

ORDER

OF THE

WEST BENGAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF

CASE NO: PPA-147/25-26

APPROVAL OF POWER SALE AGREEMENT EXECUTED BY WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED WITH SOLAR ENERGY CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED FOR PURCHASE OF 100 MW OF SOLAR POWER.

DATE: 23.12.2025



CASE IN BRIEF

- 1. West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as "WBSEDCL") has filed this Petition on 07.08.2025 for approval of Power SALE Agreement ("PSA") executed by and between WBSEDCL and Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited ("SECI") for purchase of 100 MW Solar Power by WBSEDCL from Amp Energy Green Four Private Limited in terms of Regulation 7.4 of West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions Of Tariff) Regulations, 2011 and its amendments thereof (hereinafter referred to as the "Tariff Regulations"). This application has been admitted on 14.08.2025 with case No. PPA-147/25-26.
- 2. WBSEDCL, in their petition dated 07.08.2025 inter-alia submitted the following:
- 2.1 SECI has been designated as nodal agency for developing and facilitating the establishment of grid connected Solar Power projects in India and acts as the intermediary procurer under the guidelines for Tariff Based Competitive Bid (TBCB) process for procurement of power from Grid Connected Solar Power Projects issued by Ministry of Power, Govt of India vide Gazette Resolution dated 3rd August 2017 including its modification & clarification.
- 2.2 SECI had initiated a TBCB Process for procurement of 1200 MW of the power generated from the ISTS connected Solar Power Project on the terms and conditions contained in the Request for Selection (herein after referred to as 'RfS') issued by SECI vide RFS No. SECI/C&P/SPD/ISTS-VIII/ RfS/1200MW/012020 dated 03.01.2020.
- 2.3 SECI has executed Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) on 04.07.2025 with Amp Energy Green Four Private Limited, the selected Solar Power



- Developer (SPD), for procurement of 100 MW Solar Power from the project at Village: Badi Sid and Ranjeet Nagar, Tehsil: Bapi, District: Jodhpur, Rajasthan selected under above stated RfS on a long-term basis.
- 2.4 The Board of Directors, WBSEDCL in its 132nd meeting dated 10.07.2025 has accorded approval for procurement of power from above project of AMP Energy Green Four Private Limited.
- 2.5 Accordingly, a PSA was executed on 26.06.2025 between WBSEDCL and SECI with the following salient features: -

SPD	Installed Capacity (MW)	Tariff (Rs/kWh)	COD	The normative CUF (%)	Estimated Minimum Annual Energy (MU)
AMP Energy Green Four Private Limited	100	2.50 + 0.07 (trading margin)	21.03.2025	19	223.53 MU till the end of 10 years from SCD and 210.38 MU for the rest of the term of the Agreement.

- 2.6 In connection with this petition, WBSEDCL vide letter dated 25.11.2025 has intimated that Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) has adopted the above Tariff including trading margin of Rs 0.07 per Kwh in their Order dated 24.10.2025 i.r.o petition no. 723/AT/2025.
- 2.7 In case of early part commissioning, till achievement of full commissioning or scheduled commissioning date, whichever is earlier, WBSEDCL shall purchase the generation up to scheduled commissioning date at 75% of the tariff mentioned above plus trading margin of Rs. 0.07 per kWh.
- 2.8 Agreement shall remain operative for 25 years from the scheduled commissioning date (SCD) of the project; it may be extended for a further



- period on mutually agreed terms and conditions at least 180 days before expiry.
- 2.9 The above solar power purchased from SECI will be 100% exempted from ISTS charges for the entire term of the PSA as per CERC regulations on the sharing of ISTS charges 2020 and its amendments, since COD of the project is already declared on 21.03.2025
- 2.10 In connection with this petition, WBSEDCL vide letter dated 25.11.2025 has submitted that this solar power will help to improve achievement of Solar RPO Target.
- 2.11 In view of the above, WBSEDCL filed the instant petition for approval of the PSA executed between WBSEDCL and SECI from the Commission in accordance with Regulation 7.4 of Tariff Regulations.

Point of determination:

3.0 Clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 86 of the Electricity Act 2003 interalia specifies that, while discharging its function, the Commission shall regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of distribution licensees including the price at which electricity shall be procured from the generating companies or licensees or from other sources through agreements for purchase of power for distribution and supply within the State. Further, in terms of Regulation 7.4 of the Tariff Regulations, prior approval of the Commission is required for every agreement or arrangement for power procurement by a licensee entered into after 09.02.2007, except for short term procurement.

Observations of the Commission:

4.0 Requirement of power procurement:

From the submission of WBSEDCL, the Commission observes the following: -



- 4.1. This procurement of solar power will help WBSEDCL to fulfill the RPO target from the financial year 2025-26 onwards.
- 4.2. This power will provide optimal support to WBSEDCL demand profile during summer.

5.0 Price of power purchase:

- 5.1. The Commission observes that the tariff of the above solar generation has already been adopted by CERC in their Order dated 24.10.2025 i.r.o petition no. 723/AT/2025 which is Rs 2.50 per Kwh with trading margin of Rs 0.07 per Kwh for the entire term of the PSA.
- 6.0 In view of the above observation, the finding of the Commission are as follows:
 - 6.1. The procurement of Solar power from SECI will help WBSEDCL to improve achievement of Solar RPO Target.
 - 6.2. 100% ISTS Charges would be waived of as COD of the project is already declared as on 21.03.2025.

Order:

- 7.0 The Commission after considering the facts and further keeping in mind clause (e) of sub-section (1) of section 86 of the Act, approves the Power Sale Agreement dated 26.06.2025 executed by WBSEDCL with SECI, for a period of 25 years from SCD at the tariff adopted by CERC in terms of Regulation 7.4 of the Tariff Regulations.
- 8.0 The Commission also directs WBSEDCL to comply with the provisions of applicable laws regarding scheduling as per the provisions of intra-state ABT, State Grid Code, etc.
- 9.0 The petition is thus disposed of.



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- 10.0 A copy of the order shall be posted in the website of the Commission.
- 11.0 WBSEDCL shall download the copy of the order from the website of the Commission and act on it. Certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties on completion of formalities laid down in the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2013, as amended and on submission of necessary fees.

Sd/-

(DR.MALLELA VENKATESWARA RAO) CHAIRPERSON

Dated: 23.12.2025

Sd/-

DEPUTY DIRECTOR, WBERC