

**CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
NEW DELHI**

Petition No. 112/MP/2026

- Subject : Petition under Section 79(1)(f) and Section 79(1)(k) of the Electricity Act, 2003 read with Regulation 65 of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2023 along with relevant articles of the Power Purchase Agreement dated 3.5.2021 executed between the Petitioner herein with Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited, invoking the Regulatory, adjudicatory and inherent jurisdiction of this Commission seeking immediate directions for allowing the change in law claims referred in the present Petition in relation to its 160 MW blended Wind Power Project in the State of Karnataka and pass consequential order(s).
- Petitioner : Vena Energy Vidyuth Private Limited
- Respondent : Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited & Anr.
- Date of Hearing : **16.4.2026**
- Coram : Shri Jishnu Barua, Chairperson
Shri Ramesh Babu V., Member
Shri Harish Dudani, Member
Shri Ravinder Singh Dhillon, Member
- Parties Present : Ms. Molshree Bhatnagar, Advocate, VEVPL
Shri Rishabh Sehgal, Advocate, VEVPL
Ms. Kanya Sharma, Advocate, VEVPL

Record of Proceedings

Learned counsel for the Petitioner submitted that the present Petition has been filed seeking directions for allowing the Change in Law claims in relation to its 160 MW Blended Wind Power Project on account of (i) imposition of Basic Customs Duty (BCD) on import of solar modules *vide* MNRE's OM dated 9.3.2021 read with Finance Act, 2022 dated 30.3.2022, and (ii) increase in Goods & Service Tax (GST) *vide* the Notification No. 8/2021-Central Tax (Rate) dated 30.9.2021 issued by the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India. The learned counsel submitted that the Commission, *vide* the order dated 12.1.2024 in Petition No. 49/MP/2023 filed by the Petitioner, has already declared that the aforementioned events qualify as Change in Law events and allowed the Petitioner to file a substantive Petition when such claimed amounts are crystallised. The learned counsel further added that the Petitioner's Change in Law claims, on account of the aforementioned events, include (i) BCD on solar modules, including consequent levy of Social Welfare Surcharge and GST, (ii) GST on Solar Power Generating System-Balance of Supply, and (iii) GST on Wind Turbine Generators and of these three claims, SECI has already acknowledged the claim of BCD on solar modules partially.



2. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the Petitioner, the Commission directed as under:

(a) Admit and issue notice to the Respondents;

(b) The Respondents to file their replies, if any, within four weeks with a copy to the Petitioner, who may file its rejoinder(s), if any, within three weeks thereafter.

3. The Petition will be listed for hearing on **23.6.2026**.

By order of the Commission

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(T.D. Pant)
Joint Chief (Law)**