F. No. 318/331/2017-Grid Connected Rooftop Government of India Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Block No.14, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi 110003, Dated 19th February 2021

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Amendments/clarifications in Implementation Guidelines of Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II.

The implementation Guidelines of Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II were issued by the Ministry on 20 August 2019. Representations have been received from the implementing agencies seeking clarification on certain issues and difficulties being faced during the implementation of the Programme. Considering the same, following amendments have been made in the implementation Guidelines of Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II:

S.N.	Existing Clause in Phase-II guidelines	Amended Clause
i		5.1.6 The implementing
	match L1.	provided they agree to match L1. Further, the Implementing Agency
		shall allocate a minimum of 10% of the
		total allocated quantity under the tender
		to the L1 vendor and in case the L1
		vendor does not execute the allocated
		quantity, his bank guarantee will be
		encashed and he will be blacklisted for 5 years for all Government tenders. (This
		amendment will be applicable for all the
		future tenders and tenders which are
		already floated with bid submission is
		scheduled on or after 06/03/2021)
ii	5.1.9 The participating Government	5.1.9 The participating Government
	owned DISCOMs will be eligible to avail advance CFA up to 30% of the	owned /Private DISCOMs will be eligible to avail advance CFA up to 30%
	total CFA amount for the project. For	of the total CFA amount for the
	private DISCOMs, CFA will be	project
	disbursed on reimbursement basis.	
	However, if required private DISCOMS	
	will be eligible to avail advance CFA	
	upon submission of bank guarantee of an equivalent amount	
iii	8.2 (xiii)Benchmark cost	8.2 (xiii) Benchmark cost
	prevailing at the time of commissioning	applicable at the time of issuance of
	of the project shall be applicable for	LoAs / Empanelment
	calculation of CFA	of (developer/vendor) / issuance of
		work order will be applicable for the
		purpose of calculating CFA for the projects completed within sanctioned
		timeline. For projects completed during
		extended timeline CFA will be
		calculated on the basis of 95% of the
		applicable benchmark cost or 95% of
		tendered cost, whichever is
		lower

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Clarification on incentives under the Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II

2. Regarding RTS capacity to be considered for the purpose of calculating incentives under the Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II, it is to clarify that only the total capacity of all types of grid-connected RTS plants installed in the area of licensee DISCOM/ED will be considered for the purpose of calculating incentives. The RTS plants which are not connected to the grid generally called behind the meter plants will not be considered for the purpose of calculating incentives. However, the DISCOMs/EDs should report the capacity of RTS plants installed behind the meter separately. The DISCOMs/EDs have to provide details of Grid-connected RTS capacity installed in their area of jurisdiction and declared by them as on 31st March 2019 in an Excel sheet with the following details:

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* In case exact date is not available, only month and year (MM/YYYY) may be provided ** List of subsidized plants implemented by these agencies are available in the DISCOMs SPIN login page (https://solarrooftop.gov.in/) at Reports=>Submitted subsidized PCRs by

other SNA/Gov Agencies (Phase-1 Scheme) section

- 3. For the RTS capacity addition during 2019-20 and 2020-21, the detailed information on RTS capacity installed should also be provided in the excel sheet with the same format prescribe above.
- 4. For the RTS capacity installed behind the meter till 31st March 2019 and capacity addition during 2019-20 and 2020-21 is to be provided in a separate excel sheet with the following format

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- 5. On receipt of the above details, the incentive amount for respective DISCOMs/EDs will be calculated as per provisions of the Rooftop Solar Programme Ph-II.
- 6. In addition, the DISCOMs will provide information on the initiative taken by them for the promotion of rooftop solar in their area of jurisdiction. These initiatives may include providing dedicated manpower for RTS implementation, rooftop assessment, bid process management to empanel system integrators along with rates, technical studies, upgradation in ERP system/components, providing time-bound services to RTS consumers, inspection and online monitoring of RTS plants, online database management of commissioned capacity, consumer awareness and publicity, ensuring the availability of netmeters, providing grid connectivity, capacity building of its officers/staff, etc.
- 7. As per guidelines, the incentives will be disbursed on the basis of the applicable benchmark cost of MNRE for mid-range RTS capacity of above 10 kW and up to 100 kW or lowest of the costs discovered in the tenders for that state/ UT in that year, whichever is lower.
- 8. For the claim of incentives of 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, all the DISCOMs are requested to submit the above details in DISCOMs SPIN login page (https://solarrooftop.gov.in/) at Entries=> Incentives to DISCOMs under Ph-II Programme.
- 9. From 1st April 2021 onwards the details of all Non-subsidised and off-grid behind the meter RTS systems installed in the area of jurisdiction of DISCOM/ED has to be uploaded on the MNRE SPIN portal at Phase-2 Scheme PCR=> Enter Non-Subsidized PCR (Phase-2).

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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