

**POWER PURCHASE****» Green Energy Open Access Portal Launched**

- Green Energy open Access is allowed to any consumer with load limit reduced from 1000 kW to 100 kW
- The portal can be accessed at <https://greenopenaccess.in/> for processing applications related to green energy open access by the stakeholders including open access participants, traders, Power Exchanges, National / Regional / State Load Despatch Centres, Central/State transmission utilities.
- The portal will allow consumers to access green power easily through transparent, simplified, uniform and streamlined procedure.
- Approval for Green Energy Open Access will be granted to a Consumer in a time bound manner within 15 days

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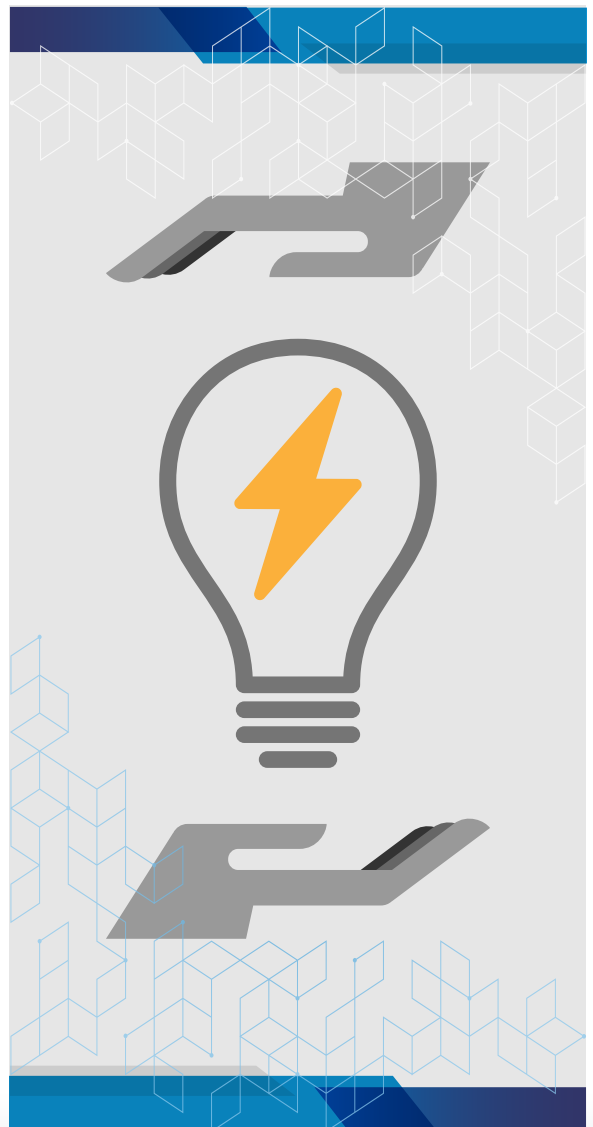
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**POWER PURCHASE****» Case of KRC DISCOMs seeking approval for additional power purchase cost incurred in the month of October 2021 on account of uncontrollable factors**

- **KRC DISCOMs** filed the Petition on 16 Dec, 2021 **seeking approval for additional power purchase cost incurred from 11th Oct to 31st Oct, 2021** on account of uncontrollable factors.
- **Prayers made by petitioners:** Approve additional power purchase cost with the balances against the respective FAC Fund and levy of FAC for the balance amount, up to the limit of 20% of Variable Charges
- Petitioners were purchasing the power from (Kreate Energy India Pvt Ltd.) KEIPL in accordance with the terms of the PPA with effect from 1 July, 2021.
- For the month of October 2021, the power quantum offered by KEIPL was lesser than the contracted capacity mentioned in the PPA.
- Due to the non-availability of power from KEIPL, Petitioners incurred additional cost of Rs. 2.17 Crore, on account of purchase of power from Power Exchanges.

- Lloyds Metals and Energy Ltd. (LMEL) who is generator for KEIPL was generating electricity and supplying to power exchanges instead of the Petitioners.





