

PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

CARBON OFFSET UNIT (CoU) PROJECT

Title: 3 MW Shyang Small Hydro Electric Project in Kinnaur District of Himachal Pradesh

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BASIC INFORMATION		
Title of the project activity	3 MW Shyang Small Hydro Electric Project in Kinnaur District of Himachal Pradesh	
Scale of the project activity	Small Scale	
Completion date of the PCN	01/01/2022	
Project participants	Creduce Technologies Private Limited (Representator) Sai Engineering Foundation (Project Proponent)	
Host Party	India	
Applied methodologies and standardized baselines	Applied Baseline Methodology: AMS-I.D: "Grid connected renewable electricity generation", version 18 Standardized Methodology: Not Applicable.	
Sectoral scopes	01 Energy industries (Renewable/Non-Renewable Sources)	
Estimated amount of total GHG emission reductions	To be estimated during verification [An ex-ante estimate is 11,869 CoUs per year]	

SECTION A. Description of project activity

A.1. Purpose and general description of Carbon offset Unit (CoU) project activity >>

The proposed project tile under UCR is "3 MW Shyang Small Hydro Electric Project in Kinnaur District of Himachal Pradesh", which is a small hydro power project located in village Shongtong of Kinnaur district in the state of Himachal Pradesh (India). The project is an operational activity with continuous reduction of GHG, currently being applied under "Universal Carbon Registry" (UCR).

Purpose of the project activity:

The proposed project activity is promoted by Sai Engineering Foundation (herein after called as project proponent PP). The proposed project activity is installation and operation of 1 horizontal shaft Pelton hydro turbine generators having aggregated installed capacity of 3.00 MW in village Shongtong of Kinnaur district in the state of Himachal Pradesh in India.

This project activity also known as Shyang small hydroelectric power project (SHEP) which is a run-of-the-river project that utilizes the flow of stream through Head Race Tunnel (HRT) and penstocks and by using one (1×3.00 MW) horizontal Pelton turbines connected to a synchronous generator to generate total energy of 3.00 MW. The main structure includes weir, intake forebay, DeSilting tank, chambers, Head Race Tunnel (HRT), surge shaft, penstock and power house. The voltage at the generator terminals is 3.3 kV, which is stepped up to 33 kV at the nearest substation. The generated electricity is fed into the sub-station of Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board (HPSEB) grid system for transmission & distribution. This project activity is expected to supply a net amount of electricity of 13,188 MWh per year to the Northern regional grid, which is a part of the integrated or unified Indian Grid system. The project utilises a net head of 341.99 m. The project activity is already been commissioned on 22/01/2009.

The net generated electricity from the project activity is sold to state electricity board i.e., HPSEB under the Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) signed between the PP and the utility. In pre-project scenario, electricity delivered to the grid by the project activity would have otherwise been generated by the operation of fossil fuel-based grid-connected power plants and by the addition of new fossil fuel-based generation sources in the grid. As the nature of the hydro project, no fossil fuel is involved for power generation in the project activity. The electricity produced by the project is directly contributing to climate change mitigation by reducing the anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere by displacing an equivalent amount of power at grid.

Hence, project activity is displacing the estimated annual net electricity generation i.e., 13,188 MWh from the Indian grid system, which otherwise would have been generated by the operation of fossil fuel-based grid-connected power plants. The project activity doesn't involve any GHG emission sources. The estimated annual CO₂e emission reductions by the project activity are expected to be 11,869 tCO₂e.

The estimated annual average and the total CO₂e emission reduction by the project activity is expected to be 11,869 tCO₂e, whereas actual emission reduction achieved during the first CoU period shall be submitted as a part of first monitoring and verification.

Since the project activity will generate electricity through hydro energy, a clean renewable energy source it will not cause any negative impact on the environment and thereby contributes to climate change mitigation efforts.

Project's Contribution to Sustainable Development

Indian economy is highly dependent on "Coal" as fuel to generate energy and for production processes. Thermal power plants are the major consumers of coal in India and yet the basic electricity needs of a large section of population are not being met. This results in excessive demands for electricity and places immense stress on the environment.

