

Application related matters in Western Region

A. Processing of Applications Received for Transition under the 3rd Amendment:

- ✚ The 3rd amendment of Connectivity & GNA Regulations 2022 was notified by CERC vide Gazette dated 09.09.2025.
- ✚ As per Reg. 5.11(b) of the GNA Regulations, entities which are REGS (with or without ESS) or RPPD, based on solar source, or RHGS with a combination of solar source with another source (with or without ESS), in respect of which:
 - in principle or final grant of Connectivity has been intimated, or
 - where GNA is effective,shall be converted into entity with solar-hour access, with:
 - Injection-scheduling rights during solar hours corresponding to the Connectivity quantum, and
 - Injection-right during non-solar hours limited to:
 - the capacity from non-solar sources, and
 - in any case, not exceeding the overall Connectivity quantum.
- ✚ In line with the above provisions, the list of existing entities granted in-principle and/or final Connectivity intimations, or where GNA was effective, along with:
 - solar hour access,
 - corresponding injection rights during solar and non-solar hours,
 - Margins for non-solar hour accesswere published in CTUIL website seeking observations and comments from stakeholders.
- ✚ Further, such entities were provided a window of 3 months from the date of effectiveness of the 3rd amendment (i.e., from 09.09.2026) to apply for additional capacity under:
 - Regulation 5.2 or

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○ Regulation 5.11(a)

✚ Subsequently, the Hon'ble CERC, vide suo-moto Order No.14/SM/2025 dated 08.12.2025, extended the timeline for transition under the 3rd amendment for a further 75 days, beyond the initial 3 months window. Accordingly, the extended timeline for submission of application under Regulation 5.2 or Regulation 5.11(a) under Right of First Refusal (RoFR) has ended on **21.02.2026**.

✚ As per the Regulations, CTUIL is required to process applications received under Regulations 5.2 & 5.11(a) within the above transmission window (i.e., 3 months plus 75 days). Based on the grant of such applications, the injection rights during non-solar hours of the concerned entities are required to be revised accordingly.

✚ Considering the large no. of applications received during the transition period, the applications are being processed in multiple phases. In the present phase, applications submitted under Regulation 5.2 (RoFR) and received during 09.09.2025 to 31.01.2026 are being taken up for discussion and grant.

i. **Applications under Reg. 5.2 received from 09.09.2025 to 31.01.2026 (RoFR period)**

(Already noted in the 42nd CMETS-WR held on 26.02.2026)

S No.	Application ID & Submission Date	Name of the Applicant	Location (Requested)	Criterion for applying	Installed Capacity Sought (MW)	Name of Pooling Station	Quantum (MW)	Date from which additional generation capacity (MW) will be added	Drawl (MW)	Connectivity application number of existing grantee	Start Date of Existing Grantee
1.	2200002744 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	Khavda, Kutch	Land Route	83 MW (Wind)	KPS-III	0	30/06/2028	-	230700010 (1200MW) (Solar)	19/11/2026 (Firm)

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2.	2200002745 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	Khavda, Kutch	Land Route	27 MW (Wind)	KPS-II	0	30/06/2028	-	2200000093 (1995MW) (Solar)	19/11/2026 (Firm)
3.	2200002810 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	Khavda, Kutch	Land Route	100MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	KPS-III	0	30/06/2028	0	230700010 (1200MW) (Solar)	19/11/2026 (Firm)
4.	2200002809 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	Khavda, Kutch	Land Route	300MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	KPS-II	0	30/06/2028	0	2200000093 (1995MW) (Solar)	19/11/2026 (Firm)
5.	2200002862 8-Dec-25	Juniper Green Energy Limited	Village-PiplyaKaradiya, Tehsil-Mandsaur, Mandsaur	Land Route	100MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	Mandsaur PS	0	31/03/2028 (requested) 30/06/2028 (revised) Original Connectivity Start Date: 30/06/2028	-	2200000428 (300MW) (Solar: 100MW & Wind: 200MW)	30/06/2028 (Firm)

