

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission
Viniyamak Bhawan, C-Block, Shivalik, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110017

AMENDMENT

Dated: 15/03/2024

F.3(620)/Tariff-Engg./DERC/2020-21/6846- The Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 181 read with Section 61(h), Section 86(1)(e) of the *Electricity Act, 2003* (Act 36 of 2003), Regulation 14 of *Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) (Net Metering for Renewable Energy) Regulations, 2014*, Guideline 17 of *DERC (Group Net Metering and Virtual Net Metering for Renewable Energy) Guidelines, 2019*, all other powers enabling it in this behalf and after previous publication, hereby amend the following Guideline in *DERC (Group Net Metering and Virtual Net Metering for Renewable Energy) Guidelines, 2019* (hereinafter referred to as “the Principal Guidelines”):

1.0 Short Title and Commencement:

- (1) These Guidelines shall be called *Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Group Net Metering and Virtual Net Metering for Renewable Energy) (Fifth Amendment) Guidelines, 2024*.
- (2) These Guidelines shall come into effect from **01.04.2024** and shall be in force till further amendments thereof.

2.0 Amendment of Definition 2 of Principal Guidelines:

In Guideline-2, (Definition), the following shall be substituted as:-

“(1) “Group Net Metering” means an arrangement whereby surplus energy generated/injected from a Renewable Energy System **situated in single or multiple locations** or Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) charged through Renewable Energy System is exported to the grid through Net Meter and the exported energy is adjusted in more than one electricity service connection(s) of the same consumer located within the same distribution licensee’s area of supply;

(2) “Virtual Net Metering” means an arrangement whereby entire energy generated/injected from a Renewable Energy System **situated in single or multiple locations** or Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) charged through Renewable Energy System is exported to the grid from renewable energy meter/gross meter and the energy exported is adjusted in more than one electricity service connection(s) of participating consumers located within the same distribution licensee’s area of supply;”

3.0 Amendment of Guidelines 3 (6) of Principal Guidelines:

In Guidelines 3(6) (Applicability of VNM), the following shall be substituted as:-

“(6) The Distribution Licensees shall facilitate and bear the capital expenditure on account of Service Line cum Development (SLD) and network augmentation towards Renewable Energy projects and the same shall be pass through in Aggregate Revenue Requirement (ARR) for the schemes under VNM and GNM mode.

Provided that such waiver of SLD will be applicable on 11kV and below Network only.

Provided also that such waiver of SLD will be effective till cumulative capacity doesn't exceed 75 MW, 50 MW, 30 MW and 10 MW for BRPL, TPDDL, BYPL and NDMC respectively for projects under Virtual Net Metering and Group Net Metering in each Distribution Licensee.

Provided further that Distribution Licensees shall submit quarterly progress reports for Net Metering, Group Net Metering and Virtual Net Metering to the Commission and EE&RM, DoP, GoNCTD."

4.0 Amendment of Guidelines 3 (8) of Principal Guidelines:

In Guidelines 3(8), the following shall be substituted as:-

*"(8) Capacity of the Ground Mounted RE System under GNM or VNM framework shall be upto **5 times** of Sanctioned Load of participating consumer who have opted for VNM/GNM with maximum of 10 MW.*

However, there is no capping on capacity of Rooftop Solar Renewable Energy System under VNM or GNM framework."

5.0 Amendment of Guidelines 13 of Principal Guidelines:

In Guidelines 13 (Applicability of other Charges), the following shall be substituted as:-

"13. Applicability of other charges

The Renewable Energy System commissioned till 31/03/2027 shall be exempted, till useful life, from 100% payment of Wheeling Charge, Banking Charge, Cross Subsidy Surcharge and any other charge(s).

Thereafter, Projects commissioned till 31/03/2030, 25% of above mentioned charges / surcharge shall be levied till useful life which shall be gradually increased in steps of 25% after every 3rd Year to reach 100% of such charges.

Further, Distribution Licensee shall display the available capacity under VNM/GNM Guidelines on their website, updated on quarterly basis."

**Sd/-
Rajesh Dangi, Secretary**

Date: 15/03/2024

Place: Delhi