

TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION

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Dear Members,

Sub: Amendment to the Electricity (Promoting Renewable Energy through Green Energy Open access) Rules, 2022-reg

Ref: Notification issued by The Government of India, Ministry of Power dated 27th January 2023

In continuation to the above, we wish to inform our members that Ministry of Power has issued a Gazette Notification dated 27th January 2023 amending the Electricity (Promoting Renewable Energy through Green Energy Open access) Rules, 2022 and the same would be come into force on date of the publication in the official gazette. We are enclosing the copy of this notification for the reference of members.

The salient features of this amendment are as follows;

Amendment in proviso under rule 8,

- ✓ The credit for the banked energy shall not be permitted to carried forward
 to subsequent banking cycles and shall be adjusted in the same banking
 cycle.
- ✓ The unutilized surplus banked energy shall lapse i.e., cannot be encashed at the end of the banking cycle. Instead, it has been permitted to avail REC to the extent of lapsed energy.

Members please note that the amended proviso under rule 8 is not defined the word 'banking cycle'. Therefore, it requires clarification on the scope of 'what is banking cycle'. Further, the proviso alone under rule 8 has been amended without amending the rule 8.

- ✓ The other charges such as LDC fees, scheduling and deviation settlement charges as per the Regulations of respective State Commission to be levied on the open access consumers in addition to the transmission charges, wheeling charges, cross subsidy surcharges, standby charges and banking charges.
- ✓ Additional surcharge shall not be applicable for offshore wind energy, with respect to the projects which are commissioned upto December 2025.

Also note that in respect of standby charges, the amendment is as follows.



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for sub-rule (4), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

"(4) The standby charges, wherever applicable, shall be specified by the State Commission and such charges shall not be applicable, if the Green Energy Open Access Consumers have given notice, in advance atleast a day in advance before closure time of the Day Ahead Market on "D - [minus] 1" day, 'D' being the day of delivery of power for standby arrangement to the distribution licensee.

Provided that the applicable standby charges shall not be more than twenty five per cent of the energy charges applicable to consumer tariff category." Provided that the applicable standby charges shall not be more than twenty five per cent of the energy charges applicable to consumer tariff category."

This is for the information of our Members

With Warm Regards

N. Pradeep President

Encl: Government Notification

Please find the attachment in Encyclopaedia of our website.