



Policy & Regulatory Updates



Issued by Central Government & its organizations:

I. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)

1. Clarification to “Amendment to Procedure for inclusion/ updating Wind Turbine Models in the Revised List of Models and Manufacturers of Wind Turbines (RLMM)” dated 31.07.2025- reg.	04th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued a circular to clarify the amendment regarding the process for updating wind turbine models in the Revised List of Models and Manufacturers of Wind Turbines (RLMM). It directs that Type Certificates must be updated or revised according to Clause 4(h) within three months of the amendment dated July 31, 2025.</p> <p>It also specifies that clarifications from the Type Certification Body regarding component location and address details should be incorporated during this update process.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://cdnbbsr.s3waas.gov.in/s3716e1b8c6cd17b771da77391355749f3/uploads/2025/09/20250904465991945.pdf</p>	

2. National Policy on Geothermal Energy- reg.	15th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued a notification regarding release of the “National Policy on Geothermal Energy”. The Policy aims to establish India's first comprehensive framework for exploring, developing, and utilizing geothermal energy resources as a clean, renewable, and baseload power source. The policy promotes scientific assessment and mapping of geothermal potential across high-priority zones, encourages public and private sector participation through clear licensing and regulatory mechanisms, and establishes institutional frameworks for technology development, capacity building, and project financing.</p> <p>It seeks to integrate geothermal energy into India's energy mix to support climate goals, reduce dependence on fossil fuels, and create new employment opportunities in exploration, drilling, and power generation sectors.</p>	

The policy also addresses environmental safeguards, land acquisition procedures, fiscal incentives, and grid integration requirements to enable commercial-scale geothermal energy deployment across the country.

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3. Administrative approval for supplementary budget of Rs.140 Crore for implementation of umbrella scheme of National Bioenergy Programme for duration of FY 2021-22 to 2025-26 (Phase-I)- Reg	16th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued a letter regarding approval of a supplementary budget of Rs. 140 crores for the implementation of the National Bioenergy Programme (NBP) under Phase-I, for the period from 01.04.2021 to 31.03.2026. With this supplementary allocation, the total outlay under Phase-I amounts to Rs. 998 crores.</p> <p>The National Bioenergy Programme is comprised of the following sub-schemes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Waste to Energy Programme (Programme on Energy from Urban, Industrial and Agricultural Wastes /Residues) 2) Biomass Programme (Scheme to Support Manufacturing of Briquettes & Pellets and Promotion of Biomass (non-bagasse) based cogeneration in Industries) 3) Biogas Programme (Scheme to Support small and medium scale biogas projects) <p>The proposed budget outlay for the sub-schemes of the National Bioenergy Programme, in respect of the additional budget sanction, which is fungible between the scheme components is : Waste to Energy Programme 37.5, Biomass Programme 52.5, Biogas Programme 50 (Total Rs. 140 Crore).</p> <p>The guidelines, implementation framework, and terms & conditions for the subcomponents of the National Bioenergy Programme shall continue to be applicable as prescribed under Phase-I of the Programme, along with any subsequent amendments issued.</p>	
<p>Download link:</p> <p>https://cdnbbsr.s3waas.gov.in/s3716e1b8c6cd17b771da77391355749f3/uploads/2025/09/202509171760844558.pdf</p>	

4. Scheme for “Development of Solar Parks and Ultra Mega Solar Power Projects” -reg extension in scheme timeline.	17th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued an OM regarding the extension of timeline of the scheme (Development of Solar Parks and Ultra Mega Solar Power Projects).</p> <p>i) Extension in timeline of the Solar Park scheme for a period of three years i.e up to FY 2028-29 (31st March 2029) without any additional financial implication, for completion of the ongoing parks and clearing committed liabilities.</p> <p>ii) New sanctions/approvals shall be accorded for any available capacity under the scheme, only till 31st March 2026.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://cdnbbsr.s3waas.gov.in/s3716e1b8c6cd17b771da77391355749f3/uploads/2025/09/2025091984030227.pdf</p>	

