

ODISHA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
BIDYUT NIYAMAK BHAWAN
UNIT-VIII, BHUBANESWAR - 751 012

Case No. 10/2013

GRIDCO	Petitioner
Vrs.		
OREDA	Respondent

In the matter of: **An Application under Clause (1) of Sub-Sec. (h) of Sec (2) of OERC (Renewable Purchase Obligation and its Compliance) Regulations, 2010 dated 30.09.2010 on behalf of the DISCOMs for the FY 2011-12.**

For the petitioner: Shri P K Pradhan, Director (Commerce), GRIDCO
 Shri U. N. Mishra, Sr. GM(PP), GRIDCO

For the respondent: Shri A K Choudhury, Deputy Director (P), OREDA

Order

Date of hearing:-12.11.2013

Date of order:25.11.2013

The present case relates to OERC (Renewable and Co-generation Purchase Obligation and its Compliance) Regulation, 2010. The representative of GRIDCO which is a obligated entity under the said Regulation submitted that the total electricity consumption of the State during FY 2011-12 was 21,261 MU. As per OERC (RCPO) Regulations, 2010 it is mandatory for GRIDCO to purchase 21 MU from solar sources (0.1% of total consumption) and 255 MU from non-solar sources (1.2% of total consumption) against which it has purchased only 3.32 MU from solar and 27.56 MU from non-solar sources. Thus the total short fall in solar obligation is 17.68 MU and surplus from non-solar obligation is 17.56 MU. Regarding purchase from Co-generation sources it has procured 936.65 MU against its obligation to purchase 787 MU (3.7% of total consumption).

2. In view of this GRIDCO prayed before the Commission to carry forward the non-complied solar purchase obligation (SPO) of FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 as per Clause-7 (c) of OERC (RCPO) Regulations, 2010. GRIDCO further submitted that due to non-availability of REC during FY 2011-12 they are not

in a position to meet the requirement of the Regulation. Even during FY 2012-13 they could not purchase their requirement under SPO due to non-availability of such power inside the State. However, he expressed the willingness of GRIDCO to purchase solar power at the cost as determined by the Commission from time to time at a future date.

3. The representative of OREDA submitted that OREDA is trying its best to set up solar projects inside the State. Further he stated that the RPO Obligation should not be linked to the solar power generation inside the State alone. GRIDCO can even buy it from the Power Exchange where it is available in plenty since May, 2012.
4. After hearing the parties and perusal of the case records we feel that nos. of grid connected solar projects shall come up in the State in FY 2013-14 and onwards both under Phase-I and II of JNNSM. Therefore, GRIDCO can easily meet its both arrear and current obligation from those projects. This will give fillip to the solar power generation inside the State. Accordingly, we allow GRIDCO under Clause 7 (2) proviso 1 read with Clause 10 of OERC (RCPO) Regulation, 2010 to carry forward its solar compliance requirement for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to 2013-14 and 2014-15 respectively.
5. With the above observation the matter is disposed of.

Sd/-
S. P. Swain
(Member)

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B. K. Misra
(Member)