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Abstract

Sale of Solar power by NHPC Ltd under CPSU scheme of MNRE – Sanctioned Orders issued.

CORPORATE OFFICE (Planning)

B.O. (FTD) No. 218/2021 (CE(C&P)/CPSU-Solar-NHPC/2020-21) dated Tvpm, 24.03.2021

Read: Note No. CE (C&P)/ CPSU-Solar-NHPC/2020-21/1136 dated 08.03.2021 of the Deputy Chief Engineer (C&P) with full powers of Chief Engineer. (Agenda No. 32/3/21).

ORDER

As part of the Government of India's target to achieve a cumulative capacity of 100 GW Solar PV installation by the year 2022 under National Solar Mission, MNRE has issued the "Central Public Sector Undertaking (CPSU) Scheme Phase II (Government Producer Scheme) for setting up 12,000 MW grid connected Solar Photo Voltaic (PV) Power Projects by the Government Producers with Viability Gap Funding (VGF) support for self-use or use by Government / Government entities, either directly or through Distribution Companies (DISCOMS). As per MNRE notification dated 13.04.2020, IREDA will handle the scheme on behalf of MNRE including conducting bidding on VGF basis amongst Government producers, for selection of Government producers for implementing this scheme.

The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial and Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer as per the note read above has reported that NHPC is planning to bid in the upcoming tender being invited by IREDA under CPSU scheme. As per IREDA notification, power generated from above projects shall be solely for self-use or use by Government/Government entities, either directly or through Discoms on payment of mutually agreed usages charges of not more than Rs 2.20 per kWh. In addition, any other third party charges like wheeling and transmission charges and losses, point of connection charges and losses, cross-subsidy surcharges, State Load Dispatch Centre (SLDC)/Regional Load Dispatch Centre (RLDC) charges etc may be applicable. NHPC has requested to intimate KSEBL's requirement for the solar power from NHPC as per KSEBL's suitability under CPSU scheme. However, CPSU scheme also provides for transfer of power directly to any end user Government entity in any State under bilateral contract with NHPC with or without involvement of DISCOMS. It was further reported that considering many factors CPSU scheme is not attractive and only benefit of KSEBL is in meeting RPO obligation.

For meeting RPO obligation, several competitive offers are being received from intermediaries such as SECI, NHPC, NTPC etc under normal scheme of ISTS connected solar

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tender, offering solar power at competitive rates and solar RPO obligation on long term basis can be met from such proposals. In view of the above, the Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial and Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer in his note has suggested that KSEBL may take up the role of only a facilitator for supply of power by NHPC directly to identified government entities of Kerala, under the Gol CPSU Scheme, Tranche III, provided RPO benefit shall be passed on to KSEBL.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Full Time Directors in its meeting held on 09.03.2021, resolved to accord sanction to intimate M/s NHPC that KSEBL can take up the role of a facilitator only for supply of power by NHPC directly to identified government entities of Kerala, under the Gol CPSU Scheme, Tranche III, provided RPO benefit shall be passed on to KSEBL.

Orders are issued accordingly

By Order of the Full Time Directors,

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LEKHA.G

Company Secretary in-charge

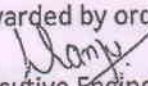
To

The Deputy Chief Engineer (Commercial & Planning) with full powers of Chief Engineer.

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