At Mandsaur PS, about 4.5 GW Connectivity has been granted to RE developers (2.998 GW on 400 kV Bus Section-I and 1.5 GW on 400 kV Bus Section-II). Further, 2.024 GW Connectivity with non-solar hour access has been granted to Greenko MP01 IREP Private Limited for its 2.024 GW PSP on 400kV Bus Section-I. The 400 kV Sectionaliser at Mandsaur PS is proposed to be kept normally open, after the substation is planned for full capacity of 6 GW (3 GW on each bus section), as discussed in 43rd CMETS-WR meeting held on 24.03.2026. In view of the same, margin for evacuation of only 3 GW would remain on each 400 kV bus section, considering N-1 of 3x1500 MVA 765/400 kV ICTs planned on each bus section. It is observed that non-solar capacity at 400 kV Bus Section-I has already exceeded this 3 GW limit, and hence no further margins are available on this section.

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6.	2200002859 8-Dec-25	Juniper Green Energy Limited	Village- Kumbhariya, Tehsil - Rapar, Katchchh (Kutch)	Land Route	200MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	Lakadiya PS	0	31/03/2028 (requested) 31/03/2029 (revised)	0	2200000511 (200MW) (Solar)	31/03/2029 (Firm)
7.	2200002890 8-Dec-25	Juniper Green Gem Private Limited	Chhadwel (P), Taluka - Sakri, Dhule	Land Route	100MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	Dhule ISTS	0	31/03/2028 (requested) 30/06/2028 (revised)	0	2200001276 (100MW) (Solar)	30/06/2028 (Firm)
8.	2200002926 8-Dec-25	Hero Solar Energy Private Limited	Badargadh, Khirai, Debrasa, Nilpar, Tindalava Mota, Badalpur, Naliyatimbo, Kutch, Gujarat	Land BG Route	50MW (Solar) 130MW (4Hr) (BESS)	Lakadia-II PS	0	31/03/2027 (requested)	0	2200000978 (270MW) (Solar: 220 MW, Wind: 52.8 MW & BESS: 5 MW (4Hr))	31.10.2027 (Tentative) 30.06.2029 (Presently envisaged start date)

Applicant vide letter dated 08.12.2025 have requested for source change (application no 2200000978) as per details given below, and same is under process:

Sl. No.	Application No.	Application route	Intimation Dates & Firm Start Date of Connectivity	Connectivity Granted (MW)	Original IC against Connectivity (MW)	Change in IC sought against Connectivity (MW)
1.	2200000978	Land BG	In-Principle: 24.03.2025 Likely Start date: 31.10.2027	270	277.8 Hybrid (RHGS)) (Solar: 220, Wind: 52.8 & BESS: 5)	275 (Solar: 270 & BESS: 5)

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In the letter it was mentioned that applicant shall be applying for enhanced 50 MW Solar capacity under Regulation 5.2 of GNA Regulations, 2022. If the above application is processed, the I.C of Solar shall change from 270 MW to 320 MW.

Applicant in the present application has applied for additional capacity of only 50 MW solar. However, under the ESS capacity, 130 MW BESS was mentioned.

Applicant vide letter dated 31.12.2025 has provided the following clarification:

- ✚ Since we are unable to provide additional component details under “DETAILS OF EARLIER CONNECTIVITY” and “PLANNED ADDITIONAL CAPACITY WITH EXPECTED TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF THE GENERATION PROJECT/RENEWABLE POWER PARK (STAGE-WISE)” headings on NSWS portal. Therefore, it is requested to CTUIL to consider the following details in the above-mentioned headings.

“DETAILS OF EARLIER CONNECTIVITY”

RESOURCE TYPE IN EXISTING CONNECTIVITY *(Already mentioned in application)*

Resource Type	Solar
Capacity (MW)	220

RESOURCE TYPE IN EXISTING CONNECTIVITY 2 *(Already mentioned in application)*

Resource Type	WIND
Capacity (MW)	52.8

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“PLANNED ADDITIONAL CAPACITY WITH EXPECTED TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF THE GENERATION PROJECT/RENEWABLE POWER PARK (STAGE-WISE)”

Planned Additional Capacity with expected time line *(Already mentioned in application)*

Quantum of Additional generation capacity (MW)	50
Source	SOLAR
Date from which additional generation capacity (MW) will be added	31/03/2027

Planned Additional Capacity with expected time line 2 *(No option to add this information against the query)*

Quantum of Additional generation capacity (MW)	130
Source	ESS
Date from which additional generation capacity (MW) will be added	31/03/2027

Applicant may clarify.