5. Updation of List I (Manufacturers and Models of Solar PV Modules) of ALMM Order, 2019 - Reg.	19th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued an OM regarding updation of List I (Manufacturers and Models of Solar PV Modules) of ALMM Order, 2019.</p> <p>The List - I (Manufacturers and Models of Solar PV Modules) of ALMM Order, 2019 was last updated on 13.08.2025 and it is further revised. The Revision-XLII (in the format of additions / modifications to Revision-XLI) is enclosed at Annexure-I in the OM (May be seen at MNRE website).</p>	
<p>Download link: https://cdnbbsr.s3waas.gov.in/s3716e1b8c6cd17b771da77391355749f3/uploads/2025/10/20251013193369934.pdf</p>	

6. Clarification under Waste to Energy Guidelines- reg.	19th September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued a clarification under Waste to Energy Guidelines.</p> <p>This document lays out the eligibility criteria for releasing Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to BioCNG projects in India, based on their installed capacity and generation performance. It specifies the minimum generation levels (in tons per day) required for a project to receive 100% of the approved CFA, with detailed cut-offs for each capacity size. Importantly, the note clarifies</p>	

that no CFA will be granted if the plant's performance (PLF) is less than 50%, and projects above 24 TPD must provide 24-hour generation data at or above this threshold.

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7. 1st Revision of ALMM List-II for Solar PV Cells -Reg.	23 rd September, 2025
MNRE has issued an OM regarding publishing of 1st Revision of ALMM (Approved List of Models & Manufacturers) List-II for Solar PV Cells detailing manufacturers added along with their plant locations and annual capacities.	
Download link: https://cdnbbsr.s3waas.gov.in/s3716e1b8c6cd17b771da77391355749f3/uploads/2025/09/20250923522267006.pdf	

8. FAQs on MNRE's O.M. dated 28.07.2025 regarding ALMM for Solar PV cells	23 rd September, 2025
<p>MNRE has issued an OM regarding FAQs clarifying the 28.07.2025 ALMM order for solar PV cells, fixing the cut-off date as 31 August 2025 since ALMM List-II was first issued on 31 July 2025.</p> <p>Projects with bid submission on or before the cut-off must use ALMM List-I modules but are exempt from List-II cells regardless of commissioning date, while bids after the cut-off must use both modules and cells; net-metering and open-access projects are exempt from List-II if commissioned before 1 June 2026, with no relaxation to DCR under MNRE schemes.</p> <p>The FAQs also clarify that original tender conditions remain binding for bids between 09.12.2024 and 28.07.2025, confirm applicability to Section 62 and State/UT schemes, outline rules for transfer of pre-1.06.2026 OA/captive projects, and provide the MNRE website path to ALMM Lists.</p>	
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II. Ministry of Power (MoP)

1. Conciliation Committee of Independent Experts (CCIE) for resolution of contractual disputes in respect of the projects implemented by CPSUS / Statutory Bodies under administrative control of Ministry of Power- Extension of Validity of the panel of CCIES -reg	08th September, 2025
<p>MoP has issued an Office Memorandum regarding extension of the tenure of the three CCIES for a further period of six months w.e.f. 22.09.2025, or until the constitution of a fresh CCIE panel, whichever is earlier.</p> <p>The aforementioned CCIEs shall continue to function as per the Standard Operating Procedure enumerated in the earlier OM.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Extension_of_Velocity_of_the_Panel_of_CCIEs_0.pdf </p>	
2. “Dispute Avoidance Mechanism” through Independent Engineer (IE) in the Contract of CPSEs under administrative control of Ministry of Power Executing Hydro Power Projects – Panel of Experts.	11th September, 2025
<p>MoP has issued an OM to convey that the Competent Authority has approved the list of Panel of Experts as “Independent Engineer”.</p> <p>The Independent Engineer may be chosen as per their background and relevant experience. All other terms and conditions shall be governed by the earlier Ministry’s O.M.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Pannel_for_IE_Expert.pdf</p>	
3. Seeking comments on draft amendments proposed in Rule 3 (i.e. Requirements of Captive Generating Plant) of Electricity Rules, 2025-reg.	23rd September 2025
<p>MoP has issued a letter seeking comments on draft amendments proposed in Rule 3 (i.e Requirement of Captive Generating Plant) of Electricity Rules, 2005 with request to provide your comments, if any, to this Ministry within 30 days from the date of issue of this letter i.e. by 22nd October, 2025 at rr1-mop@gov.in.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Seeking_comments_on_draft_amendments_proposed_in_Rule_2025.pdf </p>	

