

# Telangana Solar Power Policy 2015

Sl. No.	Description	Summary
1.	<b>Nodal Agency</b>	Telangana New and Renewable Energy Development Corporation Limited (TNREDCL)
2.	<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Realize and harness the vast solar power potential of the State.</li> <li>2. Contribute to long-term energy security of the state and promote a sustainable fuel mix in generation through higher contribution of solar energy.</li> <li>3. To promote solar parks</li> <li>4. To promote public as well as private investment in solar power generation</li> <li>5. To promote decentralized and distributed generation</li> <li>6. To promote grid connected and off-grid solar applications and effective energy conservation measures.</li> <li>7. To promote all technologies of harnessing solar energy.</li> </ol>
3.	<b>Operative Period</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5-Years</li> <li>• All Solar Projects that are commissioned during the operative period shall be eligible for the incentives declared under this policy, for a period of ten (10) years from the date of commissioning - unless otherwise the period is specifically mentioned.</li> </ul>
4.	<b>Applicability</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Solar Power Projects (SPPs)               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Grid connected solar power projects based on both Photo Voltaic (PV) as well as Solar Thermal technologies                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Projects set up for sale of power to TSDISCOMS</li> <li>• Projects set up for sale of power to third parties within the state</li> </ul> </li> <li>b) Projects set-up for captive generation/ group captive generation (including those funded and owned by developers)</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Solar Roof-top Projects (SRPs) ( Grid connected and off grid ) – This includes projects which are funded and owned by developers</li> <li>3. Off grid applications</li> <li>4. Any other project which is established based on MNRE/GOI Schemes as amended from time to time.</li> <li>5. Solar parks</li> </ol>
5.	<b>Solar Rooftop Projects</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The tariff applicable for units generated under gross metering at 11 KV and below would be average cost of service of the DISCOM as determined by TSERC.</li> <li>2. The tariff applicable for units under net metering would be average pooled power purchase cost.</li> <li>3. No distribution losses/charges shall be applicable for SRPs.</li> </ol>
6.	<b>Ease of Business-Enabling provisions</b>	The project developer has to ensure that the generation is within the time limit stipulated in the PPA or within a maximum period of 2 years from the date of application whichever is earlier, failing which the provisions under

		this policy automatically stands cancelled.
7.	<b>Facilitation of expeditious approvals through single window clearance</b>	A transaction charge of Rs. 10,000/MW shall be applicable for processing applications for single window clearance with a maximum of rupees two lakhs per project.
8.	<b>Deemed conversion to Non-agricultural land status</b>	Land acquired for grid-connected SPPs for sale to DISCOMs/ captive use/ third party sale or for Solar parks shall be deemed to be converted to Non-agricultural land status on payment of applicable conversion charges to the SPC and no further conversion procedures need to be followed by the developers in respect of such land.
9.	<b>Exemption from Land ceiling Act</b>	Land requirement would be computed at rate of 5 acres/ MW or any lower limit based on the advancement of technology.
10.	<b>Transmission and Distribution charges for wheeling of power</b>	The wheeling and transmission charges are exempted for captive use within the state. They will be charged as applicable for third party sale.
11.	<b>Power scheduling and Energy Banking</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All SPPs shall be awarded must-run status that is injection from solar power projects shall be considered as deemed to be scheduled.</li> <li>2. Banking of 100% of energy shall be permitted for all Captive and Open Access/ Scheduled consumers during all 12 months of the year. Banking charges shall be adjusted in kind @ 2% of the energy delivered at the point of drawl.</li> <li>3. The banking year shall be from April to March. Banked units cannot be consumed/redeemed in the peak months (Feb to June) and in the peak hours (6 pm to 10 pm).</li> </ol>
12.	<b>Electricity Duty</b>	Exempted
13.	<b>Cross subsidy Surcharge</b>	For SPP located within the state and selling power to third parties within the state, 100% exemption shall be provided on the cross subsidy surcharge as determined by TSERC for five years from the date of commissioning of the SPP
14.	<b>Bill settlement</b>	In respect of SPPs selling power to the DISCOMS, settlement of energy shall be as per the PPA executed between the SPP and the DISCOM.
15.	<b>Grid Connectivity and Evacuation facility</b>	<p>The SPP developer shall bear the entire cost of transmission infrastructure till the interconnection point, however the following support shall be available to the SPP:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Supervision charges levied by the TSTRANSCO/DISCOMS shall be exempted.</li> <li>b) TSTRANSCO/DISCOMS shall process and close the proposals for technical feasibility within thirty (30) days of receipt of application from the SPP developer.</li> </ol>
16.	<b>Payment of Development Charges and Layout fee and permission from Gram Panchayat</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Development charges and layout fee of INR 25,000 per acre basis shall be levied payable to the respective Panchayat. The land in fraction would be rounded to the next integer for calculating the development charges.</li> <li>2. No further permission is required at the panchayat.</li> </ol>
17.	<b>Refund of VAT</b>	100% refund of VAT/SGST for all the inputs required for solar power projects will be provided by the Commercial Tax Department for a period of

		5 years.
<b>18.</b>	<b>Refund of Stamp Duty</b>	Industries Department will provide incentive in terms of 100% refund of Stamp Duty for land purchased for setting up solar power project and/or Solar parks. Registration charges are payable as per rules.
<b>19.</b>	<b>Open Access</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Intra-state Open Access clearance for the tenure of the project will be granted as per TSERC regulations amended from time to time.</li> <li>2. In absence of any response or intimation from Solar Policy Cell (SPC) to the generator within twenty one (21) working days, then such application shall be deemed to have been given open access.</li> </ol>
<b>20.</b>	<b>PCB clearances</b>	SPPs using PV or solar thermal technology, being a part of green energy will be given required clearances under pollution control laws within a week by the TSPCB.