Further, Hero Solar Energy Private Limited has been issued in-principle grant of Connectivity at Lakadia-II PS. Transmission system identified for grant of connectivity under GNA includes Lakadia-II (7.5 GW) scheme which has recently been agreed in the NCT meeting. Accordingly, final grant of connectivity shall be issued shortly with firm start date after award of the subject scheme. In view of the above, the subject application shall be processed, only after issuance of final grant intimation and subsequent to signing of connectivity agreement by above applicant.

9.	2200002927 8-Dec-25	Hero Solar Energy Private Limited	Village: Chitrod, Tehsil: Rapad, Kutchh, Gujarat	Land BG Route	25MW (Solar) 30MW (2Hr) (BESS)	Lakadia-II PS	0	30/04/2027	0	2200000737 (280MW) (Solar: 120 MW, Wind: 180 MW & BESS: 30 MW (4Hr))	31.10.2027 (Tentative) 30.06.2029 (Presently envisaged date)	start date
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Applicant vide letter dated 08.12.2025 have requested for source change (application no 2200000737) as per details given below, and same is under process:

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Sl. No.	Application No.	Application route	Intimation Dates & Firm Start Date of Connectivity	Connectivity Granted (MW)	Original IC against Connectivity (MW)	Change in IC sought against Connectivity (MW)
1.	2200000737	Land BG	In-Principle: 25.03.2025 Likely Start date: 31.10.2027	280	(Solar: 120 MW, Wind: 180 MW & BESS: 30 MWhr)	330.1 [145MW (Solar), 155.1MW (Wind) & 30MW (BESS)]

In the letter it was mentioned that applicant shall be applying for enhanced 25 MW Solar capacity under Regulation 5.2 of GNA Regulations, 2022. If the above application is processed, the I.C of Solar shall change from 145 MW to 170 MW.

Applicant in the present application has applied for additional capacity of only 25 MW solar. However, under the ESS capacity, 30 MW BESS was mentioned.

Applicant vide letter dated 31.12.2025 has provided the following clarification:

- Since we are unable to provide additional component details under “DETAILS OF EARLIER CONNECTIVITY” and “PLANNED ADDITIONAL CAPACITY WITH EXPECTED TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF THE GENERATION PROJECT/RENEWABLE POWER PARK (STAGE-WISE)” headings on NSWS portal. Therefore, it is requested to CTUIL to consider the following details in the above-mentioned headings.

“DETAILS OF EARLIER CONNECTIVITY”

RESOURCE TYPE IN EXISTING CONNECTIVITY *(Already mentioned in application)*

Resource Type	Solar
Capacity (MW)	120

RESOURCE TYPE IN EXISTING CONNECTIVITY 2 *(Already mentioned in application)*

Resource Type	WIND
Capacity (MW)	180

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RESOURCE TYPE IN EXISTING CONNECTIVITY 3 (No option to add this information against the query)

Resource Type	ESS
Capacity (MW)	30

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Planned Additional Capacity with expected time line (Already mentioned in application)

Quantum of Additional generation capacity (MW)	25
Source	SOLAR
Date from which additional generation capacity (MW) will be added	30/04/2027

Planned Additional Capacity with expected time line 2 (No option to add this information against the query)

Quantum of Additional generation capacity (MW)	30
Source	ESS
Date from which additional generation capacity (MW) will be added	30/04/2027

Applicant may clarify.

Further, Hero Solar Energy Private Limited has been issued in-principle grant of Connectivity at Lakadia-II PS. Transmission system identified for grant of connectivity under GNA includes Lakadia-II (7.5GW) scheme which has recently been agreed in the NCT meeting. Accordingly, final grant of connectivity shall be issued shortly with firm start date after award of the subject scheme. In view of the above, the subject application shall be processed only after issuance of final grant intimation and subsequent to signing of connectivity agreement by above applicant.

