

Supplementary Detailed Procedure for Connectivity and General Network Access (GNA) to the ISTS

Following may be added to Volume-I of Detailed Procedure for Connectivity and General Network Access (GNA) to the ISTS notified on CTUIL website.

1. Following new subclauses (xi), (xii), and (xiii) shall be added after subclause (x) of Clause 5 i.e. Application for Grant of Connectivity as under:

(xi) For RE generators (including ESS), the start date of Connectivity sought shall not be beyond two (2) years from the last date of the month in which application for Grant of Connectivity is made.

The generation project shall construct the dedicated line and declare COD of the project for the corresponding Connectivity quantum, by the Effective date of GNA in accordance with Regulation 22.4(a), beyond which the full or part connectivity, corresponding to connectivity capacity not declared COD, shall be revoked and Conn-BG1 and Conn-BG3 corresponding to connectivity capacity not declared COD shall be encashed. In case construction of ATS or terminal bays has been awarded for implementation, Conn-BG2 shall also be encashed, else returned.

Provided that for cases where MNRE extends the SCOD of a generation project, the Connectivity shall be revoked in case generation project has not constructed the dedicated line and has not declared part/full COD of the project by such extended SCOD. In such a case Conn-BG1 and Conn-BG3 shall be encashed. In case the dedicated line has been constructed and COD of part of the project has been achieved, the Conn BG3 corresponding to the capacity not declared COD shall be encashed.

In case construction of ATS or terminal bays has been awarded for implementation, Conn-BG2 shall also be encashed, else returned. In such cases, the transmission charges as per Clause 13 of Sharing Regulations shall be payable by the RE Generator for such delayed period.

(xii) For Thermal (including Nuclear) and Hydro generators, the start date of connectivity sought shall not be beyond five (5) and six (6) years respectively from the last date of the month in which application for Grant of Connectivity is made, beyond which the full or part connectivity, corresponding to connectivity

capacity not declared COD, shall be revoked and Conn-BG1 shall be encashed. Conn-BG3 corresponding to connectivity capacity not declared COD shall also be encashed. In case construction of ATS or terminal bays has been awarded for implementation, Conn-BG2 shall also be encashed, else returned.

(xiii) The Applicants who have been granted Connectivity to ISTS for the generation projects based on particular renewable energy source(s) may, for the same generation capacity, change to another renewable energy source(s) in part or full, subject to approval by CTU, keeping in view of outcome of system studies. The entity shall submit the Technical Data for changed renewable energy source(s) and CTU shall incorporate the necessary change in connectivity agreement in line with the Regulations.

2. A new subclause (v) shall be added after subclause (iv) of Clause 11 i.e. Monitoring by the Nodal Agency as under:

(v) Within 6 months of issuance of final grant of Connectivity, RE generator shall be required to submit –(i) registered Land Documents as a proof for Ownership or lease rights or land use rights for 50% of the land required for the capacity of Connectivity granted, and (ii) Financial closure of the project (with copy of loan acceptance letter or proof of first disbursement of loan amount) or release of at least 10% of the project cost including the land acquisition cost through equity, duly supported by Auditor's certificate and any other relevant documents.

Failure to comply above shall lead to revocation of Connectivity and encashment of Connectivity BG-1 and Conn-BG3. In case construction of ATS or terminal bays has been awarded for implementation, Conn-BG2 shall also be encashed, else returned.

3. A new subclause shall be added under Clause 15 i.e. Transfer of Connectivity as under:

Connectivity can be transferred only after Date of Commercial Operation (COD) of such part, subject to the minimum capacity in accordance with Regulation 4.1 of GNA regulations in all cases including change of ownership.