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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Request for comments on ALMM (Approved List of Models & Manufacturers) for Solar PV Cells

1. Reference is invited to the 'Approved Models and Manufacturers of Solar Photovoltaic Modules (Requirements for Compulsory Registration) Order, 2019' issued by MNRE on 02.01.2019 and various clarifications / amendments thereto issued from time to time along with the Procedural Guidelines dated 28.03.2019 including clarifications / amendments thereto, issued under the ALMM Order.

2. Though the aforesaid ALMM order dated 02.01.2019 had provision for List-I, specifying models and manufacturers of Solar PV Modules and List-II, specifying models and manufacturers of Solar PV Cells, till date, List-II of solar PV cells has not been issued.

3. With installed capacity of solar PV cells in the country expected to increase substantially in next two years, it is envisaged to issue List-II of solar PV cells under ALMM.

4. A draft amendment to ALMM Order in this regard is enclosed at **Annexure**. MNRE seeks views / comments / suggestions from stakeholders on the proposed Draft at Annexure.

5. Views / comments / suggestions on the aforesaid draft amendment to ALMM Order may be sent **latest by 6th October, 2024** by email to the undersigned at **karndhar.sg@nic.in**

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Draft Amendment to ALMM Order for Implementation of ALMM for Solar PV cells

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2. Though the aforesaid ALMM order dated 02.01.2019 had provision for List-I, specifying models and manufacturers of Solar PV Modules and List-II, specifying models and manufacturers of Solar PV Cells, till date, List-II of solar PV cells has not been issued due to installed capacity of solar PV cells in the country being lower than demand.
3. With installed capacity of solar PV cells in the country expected to increase substantially in next two years, it has been proposed to issue List-II of solar PV cells under ALMM, which shall be effective from 01.04.2026.
4. In line with provisions already specified in ALMM Order dated 02.01.2019, all projects falling under the purview of ALMM shall have to mandatorily source their solar PV modules from models and manufacturers included in ALMM List-I for solar PV modules and such solar PV modules in turn shall have to use solar PV cells from amongst the models and manufacturers enlisted in ALMM List-II for solar PV cells.
5. All projects where the last date of bid submission is before the issuance of this order, shall stand exempted from the mandatory requirement of using solar PV cells from ALMM List-II.
6. All projects that are covered under ALMM and would be bid-out, henceforth, including the projects bid out following the Guidelines issued by the Central Government under Section 63 of the Electricity Act 2003, shall have a clause in their tender documents / Request for Selection (RfS) documents that the solar PV modules and solar PV cells used in such projects shall be from the models and manufacturers included in ALMM List-I and ALMM List-II, unless the projects are commissioned prior to the effective date of ALMM List-II for solar PV cells, i.e. 01.04.2026.
7. The solar PV modules which are presently enlisted in ALMM List-I (for solar PV modules) and have their ALMM enlistment validity expiry date beyond 31.03.2026, shall also have to use solar PV cells from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells) from 01.04.2026 onwards, failing which, they will be liable to be delisted from ALMM List-I.