

# Photovoltaic support purlin layout

### How many pillars does a photovoltaic support system have?

The tracking photovoltaic support system consisted of 10 pillars(including 1 drive pillar), one axis bar, 11 shaft rods, 52 photovoltaic panels, 54 photovoltaic support purlins, driving devices and 9 sliding bearings, and also includes the connection between the frame and its axis bar. Total length was 60.49 m, as shown in Fig. 8.

#### What is a tracking photovoltaic support system?

The tracking photovoltaic support system (Fig. 1) is mainly composed of an axis bar, PV support purlins, pillars (including one driving pillar in the middle and nine other non-driving pillars), sliding bearings and a driving device. The axis bar is composed of 11 shaft rods. Photovoltaic panels are installed on the photovoltaic support purlins.

### Are solar panel support configurations feasible in closed sanitary landfills?

Objective: To analyze the structural feasibility of solar panel support configurations in closed sanitary landfills for better use of these spaces, thus increasing the country's capacity to generate renewable energy in areas where the affectation of ecosystems is low or null.

## What are the dynamic characteristics of photovoltaic support systems?

Key findings are as follows. Dynamic characteristics of tracking photovoltaic support systems obtained through field modal testing at various inclinations, revealing three torsional modes within the 2.9-5.0 Hz frequency range, accompanied by relatively small modal damping ratios ranging from 1.07 % to 2.99 %.

What are the mechanical properties of a tracking photovoltaic support system?

In terms of the mechanical properties of the actual components of the tracking photovoltaic support system, the bar element and shell elementwere used to simulate different components: beam elements were mainly used to simulate the axis bar, photovoltaic support purlins and pillars. Shell elements were used to simulate the photovoltaic panel.

## What is the tilt angle of a photovoltaic support system?

The comparison of the mode shapes of tracking photovoltaic support system measured by the FM and simulated by the FE (tilt angle = 30&#176;). The modal test results indicated that the natural vibration frequencies of the structure remains relatively constant as the tilt angle increases.



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