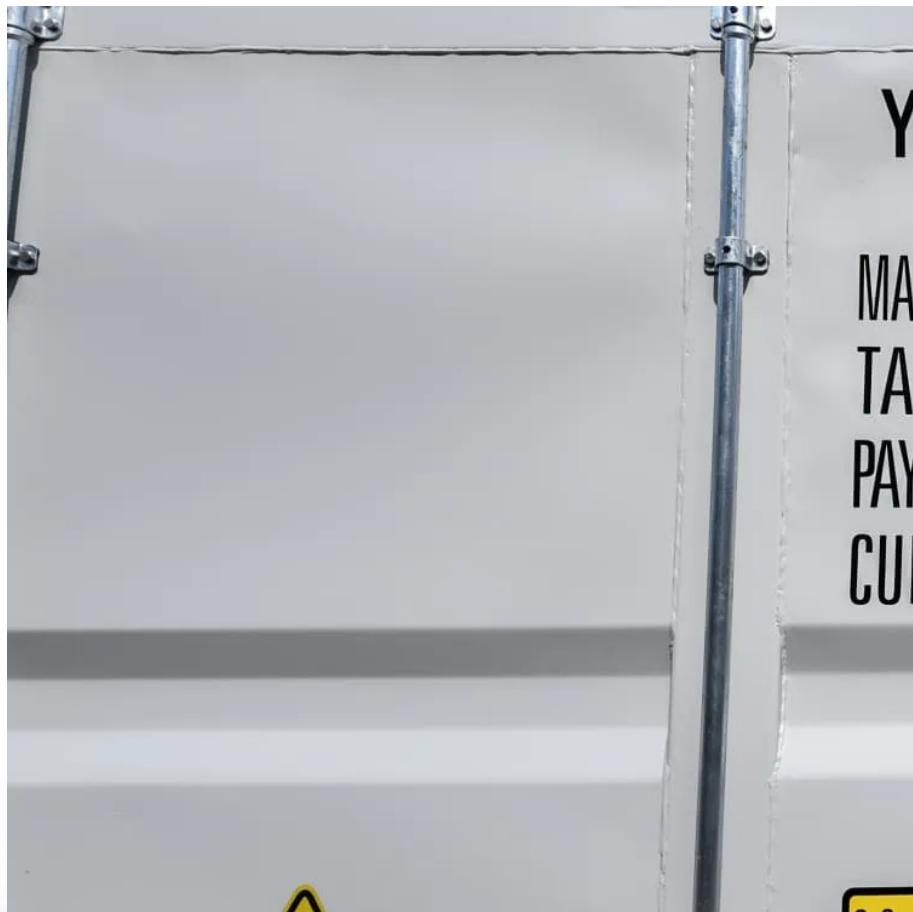




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How much solar PV will Africa have by 2030?

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