

F.No. 166/SO-II/D(Lands)/2021
Government of India
Ministry of Defence
Department of Defence

SenaBhawan, New Delhi
Dated 13th February, 2023

To

1. The Chief of Army Staff,
New Delhi
2. The CMD, NTPC
3. The Director General, Defence Estates
Raksha Sampada Bhawan,
Delhi Cantt- 110010

Subject : Grant of working permission to NTPC on defence land or land under possession of Army for installation of Solar and hydrogen system for supply of electricity for Army Units along the northern borders in Northern Command (NC), Central Command (CC) & Eastern Command (EC)

Sir,

I am directed to convey 'In - principle' approval of the Competent Authority for grant of working permission to NTPC on defence land or land under possession of Army for installation of Solar and hydrogen system for supply of electricity for Army Units along the northern borders in NC, CC & EC, on the following terms & conditions:-

- i. The concerned GoC, Corps shall be competent to grant working permission to NTPC in each individual case.
- ii. A single Board of Officers shall be convened by concerned Corps HQ to ascertain the exact location, area of land & other details for all identified locations for installation of solar power / hydrogen plants.
- iii. The AHQ shall enter into an MoU with NTPC after carrying out feasibility study & cost - benefit analysis, containing the principles governing terms & conditions for

purchase of power by Army, liabilities of Army & NTPC, O&M arrangement and any other details as deemed appropriate.

- iv. Working permission on defence land will be given on lease of nominal lease rent of Re 1/- per annum without premium (in terms of para 5(B) (d) of MoD policy dated 02.02.2016) for period not exceeding 25 years, excluding the time taken for installation of the project.
 - v. For other lands held by Army which are not covered in the category of 'defence land', permission may be granted to NTPC provided the Army is authorized to create assets on such land as per Govt policy
 - vi. The working permission shall be granted provided that project serves Army & other defence installations exclusively.
 - vii. The ownership of the project should rest with NTPC / its subsidiary.
2. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance) vide their U.O. No. 21(10)/2001/Fin/Works-I dated 11.01.2023.

Yours faithfully,

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13/1/23
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