Inviting nominations for the 8th Foundation Day Awards

On the initiative of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, an Association of Renewable and Energy Agencies of States (AREAS) was formed and registered as society under Society Registration Act, 1860 on 27.08.2014. Hon'ble Union Minister, in-charge of New and Renewable Energy is the Ex-Officio Patron and the Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is the Ex-Officio President of the Association. All State Nodal Agencies working for promotion of renewable energy in respective States are the members of the Association. The details related to the Association and its activities are available on https://areas.org.in . The Association is going to celebrate its 8th Foundation Day on 27.08.2022. On this day Awards will be given to the States/SNAs/Organisations/Industries for achieving excellence in renewable energy under different categories.

2. Accordingly, nominations are invited for following award categories:

I. Awards for States/SNAs:
   1. Highest cumulative grid connected renewable energy installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   2. Highest cumulative grid connected solar power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   3. Highest cumulative grid connected wind power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   4. Highest cumulative grid connected biomass power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   5. Highest cumulative grid connected small hydro power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   6. Highest cumulative grid connected waste to energy installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
   8. Highest grid connected renewable energy capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
   9. Highest grid connected solar power capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
11. Highest grid connected biomass power capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
12. Highest grid connected small hydro power capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
13. Highest grid connected waste to energy capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
15. Highest cumulative numbers of standalone solar pumps installed as on 31.3.2022.
17. Highest RPO (in % terms) achieved during 2021-22.

II. Awards for Discoms/Electricity Departments:
1. Highest cumulative grid connected rooftop solar installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
2. Highest grid connected rooftop solar capacity (MW) installed during 2021-22.
3. Highest RPO (in % terms) achieved during 2021-22.

III. Awards for Transmission Company:
1. Highest cumulative transmission capacity (MVA) and transmission lines (ckt-km) installed for renewable power as on 31.03.2022. They have to also inform cumulative transmission capacity (MVA) and transmission lines (ckt-km) of the company.

IV. Awards for Banks:
1. Highest amount of loan sanctioned and disbursed for renewable energy projects during 2021-2022.

V. Awards for non-Banking Financial Institutions:
1. Highest amount of loan sanctioned and disbursed for renewable energy projects during 2021-2022.

VI. Awards for PSUs:
1. Highest cumulative grid connected renewable energy capacity (MW) installed for captive use as on 31.03.2022.
2. Utilization of Green Energy in term of percentage of total energy as on 31.3.2022.

VII. Awards for Independent Power Producers:
1. Highest cumulative grid connected renewable energy installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
2. Highest cumulative grid connected solar power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
3. Highest cumulative grid connected wind power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
4. Highest cumulative grid connected biomass power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
5. Highest cumulative grid connected small hydro power installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
6. Highest cumulative grid connected waste to energy installed capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022.
7. Highest cumulative grid connected wind-solar hybrid capacity (MW) installed as on 31.03.2022.

VIII. Award for RE equipment manufacture in India
1. Highest solar module manufacturing capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022 and capacity manufactured during 2021-22.
2. Highest solar cell manufacturing capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022 and capacity manufactured during 2021-22.
3. Highest wind turbine manufacturing capacity (MW) as on 31.03.2022 capacity manufactured during 2021-22.

IX. Other Categories:
1. Highest cumulative rooftop solar capacity installed by a company for captive use as on 31.3.2022.
2. Highest cumulative grid connected rooftop solar capacity installed by a company under RESCO mode as on 31.3.2022.
3. Highest cumulative grid connected rooftop solar capacity installed by a company (as EPC contractor/system integrator) as on 31.3.2022.
4. Company (other than PSUs) using green energy in terms of percentage of total energy consumption as on 31.3.2022.
5. Highest renewable power capacity traded during 2021-22.

States/SNAs/Discoms/Transcos/PSUs/IPPs/Banks/NBFIs/Industries/Organisations are requested to send nominations clearly stating the award category for which they are filing the nominations along with details and required documents in support of their nomination. The nomination has to be sent by the authorised signatory of the organisation along with a declaration that the information provided is factual and correct. The nominations may please be sent at areasdelhi@gmail.com by 31st July 2022.

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