

KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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REVISION OF TARIFF FOR SOLAR ROOFTOP AND SMALL PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER PLANTS

The Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission has issued an Order today revising the tariff payable for Solar Rooftop and small photovoltaic power generation. The revised tariff is applicable for PPA to be signed on or after 2nd May 2016 and upto 31st March, 2018 with plants being commissioned during this period, as follows:

Capacity of Solar Rooftop and small photovoltaic power plants	Approved Tariff in Rs./unit (Without Capital Subsidy)	Approved Tariff in Rs./unit (With Capital Subsidy)
1 to 10kW	7.08	6.03
Above 10kW & upto 50kW	6.61	5.63
Above 50kW & upto 100kW	6.14	5.23
Above 100kW & upto 500kW	5.67	4.83
Above 500kW & upto 1000kW	5.20	4.43

The salient features of the Order are as follows:

- The Commission has introduced gross metering for Domestic, Hospital and Educational institution Consumers wherein consumers are allowed to sell entire energy generated by their solar rooftop and small PV plants to the ESCOMs irrespective of their self-consumption.
- Net-metering is applicable for Industrial, Commercial and all categories of consumers other than Domestic, Hospital and Educational institution categories wherein consumers are allowed to sell surplus energy generated by their solar rooftop and small PV plants to the ESCOMs after self-consumption.
- The revision of tariff of solar rooftop and small PV plant is necessitated due to substantial decline in the capital cost.
- As the ESCOMs in the State have already signed Power Purchase Agreements for substantial capacity addition of solar power, the Commission in its present Order has decided to allow an aggregate capacity addition of only 400 MW by all the ESCOMs in the State for the effective period of this Order.

The copy of the Commission's Order is available on the KERC's website www.karnataka.gov.in/kerc

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