Changing coal consumption patterns will require a multi-pronged strategy focusing on demand, reducing wastage of energy and the optimum use of renewable energy (RE) sources. This project is a greenfield activity where grid power is the baseline. The renewable power generation is gradually contributing to the share of clean & green power in the grid; however, grid emission factor is still on higher side which defines grid as distinct baseline.

The Government of India has stipulated following indicators for sustainable development in the interim approval guidelines for such projects which are contributing to GHG mitigations. The Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, has stipulated economic, social, environment and technological well-being as the four indicators of sustainable development. It has been envisaged that the project shall contribute to sustainable development using the following ways:

<u>Social well-being:</u> The project will facilitate communication development and access infrastructures in the area, which will help in civic development and enhance various livelihood options for the villagers, helping them improving their standard of living. Thus, will improve the economical index around the project area.

Economic well-being: The project proponent agrees to provide employment local people against the manpower requirement in the project activity to bonafide people of the state of Himachal Pradesh, in respect of all the unskilled, skilled, semi-skilled staff and other non-executives as may be required for execution, operation and maintenance of the project. The project activity will contribute in reduction of power demand-supply gap in the region in an environment friendly manner, thus meeting the development needs of the country.

<u>Technological well-being:</u> The project activity leads to the promotion of 3 MW hydro turbine generators into the region and will promote practice for small scale industries to reduce the dependence on carbon intensive grid supply to meet the captive requirement of electrical energy and also increasing energy availability and improving quality of power under the service area. Hence, the technology used is safe and well-practised and leads to technological well-being.

<u>Environmental well-being:</u> The project activity, being a run-of-the-river hydro scheme, will have no requirement of reservoirs and will be having no impacts on the local environment and the community living in the vicinity. The electricity to be generated by the proposed project activity will be replacing the carbon intensive thermal energy (by equivalent amount) dominated power generation from the respective grid system, thus will help in reducing GHG emission from the atmosphere.

With regards to ESG credentials:

At present specific ESG credentials have not been evaluated, however, the project essentially contributes to various indicators which can be considered under ESG credentials. Some of the examples are as follows:

Under Environment:

The following environmental benefits are derived from the project activity:

- Produces renewable electricity without any GHG emissions.
- Run of river hydro power plant with little impact on the surrounding ecology.
- No increase in volume of reservoir and no land inundation, hence no disturbance to the natural habitat.

For the project proponent, energy sale pattern is now based on renewable energy due to the project and it also contributes to GHG emission reduction and conservation of depleting energy sources associated with the project baseline. Hence, project contributes to ESG credentials.

Under Social:

The social well-being is assessed by contribution to improvement in living standards of the local community. The project activity is located in remote villages of industrially backward state of Himachal Pradesh. The implementation of the project activity has provided job opportunities to the local community; contribute in poverty alleviation of the local community and development of basic amenities to community leading to improvement in living standards of the community.

Under Economics:

Economic well-being refers to additional investment consistent with the needs of the local community. The project activity has invested nearly INR 180.87 million. This investment is quite significant in a rural area. These activities have contributed to the economic well-being of the local community. The project activity has also provided direct and indirect job opportunities to the local community during construction and shall provide permanent job opportunities during operation and also by improving power scenario & tourism potential in Himachal Pradesh. During operation of the project activity, many persons has been employed directly, apart from indirect employment, which would augur well for the economic well-being of the community

A.2 Do no harm or Impact test of the project activity>>

There was no harm identified form the project and hence no mitigations measures are applicable.

Rational: as per 'Central Pollution Control Board (Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India)', final document on revised classification of Industrial Sectors under Red, Orange, Green and White Categories (07/03/2016), it has been declared that hydro project activity falls under the "White category". White Category projects/industries do not require any Environmental Clearance such as 'Consent to Operate' from PCB as such project does not lead to any negative environmental impacts. Additionally, as per Indian Regulation, Environmental and Social Impact Assessment is not required for small Hydro Projects.

