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नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय/ Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Approved List of Models and Manufacturers (ALMM) – No blanket extension of ALMM List-II beyond 01.06.2026 subject to Protection of Investments already made – reg.

1. As per para 8 of MNRE's O.M. no. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024, reiterated vide MNRE's O.M. no. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025, all the Net-Metering projects and Open Access RE power projects, which get commissioned on or after 1st June 2026, shall have to mandatorily source their solar PV modules from ALMM List-I and solar PV cells from ALMM List-II.

2. MNRE has received several representations on the issue of the aforementioned timeline of 1st June 2026, with some representations seeking extension thereof and some representations seeking non-extension thereof.

3. In several representations to MNRE, reference has been invited to O.M. No. 1/3/2026-PPD dated 29.04.2026 issued by Procurement Policy Division, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, on the subject – 'Force Majeure Clause' wherein paras 3, 4 and 5 state as follows:

*3. While the term "War" is defined as an event triggering Force Majeure as stated above, for ample clarity, it is to reiterate that the **ongoing West Asia situation should be treated as war. In cases where disruptions arising from the prevailing West Asia situation have directly affected, or consequentially impacted contractual obligations (for goods and services contracts, construction/works contracts with Government Agencies), the procuring entities may invoke Force Majeure.***

*4. In such an event, the **date for completion of contractual obligations which had to be completed on or after 28th February 2026 may be extended for a period of not less than two months and not more than four months without imposition of any cost or penalty on the contractor.** The period of extension (between two and four months) may be decided by the procuring entity after due examination on a case-by-case basis, while determining the admissibility of such claims under the Force Majeure and following the due procedure stipulated above.*

5. It is clarified that the invocation of Force Majeure shall be considered valid only where the parties to the contract were not in default of their contractual obligations as on 27th February 2026. It is further clarified that the invocation of Force Majeure does not absolve all non-performances of a party, but only such non-performances as are directly attributable to disruptions caused by the prevailing West Asia situation. It may be noted that all contractual obligations shall revive upon completion of the period.

4. MNRE had engaged with the industry representatives, including those from among the solar PV manufacturers as well as those from among the solar power developers, on the said subject matter.

- a. Overall, there is a broad consensus that policy stability shall be maintained to ensure long-term investor confidence in the solar PV manufacturing sector.
- b. In the same breadth, the actual investments already made by the RE power developers also needed protection, which was widely agreed upon by all, with the following framework.
 - Bonafide cases where solar modules have already arrived at the project sites, installation completed but not commissioned, or effective steps have been undertaken by the RE



power developers towards grounding the projects, merit some protection of investment already made, on a case-by-case basis.

- Accordingly, such cases may be considered for appropriate time extension on a case-by-case basis, in a transparent manner, after objective assessment of the supporting information/ documentary proofs provided by such developers.

5. In view of the aforesaid background, the representations received in MNRE have been examined, and **it was decided that no blanket extension of the ALMM deadline, i.e., 1st June 2026, will be given.**

6. However, such Net-Metering / Open Access, RE power projects, where (a) installation of solar modules is completed but not commissioned or (b) Effective steps have been undertaken by the RE power developers towards grounding the projects, to protect investments already made in such cases, in the larger public interest, such cases will be considered for appropriate time-extension on case-to case basis in respect of applicability of ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells), after objective assessment of the supporting information/ documentary proofs provided by such developers, subject to them falling under either of the following two broad categories:

Category I: Solar PV modules installed on the project site, but the project was not commissioned before 1st June 2026.

Criteria to be met for availing exemption from ALMM List-II under Category I:

| Criteria | Document to be submitted in support of meeting the criteria |
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| Before 01.06.2026, 100% of all the solar PV modules required for the project have been installed on the project site. | Approval/certification obtained from the office of the Electrical Inspectorate to the concerned Government, on the DC side installations, including the installation of solar PV modules, etc. |

Category II: 'Effective Steps' have been taken for grounding the project, but the project was not commissioned prior to 1st June 2026.

Criteria to be met for availing exemption from ALMM List-II under Category II: The developer should meet ALL the following conditions:

| Criteria | Document to be submitted in support of meeting the criteria |
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| (A). Land: | |
| Prior to 01.06.2026 , the RE power developer has clear possession of at least 75% of the land required for the project through registered ownership/ lease or government allotment letters. | Self-attested copies of documents regarding: Land registry and mutation, allotment of Government land and physical handover thereof, land lease agreements, right to use land, etc. |
| (B). Financial Closure: | |
| Prior to 01.06.2026 , the RE power project has achieved the Financial Closure. | Self-attested copies of documents in support of Financial Closure, which may include: Sanction Letters from Banks/FIs, Loan Agreement, Board Resolution, Equity Commitment Letter, Security Document, Guarantees /Undertakings, Escrow/ Trust Account Agreements, Auditor/ CA Certificates, etc. |
| (C). Connectivity: | |
| Prior to 01.06.2026 , the RE power project received an in-principle grant of connectivity , with the start date of | Self-attested copy of document issued by the connectivity granting entity, with clear mention of the start date of connectivity |

| Criteria | Document to be submitted in support of meeting the criteria |
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| connectivity as mentioned in the in-principle grant of connectivity, being before 01.06.2026 | |
| (D). Approval of Electrical Drawings: | |
| Prior to 01.05.2026, approval was obtained from the Office of Electrical Inspectorate to the concerned Government, for the Electrical Drawings (including Single Line Diagram) for the project. | Self-attested copy of documents / certificates issued by the Office of Electrical Inspectorate to the concerned Government, duly certifying the approval of Electrical Drawings (including Single Line Diagram) for the power project |
| (E1). Solar PV modules arrived on project site (or) | |
| Prior to the date of notification of this OM, 100% of all the solar PV modules required for the project have arrived at the project site . | Self-attested copies of GST invoices, e-Way Bills, Lorry Receipts, etc. |
| (E2). Solar PV modules installed on project site | |
| Prior to 01.06.2026, more than 50% of all the solar PV modules required for the project have been installed on the project site . | Self-Certification, duly supported by geo-tagged and time-stamped photographs of the project site, Invoices for payment made to the EPC contractor/ installer in respect of solar PV module installation, approval/certification obtained from office of Electrical Inspectorate to the concerned Government, on the DC side installations, including installation of solar PV modules, etc. |

7. All claims /information as mentioned in para 5 above, shall be submitted by the interested RE power developers in the requisite format, on a portal developed by National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE) for this purpose, within 30.06.2026. No physical applications will be entertained. The access to the portal will be through a link in this regard, on the website: <https://solardcrportal.nise.res.in/>

8. All claims submitted by the concerned RE power developers shall be examined by an Expert Committee to be constituted by MNRE to recommend project-wise, case-to-case claims, based on the information provided by the concerned RE power developer. Field inspections will be undertaken by the Committee or any other agency as per operational necessity. The process and procedures of examination of claims will be issued separately.

9. Under PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana (PMSG: MBY), consumers have the option to forgo the Central Financial Assistance (CFA) under the "Give It Up" campaign of the scheme, so that the scheme benefits can reach a wider cross-section of consumers. This has been enabled by a "Give It Up" option on the PMSG: MBY National Portal as well. Residential Net-Metering consumers who opt for this "Give It Up" campaign shall continue to be governed by the PMSG: MBY Scheme Guidelines, till the end of the scheme, i.e., 31st March 2027. These residential net-metering consumers will mandatorily apply through the National Portal for PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana only.

10. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister (New & Renewable Energy).



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