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Government of India
Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg,
New Delhi, 11th June, 2025

To,

1. Secretary, MNRE, New Delhi
2. Secretary, Ministry of MSME
3. Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, Sewa Bhavan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi
4. Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC), New Delhi
5. Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Power/Energy) of all State Governments/UTs
6. Secretaries of All State Electricity Regulatory Commissions/JERCs.
7. Chairman/CMDs of all PSUs under administrative control of Ministry of Power
8. CMD, SECI, New Delhi
9. CMDs/MDs of Discoms/Gencos of all State Governments
10. CMD, IEX LTD New Delhi & MD/CEO, PXIL, Mumbai
11. DG, All India Discoms Associations, New Delhi
12. DG, Association of Power Producers, New Delhi.
13. President, FICCI, House No. 1, Tansen Marg New Delhi
14. President, CII, New Delhi
15. President, PHDCCI, New Delhi
16. ASSOCHAM, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi
17. Member, PRAYAS Energy Group, Pune
18. DG, Electric Power Transmission Association (EPTA), New Delhi
19. Chairman Indian Wind Power Association, New Delhi
20. Chairman, Indian Wind Turbine Manufacturers Association, New Delhi
21. Director General, National Solar Energy Federation of India (NSEFI), New Delhi.
22. DG, Solar Power Developers Association
23. CEO, PFC Consulting Ltd. (PFCCL), New Delhi

Subject: Draft amendments proposed in Rule 18 (i.e., Energy Storage System) of Electricity Rules, 2005 - Reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to forward herewith draft amendments proposed in Rule 18 (i.e., Energy Storage System) of Electricity Rules, 2005, with the request to provide your comments, if any, to this Ministry within 30 days from the date of this letter i.e., by 10.07.2025. The comments may also be emailed at rr1-mop@gov.in.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully

Encl.: as above


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Copy for information to: PS to Hon'ble Minister for Power, Sr. PPS to Secy. (P), PPS to AS(SN), PSO to CE (R&R), Ministry of Power.

Copy to: Technical Director, NIC Cell for uploading on MOP's website under "Current Notices" with the heading of "Draft amendments proposed in Rule 18 (i.e., Energy Storage System) of Electricity Rules, 2005 - Reg."

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF POWER

New Delhi, the June, 2025

NOTIFICATION

G.S.R. (E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 176 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (Act 36 of 2003), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, further to amend the Electricity Rules, 2005, namely:-

1. **Short title and commencement.** - (1) These rules may be called the Electricity (Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Electricity Rules, 2005, in Rule 18, for sub-rule (2), (4) and (5), the following sub rules shall be substituted, namely:

"(2) The Energy Storage System shall be utilised either as independent energy storage system or as part of generation, transmission, or distribution.

(4)(a) The Energy Storage System can be developed, owned, leased or operated by a generating company or a transmission licensee or a distribution licensee or a consumer or a system operator or an independent energy storage service provider.

(b) The Energy Storage System shall have the same legal status as that of the owner:

Provided that if such an Energy Storage System is not co-located with, but owned and operated by, the generating station or distribution licensee or consumer, the legal status shall still be that of the owner but for the purpose of scheduling and dispatch and other matters it shall be treated at par with a separate storage element.

(5) The developer or owner of the Energy Storage System, shall have an option to sell or lease or rent out the storage space in whole or in part to any consumer or utility engaged in generation or transmission or distribution; or to a Load Despatch Centre.”

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Additional Secretary to the Govt. of India

Note: The Principal Rules were published 2005 in the Gazette of India vide notification number G.S.R 379 (E), dated the 8th June, 2005 and were recently amended vide notification number G.S.R 181 (E), dated the 12th, March 2024.