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GREEN ENERGY SCHEME FOR COOPERATIVES *under the* CEB SMALL SCALE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION (SSDG) SCHEME

The Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division) in collaboration with the Ministry of Energy and Public Utilities and the Central Electricity Board (CEB) is implementing a Green Energy Scheme for Cooperatives. The Green Energy Scheme for Cooperatives is being operated under the same principle as the existing Small Scale Distributed Generation (SSDG) Net Metering Scheme of the CEB.

The objective of the Green Energy Scheme is to allow cooperatives to produce electricity from solar photovoltaic(PV) systems. Under this Scheme, cooperative federations and societies would be entitled to install solar PV not exceeding 5 kilowatt peak(kWp) and would benefit from a one off grant of Rs10,000 per kWp up to a maximum of Rs50,000. The remaining costs and related expenses for the project will have to be borne by the cooperative society/federation.

Some 20 active cooperatives are expected to benefit from this Scheme which will be implemented during the financial year 2016/2017 on a first come first serve basis.

Mode of Application

Application forms are available at:

Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division), 3rd Floor, LIC Centre, John Kennedy Street, Port Louis.

Website of the Ministry:<http://cooperatives.govmu.org>

Regional Cooperatives Centres

CEB Customer Service Offices

SSDG Unit, Central Electricity Board, Curepipe

CEB Website: <http://ceb.intnet.mu>

Given the technical specificity of the Scheme, interested cooperatives are requested to consult the CEB website or contact the SSDG Unit, CEB Curepipe (Phone No. 601-1100) for any other information on the Scheme. Cooperatives shall ensure that the SSDG installations comply with all conditions set out in the SSDG Net Metering Grid Code (available on CEB website).

The duly completed application form, with all required documents, have to be submitted in person to the Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division), 3rd Floor, LIC Centre, John Kennedy Street, Port Louis.

The CEB will accept applications from the Cooperative Sector until a maximum cumulative capacity of **100 kW** of solar PV installations is attained and thereafter another communiqué will be issued in this respect.

The Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division)
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