Nevertheless, PP had conveyed about project activity before implementation at respective village of Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh, India to understand, discuss, record all possible concerns related to environment and socio-economic aspects of the project so that as per requirements mitigation measures can be taken. The feedback and inputs received from local stakeholders confirm that no negative impact is foreseen by them.

Additionally, there are social, environmental, economic and technological benefits which contribute to sustainable development. The key details have been discussed in the previous section.

A.3. Location of project activity >>

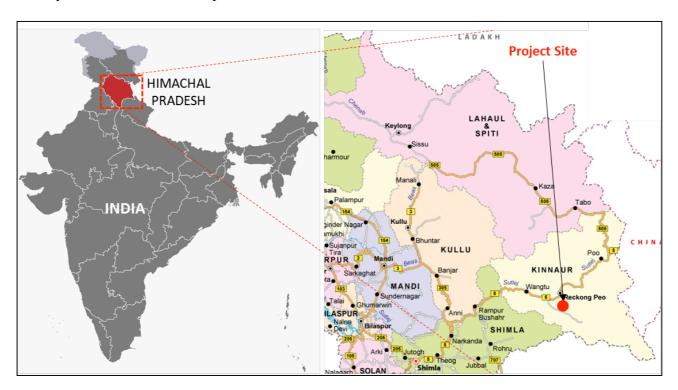
Country : India

State : Himachal Pradesh

District : Kinnaur Tehsil : Kalpa Village : Shongtong

This Shyang small hydroelectric power project is located in district Kinnaur of Himachal Pradesh and harnesses hydro power potential through weir constructed on Shyang nallah (a perennial tributary of river Satlaj). The project site is located on right bank of nallah which is at a distance of 218 kms from state headquarter at Shimla and 15 kms from district headquarter at Reckong-peo. And site is connected with NH-22. The nearest standard gauge railway station is at Kalka about 80 kms from Shimla i.e., 298 kms from project sire and airport is at Shimla. The geographic coordinates of the project locations are 31°26'45" to 31°30'23" N and 78°16'09" to 78°20'59" E.

The representative location map is included below:



(Courtesy: google map and images)

A.4. Technologies/measures >>

The project activity involves 1 number hydro turbine generators of 3000 KW capacity each with internal electrical lines connecting the project activity with local evacuation facility. The generators generate power at 3.3kV, which can further be stepped up to 33 KV. The project activity can operate in the frequency range of 50 Hz and in the voltage range of 3.3kV \pm 10%. The average life time of the generator is around 30 years as per the equipment supplier specification. The other salient features of the technology are:

Design Discharge	1.15 cumecs
Gross Head	356.747 m
Net Head	341.990 m
Diversion Weir	
Туре	Trench weir
Shape	Trapezoidal
Length	9 m
Design Discharge	1.15 cumecs including flushing
Head Race Tunnel	
Length	23 m
Shape / Material	D-shaped / R.C.C (cut and cover)
Size	Bed width 1.20 m
	Height 1.50 m
Design Discharge	1.15 cumecs including flushing
Desilting Tank	
Total Length	60.0 m
Width	4.20 m
Full supply depth	2.30 m
Free board	0.30 m
Type / Material	P.C.C
Design Discharge	1.15 cumecs including flushing
Power Channel	
Length	327 m
Shape / Material	D-shaped tunnel / R.C.C (cut and cover)
Size	Bed width 1.20 m
	Height 0.90 m
Forebay Tank	
Total Length	11.70 m
Width	5.15 m
Full supply depth	5.34 m
Type / Material	R.C.C
Design Discharge	1.15 cumees including flushing
Penstock	
Number	One
Diameter – Main pipe	800 mm (I.D.)
Thickness for main pipe	8 mm - 16 mm
Length	940 m
Design Discharge	1.15 cumees including flushing
Material	Steel

