Solar irrigation pumps developed by PRACTICA

PRACTICA Foundation has contributed to the development of a range of solar irrigation pumps that are manufactured and distributed by our private partners. Each pump has been optimised for specific water depths and plots sizes and has been designed to last long and be reparable by local technicians.

Futurepump SF2 www.futurepump.com

- ✓ For smallholders with plots up to 0.25 hectare
- ✓ For water depths up to 7 meter
- √ € 550-650 including panels
- √ 600 pumps produced per month
- Remote monitoring and 5 years warranty



Mini Volanta pump

- ✓ For smallholders with plots up to 0.2 hectare
- ✓ For water depths up to 20 meter
- ✓ € 600-800 including panels
- ✓ Upgrade from handpump to solar possible

Volanta high flow

- ✓ For irrigation from depths up to 40 meter
- ✓ For smallholders with plots up to 1 hectare
- √ € 2500-4000





Technical details of solar irrigation pumps developed by PRACTICA Foundation

	Futurepump SF2	Mini Volanta pump	Volanta high flow
Discharge and total head	80W: 2,2 m3/h at 1m and 2 m3/h at 6m 120W: 3,6 m3/h at 1m and 2,5 m3/h at 6m	1,5 m3/hr at 10 m, suff. for 0.22 ha 1.0 m3/hr at 20 m, suff. for 0.14 ha	7 m3/hr at 5-20 m, suff. for 1.0 ha 3.5 m3/hr at 20-40 m, suff. for 0.5 ha
Irrigated area	0.25 – 0.5 ha	0.14 – 0.22 ha	0.5 – 1 ha
Max. suction lift, water depth	7 m	20 m	40 m
Maximum total lift	15 m	20m	40 m
Working principle	Piston pump, suction type.	Piston pump. submerged cylinder.	Piston pump, submerged cylinder.
Selling price	€ 550-650 including panels	€ 600-800 including 2 panels of 80 Wp.	€2500-4000 depending on number of solar panels and depth of the water.
Portability	19.5 kg	Limited to the motor and panels, the rest is fixed in place.	not, fixed installation
State of development	Fabrication by Futurepump Ltd in India at a rate of 600 pumps/month.	Fabrication by Futurepump India and CSF in Burkina Faso. 25 pumps are currently being piloted in Burkina and 1 in Senegal.	Fabrication by CSF in Burkina Faso. 5 pumps are currently being piloted.
Solar panel	80 or 120 W panels	1 set of 2 100W or 2 150W solar panels, depending on requirement.	2-6 panels of 240 Wp
Additional features	ISO 9001:2015-certified 5 years warranty Remote monitoring Pay-AS-You-Go software integration	1) Without solar panels and motor, it is an efficient handpump. The selling price of the hand pump only version is estimated at \$100-150, where it can compete with Rope and Washer pumps. A farmer can start with the handpump and upgrade to solar later. 2) The hand pump option makes it a hybrid pump and allows manual pumping outside the sun hours. 3. The pump parts will be fabricated by Futurepump India as well as in Burkina Faso.	This is for 90% the standard Volanta solar pump but the higher output comes from the larger diameter pump cylinder and the increased pumping speed up to 150rpm.