F.No. 48-15/7/2025-NRE Section

Government of India Ministry of Power (NRE Section)

> Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001 Dated the 04th Aug, 2025

To.

Principal Secretaries of Energy of the Government of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Kerala, Punjab, Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Uttarakhand

Subject: Amendment in Operational Guidelines for viability Gap Funding Scheme for development of Battery Energy Storage System supported through Power System Development Fund (PSDF)-reg.

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to invite reference to the Operational Guidelines for Viability Gap Funding Scheme for development of Battery Energy Storage System supported through Power System Development Fund (PSDF) issued vide letter F.No 48-15/7/2025-NRE section dated 09.06.2025 and to convey that the following amendments are made in the Operational Guidelines:

- 2. Clause 3.6 of the said Operational Guidelines is modified as under:
 - "3.6 The project may be connected at InSTS or ISTS. The responsibility for arranging grid connectivity and land shall be as per the RfS document."
- 3. A new clause 3.9 has been inserted in the Operational Guidelines as under:
 - "3.9 The Application Software of the Energy Management System (EMS) of the BESS shall be developed indigenously within India"
- 4. A new clause has been inserted in Guideline 4. Eligible Entity / REIA Responsibilities as under:
 - "4.1 (ii) (b). ensuring that the BESS installed is of requisite quality as per best industry practices and refurbished battery cells are not used in the project."

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

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