Power House	
Туре	R.C.C (Surface type)
Size	$10.8 \text{ m} \times 12.4 \text{ m} \times 8.5 \text{ m}$
Capacity	$1 \times 3000 \text{ kW}$
Gross head	356.747 m
Net head	341.990 m
Electromechanical Equipment	
Turbine type	Pelton Horizontal
Turbine number	01 Nos.
Capacity of each turbine	3000 kW
Type of generators	Synchronous
Tail Race	
Shape	Rectangular
Size	2.0 m x 2.0 m (water depth)
Length	25 m (approx.)
Power	
Installed capacity	$1 \times 3000 \text{ kW}$
No. of unit generated @ 75% load factor	14.79 MU

The hydro turbines have already been commissioned by HPSEB on 22/01/2009.

In the absence of the project activity the equivalent amount of electricity would have otherwise been generated by the operation of fossil fuel-based grid-connected power plants and fed into Indian grid system, hence baseline scenario of the project activity is the grid-based electricity system, which is also the pre-project scenario as discussed in the previous section.

A.5. Parties and project participants >>

Party (Host)	Participants
India	Creduce Technologies Private Limited (Representator)
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A.6. Baseline Emissions>>

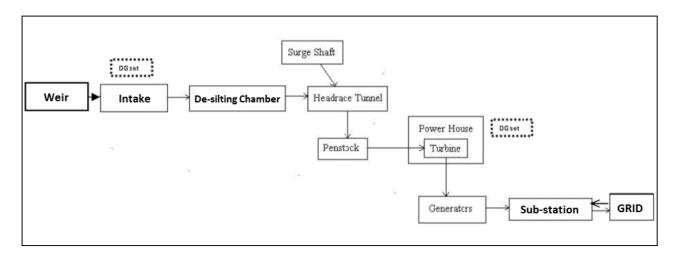
The baseline scenario identified at the PCN stage of the project activity is:

• Grid

In the absence of the project activity, the equivalent amount of electricity would have been generated by the operation of fossil fuel-based grid-connected power plants and fed into Indian grid system, which is carbon intensive due to use of fossil fuels. Hence, baseline scenario of the project activity is the grid-based electricity system, which is also the pre-project scenario.

Schematic diagram showing the baseline scenario:

Project Scenario:



Baseline Scenario:

As per the approved consolidated methodology AMS-I.D. Version 18, if the project activity is the installation of a new grid-connected renewable power plant/unit, the baseline scenario is the following:

"The baseline scenario is that the electricity delivered to the grid by the project activity would have otherwise been generated by the operation of grid-connected power plants and by the addition of new generation sources into the grid".

The project activity involves setting up of a new SHEP plant to harness the green power from Hydrel energy and to supply the produced power to the grid. In the absence of the project activity, the equivalent amount of power would have been supplied by the Indian grid, which is fed mainly by fossil fuel fired plants. Hence, the baseline for the project activity is the equivalent amount of power produced at the Indian grid.

A.7. Debundling>>

This project activity is not a debundled component of a larger project activity.

SECTION B. Application of methodologies and standardized baselines

B.1. References to methodologies and standardized baselines >>

SECTORAL SCOPE:

01, Energy industries (Renewable/Non-renewable sources)

TYPE:

I - Renewable Energy Projects

CATEGORY:

AMS. I.D. (Title: "Grid connected renewable electricity generation", version 18)

B.2. Applicability of methodologies and standardized baselines >>

The project activity involves generation of grid connected electricity from the construction and operation of a new hydro power-based power project. The project activity has installed capacity of 3.00 MW which will qualify for a small-scale project activity under Type-I of the Small-Scale methodology. The project status is corresponding to the methodology AMS-I.D., version 18 and applicability of methodology is discussed below:

