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APAC DATA CENTRE WEEKLY

Echo subsea cable's Singapore landing redefines trans-Pacific resilience while $2.9B Firmus funding and CoreWeave's Indonesia push signal AI infrastructure's explosive APAC growth.

26.5 GW	**240 MW**	**60 MW**
ASIA PACIFIC	AUSTRALIA'S GREENSQUARE	TCC CONCEPT LIMITED'S

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EDITOR'S NOTE

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The Neoclouds Land in Indonesia

CoreWeave — with no APAC footprint a year ago — will build 360MW across three Indonesian sites. Indonesia's entire live base is about 386MW; one neocloud's opening move nearly matches it. With Firmus and Sharon AI also taking Australian capacity, the neoclouds have stopped talking about APAC and started buying into it — narrower and hungrier for cheap power than hyperscalers. That's why Indonesia: PLN turned dealmaker in 2026 (1.2GW to BDx, ~450MW to DayOne). Treat 360MW as intent, not electrons — no built sites, no energisation dates. Power is still the plot; Indonesia just wrote itself a better part.

WATCH

Whether CoreWeave's 360MW Indonesia plan converts into a signed PLN power allocation — that's the line between a neocloud's ambition and a built AI campus.

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APAC

APAC's data centre pipeline surged to 26.5GW, led by CoreWeave's Indonesia expansion and Firmus's $2.9B AI factory funding.

01 **Echo Subsea Cable Establishes New Trans-Pacific Route via Singapore**

TELECOM REVIEW ASIA

02 **Firmus to turbocharge AI factories roll-out after giant funding deal**

FINANCIAL REVIEW - TECHNOLOGY

03 **CoreWeave Enters APAC Data Center Race With Indonesia Expansion**

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SINGAPORE / SEA

Southeast Asia’s AI demand is reshaping infrastructure: CoreWeave’s Indonesia entry and Empyrion’s Johor data centre top-out highlight sovereign compute ambitions.

01 **Empyrion tops out upcoming Malaysian data center in Johor**

DATA CENTER DYNAMICS

02 **Google and Meta’s Echo Cable Lands in Singapore**

SUBTEL FORUM

AUSTRALIA & PACIFIC

Australia's data centre market is scaling rapidly, with Firmus's $2.9B funding accelerating AI factory rollouts and CDC's Kemps Creek project filing.

$50m

Firmus backer Nick Curtis splashes $50m on two waterfront homes

FINANCIAL REVIEW - PROPERTY

02 **Sponsored: Efficient data center water cooling for Australia's market**

DCD

03 **Datagrid Signs Tasman Ring Subsea Cable Contract**

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INDIA

Google’s $15B Visakhapatnam data centre hub faces community pushback, mirroring global AI infrastructure challenges.

60 MW

TCC Concept Limited's data center subsidiary could develop 60MW data center in Pune, India

DCD

02 **Google’s India data centre and the Texas playbook: Is community pushback becoming the standard cost of AI infrastructure?**

CAPACITY

03 **Microsoft launches 'India South Central' Hyderabad cloud region**

DATA CENTER DYNAMICS

The convergence of subsea resilience, hyperscale investment, and sovereign AI demand is setting the stage for a tectonic shift in APAC's digital infrastructure landscape.

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With Echo subsea cable bypassing the South China Sea, will Southeast Asia emerge as the preferred AI infrastructure hub over Northeast Asia in the next 5 years?

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