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KP believes that more than 480MW of BESS is required across different locations in the country, such as western Kenya, where there is inadequate transmission capacity at peak times as well as at substations along Kenya's coast.

Figure 22: Effect of 2025 and 2030 project start on LCOE and share of diesel for different BESS size for C-1

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