	Applicability Criterion	Project Case
1.	This methodology comprises renewable energy generation units, such as photovoltaic, hydro, tidal/wave, wind, geothermal and renewable biomass: (a) Supplying electricity to a national or a regional grid; or (b) Supplying electricity to an identified consumer facility via national/regional grid through a contractual arrangement such as wheeling.	The project activity involves setting up of a renewable energy (hydro) generation plant that exports electricity to the fossil fuel dominated unified Indian grid system. Thus, the project activity meets this applicability conditions.
2.	Illustration of respective situations under which each of the methodology (i.e. AMS-I.D: Grid connected renewable electricity generation", AMS-I.F: Renewable electricity generation for captive use and mini-grid" and AMS-I.A: Electricity generation by the user) applies is included in Table 2	According to the point 1 of the Table 2 in the methodology — "Project supplies electricity to a national/ regional grid" is applicable under AMS I.D. As the project activity supplies the electricity to regional grid which is connected to the unified Indian grid system, the methodology AMS-I.D. is applicable
3.	This methodology is applicable to project activities that: (a) Install a Greenfield plant; (b) Involve a capacity addition in (an) existing plant(s); (c) Involve a retrofit of (an) existing plant(s); (d) Involve a rehabilitation of (an) existing	The Project activity involves the installation of new power plant at a site where there was no renewable energy power plant operating prior to the implementation of the project activity. Thus, Project activity is a Greenfield plant and satisfies this applicability

Applicability Criterion		Project Case
plant(s); or		condition (a).
(e) Involve a replacement of ((an) existing	
plant(s).		
4. Hydro power plants with reservoirs	-	As the project activity is a run-off river
least one of the following condition	ns are eligible	type hydro power plant, this criterion is
to apply this methodology:		not relevant for the project activity.
(a) The project activity is imp		
existing reservoir, with no cl	nange in the	
volume of the reservoir; or	.1	
(b) The project activity is imp		
existing reservoir, where the v reservoir(s) is increased and		
density as per definitions given	-	
emissions section, is greater than	- ^ -	
(c) The project activity results in n		
and the power density of the po		
per definitions given in the proj	-	
section, is greater than 4 W/m ²		
5. If the new unit has both renewal	ble and non-	The rated capacity of the project activity
renewable components (e.g., a wind	d/diesel unit),	is 3.00 MW with no provision of Co-
the eligibility limit of 15 MW for		firing fossil fuel. Hence, meeting with
CDM project activity applies	-	this criterion.
renewable component. If the new		
fossil fuel, the capacity of the entire	unit shall not	
exceed the limit of 15 MW.		
6. Combined heat and power (co-general are not eligible under this category	ition) systems	This is not relevant to the project activity
are not engine under this category		as the project involves only hydro power generating units.
7. In the case of project activities that	nt involve the	There is no other existing renewable
capacity addition of renewable energy		energy power generation facility at the
units at an existing renewable pow		project site. Therefore, this criterion is
facility, the added capacity of the u	_	not applicable.
the project should be lower than	-	
should be physically distinct from	the existing	
units.		
8. In the case of retrofit or replacement		The project activity is a new installation,
a small-scale project, the total o	-	it does not involve any retrofit measures
retrofitted or replacement power pl	iant/unit shall	nor any replacement and hence is not
not exceed the limit of 15 MW.	a woodowates	applicable for the project activity.
9. In the case of landfill gas, waste ga treatment and agro-industries project		This is not relevant to the project activity as the project involves only hydro power
methane emissions are eligible und		generating units.
Type III category. If the recovered		generating units.
used for electricity generation for su		
then the baseline for the electricit		
shall be in accordance with procedu	•	
under this methodology. If the recov	-	
is used for heat generation or coger		
applicable Type-I methodologies suc	ch as "AMS I.	

Applicability Criterion	Project Case
C.: Thermal energy production with or without	
electricity" shall be explored.	
10. In case biomass is sourced from dedicated	This is not relevant to the project activity
plantations, the applicability criteria in the tool	as the project involves only hydro power
"Project emissions from cultivation of biomass"	generating units.
shall apply.	

B.3. Applicability of double counting emission reductions >>

There is no double accounting of emission reductions in the project activity due to the following reasons:

- Project is uniquely identifiable based on its location coordinates,
- Project has dedicated commissioning certificate and connection point,
- Project is associated with energy meters which are dedicated to the generation/feeding point with the grid interface.

