

REPLIES TO BIDDERS QUERIES FOR PROCUREMENT OF POWER ON LONG TERM BASIS THROUGH COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS (FOLLOWED BY REVERSE E-AUCTION) FROM 500 MW GRID CONNECTED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER PROJECTS					22.08.2022
Sr. No	Rfs/ PPA	Clause No. (RIS/PPA)	Existing Clause	Bidder's Query/Requests	MSEDCL Reply
1	RIS	Clause no.2 Definitions	"Metering Point"; For existing intra - state projects, metering shall be at the existing metering point(s); For new intra - state projects, metering shall be at the voltage level of 33 kV or above of STU/MSETCL sub-station including the dedicated transmission line connecting the solar power project STU/MSETCL sub-station. For inter - state projects, energy settlement and delivery point shall be at Maharashtra STU/MSETCL periphery.		In case of ISTS connected projects, the metering point will be the point where energy is fed into the ISTS /CTU substation.
2	RIS	Definitions	All expenses including wheeling charges and losses between the Project and the Metering Point shall be paid by the Solar Power Generators without any reimbursement by the MSEDCL. All expenses including wheeling charges and losses in relation to the transmission and distribution beyond the Metering Point shall be borne by the MSEDCL.	Also, in ISTS connected projects, may please clarify that where will be the physical location of the meters weather at point of connectivity with ISTS network or at MSETCL periphery as it is mentioned in PPA clause 7.1.2 that meters to be installed at metering point.	The existing clause is revised as under: "Metering Point"; For existing intra - state projects, metering shall be at the existing metering point(s); For new intra - state projects, metering shall be at the voltage level of 33 kV or above of STU/MSETCL sub-station including the dedicated transmission line connecting the solar power project STU/MSETCL sub-station. For inter - state projects, energy settlement and delivery point shall be at <u>Western Region (WR) periphery</u> . The MSEDCL shall pay for the Scheduled /Delivered Energy as certified by Appropriate authority through REA(Regional Energy Account).
3	RIS	Definitions	"Delivery Point" shall mean the point(s) of connection(s) at which energy is delivered into the Grid System: i) For existing intra - state projects, at the existing metering point(s). ii) For new intra - state projects, at the voltage level of 33 kV or above of STU/MSETCL sub-station. iii) For inter - state projects, energy settlement and delivery point shall be at Maharashtra STU/MSETCL periphery.	It is requested to allow ISTS connection within the state for Delivery point. We request MSEDCL to kindly consider the delivery point / Metering point at CTU SS in case of Inter state projects considering the transition of system as per GNA regulation and other CERC regulation. This will encourage more bidder participation.	The request is accepted. The request is partially accepted. The delivery point in case of ISTS connected projects shall be the Western Region periphery. The MSEDCL shall pay for the Scheduled /Delivered Energy as certified by Appropriate authority through REA(Regional Energy Account).
4	RIS	Definitions	"Delivered Energy" means the kilowatt hours of energy actually fed and measured by the energy meters at the Delivery Point and as certified by SLDC/DISCOM. In case, the project is connected through CTU Network, then all transmission charges and losses up to delivery point shall be to the account of the Successful Bidder. Change in charges / losses of CTU shall not be covered under Change in Law.	The tariff shall be offered taking the prevailing CERC Regulations and MoP order into consideration wherein the waiver of Inter-State Transmission charges and losses are available on ISTS connected Solar PV Projects. In case the Inter-state Transmission charges and losses from Delivery point to MSETCL periphery are not exempted or such exemption is withdrawn subsequently, then SPG shall not bear interstate transmission charges and losses for the energy procured during the term of the PPA & shall be allowed to be claimed under change in law.	The request is not accepted. The RIS conditions shall prevail.
5	RIS Maximum Capacity of the project	3.2	Note: The maximum bidding capacity to single bidder is 500 MW subject to satisfying technical and financial criterion. Further, the project capacity shall be in the multiples of 25 MW for Intra-state projects and 100 MW for Inter-State projects beyond minimum project capacity i.e., Intra State projects – 25 MW & Inter State Projects 50 MW.	As the minimum project capacity is 50 MW at single location, bidding for capacity may be allowed to be in multiples of 50 MW. We request to kindly consider multiples of 50 MW for inter state projects as well in place of 100 MW. This will give more flexibility to bidder and helpful in better optimisation.	The note mentioned under RIS clause No. 3.2 is revised as under: "Note: It is clarified that for inter state projects minimum bid capacity is 50 MW and maximum bid capacity is 500 MW. In case of intra state projects minimum bid capacity is 25 MW and maximum bid capacity is 500 MW."
6	PPA Part Commissioning	4.1.6	For intra - state projects, the part commissioning of the project may be accepted by MSEDCL subject to the condition that minimum capacity for acceptance of first and subsequent part commissioning shall be 50 MW		The Clause 4.1.6 of PPA is revised as under: Part Commissioning: The part commissioning of the project may be accepted by MSEDCL subject to the condition that minimum capacity for acceptance of first and subsequent part commissioning shall be 50 MW for intra-state projects and Inter-state projects. Irrespective of dates of part commissioning or full commissioning, the PPA will remain in force for a period of 25 (twenty-five) years from the SCOD. <u>In case of part commissioning after SCOD, the tariff applicable will be 75% (seventy five percent) of the PPA tariff.</u>
7	PPA	4.1.7	In case of part commissioning till SCOD as described in Section 4.1.6 above, MSEDCL will purchase the generation till SCOD at 75% of PPA tariff,	We request MSEDCL to purchase the generation in case of early part commissioning at PPA tariff	The bidder has to adhere to the RIS and PPA provisions.
8	PPA	9	Applicability of GNA Charges in "Change In Law"	Request MSEDCL to clarify the following: For the Inter-state projects, at present waiver from payment of ISTS charges is applicable till 31.12.2022 as approved by CERC under Sharing Regulations. Further, GNA Regulations have been recently introduced and amendments to Sharing Regulations have been proposed as per which clauses related to waiver of charges has been removed. The applicable ISTS charges till the Delivery Point of MSEDCL works out to approx. INR 1.80/kWh. We request you to clarify whether we need to bid taking these charges into account or not. Further, we request you to confirm that, in case a waiver on GNA/Transmission charges is introduced by CERC beyond 31.12.2022 post the bid date, the same would not be considered as Change in Law.	The request is not accepted. The RIS conditions shall prevail.