

## KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD Ltd

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## **ABSTRACT**

100 MW Solar Park at Cheemeni - Commitment of KSEBL to purchase 100% power from the project - Sanctioned - Orders issued.

## CORPORATE OFFICE(SBU-T)

BO [FTD)No.141&2023(D(T&SO)/Tc/Solar-Cheemeni/2020- Thiruvananthapuram,Dated: 21.03.2C23 21)

Read: 1, G.O. No. 3793/2022/RD dated 14.09.2022.

- 2. Letter No. PWR-PS2/217/2022-POWER dated 28.10.2022 of the Principal Secretary, Power Dept, GoK to the Secretary, MNRE, Gol.
- 3. Minutes of the 26th Board meeting of RPCKL held on 27.01.2023.
- 4. Note No. D(T&SO)/T4/Solar-Cheemeni/2020-21(6) dated 06.03.2023 of the Director (T,SO,P&S) to the Full Time Directors (Agenda Item No. 35/03/23).

## ORDER

In principle approval for setting up a Solar Park of capacity 200 MW in Kasaragod district was accorded by MNRE on 19.03.2015. Due to non availability of sufficient land for setting up the 200 MW Park, the capacity of Solar Park was limited to 105 MW and approval for the revised DPR for 105 MW Solar Park was given by MNRE. Out of the 105 MW, 50 MW was commissioned at Ambalathara and 50 MW at Paivalike in the land allotted by Government of Kerala on lease.

As per GO read as 1<sup>3t</sup> above, Sovernment of Kerala allowed advance possession of 475 acres of land at Cheemeni to RPCKL on lease basis for setting up a 100 MW Solar Park. Based on KSEBL's request, the Principal Secretary, Power Department, Government of Kerala as per letter read as 2<sup>nd</sup> above requested sanction of MNRE for including the proposal for Cheemeni Solar Park under the ongoing UMREPP scheme. Approval from MNRE for the project is awaited.

As per MNRE guidelines, the State Government in which the Solar park is developed must agree to buy the power produced in the park through its DISCOM and the States which agree to buy higher percentage of power will be given preference. In order to meet the growing energy demand in the State and the RPO targets set by KSERC, commitment to buy 100% of the power produced in the Cheemeni Solar Park at the rate approved by KSERC has been provided by the Principal Secretary, Power Department, Government of Kerala to MNRE as part of submitting the project proposal for including under UMREPP.

Since the commitment of KSEB\_ to buy 100% power from the project had to be approved by the Board, the matter was placed before the Full Time Directors as per note read as 4 th

above.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in the meeting held on 13.03.2023 resolved to accord sanction to purchase 100% of the power from the proposed 100 MW Solar Park at Cheemeni, Kasaragod by KSEBL from the So ar Project Developer selected by RPCKL, at the rate to be approved by Kerala State Electricity Regulatory Commission (KSERC), once the project is commissioned.

Further resolved that the rate shall be fixed appropriately subject to the maximum rate discovered through open bidding.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Full Time Directors

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LEKHA G Company Secretary

To:

The Chief Engineer [Commercial & Tariff)

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Assistant Execut ve Engineer