

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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

With respect to MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025, regarding Approved List of Models and Manufacturers (ALMM), queries on following lines, have been posed to MNRE:

While clause 5 of MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025 exempts Government projects having last date of bid submission on or before the cut-off date of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 (*the date which fall exactly after one month of the publication of ALMM List-II for solar PV cells on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025*) from using solar PV cells enlisted in ALMM List-II and limits ALMM compliance for such projects, only to using solar PV modules enlisted in ALMM List-I (for solar PV modules), the clause 8 of the aforesaid O.M. dated 28.07.2025 appears to contradict this by mandating that Net Metering and Open Access projects commissioned on or after 01.06.2026 must use solar PV cells from ALMM List-II, regardless of bid date.

Citing this, clarification has been sought on whether the last date of bid submission based exemption, as mentioned in clause 5 of the aforesaid O.M. dated 28.07.2025, applies to Government projects under Net Metering, Behind-the-Meter, and Open Access mechanisms, if their bids were submitted before the cut-off date.

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

- i. In case of Government projects under Net Metering / Behind-the-Meter / Open Access mechanism, if such projects are awarded through bidding and the last date of bid submission is on or prior to the cut-off date of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 (*the date which fall exactly after one month of the publication of ALMM List-II for solar PV cells on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025*), then such Government projects shall be exempt from using solar PV cells enlisted in ALMM List-II and requisite ALMM compliance for such Government projects shall be limited only to using solar PV modules enlisted in ALMM List-I (for solar PV modules).
- ii. Notwithstanding above, if such Government Projects are under any Scheme/ Programme/ Other initiative, wherein it is mandated to use domestically manufactured solar PV cells and domestically manufactured solar PV modules, there shall be no relaxation in such domestic content requirement on account of MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025.

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



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