10.	2200002979 26-Dec-25	ACME Solar Holdings Limited	Golgam, Vav-tharad	Land Route	400MW (4 Hr) (BESS)	Raghanesda PS	0	31/03/2028	-	2200001064 (400MW) (Solar)	23.10.2027 (Firm)
11.	2200003004 05-Jan-26	Solarcraft Power India 16 Private Limited	Aland, Gulbarga, Karnataka	Land BG Route	67MW (Solar) & 19.8MW (Wind)	Solapur PS	0	31/12/2026	-	2200000440 150MW (Solar: 45.41 MW	01.04.2026 (Firm)

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										Wind: 155.19 MW ESS: 73.78 MWhr) (on pro-rata basis as balance IC is considered against Appl. No. 2200001047)	

Additionally, four applications received in the month of Jan'26 under Regulation 5.2, for meeting technical compliances, were already discussed in the 43rd CMETS-WR held on 24.03.2026.

Applications received for grant of additional generation capacity at various pooling station in the Western Region under Regulations 5.2 of GNA Regulations have been listed in the above table.

Study analysis has been carried out, and it is proposed that addition in generation capacity to the above applicants, except applicant at Sl. No. 5 (which cannot be granted on account of non-availability of margins during non-solar hours at Mandsaur 400kV Sec-I), may be granted against their existing connectivity at various pooling stations in the Western Region, as per the details given below:

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	App. no. of Connectivity already granted	Connectivity already Granted (MW)	Installed capacity already granted (MW)	Injection Scheduling rights during Solar Hours (MW)	Injection Scheduling rights during Non-Solar Hours (MW)	Start date of connectivity	Pooling Station	App. no.	Applicant Name	Additional generation capacity proposed (MW)	SCoD of additional Generation Capacity under 5.2	Revised Injection Scheduling rights during Non-Solar Hours (MW)	Applicable Conn-BGs details
1.	230700010	1200	1200 MW (Solar)	1200	0	19/11/2026 (firm)	KPS-III	2200002744 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	83MW (Wind)	30/06/2028	183	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 1.64 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
2.						19/11/2026 (firm)	KPS-III	2200002810 7-Dec-25		100MW (2 Hr) (BESS)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 2.0 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
3.	2200000093	1995	1995 MW (Solar)	1995	0	19/11/2026 (firm)	KPS-II	2200002745 7-Dec-25	NTPC Renewable Energy Limited	27 MW (Wind)	30/06/2028	327	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 0.54 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
4.						19/11/2026 (firm)	KPS-II	2200002809 7-Dec-25		300MW (2 Hr) (BESS)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 6.0 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
5.	2200000511	200	200 MW (Solar)	200	0	31/03/2029 (firm)	Lakadiya PS	2200002859 8-Dec-25	Juniper Green Energy Limited	200MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	31/03/2028 (requested) 31/03/2029 (revised)	200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 4.0 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)

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6.	2200001276	100	100 MW (Solar)	100	0	30/06/2028 (firm)	Dhule ISTS	2200002890 8-Dec-25	Juniper Green Gem Private Limited	100MW (2 Hr) (BESS)	31/03/2028 (requested) 30/06/2028 (revised)	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 2.0 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
7.	2200000978	270MW	270MW (Solar) & 5 MW (4Hr) (BESS) (after considering source change request)	270	5	31/10/2027 (Tentative) 30.06.2029 (Presently envisaged start date)	Lakadia-II PS	2200002926 8-Dec-25	Hero Solar Energy Private Limited	50MW (Solar) 130MW (4Hr) (BESS)	31/03/2027 (requested) 30.06.2029 (as per Presently envisaged start date of original grant)	135	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 3.6 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)

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8.	2200000737	280MW	145MW (Solar), 155.1MW (Wind) & 30MW (4Hr) (BESS) (after considering source change request)	280	185.1	31/10/2027 (Tentative) 30.06.2029 (Presently envisaged start date)	Lakadia-II PS	2200002927 8-Dec-25	Hero Solar Energy Private Limited	25MW (Solar) 30MW (2Hr) (BESS)	30/04/2027 (requested) 30.06.2029 (as per Presently envisaged start date of original grant)	215.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 1.1 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)
9.	2200001064	400MW	400 MW (Solar)	400	0	23/10/2027 (Firm)	Raghane sda PS	2200002979 26-Dec-25	ACME Solar Holdings Limited	400MW (4 Hr) (BESS)	31/03/2028	400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 8.0 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)

