

F. No. 32/645/2017-SPV Division (Part-3)
Government of India
Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

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Office Memorandum

Subject: Amendment in provisions of bank guarantees in PM-KUSUM Scheme Guidelines - reg.

Under Para 3(I)(A)(g) of the PM-KUSUM Guidelines issued vide OM No. 32/645/2017-SPV Division dated 22.07.2019, on 'Bank Guarantees' related to Component-A of PM-KUSUM, it has been mentioned that:

"The RPG shall provide the following Bank Guarantees to DISCOM as follows:

- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of Rs. 1 Lakh/MW in the form of Bank Guarantee along with EoI.*
- Performance Bank Guarantee (PBG) of Rs. 5 Lakh/MW within 30 days from date of issue of Letter of Award.*

The Bank Guarantees against EMD shall be returned to the selected RPG on submission of valid PBGs. The selected RPGs are required to sign PPA with the DISCOM in line with the timeline given in the Guidelines. In case, the selected RPG fails to execute the PPA within the stipulated time period, the Bank Guarantee equivalent to EMD shall be encashed by DISCOM as penalty. In case any bidder is not selected, DISCOM shall release the EMD within 15 days of the date of issue of LoA to selected RPG(s). The PBGs shall be valid for a period of 12 months from the date of issue of LoA for the REPP. The PBG will be returned to the RPG immediately after successful commissioning of solar power plant, after taking into account any penalties due to delay in commissioning as per provisions stipulated in the Guidelines."

2. Undersigned is directed to convey that the requirement of separate PBG of Rs. 5 Lakh/MW has been removed and the above clause stands amended as given below:

"The Solar Power Generator (SPG) shall provide Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of Rs. 1 Lakh/MW in the form of Bank Guarantee along with EoI. The EMD of Rs. 1 lakh per MW will be converted into PBG for the successful bidder, who has signed the PPA within stipulated time period. In case, the selected SPG fails to execute the PPA within the stipulated time period, the Bank Guarantee shall be encashed by DISCOM as penalty. In case, a bidder is not selected, DISCOM shall release the EMD within 15 days of the date of issue of LoA to selected SPG(s). The PBGs shall be valid for a period of 12 months from the date of issue of LoA for the Solar Energy Project. The PBG will be returned to the SPG immediately after successful commissioning of solar power plant, after taking into account any penalties due to delay in commissioning as per provisions stipulated in the Guidelines."