

F. No. 12/07/2023-RCM-Part(1)
Government of India
Ministry of Power
(RCM Division)

Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated, 09th June 2023

ORDER

Subject: Waiver of Inter-State Transmission Charges on transmission of the electricity generated from solar and wind sources of energy under Para 6.4 (6) of the Tariff Policy, 2016- Addendum- regarding.

In continuation to the Ministry of Power Order Nos. 23/12/2016-R&R dated 23.11.2021, 30.11.2021, 01.12.2022, 06.12.2022 and Order No. 12/07/2023-RCM dated 29.05.2023 on the waiver of Inter-State Transmission (ISTS) Charges on transmission of the electricity generated from solar and wind sources of energy, the para 3.1 (vii) of the Order dated 30.11.2021 shall be substituted as under:

"(vii) for any solar, wind and sources mentioned in para 3.1 (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Order dated 23.11.2021, which is eligible for waiver of inter-state transmission charges and is having its scheduled date of commissioning on or before 30th June 2025 is granted extension of time from the commissioning by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy after careful consideration, on account of Force Majeure or for delay on the part of the transmission provider in providing the transmission even after having taken the requisite steps in time; or on account of delays on the part of any Government Agency, and the power plant is commissioned before the extended date; it will get benefit of waiver of inter-state transmission charges on the transmission of electricity generated by such power plant as if the said plant had been commissioned on or before 30th June 2025.

Provided that where a Renewable Energy generation capacity which is eligible for ISTS waiver in terms of the extant orders, is granted extension in COD by the competent authority, the commencement and the period of the LTA shall also get extended accordingly, and it will be deemed that the period of ISTS waiver is extended by the said period.

Provided also such extension in Date of Commissioning (CoD) of a project shall be granted for a period of six months at a time and not more than 2 times."

2. This issues with the approval of the approval of the **Hon'ble Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy**.

A. Suresh 9/6/23

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To,
Secretary, CERC, New Delhi

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Dated, the 29th May, 2023

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In continuation to the Ministry of Power Orders No. 23/12/2016-R&R dated 23.11.2021, 30.11.2021, 01.12.2022 and 06.12.2022 on the waiver of Inter-State Transmission (ISTS) Charges on transmission of the electricity generated from solar and wind sources of energy, the following addendum is being issued.

2. Whereas it is deemed necessary to facilitate the execution of offshore wind energy initiatives, to promote the expansion of Green Hydrogen/Green Ammonia Projects, to promote development of Pump Storage Plants, and to encourage the off take of renewable energy from Energy Storage System Projects, it is duly resolved that:

- a. Offshore wind power projects commissioned on or before 31.12.2032 and established via Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) or under merchant basis, shall be granted exemption from the payment of Inter-State Transmission (ISTS) Charges for a period of 25 years, starting from the date of commissioning of the project. Further, the offshore wind power projects commissioned after 31.12.2032 shall be levied ISTS charges as per the trajectory specified below:

S. No.	Period of Commissioning of Offshore Wind Power Projects	Applicable ISTS Charges
1	01.01.2033 to 31.12.2033	25% of the applicable ISTS charges
2	01.01.2034 to 31.12.2034	50% of the applicable ISTS charges
3	01.01.2035 to 31.12.2035	75% of the applicable ISTS charges
4	From 01.01.2036	100% of the applicable ISTS charges

- b. Green Hydrogen/Green Ammonia Plants commissioned on or before 31.12.2030, and which utilize renewable energy from Solar, Wind, Large Hydro commissioned after 8th March, 2019, or Energy Storage Systems (ESS) (such as Pump Storage Plants or Battery Energy Storage Systems) or any hybrid combination of aforementioned technologies, for the production of Green

Hydrogen or Green Ammonia, shall be granted exemption from the payment of ISTS Charges for a period of 25 years, starting from the date of commissioning of the project. Further, the Green Hydrogen/Green Ammonia Plants commissioned after 31.12.2030 shall be levied ISTS charges as per the trajectory specified below:

S. No.	Period of Commissioning of Green Hydrogen/ Green Ammonia Plants	Applicable ISTS Charges
1	01.01.2031 to 31.12.2031	25% of the applicable ISTS charges
2	01.01.2032 to 31.12.2032	50% of the applicable ISTS charges
3	01.01.2033 to 31.12.2033	75% of the applicable ISTS charges
4	From 01.01.2034	100% of the applicable ISTS charges

- c. Further, in partial modification of clause 3.2 of the order dated 23.11.2021, the waiver of ISTS charges for Hydro PSP project has been made subject to 'award of construction work' instead of 'commissioning' mentioned earlier.
- d. Drawee entities, including Green Hydrogen/Green Ammonia Plants and Discoms, which contract energy (or capacity) from an ESS Project/Scheme, shall be granted exemption from the payment of ISTS Charges if they draw a minimum of 51% of the annual energy contracted with or consumed from ESS as renewable energy.
- e. The waiver shall be allowed only for ISTS charges but not for ISTS losses.
3. Further, if a Renewable Energy Project, which is eligible for ISTS waiver in terms of extant orders, is granted extension in Date of Commercial Operation (COD) by the competent authority, the project would not be deprived from applicable waiver of ISTS charges based on the original COD.
4. This order shall be applied prospectively i.e., from the date of issue of this order.
5. This issues with the approval of **Hon'ble Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy**.

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5.1 As per section 2 (36) of the Electricity Act, 2003,

"inter- State transmission system" means

(i) any system for the conveyance of electricity by means of main transmission line from the territory of one State to another State;

(ii) the conveyance of electricity across the territory of an intervening State as well as conveyance within the State which is incidental to such inter-State transmission of electricity;

(iii) the transmission of electricity within the territory of a State on a system built, owned, operated, maintained or controlled by a Central Transmission Utility;

Thus, an intra-State transmission system which is used for the conveyance of electricity across the territory of an intervening State as well as conveyance within the State which is incidental to such inter-State transmission of electricity, shall be included for sharing of inter- state transmission charges. Any waiver of inter-state transmission charges that applies to Inter-state transmission systems shall also be applicable to such parts of the Intra-state transmission. The transmission charges of such Intra-state transmission system shall be reimbursed by the CTU as is being done for ISTS system. Concerned Regional Power Committee may through studies identify such lines.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.



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