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Sir,

Sub:- APERC – Transfer of connectivity within the Intra-State Transmission System – Clarification - Issued – Reg.

Ref:- Lr.No.CGM/Comml.&Co-ord/GM/Comml/DGM/Comml/F-APE RC/D.No232/25, Dt: [20.05.2025](http://www.aperc.gov.in).

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In the cited reference, APTRANSCO sought clarification on certain points regarding the transfer of connectivity to the Intra-State Transmission System, with reference to the relevant CERC Regulations. On examination of all points, the Commission issued clarification point-wise as follows.

Point 1. In the absence of specific guidelines for transferring connectivity within the intra-state transmission system, can the aforementioned CERC clause be applied to requests for transferring connectivity to the APTRANSCO grid?

Clarification: The provisions of the CERC (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) Regulations, 2022, are not directly applicable to connectivity granted under the Intra-State Transmission System. However, in the absence of specific provisions governing the transfer of connectivity under the State regulatory framework, APTRANSCO may be guided by the underlying principles therein, to the extent they are consistent with the Regulations and Orders of the Commission.

Point 2. As per the CERC clause on connectivity transfer, the minimum stipulated capacity is 50 MW. Hence, a clarification is requested on the minimum capacity to be considered for processing such requests within the intra-state system.

Clarification: The minimum capacity of 50 MW specified under the CERC (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) Regulations, 2022 applies only to the ISTS framework and not to the Intra-State Transmission System. APTRANSCO may examine requests in all cases where it has granted connectivity.

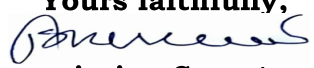
Point 3. If the solar/wind project under a cluster scheme has connectivity to the APTRANSCO grid substation, can the original grantee's connectivity be considered for transfer to new upcoming individual projects within the cluster, where the new projects are neither subsidiaries nor shareholders of the grantee and intend to use the electrical system of the existing connectivity grantee?

Clarification: Connectivity granted to a project or developer is project-specific and does not constitute a freely transferable right. Accordingly, connectivity extended under a cluster scheme to the original grantee shall not automatically vest in or extend to any other project that was not part of the original grant, even if such project is located within the same cluster or proposes to utilise the same evacuation infrastructure. Any proposal seeking to transfer, extend, or utilise such connectivity by a project other than the original grantee shall be examined and approved by APTRANSCO on a case-by-case basis, having due regard to technical feasibility and acceptance of original grantee.

Point 4. In case of solar/wind projects under a cluster scheme that have connectivity permission in the name of the project developer for connecting to the APTRANSCO grid substation, and individual projects in the cluster have already achieved COD and are operational under various agreements (PPA/OA), can the connectivity of the original grantee be considered for transfer to those existing individual projects/power developer upon request to the nodal agency, even though the individual projects are neither subsidiaries nor shareholders of that project?.

Clarification: Where connectivity has been granted in the name of a developer under a cluster-based evacuation scheme, and one or more individual generating projects within such cluster have already achieved Commercial Operation Date (COD) and are operational under duly approved Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) and/or Open Access (OA) arrangements, utilising the sanctioned evacuation infrastructure, APTRANSCO may, upon application, examine proposals for transfer, bifurcation, or allocation of connectivity in favour of such existing projects, even if such projects are not subsidiaries, affiliates, or shareholders of the original connectivity grantee subject to the consent of the original developer.

(By order of the Commission)

Yours faithfully,

Commission Secretary i/c

To
The Chairman and Managing Director, APTRANSCO, Vijayawada.