher your demand, the more solar capacity you can install
2. **Available installation area:** Rooftop, carport, and for D33 eligible consumers ground-mounted options
3. **Current electricity costs:** Higher tariffs mean bigger savings
4. **Operational patterns:** Production facilities with full-year daytime operations benefit most
5. **Sustainability targets:** i-REC allocations help meet corporate goals

Our engineers conduct comprehensive site assessments to determine your optimal solar PV capacity and projected financial returns. Unlike standard calculations, we factor in D33-specific benefits to provide accurate projections.

## **Beyond Solar: Integrating with Total Facility Management**

The true power of D33 is realized when solar implementation is integrated with comprehensive facility management. Our client JOSLOC (Al Jomaih and Shell Lubricating Oil Company) in Saudi Arabia demonstrates how this integrated approach works. While overseeing their 504 kWp Solar PV plant maintenance, we simultaneously manage their overall facilities operations—including critical systems like boilers, water treatment systems, and oil transfer pumps. This integrated approach ensures both energy efficiency and production continuity, with over 1,515 preventative maintenance tasks completed in 2022 alone and an average mean time between failures of 120 days.

## **Take the First Step Toward D33 Benefits**

The D33 Industry Friendly Power Policy represents a significant opportunity for Dubai's industrial sector. With its 10-year validity period, the time to act is now.

Contact our energy solutions team today for a no-obligation assessment of your D33 eligibility and potential ROI. Let's transform this policy opportunity into a lasting competitive advantage for your operations.

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