Providing clean energy to households is critical to achieving global climate and sustainable development goals. Yet we're not on track to reach our 2030 goal of universal access to clean cooking. Approximately 2.6 billion people currently lack access to clean cooking solutions. Changing the way people cook their food, by using clean fuels and stoves, will help slow climate change, drive gender equality, reduce poverty, improve livelihoods and provide major health benefits. We need to enable people around the globe to cook meals without smoking themselves or the planet.

Delivering universal access to clean cooking solutions is an integral part of the roadmap to a net zero world. It will cost around USD25 billion a year, equal to around 1 percent of average annual global energy sector investment. It will bring major health benefits through reductions in indoor air pollution, cutting the number of premature deaths by 2.5 million a year.

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