B.4. Project boundary, sources and greenhouse gases (GHGs)>>

As per applicable methodology AMS-I.D. Version 18, "The spatial extent of the project boundary includes the project power plant and all power plants connected physically to the electricity system that the project power plant is connected to."

Thus, the project boundary includes the Hydro Turbine Generators and the Indian grid system.

Source		Gas	Included?	Justification/Explanation
	Grid	CO ₂	Yes	CO2 emissions from electricity generation in fossil fuel fired power plants
line	connected	CH ₄	No	Minor emission source
Baseline	electricity	N ₂ O	No	Minor emission source
П	generation	Other	No	No other GHG emissions were emitted from the project
	Greenfield	CO_2	No	No CO ₂ emissions are emitted from the project
ect	Hydro Power	CH ₄	No	Project activity does not emit CH ₄
Project	Project	N ₂ O	No	Project activity does not emit N ₂ O
	Activity	Other	No	No other emissions are emitted from the project

B.5. Establishment and description of baseline scenario >>

This section provides details of emission displacement rates/coefficients/factors established by the applicable methodology selected for the project.

As per para 19 of the approved consolidated methodology AMS-I.D. Version 18, if the project activity is the installation of a new grid-connected renewable power plant/unit, the baseline scenario is the following:

"The baseline scenario is that the electricity delivered to the grid by the project activity would have otherwise been generated by the operation of grid-connected power plants and by the addition of new generation sources into the grid".

The project activity involves setting up of a new hydro power plant to harness the green power from hydro energy and to use for sale to national grid through PPA arrangement. In the absence of the project activity, the equivalent amount of power would have been generated by the operation of grid-connected fossil fuel-based power plants and by the addition of new fossil fuel-based generation sources into the. The power produced at grid from the other conventional sources which are predominantly fossil fuel based. Hence, the baseline for the project activity is the equivalent amount of power produced at the Indian grid.

A "grid emission factor" refers to a CO₂ emission factor (tCO₂/MWh) which will be associated with each unit of electricity provided by an electricity system. The UCR recommends an emission factor of 0.9 tCO₂/MWh for the 2014 - 2020 years as a fairly conservative estimate for Indian projects not previously verified under any GHG program. Hence, the same emission factor has been considered to calculate the emission reduction under conservative approach.

Net GHG Emission Reductions and Removals

Thus, $ER_y = BE_y - PE_y - LE_y$ Where:

 ER_v = Emission reductions in year y (tCO₂/y)

 BE_v = Baseline Emissions in year y (t CO_2/y)

 PE_v = Project emissions in year y (tCO₂/y)

 LE_v = Leakage emissions in year y (tCO₂/y)

Baseline Emissions

Baseline emissions include only CO₂ emissions from electricity generation in power plants that are displaced due to the project activity. The methodology assumes that all project electricity generation above baseline levels would have been generated by existing grid-connected power plants and the addition of new grid-connected power plants.

The baseline emissions are to be calculated as follows:

$$BE_y = EG_{PJ,y} \times EF_{grid,y}$$

Where:

BE_y	=	Baseline emissions in year y (t CO ₂)
$EG_{PJ,y}$	=	Quantity of net electricity generation that is produced and fed into the grid as a

		result of the implementation of this project activity in year y (MWh)
$EF_{grid,y}$	=	UCR recommended emission factor of 0.9 tCO ₂ /MWh has been considered. (Reference: General Project Eligibility Criteria and Guidance, UCR Standard,
		page 4)

Project Emissions

As per paragraph 39 of AMS-I.D. (version 18, dated 28/11/2014), for most renewable energy project activities emission is zero.

As per applied methodology only emission associated with the fossil fuel combustion, emission from operation of DG Set, would be accounted for the project emission on actuals.