4. Electricity (Amendment) Rules, 2025	23rd September 2025
<p>MoP has issued a Gazette Notification to amend the Electricity Rules, 2005 amending Rule 18 of the Electricity Rules, 2005 to clarify the utilization, ownership, and legal status of Energy Storage Systems (ESS) across the power sector.</p> <p>The Energy Storage System may be developed, owned, leased or operated by a generating company or a transmission licensee or a distribution licensee or a consumer or a system operator or an independent energy storage service provider.</p> <p>The Energy Storage System owned and operated by and co-located with a generating station or a transmission licensee or a distribution licensee or a consumer, shall have the same legal status as that of the owner:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Provided that if such an Energy Storage System is not co-located with, but owned and operated by, the generating station or distribution licensee or consumer, the legal status shall still be that of the owner but for the purpose of scheduling and dispatch and other matters it shall be treated at par with a separate storage element.</p> <p>The developer or owner of the Energy Storage System, shall have an option to sell or lease or rent out the storage capacity in whole or in part to any consumer or utility engaged in generation or transmission or distribution or to a Load Despatch Centre or any other person.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Electricity_Amendment_Rules_2025.pdf</p>	

5. Revised Gazette Notification on Renewable Consumption Obligation (RCO) under the Energy Conservation Act, 2001, notified on 27th September 2025	27th September 2025
<p>MoP has issued a revised Gazette Notification on Renewable Consumption Obligation (RCO) under the Energy Conservation Act, 2001, notified on 27th September 2025.</p> <p>The detailed Gazette Notification may be seen at below link.</p>	
<p>Download link: <a href="https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Revised_RCO_Gazette_Notification_dated_27<sup>th</sup>_September_2025.pdf">https://powermin.gov.in/sites/default/files/Revised_RCO_Gazette_Notification_dated_27th_September_2025.pdf</p>	

III. Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

1. Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the inter-State Transmission System) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2025	09 th September 2025
<p>CERC has issued a Gazette notification regarding the publication of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the inter-State Transmission System) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2025.</p> <p>This amendment refines the 2022 framework by introducing CTU-published ISTS substation clusters, clarifying what constitutes a “grant of connectivity,” defining the host RLDC, and making the amendment effective upon Gazette publication.</p> <p>It establishes a solar-hours scheduling framework (solar hours calendar, solar reach, non-solar hours) to guide block-wise scheduling and curtailment rights, and details how RE, hybrid, and storage projects can seek T-GNA/LTA with solar-reach based access.</p> <p>The amendment tightens rules for withdrawal of applications and bank guarantee encashment/refunds at different stages, digitizes BG handling (including online payments), and specifies strict timelines for disclosures and refunds by the nodal agency. It permits controlled changes in energy resource and land parcels (with documentation such as 50% land availability), sets procedures for capacity aggregation and milestones, and includes special provisions for entities like BBMB and for projects seeking access during solar and non-solar hours.</p> <p>New clauses enable standalone or co-located energy storage to participate, set minimum capacity thresholds and eligibility for long-/short-term access, and require detailed reporting by nodal agencies and banks on connectivity, LTA/T-GNA grants, and associated guarantees.</p>	
<p>Download link: https://cercind.gov.in/regulations/201-GAZ.pdf</p>	

2. Draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Renewable Energy Certificates for Renewable Energy Generation) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2025.	22 nd September 2025
<p>CERC has issued draft Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Renewable Energy Certificates for Renewable Energy Generation) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2025 for inviting comments/suggestions/objections from the stakeholders and interested persons on the provisions of the above draft Regulation.</p> <p>The comments/ suggestions/ objections may be sent to the Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, World Trade Centre, 6th, 7th & 8th Floor, Tower-B, Nauroji Nagar, New Delhi -110029 or may be mailed to secy@cercind.gov.in and cerc.readvisor@gmail.com</p>	

on or before 23rd October, 2025. The comments/suggestions may also be uploaded by 23rd October, 2025 through SAUDAMINI Portal after login and clicking: e-Regulation link on the e-filing Home Page. For any query on uploading on the SAUDAMINI Portal, eCourt Helpdesk at 011- 26189709 Extension 260 may be contacted.

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https://cercind.gov.in/2025/draft_reg/PN-REC-Regulations%202025-1st-Amendment.pdf

IV. Central Electricity Authority

1. Identification of Unit(s) of a generating station for captive purpose owned by SPV (As per rule 3(1)(b) of Electricity Rule 2005 and para 6.8(i) of captive procedure)-reg.	10th September 2025
<p>CEA has issued a circular with Intimation regarding identification of Unit(s) of a generating station for captive purpose owned by SPV (As per rule 3(1)(b) of Electricity Rules 2005 and para 6.8(i) of captive procedure).</p> <p>This document outlines the procedure for verifying the captive status of generating stations owned by Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) for the financial year 2025-26. It mandates SPVs to provide details of units identified for captive use to the Verifying Authority, concerned Distribution Licensee, and RLDC/SLDC as per the specified format.</p>	
<p>Download link:</p> <p>https://cea.nic.in/wp-content/uploads/notification/2025/09/Identification_of_Units_of_a_generating_station_for_captive_purpose_owned_by_SPV_As_per_rule_31b_of_Electricity_Rule_2005_and_para_6.8i_of_captive_procedure.pdf</p>	

1. GST Rationalisation in Electronics and Green Technologies	10th September 2025
<p>GST on Renewable Energy Devices, Solar Panels, and Composting Machines lowered from 12% to 5%, promoting sustainability and green energy adoption (PIB release of 10th Sep)</p> <p>This measure will bring down the cost of renewable energy deployment at household, institutional, and industrial levels. It directly supports India's national missions of RE development by ensuring access to affordable, clean, and sustainable power.</p>	
<p>Download link:</p> <p>https://www.pib.gov.in/FactsheetDetails.aspx?Id=149274</p>	

Issued by State Regulatory Commission

I. TNERC

1. Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) Regulations, 2025.	18th September 2025
TNERC has issued Tamil Nadu Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) Regulations, 2025.	
Download link: https://www.tnerc.tn.gov.in/Regulation/files/Reg-200920251103Eng.pdf	

II. GERC

1. Notification No. 08 of 2025 – GERC (Terms & Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2025.	25th September 2025
Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission notify the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms & Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2025.	
Download link: https://gercin.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Gazette-notification.pdf	

III. APERC

1. APERC Terms and Conditions for Tariff Determination from Renewable Energy Sources Regulation 2025	22nd September 2025
APERC Terms and Conditions for Tariff Determination from Renewable Energy Sources Regulation 2025	
Download link: https://aperc.gov.in/admin/upload/gazettereregulation6of2025.pdf	
2. APERC [Planning Procurement Deployment and Utilisation of Battery Energy Storage Systems BESS] Regulations 2025	12th September 2025
APERC [Planning Procurement Deployment and Utilisation of Battery Energy Storage Systems BESS] Regulations 2025.	
Download link: https://aperc.gov.in/admin/upload/gazettereregulation6of2025.pdf	
