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ARUNACHAL PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION NAHARLAGUN

NOTIFICATION

The 5th October, 2016

RENEWABLE POWER PURCHASE OBLIGATION AND ITS COMPLIANCE REGULATION (2nd AMENDMENT) 2016

No APSERC/NOTIFICATION/20/2016.—WHEREAS, the Notification No. APSERC/Notification/8/2012 of Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance) Regulation, 2012 prescribing the minimum quantum of purchase of electricity (in %) from renewable sources by the distribution licensee, Captive and open Access users / consumers was amended vide Notification No APSERC/ Notification/19/2016, dated 25th February, 2016.

AND WHEREAS, the trajectory for minimum quantum of purchase of electricity from renewable sources was prescribed for a period upto 2012-22 in the amended Renewal Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulation in accordance to the provisions of the Tariff Policy, 2016 notified by the Ministry of Power, Government of India vide No.23/2/2005-R&R (Vol IX), dated 28th January, 2016.

AND WHEREAS, Clause 6.4 (1) (i) of the Tariff Policy 2016 states that – " the SERC shall also reserve the minimum percentage for purchase of Solar Energy from the date of notification of the new Tariff Policy which shall be such that it reaches 8% of total consumption of energy excluding Hydro Power to March, 2022 or as notified by the Central Government from time to time."

AND WHEREAS, at the time of issuing the 1st Amendment to the Renewal Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulation, 2012 on 25th February, 2016, the Ministry of Power, Government of India had not notified any trajectory on the minimum quantum of purchase of electricity from renewable sources as per the above provisions of the Tariff Policy – 2016.

AND WHEREAS, now the Ministry of Power, Government of India vide its Order No. 23/3/2016-R&R, dated 22th July, 2016 has prescribed the long term Renewal Power Purchase Obligation trajectory of Renewable Power Purchase Obligation for Non Solar as well as Solar for a period of three years as follows :

Long Term Trajectory	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Non Solar	8.75%	9.50%	10.25%
Solar	2.75%	4.75%	6.75%
T otal :	11.50%	14.25%	17.00%

AND WHEREAS, the trajectory as prescribed by the Ministry of Power, Government of India as mentioned above does not match with the trajectory prescribed by the APSERC in its Renewal Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulation (1st Amendment) 2016.

AND WHEREAS, in view of the above it has become necessary to amend the present APSERC's Renewal Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulation (1st Amendment) 2016, dated 25th February, 2016 and notified the relevant Regulation No. 4, dealing with the quantum of Renewable Power Purchase Obligation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Regulation 12 & 13 of the APSERC's Renewal Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulation, 2012, APSERC hereby makes the Amendment in the above mentioned Regulations of 2016 (1st Amendment) published in the Gazette of Arunachai Pradesh, dated 1st April, 2016 by replacing the existing Regulation No. 4 by the new Regulation as mentioned below. The amended Regulation shall come into force with immediate effect from the date of issue of this notification.

REGULATIONS

1. **Short title and commencement :** (1) These regulations shall be called the Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Renewable Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance) (2nd Amendment) Regulations, 2016.

(1) These regulations shall come into force from the date of issue of this notification.

2. Amendment of erstwhile Regulation 4 : The Regulation 4 of the Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission Renewable Power Purchase Obligation and its Compliance Regulations 2012 is being deleted and shall be substituted by the following :

"4 (a) (i) The obligated entitles as per Regulation 3 (of the original RPPO Regulation – 2012), shall for the purpose of this Regulation purchase the electricity (in KWh) from renewable sources at a defined minimum percentage as given in Table below :

Year	Minimum Quantum of purchase (in %) from renewable sources (in terms of energy in KWh)			
	Total	Non-Solar	Solar	
1	2	3	4	
2016-17	11.50	8.75	• 2.75	
2017-18	14.25	9.50	4.75	
2018-19	17.00	10.25	6.75	

(ii) For Non Solar RPO the obligated entities shall purchase electricity from renewable sources at the above defined minimum percentage of the total consumption of electricity by them during the relevant year including the T&D losses.

(iii) For Solar Specific RPO, the obligated entities shall purchase electricity at the above defined minimum percentage of the total consumption of electricity by them, excluding the Hydro Power, during the relevant year but including the T&D losses.

Provided that the Solar Power Purchase Obligation shall be fulfilled from generation based on solar sources only.

- (iv) Provided further that such Obligation to purchase renewable energy shall be inclusive of :
 - (1) purchases from generating stations based on renewable energy sources,
 - (2) purchases from any other distribution licensee, which would arise from renewable sources,
 - (3) the energy generated from its own renewable sources, if any, by the obligated entity :

Provided further that the power purchases under the power purchase agreements for the purchase of renewable energy sources already entered into by the distribution licensees shall continue to be made till their present validity, even if the total purchases under such agreements exceeds the percentage as specified hereinbefore.

- (b) Keeping in view supply constraints or other factors beyond the control of the licensee, the Commission may at the request of a licensee, revise the percentage targets for a year.
- (c) The Renewal Power Purchase Obligation beyond 2018-19 shall be specified separately.

3. Rest all Regulations of the APSERC (Renewable Power Purchase Obligation & its Compliance) Regulations, 2012 shall remain unchanged.

By the order of the Commission.

Secretary Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Naharlagun

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