

F. No. 283/76/2023-GRID SOLAR

भारत सरकार / Government of India

नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय/ Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Approved List of Models and Manufacturers (ALMM): Clarification - reg.

With respect to MNRE's O.M.s regarding Approved List of Models and Manufacturers (ALMM), following two queries have been posed to MNRE:

- i. If a private sector enterprise installs a solar plant solely to charge the BESS, as stated above, will this solar project be exempted from the ALMM requirement in view of O.M. No. 283/54/2018-GRID SOLAR-Part(5) dated 07.10.2022 and O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024, issued by MNRE?
- ii. Whether the solar project installed solely to charge the BESS will be considered as Behind the Meter solar project as per O.M. No. 283/54/2018-GRID SOLAR-Part(5) dated 07.10.2022 issued by MNRE?

2. The aforesaid queries have been examined in MNRE, and following is hereby clarified:

- a) If a solar power plant is feeding power to an Energy Storage System/ charging an Energy Storage System, which is directly or indirectly supplying electricity to the grid, then such solar power plant does not fall under the category of "behind-the-meter solar power plants solely used for captive consumption by a consumer or group of consumers" and accordingly, is not eligible for exemption from ALMM for solar PV modules as per provisions of MNRE's O.M. No. 283/54/2018-GRID SOLAR-Part(5) dated 07.10.2022 (which inter-alia state that the amendment issued vide MNRE's O.M. dated 13.01.2022 read with O.M. dated 28.03.2022, shall not be applicable to behind-the-meter solar power plants solely used for captive consumption by a consumer or group of consumers).
- b) Further, the applicability / exemption, w.r.t. ALMM for solar PV cells on such solar power projects will depend upon the applicability / exemption, w.r.t. ALMM for solar PV cells (as per MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024 regarding implementation of ALMM for solar PV cells), for the 'Energy Storage System' project which is being fed/ charged by the solar power plant. i.e. If such 'Energy Storage System' project is exempted from ALMM for solar PV cells, the solar power plant exclusively feeding/ charging such 'Energy Storage System' project will also be exempt from ALMM for solar PV cells, and vice-versa.

3. This issues with the approval of Secretary, MNRE.



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