Meghalaya (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation & its Compliance) Regulations - 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

Control Period	From the date of gazette notification.					
Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO)	Year	Minimum quantum o	Minimum quantum of purchase (in %) from renewable energy sources (in kWh)			
		Solar	Non-solar	Total		
	2015-16	0.41	1.09	1.5		
	2016-17	0.42	1.58	2.0		
	2017-18	0.43	2.07	2.5		
	 Provided that under any scheme for promoting generation from renewable source is made through generation from off-grid renewable generation in the state, the same may be accounted for RPO of the distribution licensee, if Commission so permits. Compliance (FY 2015-16) - 203.50% 					
Obligated Entities	Distribution licensees, consumers owning captive power plants, and open access consumers in the state.					
Ways to Meet RPO	• Own generation or procurement of power from RE developer or purchase from other licensee or purchase of renewable energy certificates or combination of any of the given options.					
Certificates	 Certificates shall be the valid instruments for the discharge of mandatory obligations set out in these regulations for the obligated entities to purchase electricity from renewable energy sources. Obligations to purchase solar and non-solar energy can be fulfilled only by purchase of solar and non-solar certificates, respectively. Certificates purchased by obligated entities shall be deposited with the Commission as per procedure issued by the state agency, on the lines of centralagency 					

OTHER PROVISIONS

State agency	The Meghalaya Non-Conventional and Rural Energy Development Agency Commission (MNREDA).

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Effect of default	 The Commission may direct the obligated entity to deposit into a separate RPO fund such amount as the Commission may determine on the basis of the shortfall in units of RPO and the forbearance price. The fund shall be utilized only after approval of the Commission for purchase of certificates or as per the Commission's directives. Defaulting entity shall also be liable for penalty under section 142 of the Electricity Act. 	
Monitoring and Implementation framework	State agency shall, in coordination with licensee/s, monitor the project and maintain accounts of sale and purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates.	
Links	http://mserc.gov.in/regulations.html	
References	MSERC (Renewable Energy Purchase Obligation & its Compliance) Regulations, 2015 : http://mserc.gov.in/regulations/MSERC_RPO_12-03-2015.pdf	