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- Also, PPA between LMEL and KEIPL for supply of power to the Petitioners for the month of October 2021 was valid and enforceable.
- Petitioners filed complaint against LMEL for diverting contracted power to power exchange.
- KRC DISCOMs requested the Commission for adjustment of additional cost with balances against FAC Fund and levy of FAC for the balance amount, up to 20% of Variable Charges.

Commission's Rulings:

- Due to the non-availability of power from KEIPL, Petitioners have collectively incurred additional cost of Rs. 2.17 Crore with reference to the existing PPA rate of Rs. 3.18/kWh, on account of purchase of power from Power Exchanges during the period from 11 October, 2021 to 31 October, 2021
- Kreate Energy (India) Pvt. Ltd to pay Rs.1.96 Crore to Petitioners within 15 days from the date of Order as compensation for increased power purchase expenses on account of illegal diversion of contracted power to third party.

- Petitioners shall adjust such compensation amount in upcoming FAC computation as rebate in power purchase expenses.



**RENEWABLES****» Power Ministry Amendment in Charging Infrastructure for Electric Vehicles (EV)- the revised consolidated Guidelines & Standards**

Ministry of Power issues amendment in the revised consolidated Guidelines & Standards dated for Charging Infrastructure for Electric Vehicles issued by the Ministry on 14.01.2022.

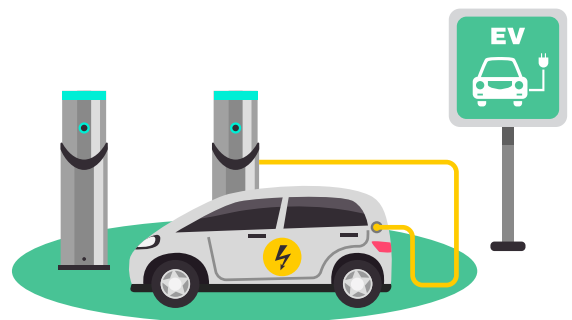
New additions made to guidelines:

(a) Under the heading "3. Public Charging Infrastructure (PCI) Requirements", para 3.1 (xi) has been added as under:

xi. The public charging stations shall have the feature of prepaid collection of service charges with the time of the day rates and discount for solar hours.

(b) Under the heading "8. Service charges at PCS", para 8.3 has been added as under:

8.3 A Committee under Central Electricity Authority (CEA) will periodically recommend to the State Government the ceiling limit of service charges to be levied under para 8.2 above. This Committee shall also recommend "time of the day rate" for service charges as well as the discount to be given for charging during solar hours.

**» Rewa Ultra Mega Solar (RUMSL) Phase II 300 MW Floating Solar Auction Results:**

- RUMSL is a joint venture between SECI and Madhya Pradesh Urja Vikas Nigam
- Phase II Tender floated in July was oversubscribed by 700 MW
- **Winners:** NTPC Renewable Energy, SJVN Green Energy, Hinduja Renewables
- NTPC Renewable Energy won 90MW at INR 3.69 pu, SJVN Green Energy won 83 MW, and Hinduja Renewables won 80 MW at INR 3.70 pu each.
- Lowest bid of Phase-II 15% higher than that of Phase-I bid.

**POLICY And REGULATORY****» Ministry of Power Notification of RPO per Revised Tariff Policy 2016:**

- As per the notification dated on 7th Nov 2022, any coal based thermal generation station after April 1, 2024 must install or procure RE equivalent to 25% of thermal capacity.
- As per Clause 6.4.5 of Tariff policy on 28th Jan 2016, renewable energy produced by generator could be sold after bundling it with thermal energy.
- In case an obligated entity procures this renewable power, then the SERCs will consider the obligated entity to have met the RPO to extent of power bought from such RE stations.
- Under para 6.4.5 of the Tariff Policy notified on 28th January, 2016, the date and capacity is proposed to be specified as under: specified date as 01st April 2024.
- RE capacity to be established/ procured/ supplied by new coal/ lignite based thermal generating station to be minimum 25%) of the capacity of thermal station being established.

