

GREEN ENERGY SCHEME FOR COOPERATIVES

Description of the Scheme

The Green Energy Scheme for Cooperatives is being implemented by the Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division) in collaboration with the Ministry of Energy and Public Utilities and the Central Electricity Board.

The Green Energy Scheme for Cooperatives comprises the production of electricity by cooperatives using solar photovoltaic (PV) installation and the provision of a grant for PV installation.

The Central Electricity Board (CEB) has a Small Scale Distributed Generation (SSDG) Net Metering Scheme within which the Cooperative Sector will be integrated. This Scheme is based on the net metering principle which will allow cooperatives to produce electricity solely for their own consumption.

A maximum capacity of 100 kilowatt solar PV installations from the Cooperative Sector will be integrated into the CEB grid.

A cooperative society/federation would be entitled for a solar PV installation not exceeding 5 kilowatt peak(kWp) and a one-off grant of Rs10,000 per kWp PV installed up to a maximum of 5 kWp. All other

related costs/expenses for the project will have to be borne by the cooperative society.

Some 20 cooperatives are expected to benefit from the scheme which will be implemented during the year 2016/2017.

Objective of the Scheme

The Scheme aims at offering cooperative societies and cooperative federations the opportunity to produce electricity using solar photovoltaic technology, and is in line with the Government's Long Term Energy Strategy to increase the share of renewable energy to 35% in the national energy mix by 2025 and maintained at 35% until horizon 2030.

Benefits of the Scheme

- Savings on monthly CEB bills.
- Contributing to the preservation of the environment.

Eligibility Criteria

- Beneficiaries should be duly registered cooperative societies or cooperative federations with the Registrar of Cooperative Societies.
- The cooperative should be active.
- The cooperative should have an active electricity account in its name at the proposed site.

Conditions

- The cooperative should satisfy other criteria of the SSDG Net Metering Scheme.
- The solar PV installation by each eligible cooperative society/federation should **not exceed 5 kWp**.
- The electricity produced should be used for own consumption and any excess energy produced would be exported to the CEB grid to be used as and when electricity produced is not sufficient to meet the actual consumption of the cooperative society/federation.
- The grant of Rs10,000/kWp for a maximum of 5kWp per cooperative would be disbursed by the Ministry of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division) to the Supplier/PV installer following installation of the PV by the cooperative and commissioning by the CEB.
- The Scheme will be on a first come first serve basis.
- The SSDG installation shall comply with all conditions set out in the applicable CEB SSDG Net Metering Grid Code.
- Cooperatives shall ensure the operation and maintenance of the PV system.
(Refer to CEB website for other applicable conditions)

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 of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives (Cooperatives Division):

<http://cooperatives.govmu.org>

Regional Cooperative Centres

CEB Customer Service Offices

SSDG Unit, Central Electricity Board, Curepipe

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

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

Applicable processing and connection fees shall be charged by the CEB.

Note: It is recommended that you contact your installer or any other person who can conduct a more in-depth financial analysis for you before investing in the scheme. Your installer will help you fill in the technical part of the Application Form.

Contact Details

SSDG UNIT

Central Electricity Board

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