

Puducherry Solar Energy Policy - 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

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| Nodal Agency | Renewable Energy Agency, Puducherry. |
| Applicable Technologies | Solar photovoltaic and solar thermal. |
| Policy Period | Five years from the date of notification in 2016. |
| Targets under Policy | Making solarenergy a mainstream energy resource by 2025. |
| Incentives | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government may provide incentives in the form of sales tax reduction, soft loans, etc. • Solar energy projects with gross energy feed-in and metering would be treated as industry and would be eligible for incentives available to industrial units. |
| Eligibility Conditions | Not available |
| Tax Exemptions | Solar energy equipment exempted from VAT for a period of five years. |
| Evacuation Arrangement | Electricity Department, Puducherry, or distribution licensee would undertake augmentation of transmission and distribution lines, cables and other infrastructure, as required. |

OTHER PROVISIONS

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| Land for solar projects | An inventory of surplus or unused land with public undertakings, Govt. of Union Territory of Puducherry, urban and local bodies and gram panchayats, will be identified by the revenue department for solar energy generation projects. |
| Building code | The town and country planning department, in collaboration with local bodies, shall amend their bye-laws with due mandatory provisions for solar heating facilities in residential and commercial buildings. |
| Demand cut | Producers, who also consume, are exempted from demand cuts, power cuts, and other restrictions and controls, provided the minimum percentage of energy consumed in a year is generated from their solar energy system. |

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| Single window clearance | Statutory clearances required for development and commissioning of solar energy projects would be facilitated through single window clearance by the Renewable Energy Agency, Puducherry. |
| Links | http://mnre.gov.in |
| References | http://mnre.gov.in/file-manager/UserFiles/Grid-Connected-Solar-Rooftop-policy/Puducherry-Solar-Energy-Policy-2015.pdf |