Diesel consumption:

The project also involves consumption of minor quantity of Diesel in standby DG Set. So, the formula used to calculate the project emissions due to diesel consumption is provided below:

 PE_{Diesel} = $\sum DC_{v} \times P \times NCV_{Diesel} \times EF_{CO2Diesel}$

Where:

PE_{Diesel} = Project Emission due to Diesel consumed during monitoring period in DG set

DC_y = Diesel Consumption in Liters (L)
P = Density of Diesel (0.86 kg/lit)
NCV_{Diesel} = Net Calorific Value of Diesel

 $EF_{CO2Diesel}$ = IPCC 2006 Emission factor for Diesel

Hence, $PEy = PE_{Diesel}$

Leakage

As per paragraph 22 of AMS-I.D. version-18, 'If the energy generating equipment is transferred from another activity, leakage is to be considered.' In the project activity, there is no transfer of energy generating equipment and therefore the leakage from the project activity is considered as zero.

Hence, LEy= 0

The actual emission reduction achieved during the first CoU period shall be submitted as a part of first monitoring and verification. However, for the purpose of an ex-ante estimation, following calculation has been submitted:

Estimated annual baseline emission reductions (BE_v)

- = 13,188 MWh/year \times 0.9 tCO₂/MWh
- $= 11,869 \text{ tCO}_2/\text{year}$ (i.e., 11,869 CoUs/year)

B.6. Prior History>>

The project activity is a small-scale hydro project and had applied under CDM mechanism prior to this registration with UCR. But, project has not completed the validation stage and not registered,

https://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/Validation/DB/EYQHYOAMDW7WHAWYVG2EF8RERE3VX4/view.html

also it has not applied for any other environmental crediting or certification mechanism. Hence project will not cause double accounting of carbon credits (i.e., COUs).

B.7. Changes to start date of crediting period >>

There is no change in the start date of crediting period.

The start date of crediting under UCR is considered as 01/01/2014, as the project was commissioned in 22/01/2009 and no GHG emission reduction has been claimed so far.

B.8. Permanent changes from PCN monitoring plan, applied methodology or applied standardized baseline >>

Not applicable.

B.9. Monitoring period number and duration>>

First Monitoring Period: 8 years, 00 months 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2021 (inclusive of both dates)

B.8. Monitoring plan>>

Data and Parameters available at validation (ex-ante values):

Data / Parameter	UCR recommended emission factor
Data unit	tCO ₂ /MWh
Description	A "grid emission factor" refers to a CO ₂ emission factor (tCO ₂ /MWh) which will be associated with each unit of electricity provided by an electricity system. The UCR recommends an emission factor of 0.9 tCO ₂ /MWh for the 2014 - 2020 years as a fairly conservative estimate for Indian projects not previously verified under any GHG program. Hence, the same emission factor has been considered to calculate the emission reduction under conservative approach.
Source of data	https://a23e347601d72166dcd6- 16da518ed3035d35cf0439f1cdf449c9.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com//Documents /UCRStandardNov2021updatedVer2_301121081557551620.pdf
Value applied	0.9
Measurement methods and procedures	-
Monitoring frequency	Ex-ante fixed parameter
Purpose of Data	For the calculation of Emission Factor of the grid
Additional Comment	The combined margin emission factor as per CEA database (current version 16, Year 2021) results into higher emission factor. Hence for 2021 vintage UCR default emission factor remains conservative.

Data / Parameter	P
Data unit	kg/lit
Description	Density of diesel
Source of data	http://www.fast-tek.com/TM104.pdf
	http://www.iocl.com/Products/DieselSpecifications.pdf
Value applied	0.860
Measurement methods and procedures	Fixed Value has been taken from the publicly available data source.
Purpose of Data	Calculation of project emission
Comments	This parameter is fixed ex-ante for the entire crediting period.

