

1.e. Assign priority status to renewable energy, green hydrogen projects and related infrastructure.

Assigning priority development status to renewable energy projects can expedite the often-lengthy permitting process. This designation signals the importance of renewable energy and allows for streamlined review and approval procedures. However, it is crucial to ensure that important caveats, such as environmental impact assessments and community consultations, are still respected. Balancing speed and thoroughness are vital to promoting sustainable and responsible renewable energy development.

In 2021, the **Brazilian government** entered into an agreement with **TVP Solar**, a Swiss company producing solar thermal panels that generate heat for industrial processes. This agreement involved a five-year allocation of zero-import duties on the import of their equipment.

This achievement was made due to the strategic role of the solar thermal panel equipment in the decarbonization of industrial plants, where no comparable local solutions existed.

This solution not only leads to reduced operational expenses and stabilized annual energy costs for plant owners, but can also enhance local worker safety and employment opportunities in the importing country.

