

SIGNAL #1

Hybrid RE + Storage Is Now a Core Procurement Pathway

10 GW by FY 2029-30

New contracted solar/wind/hybrid capacity with co-located storage — storage must be at least **50% of RE capacity** with minimum 2-hour duration.

25 GW by FY 2035-36

Scaled-up hybrid targets with minimum **4-hour duration** for projects commissioned after FY 2029-30 — a clear signal toward firm, dispatchable power.

SIGNAL #2

Stand-Alone BESS & PSP Both Have a Defined Role



Stand-Alone BESS

Technology-agnostic tenders allowed, improving competition and price discovery.

Storage-as-a-service and ancillary service models are explicitly contemplated.



Pumped Storage (PSP)

Pumped hydro remains a recognized long-duration storage pathway with a defined policy role alongside BESS in the state's storage mix.

SIGNAL #3

Major Charge Relief for Storage Projects

ESS connected to InSTS or distribution networks, when drawing power for intermediate storage for **in-state use**, will be exempt from:



Transmission Charges



Distribution Demand & Wheeling Charges



Electricity Duty



Cross-Subsidy Surcharge

Subject to policy conditions — this dramatically improves project economics for co-located and stand-alone storage developers.