

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

Shimla, the 15th February, 2024

No. HPERC/418.- In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (2) of section 181, read with sections 30, 32, 39, 40, 42 and 86, of the Electricity Act, 2003 (36 of 2003), and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission, after previous publication, hereby makes the following regulations to further amend the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-term and Medium-term intra-State Open Access and Related Matters) Regulations, 2010, read with first and second amendment thereof as per the notification issued on 07.12.2012 and 11.08.2021 and published in the Rajpatra, Himachal Pradesh on 10.12.2012 and 16.08.2021 respectively (hereinafter jointly referred to as “the said regulations”), namely :-

REGULATIONS

1. **Short title and commencement.-** (1) These regulations may be called the Himachal Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grant of Connectivity, Long-term and Medium-term intra-State Open Access and Related Matters) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2024.

(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 through off line or online mode
1	(i) Connectivity for solar PV and Biomass Projects upto 1 MW capacity	20 days
	(ii) Connectivity for solar PV and Biomass Projects above 1 MW and upto 5 MW capacity	30 days
2	Connectivity for projects having capacity and category other than as mentioned in Serial Number-1 including solar PV and bio-mass project having capacity more than 5 MW	60 days
3	Medium-term open access	40 days
4	Long-term open access	60 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

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(Chhavi Nanta), HPAS

Secretary