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10.	2200000440	150MW	(Solar: 45.41 MW Wind: 155.19 MW ESS: 73.78 MWhr) <i>(on pro-rata basis as balance IC is considered against Appl. No. 2200001047)</i>	150	150	01/04/2026 (Firm)	Solapur PS	2200003004 05-Jan-26	Solarcraft Power India 16 Private Limited	67MW (Solar) & 19.8MW (Wind)	31/12/2026	150	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conn-BG1: Rs. 50 lakhs • Conn-BG2: NA • Conn-BG-3: Rs. 1.736 Crs. (@Rs. 2.0 lakh/ MW)

Note:

(a) As per clause 5.2(g) of GNA Regulations 2022,

*“The scheduled date of commercial operation for such additional capacity shall be furnished along with the Application: Provided that the **scheduled date of commercial operation (SCOD) shall not be later than 24 months from the date of in-principle grant** of Connectivity by the Nodal Agency in case the additional capacity is REGS (with or without ESS) (except hydro generating station) or ESS (except PSP):*

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Provided further that in case the SCOD, as per this clause falls before the firm Start date of Connectivity of the existing Connectivity Grantee, behind which additional capacity is sought to be added, SCOD shall be considered as 'firm Start Date of Connectivity' of the existing Connectivity Grantee."

Accordingly, for applicants who have submitted SCoD for additional capacity beyond 24 months (Apr'28 or beyond), the SCoD shall be aligned with 24 months from the date of in-principle grant or firm start date of connectivity as applicable in line with 5.2(g).

- (b) Applicable Conn BGs are to be submitted within one month of issuance of in-principle intimation. Upon submission of Conn BGs, final grant intimations shall be issued.
- (c) The existing connectivity grantee shall be responsible for compliance with the Grid Code and other regulations of the Central Commission for the above additional generation capacity as 'Lead generator' in terms of clause (y)(ii) of Regulation 2.1. Further, the existing connectivity grantee shall submit the technical connection data i.r.o. above additional capacity for checking necessary compliances in timely manner so as to provide sufficient time for ensuring necessary compliances.
- (d) Balance ROFR applications under 5.2 & 5.11(a) received during ROFR window shall be discussed in subsequent CMETS-WR meeting.

Matter may be deliberated.

B. Processing of BESS Connectivity Applications under RoFR – Clarifications and Conditions

It may be noted that three meetings were held on 09.02.2026, 20.02.2026 and 17.03.2026 under the chairmanship of Chairperson, CEA on the subject "**Issues related to processing the connectivity applications received from RE Developers**".

In the above meetings, the following directions were issued to CTUIL:

1. **Eligibility under RoFR:**

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- Only BESS applications with a minimum storage duration of **2-hour** shall be considered for grant of connectivity under RoFR mechanism.

2. Mandating REGS for Charging of BESS

- All BESS applications shall be mandated to install commensurate REGS (solar and/or wind) for charging their BESS.

In view of the above directions, the following shall be considered for grant of Connectivity:

1. Minimum Storage Requirement:

Applications submitted under Regulation 5.2 or Regulations 5.11(a) under RoFR, with storage duration of 2 hours and above, shall only be granted connectivity.

Further, applications with storage duration less than 2 hours shall be taken up for processing only after enhancement of storage duration to meet the minimum 2 hours requirement.

2. Restriction on Drawal from ISTS:

- In order to mandate installation of commensurate REGS (solar and/or wind) for charging of BESS to utilize injection rights during non-solar hours, drawal from the ISTS shall not be permitted for charging of BESS, in respect of applications under Regulation 5.2 or 5.11(a).

Conditions to be included in Connectivity Intimations:

Accordingly, the following conditions shall be explicitly incorporated in intimations being issued for BESS applications received under RoFR as per:

- Regulation 5.2 (Solar hour access with injection scheduling rights during non-solar hours), or
- Regulation 5.11(a) (Non-solar hour access with injection scheduling rights during non-solar hours)

***“The entity shall not be permitted for drawal of power from the ISTS for charging of the BESS at any time.*”**

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The applicant shall install commensurate REGS (solar/wind) exclusively for charging of the BESS. Further, the applicant shall not be permitted to utilize the RE capacity granted under solar hour access for charging of BESS, as such capacity is reserved exclusively for injection during solar hours in accordance with the granted connectivity rights.”

The above may be noted.

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