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# **Compact Substation TNB**

Model:	TNB	
OEM and ODM Services:	Available	
Enclosure:	PINEELE standard	
Brand:	PINEELE, a Brand Under ZHENGXI	
Form:	All- packaged Type	
Scope of Application:	Suitable for industrial power distribution, voltage stabilization, and transformer protection. Widely used in commercial buildings, manufacturing plants, and utility substations.	
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# What Is a Compact Substation (TNB Type)?

A Compact Substation (CSS) is a fully enclosed prefabricated unit that integrates a medium-voltage switchgear, distribution transformer, and low-voltage switchboard into one weatherproof enclosure. The TNB-compliant CSS is specifically engineered to meet the design, safety, and installation requirements of Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) — Malaysia's national electricity utility.



Used widely in Malaysia's power distribution system, TNB-style compact substations offer fast deployment, space efficiency, and reliable operation in urban, commercial, and industrial environments.

### **TNB Compact Substation Standards**

Compact substations designed for use in TNB networks must comply with the following:

- TNB Technical Guidebook (latest edition)
- IEC 62271-202 High-voltage switchgear and controlgear Prefabricated substation
- IEC 60076 Power transformers
- TNB Specification No: TNBES 198, 201, 203 (project-dependent)
- Suruhanjaya Tenaga (Energy Commission) electrical safety code
- Local authority approvals (e.g., SIRIM, ST registration)



## Typical Configuration of TNB Compact Substation

COMPONENT	DESCRIPTION
MV Switchgear	11kV SF6-insulated RMU (typically 3 or 4-way), TNB-approved brand
Transformer	315–1000 kVA, 11/0.433kV oil-immersed sealed type (ONAN)
LV Switchboard	Outgoing MCCBs, metering panel, CTs, and terminals for low-voltage loads
Enclosure	Compartmentalized mild steel or stainless-steel structure (IP54–IP65)
Ventilation	Natural or forced air, louvers, and filters
Cable Termination	Bottom-entry cable ducts, earthing bar and links
Protection	Surge arresters, protection relays, fault indicators
Lighting & Socket	Internal service lighting, 13A plug, exhaust fan (optional)

## **Standard Ratings**

SPECIFICATION	VALUE
Rated Power	315 kVA / 500 kVA / 630 kVA / 1000 kVA
Primary Voltage	11 kV
Secondary Voltage	400/230 V
Frequency	50 Hz
Cooling	ONAN (Oil Natural Air Natural)
Insulation Class	Class A / B
Enclosure Protection	IP54 (minimum), IP65 (optional)
Temperature Rise	≤ 60°C on windings
Earthing	TN-S or TT system compliant

# Design Features of TNB-Approved Compact Substation

 $\bullet \ \ \textbf{Three-compartment structure (MV, Transformer, LV)} \ with \ individual \ access \ doors$ 

- Internal arc-tested RMUs with SF6 insulation
- · Corrosion-resistant enclosure with epoxy powder coating
- · HV & LV compartments separated by metallic barriers
- · TNB-type lock and interlock systems for safety
- · Forced-air ventilation optional in high-load zones
- · Lifting hooks, base frame, and anti-vibration pads for transport and installation
- Pad-mounted or skid-mounted options available



#### **Application Areas**

TNB Compact Substations are widely used in:

- Residential developments (terrace housing, condominiums)
- · Commercial areas (malls, supermarkets, retail parks)
- · Light industrial parks and SME zones
- · Government facilities and schools
- Urban substations and transformer upgrading projects
- Renewable energy projects connected to the 11kV grid
- Temporary power supply in construction and mobile applications

#### **Advantages of TNB Compact Substation**

Space-saving: All-in-one design ideal for urban or limited-space environments

Quick Installation: Factory-assembled and pre-tested before delivery TNB Compliance: Meets all utility specifications for fast approval Safety Assured: Arc-proof, compartmentalized, and interlock-secured

Minimal Civil Work: Requires only a level concrete pad

**Customization**: Available with solar-ready features or hybrid modules **Low Maintenance**: Sealed transformer and RMU reduce site servicing needs

#### Maintenance & Inspection

TNB recommends periodic inspection and maintenance to ensure substation reliability:

- $\bullet\,$  Visual inspection of transformer tank, bushings, and oil level
- Cleaning of air vents and filters in the enclosure
- Infrared scanning of LV terminations (annually)
- · Functional testing of MCCBs, relays, and indicators
- Oil dielectric strength (BDV) test every 3-5 years

## Price Range in Malaysia (2024–2025)

As of current market estimates, a TNB-compliant 315-1000 kVA compact substation costs approximately:

RM 85,000 - RM 180,000

(subject to configuration, transformer rating, RMU brand, and materials)

The **Compact Substation TNB** type is the ideal solution for medium-voltage to low-voltage step-down transformation in Malaysia. Designed to meet TNB's strict standards, these substations offer reliable performance, compactness, and easy integration into residential, commercial, or light industrial zones.

With factory-tested modular design, built-in safety features, and full compliance with TNB and IEC requirements, compact substations are the smart choice for modern power distribution infrastructure in Malaysia.

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