

**BEFORE THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
GANDHINAGAR**

Petition No. 2488 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Petition under Section 86 (1) (c), (e) & (f) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and as per Clause 3.9 of the GERC Order No. 06 of 2024 dated 31.08.2024 for extension of date of grid connectivity and commissioning in respect of 7.8 MW solar plant for captive use due to occurrence of uncontrollable events.

Along with

IA No. 41 of 2025 in Petition No. 2488 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application under Section 94 (2) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Regulations 61 and 80 of the GERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2004 seeking interim stay / injunction and appropriate interim Orders.

And

IA No. 42 of 2025 in Petition No. 2488 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application filed for urgent listing/ hearing on behalf of the Petitioner.

Petitioner/Applicant: Panara Craft LLP,
Block No. 585, Survey No. 142, NH 48,
Village: Mahujej, Taluka – Mangrol,
District: Surat – 394 125.

Represented By : Ld. Adv. Kiran Joshi

V/s.

Respondent No. 1 : Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited
Urja Sadan, Nana Varachha Road,
Kapodara Char Rasta, Surat – Gujarat – 395 006.

Represented By : Learned Advocate Ms. Shrishti Kindaria along with Mr. K.B. Varsana

Respondent No. 2. : Gujarat Energy Transmission Corp. Limited
Sardar Patel Vidyut Bhavan, Race Course Circle,
Vadodara- 390 007, Gujarat.

Represented by : Mr. Shobhraj Jaiswal.

CORAM:

Mehul M. Gandhi, Member

S.R. Pandey, Member

Date: 03/07/2025.

DAILY ORDER

1. The matter was kept for hearing on 01.07.2025.
2. At the outset Ld. Adv. Shrishti Kindaria appearing on behalf of the Respondent 1 DGVCL requested to grant time for 10 days to file its reply in the matter.
3. Ld. Adv. Kiran Joshi appearing on behalf of the Petitioner submitted that the power plant of the Petitioner is ready for commissioning and the Petitioner is waiting for the meter number and shut down of the power, so that further project related works can be completed. Once the meter number is provided then it would be required to be tested which would take time.
- 3.1. She further referred the letter dated 17.05.2025 issued by Respondent No. 1 - DGVCL wherein, the default notice is issued to CEO & SE, Bharuch Circle,

DGVCL for non-compliance of procedure of Grid connectivity and revocation of awarded TFR. She further submitted that the said letter is regarding the clarification that the default notice dated 05.05.2025 shall not be construed as direction to stop the ongoing activities related to the Solar Power Project. The developer/ Applicant is permitted to proceed with the installation and related works at their discretion and risk. However, the commissioning of the project shall be subject to and contingent upon the final outcome of the Petition pending before the Commission. She requested that the Commission to issue the directions to the Respondent for not taking any coercive actions till the Petition is decided.

3.2. She further submitted that the Petitioner company had applied for provisional registration for the solar power plant at two project sites and through the online portal of GEDA the provisional registration for each is being confirmed vide letter dated 05.01.2024.

3.3. She further submitted that the plant of the Petitioner is ready for commissioning and once the approval is granted the Petitioner may initiate the process.

4. On the query of the Commission that what is the capacity of the project, she submitted that the total capacity is of 7.8 MW solar plant for captive use.

5. On the further query of the Commission that how much delay is there in commissioning of the project, she submitted that Technical Feasibility Report (TFR) was granted on 07.03.2024 and it was verified by Respondent No. 2 on 23.04.2024, thereafter due to the delay in disbursement of the term loan by SBI the delays happened. She further submitted that since the TFR was granted verified on 23.04.2024, hence from that one year i.e., 23.04.2025 and now the project of the Petitioner is ready for commissioning. Hence the delay is almost 90 days.
6. In response, Ld. Adv. Shrishti Kindaria submitted that they have recently received the Petition and she needs some time to file its reply.
7. Heard the parties. We note that the present Petition is filed by the Petitioner under Section 86 (1) (c), (e) & (f) of the Electricity Act, 2003 and as per Clause 3.9 of the GERC Order No. 06 of 2024 dated 31.08.2024 for extension of date of grid connectivity and commissioning in respect of 7.8 MW solar plant for captive use due to occurrence of uncontrollable events. We note that as submitted by the Petitioner that its power project is ready for commissioning and they are seeking the necessary approvals from the Respondent, in response the Respondent DGVCL has sought time to file its reply, hence, let it be filed within 7 days-time with a copy to the Petitioner. Thereafter, the Petitioner is at liberty to file its rejoinder, if any, within 3 days-time with a copy to the Respondents.

8. We also note that as the matter is taken today, hence the IA No. 42 of 2025 in Petition No. 2488 of 2025 filed for urgent listing is satisfied, therefore we decide to dispose of.

9. The next date of hearing is kept on 10.07.2025 at 11.30 A.M.

10. We order accordingly.

Sd/-

[S. R. Pandey]
Member

Sd/-

[Mehul M. Gandhi]
Member

Place: Gandhinagar.
Date: 03/07/2025.

