

**HIMACHAL PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, SHIMLA
NOTIFICATION**

No. HPERC/418.

Shimla, the 12th December, 2023

WHEREAS, the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-term and Medium-term- Intra State Open Access and related Matters) Regulations, 2010 were notified vide Notification No. HPERC/418 dated 2nd June, 2010 and published in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh on 3rd June, 2010 (hereinafter referred to as “the said Regulations”);

AND WHEREAS, in order to impetus the smaller capacity of Renewable Energy projects, particularly solar PV projects installation in the State through distributed mode, the Commission proposes further to amend the said Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (zp) of sub-section (2) of section 181 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), read with section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (10 of 1897) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Commission hereby proposes to make the “Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-term and Medium-term-Intra State Open Access and related Matters) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023” and as required by sub-section (3) of section 181 of the said Act and rule 3 of the Electricity (Procedure for Previous Publication) Rules, 2005, the draft amendment Regulations are hereby published for the information of all the persons likely to be affected thereby; and notice is hereby given that the said draft amendment Regulations will be taken into consideration after the expiry of thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notification in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh, together with any objections or suggestions which may, within the aforesaid period, be received in respect thereto.

The text of the aforesaid draft amendment Regulation is also available on the website of the Commission i.e. <http://www.hperc.org>. as well as on Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh.

The objections or suggestions in this behalf should be addressed to the Secretary, Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission, Vidyut Aayog Bhawan, Block-37, SDA Complex, Kasumpti-171009(HP).

DRAFT REGULATIONS

1. Short title and commencement. (1) These Regulations may be called the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-

Term Intra-State Open Access and Related Matters) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2023.

(2) These Regulations shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh.

2. Amendment of Regulation 6. In Regulation 6 of the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-Term Intra-State Open Access and Related Matters) Regulations, 2010 (hereinafter referred to as “the said Regulations”), for the existing table the following table shall be substituted, namely:-

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Sr. No.	Quantum of power to be injected/off taken into/from State transmission system/ distribution system	Application fee (Rs. in lakhs) for		
		For connectivity	Medium-term open access	Long-term open access
1	Upto 1 MW of solar PV and Biomass project(s)	---	1	1
2	Upto 2 MW of project(s) including solar PV and Biomass project(s) having capacity above 1 MW and upto 2 MW	1	1	1
3	More than 2 MW upto 5 MW	2	2	2
4	More than 5 MW but upto 10 MW	4	4	5
5	More than 10MW	6	6	8

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3. Amendment of Regulation 7. In Regulation 7 of the said Regulations, for the existing table, the following table shall be substituted, namely:-

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Sr. No.	Nature of application	Time limit for processing, beginning the last day of the month in which application was received by the nodal agency
1	Connectivity for solar PV and Biomass Projects upto 1 MW capacity	20 days
2	Connectivity for projects having capacity and category other than as mentioned in Serial Number. 1	60 days
3	Medium-term open access	40 days
4	Long-term open access	120 days where augmentation of the transmission/ distribution system is not required. 180 days where augmentation transmission/ distribution system is required.

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**By the order of Commission
Sd/-
Secretary**