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Ministry of Power  
(NRE Section)

Shram Shakti Bhawan,  
Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001,  
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**Office Memorandum**

**Subject:** Extension of Inter-State Transmission charges waiver on transmission of the electricity generated from solar and wind sources of energy, for the RE projects delayed due to delay in readiness of transmission infrastructure - reg.

I am directed to refer to the representations received from Renewable Energy (RE) developers seeking clarification regarding the extension of the benefit of graded waiver of Inter-State Transmission System (ISTS) charges in respect of projects whose firm start date of connectivity falls within the period from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2028, but whose commissioning may be delayed beyond the firm start date of connectivity due to non-readiness of the transmission systems.

2. The benefit of ISTS charges waiver accrues to the procurers rather than the Renewable Energy (RE) developers, as the responsibility for payment of ISTS charges lies with the procurers in accordance with the extant regulatory provisions. However, the delay in commissioning of RE projects due to the non-readiness of the transmission system may lead to PPA disputes between RE developers and end procurers. Therefore, such cases may be considered for extension of the benefit of graded waiver of 75% /50% /25%, as applicable, to such projects:

- i. Having firm Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2026, and
- ii. Having the firm start date of connectivity within the period from 01.07.2025 to 30.06.2028, and
- iii. Achieve COD before, or within the specified time limit from, the COD of the concerned transmission system.

3. Further, the projects with firm start date of connectivity on or before 30.06.2025 may be considered for grant of 100% waiver in case they satisfy the relevant conditions under para 2.

4. CERC may make suitable regulatory provisions for providing benefit to RE projects as mentioned above.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,



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