Data / Parameter	NCV diesel,y
Data unit	GJ/Ton
Description	Net calorific value of the Diesel in year y
Source of data	As options a, b & c are not available, the project proponent chooses option d i.e., IPCC default values at the upper limit of the uncertainty at a 95% confidence interval as provided in Table 1.2 of Chapter 1 of Vol. 2 (Energy) of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines on National GHG Inventories and is fixed Ex-ante. This is in accordance to the "Tool to calculate project or leakage CO2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion", latest

	version applied.
Value applied	43.30
Measurement methods and procedures	IPCC Default Value is considered.
Purpose of Data	Calculation of project emission
Comments	This parameter is fixed ex-ante for the entire crediting period.

Data / Parameter	EF co2,diesel,y
Data unit	tCO ₂ e/TJ
Description	CO ₂ emission factor of diesel in year y
Source of data	IPCC default value
Value applied	74.8
Measurement methods and procedures	As options a, b & c are not available, the project proponent chooses option d i.e., IPCC default values at the upper limit of the uncertainty at a 95% confidence interval as provided in Table 1.4 of Chapter 1 of Vol. 2 (Energy) of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines on National GHG Inventories and is fixed Ex-ante. This is in accordance to the "Tool to calculate project or leakage CO2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion" latest version applied.
Purpose of Data	Calculation of project emission
Comments	This parameter is fixed ex-ante for the entire crediting period.

Data and Parameters to be monitored (ex-post monitoring values):

Data / Parameter	$EG_{PJ,y}$
Data unit	MWh / year
Description	Net electricity supplied to the grid by the project activity
Source of data	Monthly Joint Meter Readings (JMRs)
Measurement	Data Type: Measured
procedures (if any):	Monitoring equipment: Energy Meters are used for monitoring
	Recording Frequency: Continuous monitoring and Monthly recording
	from Energy Meters, Summarized Annually
	Archiving Policy: Paper & Electronic
	Calibration frequency: 5 years (as per CEA provision)
	Generally, the calculation is done by the Authority/Discom and the project proponent has no control over the authority for the calculation. Therefore, based on the joint meter reading certificates/credit notes, the project shall raise the invoice for monthly payments. In case the monthly JMR provides net export quantity, the same will be directly considered for calculation. However, if the JMR does not directly provide "net electricity" units, then quantity of net electricity supplied to the grid shall be calculated using the parameters reflected in the JMR.

	For example, the difference between the measured quantities of the grid export and the import will be considered as net export: $EG_{PJ,y} = EG_{Export} - EG_{Import}$ Thus, $EG_{PJ,y} \text{ is the net export which will be either directly sourced from the monthly generation statements (such as JMR) or to be calculated from export and import values reported.}$
Measurement Frequency:	Monthly
Value applied:	13,188
	(Annualized average value has been considered here for an ex-ante
	estimation only, whereas this is an ex-post parameter hence actual
	value shall be applied during monitoring and verification)
QA/QC procedures applied:	Calibration of the Main meters will be carried out once in five (5) years as per National Standards (as per the provision of CEA, India) and faulty meters will be duly replaced immediately as per the provision of power purchase agreement.
	Cross Checking:
	Quantity of net electricity supplied to the grid will be cross checked
	from the invoices raised by the project participant to the grid.
Purpose of data:	The Data/Parameter is required to calculate the baseline emission.
Any comment:	All the data will be archived till a period of two years from the end of the crediting period.

Data / Parameter	DC_y
Data unit	Liters
Description	Diesel consumption by the standby DG set in year y
Source of data	Plant Records
Measurement methods and procedures	The diesel quantity available in the diesel storage tanks is recorded daily by PP in the plant log book. The diesel consumption has been recorded in the logbook in litres. However, based on the density of diesel of about 0.86 kg/lit, the diesel consumption in tons is calculated.
Frequency of	Continuously and recorded monthly basis.
monitoring/recording	
Value monitored	To be monitored as per actuals
Monitoring equipment	Calculated
QA/QC procedures to be applied	The measured data will be cross checked with total diesel procurement using payment receipts.
Purpose of the data	Calculation of project emissions.
Calculation method	Data Type: Measured & Calculated Data Archiving: Paper/ Electronic.
Comments	The data would be archived up to two years after the end of crediting period.