JOINT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR THE STATE OF GOA AND UNION TERRITORIES GURUGRAM

QUORUM

Smt. Jyoti Prasad, Member (Law)

Petition No. 58/2021

Date of Hearing: 18.01.2022

Date of Interim Order: 07.02.2022

In the matter of:

Petition for approval of business model framework for installation of Grid Connected Rooftop (GCRT) Power Projects for domestic consumers by third party under Renewable Energy Services Company (RESCO) Built Operate Transfer (BOT) business model as per the provisions of Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for the State of Goa and Union Territories (Solar PV Grid Interactive System based on Net Metering) Regulations, 2019, Para 5(iii).

And in the matter of:

Chandigarh Renewable Energy
Science & Technology Promotion Society (CREST),
1st Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan,
Sector-19, Chandigarh

.... Petitioner

And in the matter of:

Electricity Department.

UT Chandigarh Respondent

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Present:

For the Petitioner

- 1. Shri Debendra Dala, Chief Executive Officer, CREST
- 2. Dr. Abdul Qayum, ACEO, CREST
- 3. Shri Sukhwinder Abrol, Project Director, CREST
- 4. Shri Siddhant Awasthi, Consultant, CREST
- 5. Shri Bharat B Goel, Consultant, CREST
- 6. Shri Yuvaraj Dinesh Babu, Consultant, CREST

For the Respondent:

- 1. Shri Anil Dhamija, Superintending Engineer, Electricity Department, Chandigarh
- 2. Shri J.S. Gogia, General Secretary, Federation of Sector Welfare Association (FOSWA)

INTERIM ORDER

The Commission heard the petitioner and the respondent at length.

The Petitioner advanced his arguments in details and shared a presentation detailing the proposed business model.

The respondent was also given a chance to advance his arguments. The respondent made a request to grant 15 days' time to file its reply on the petition filed by CREST. After hearing the respondent, the Commission accepted the request of the Petitioner and granted 15 days' time from the date of the hearing to file a reply with an advance copy to petitioner. The Commission further directed the respondent to offer its comments on the Quadripartite agreement forwarded by the petitioner at the earliest to enable the Petitioner to file the Quadripartite agreement, as agreed, with the Commission within 15 days from date of hearing.

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The Commission also allowed the request of Shri J.S. Gogia, General Secretary, Federation of Sector Welfare Association to participate in the Hearing. He largely appreciated the proposed scheme/Business Model but had certain reservations too. He was directed by the Commission to file his submissions in writing to the Commission.

The Commission raised specific queries to the Petitioner and sought written submission of the details regarding advertisements given to seek and explore the Interest and comments from consumers in respect of the proposed scheme/Business Model, applications and/or comments received from interested consumers and RESCOs, ensuring quality and life of to be installed solar panels/equipment's, maintenance of the system post BOT period, accessibility of the maintenance staff to the Rooftop Installations in view of certain prohibitive regulations of the Chandigarh Administration as pointed out by Mr. J.S. Gogia in his oral submission. The Commission also directed the petitioner to submit the scanned copies of objections/comments received from the consumers and RESCO against the advertisement given by Petitioner confirming the interest of the consumers and RESCO in the ibid business model/scheme along with the index in searchable PDF format within 15 days from the date of the hearing.

Ordered Accordingly.

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(JYOTI PRASAD)

MEMBER (LAW)

(Certified Copy)

(Rakesh Kumar)

Secretary