<u>Subsidy for Residential Rooftop</u> Solar Plants.

Government of Gujarat
Energy and Petrochemicals Department
G. R. No. SLR-11/2015/401/B
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
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PREAMBLE:

In a major initiative, Govt. of India has prepared a plan to scale-up development of Grid-Connected Solar Power, under the National Solar Mission, from 20,000 MW of grid-connected solar to 1 Lac MW by 2022, giving high emphasis to grid-connected Rooftop Solar Power Projects. In order to achieve this magnitude of capacity, targets have been given by the Central Government to various States, and accordingly Gujarat has been given the target of 8,024 MW Capacity of Solar Energy by 2021-22, out of which 3,200 MW should be from grid-connected Rooftop Solar Projects.

Installation of Rooftop Solar Plants on a large scale is one of the best initiatives, as in such plants, there is no requirement of land, energy is consumed where it is generated; there would be no element of transmission loss or wheeling loss and such plants would be in the interest of public at large as well as State Utilities. Therefore with a view to promote large scale rooftop solar systems on private residential roofs-terraces, it was under consideration of the Govt. for some time to introduce a Scheme of Subsidy to encourage and promote setting up of Rooftop Solar Plants across the State.

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RESOLUTION:-

Accordingly, State Government is pleased to announce a Scheme of Subsidy for promoting large-scale installation of grid connected Solar Roof top Systems by private residential consumers across the State, with following terms & conditions:

- A Subsidy of Rs 10,000 per kW would be disbursed through GEDA after successful installation and commissioning of Rooftop Solar Systems by private residential consumers with maximum limit of Subsidy of Rs 20000/- per consumer.
- 2. The scheme would be limited to installation of 2 kW Rooftop Solar system only. The capacity of the Plant might be higher subject to a ceiling of 50% of contracted load. However, per consumer, maximum Subsidy available shall be Rs. 20,000.
- 3. The scheme would be applicable to the Rooftop Solar Power Generators, set up and commissioned during the operative period of Solar Power Policy-2015.
- 4. The initial target will be 1,00,000 consumers i.e. the first 1,00,000 consumers would get the benefit of this scheme. Thereafter, based on the review and as decided by the Government, this scheme may be continued, discontinued or modified.
- 5. As per the terms prescribed in the Solar Power Policy-2015, the Consumer should install only new plant & machinery and should not shift the plant elsewhere. He/she should be a consumer of the local DisCom and the premises where the

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- rooftop system is based should be connected to the local DisCom's Grid System.
- 6. The beneficiary should own the rooftop solar system, and also should be in legal possession of the premises including rooftop and terrace on which the plant is installed;
- 7. GEDA would be the nodal agency for this scheme. The applicant would need to apply to GEDA in a prescribed form and after certification jointly by GEDA and concerned Distribution Company about successful installation and commissioning of the system; GEDA would release the amount of subsidy to the applicants, limited to Rs.20000/- per consumer.
- 8. This benefit would be in addition to any benefits that the applicant might get from the Central Government. However the applicant will not be allowed to get any other benefit from any other scheme of the State Government for the same investment, and if found to have taken benefit from any other scheme of the State Government, the amount of subsidy will be recovered forthwith.
- 9. In all other aspects, the parameters and terms-conditions of Solar Power Policy-2015 would be applicable. The scheme would remain limited for Household Rooftop Projects only. Any Industrial, Commercial and other consumers or Government and Semi-Government Organizations will not be eligible for this subsidy.

It is also clarified that the Rooftop Solar Plants which have been registered under the new Solar Power Policy-2015, prior to

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introduction of the scheme, would also be eligible for the benefit of the scheme, provided they satisfy other parameters of the scheme and Solar Power Policy-2015.

Implementation of this Scheme shall be done under the administrative control of the Climate Change Department in consultation with Energy & Petrochemicals Department.

The expenditure towards implementation of this scheme would be debited to and met from the grant to be provided in the Budget for the year 2016-17 under the following Budget Head:

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Major Head: 3435-Ecology & Environment

Minor Head: 04(CLS-4) Green Solar Projetcs

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This issues with the concurrence of Climate Change Dept. & Finance Dept. dtd. 16-2-2016 & dtd. 2-3-2016 respectively on this Department file of even number.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat.

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