

Approval Supplementary Power Purchase Agreement dated 18.01.2023 entered between the India Power Corporation Limited (IPCL) [formerly, DPSC Limited] and the 2 MW Solar PV generation unit of West Bengal Green Energy Development Corporation Limited (WBGEDCL) at Seebpore, read with Original Agreement dated 12.03.2008. for the next 10 years with retrospective effects from 01.12.2019 in terms of regulation 7.4.1, of the West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011 as amended.



Facts in Brief

- 1.0 The India Power Corporation Limited (in short IPCL') vide letter RA/II/002/22-23/99 dated 02.03.2023 submitted a supplementary petition in continuation of Case No. PPA-5/08-09, filed under Section 86(1)(b) of the Electricity Act 2003 read with Second Proviso of Regulation 7.4.1 of WBERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2011 and amendments thereof for the approval of Supplementary Power Purchase Agreement dated 18.01.2023 entered between the India Power Corporation Limited (IPCL) [formerly, DPSC Limited] and the 2 MW Solar PV generation unit of West Bengal Green Energy Development Corporation Limited (WBGEDCL) at Seebpore, read with Original Agreement dated 12.03.2008. The Commission admitted the application on 06.04.23 and registered it in Case No. PPA -122/22-23.
- 2.0 IPCL in its application as inter-alia stated that
 - 2.1 West Bengal Green Energy Development Corporation Limited ("WBGEDCL") is a developer of grid connected solar PV Power Plant of array capacity 2 MW at Seebpore under Jamuria block District Paschim Bardhban. Power purchase agreement was entered between WBGEDCL and IPCL on 12.03.2008 for a period of 25 years with an objective of fulfilling the mandatory commitment as set forth by the commission in respect of purchase of minimum quantum of electricity from co-generation and renewable energy sources.
 - 2.2 As per term of PPA dated 12.3.2008, the rates specified in clause 8.1 shall remain for a period of 10 years from the date of COD of the plant i.e. 29.8.2009 (1.1 MW) and 30.3.2012 (0.9MW). Thereafter prevailing tariff order of the commission shall be adopted.
 - 2.3 In view of above, IPCL has filed this petition seeking approval of the first supplementary PPA dated 18.01.2023 read with original PPA date 12.03.2008.
 - 2.4 IPCL has executed PPA with WBGEDCL on mutually agreed rate of Rs. 3.40 /kWh within the capped price of Solar power considering the age of plant and cost related aspect. WBGEDCL formed a working committee for evaluation of mutually agreed rates and subsequently agreed by WBGEDCL Board.
 - 2.5 The Supplementary PPA dated 18.01.2023, the parties have also expressly agreed that all terms and condition of original PPA dated 12.3.2008 shall remain unaltered and the supplementary PPA