No. 03/88/2015-16/GCRT Government of India Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (Solar Energy Group)

Block No. 14, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi, Dated: 04.03.2016

To
The Pay and Accounts Officer
Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
Government of India, New Delhi

Subject: Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants Programme – Scaling-up of budget from Rs. 600 crore during the 12th Five Year Plan to Rs.5000 crore for implementation over a period of five years upto 2019-20 under National Solar Mission (NSM) - Amendment regarding.

Sir,

In continuation to the Administrative Approval for 'Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants Programme' under 'Off-Grid and Decentralized Solar Applications' scheme issued vide no. 30/11/2012-13/NSM dated 26th May, 2014 and the guidelines for the same issued vide even no. dated 26th June, 2014, I am directed to convey the approval of the President of India for scaling-up of the budget outlay of 'Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants Programme' from Rs.600 crore during the 12th Five Year Plan to Rs.5000 crore for implementation over a period of five years i.e. 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 under National Solar Mission. Out of this Rs.5000 crore, the outlay of Rs.1750 crore will be allocated for implementation during the 12th Five Year Plan and balance outlay of Rs.3250 crore will be allocated for implementation during the remaining period i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20.

- 2. The pattern of Central Financial Assistance (CFA) of the grid connected solar rooftop systems will be retained as per existing on-going scheme under implementation as issued vide no 30/11/2012-13/NSM dated 26th June, 2014, with following modifications:
 - i. The existing pattern of capital subsidy at the rate upto 30% of benchmark cost for the general category States (upto 70% of benchmark cost for special category States i.e., North Eastern States including Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands) is being modified to the extent that there will be no subsidy for commercial and industrial establishments in the private sector.
 - ii. The Government Institutions including Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) shall not be eligible for subsidy; instead they will be given achievement-linked incentives/awards for which a separate notification will be issued.
- iii. All remaining sectors including residential, institutional (hospitals, educational institutions etc.), social sectors etc. will be eligible for subsidy as above (irrespective of the type of electricity connection).
- iv. The details of sector-wise eligibility of Central Financial Assistance is given in Annexure.

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- 3. The other terms and condition of the existing "Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants Programme" under implementation vide no. 30/11/2012-13/NSM dated 26th May, 2014 and the guidelines vide even no. dated 26th June, 2014 will remain same.
- 4. To ensure smooth and timely implementation of the scheme, MNRE will be authorized to make amendments in the terms and conditions of the scheme including subsidy pattern, within the broad parameters outlined, with the approval of Minister, NRE without increasing the total financial requirement.
- 5. The financial outlay is being revised from Rs.600 crore to Rs.5000 crore for implementation over a period of 5 years from 2015-16 to 2019-20. The year-wise estimated financial outlay and corresponding targets would be as follows:

(Rs. in Crore)

SI. No.	Items	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
1.	Physical Targets (in MWp) to be sanctioned/awarded*	1000	1500	1500	200		4200
2	Capital Subsidy including incentives/awards*	210	1445	1435	940	695	4725
3	Capacity building, Surya Mitra's training, awareness generation, seminars/workshops literature/ guidelines, consultancy/Project Management Cell, R&D, innovative projects, monitoring, software/IT tools development, testing facilities etc. as per provisions in the programme.	25	35	35	30	10	135
4	Service charges to the State Nodal Agencies, DISCOMs, Solar Energy Corporation of India, IREDA, REC, NHB, Banks or any other Govt. organizations (upto 3% of total budget/CFA).	15	20	30	30	45	140
	Total	250	1500	1500	1000	750 -	5000

*Estimates based on present average benchmark cost as Rs.7.5 crore per MWp. This will change from time to time. The above year-wise allocations may be changed within the overall provisions of the scheme as per demand and feasibility.

6. The expenditure involved will be debited to following budget heads for current financial year 2015-16:

Budget Heads

Demand No. 69-Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Major Head: 2810-New & Renewable Energy

Minor Head: 101-Grid Interactive & Distributed Renewable Power

01-Grid Interactive Renewable Power

04-Solar Power

01.04.31-Grants-in-Aid General during the year 2015-16 (Plan).

01.04.33-Subsidy

01.04.20-Other Administrative Expenses

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- 7. This is an amendment to the Administrative Approvals issued earlier for implementation of the "Grid Connected Rooftop and Small Solar Power Plants Programme" under "Off-Grid & Decentralized Solar Applications" scheme of National Solar Mission vide order no. 30/11/2012-13/NSM dated 26th May, 2014 and the guidelines for the same issued vide even no. dated 26th June, 2014.
- 8. The implementation of above amendments in the programme will come into effect from the date of issue of this amendment.
- 9. This sanction issues in exercise of powers delegated to this Ministry and with the concurrence of IFD dated 15.02.2016 vide their Dy. No. 2027 dated 11.02.2016.

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Sector-wise eligibility of Central Financial Assistance (CFA) and Achievement-linked Incentives/Awards

SI. No.	Category	Coverage of buildings	Central Financial Assistance/Achievement linked Incentives & awards
(i)	Residential	All types of residential buildings	CFA upto 30% of benchmark cost for General Category States/UTs and upto 70% of benchmark cost for Special Category States i.e., North Eastern States including Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
(ii)	Institutional	Schools, health institutions including medical colleges & hospitals, universities, educational institutions etc. [applicable to not-for-profit registered organizations only, except those covered under Sl. No. (iv), (v) & (vi)].	CFA upto 30% of benchmark cost for General Category States/UTs and upto 70% of benchmark cost for Special Category States i.e., North Eastern States including Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
(iii)	Social sector	Community centres, welfare homes, old age homes, orphanages, common service centres, common workshops for artisans or craftsman, facilities for use of community, Trusts/NGOs/Voluntary organizations/Training institutions, any other establishments for common public use etc. [applicable to not-for-profit registered organizations only, except those covered under Sl. No. (iv), (v) & (vi)].	CFA upto 30% of benchmark cost for General Category States/UTs and upto 70% of benchmark cost for Special Category States i.e., North Eastern States including Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
(iv)	Government Buildings	Buildings of Both Central, & State Government, local government covering all Government offices.	No CFA. Achievement linked Incentives/awards will be provided.
(v)	Government Institutions	Government Institutions, Public Sector Undertakings, all buildings owned by Government directly or by any Government owned societies, companies, corporations, Institutions or organizations, Government educational/health institutions.	No CFA. Achievement linked Incentives/awards will be provided.
(vi)	Private, commercial and industrial sector	All types of buildings.	No CFA.

No CFA is applicable for any type of Government buildings, Government institutions/Government organizations including PSUs. Only achievement linked Incentives/awards will be eligible for which a separate notification will be issued.

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