

**No. 283/34/2026-GRID SOLAR**

भारत सरकार / Government of India

**नवीन और नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय/ Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE)**

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**Dated: 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Sub: Approved List of Models & Manufacturers (ALMM) List-II for solar PV cells: Clarification regarding applicability on rooftop solar projects on Government Buildings – reg.**

1. Vide MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024, MNRE issued the framework for implementation of ALMM for solar PV cells. This O.M. dated 09.12.2024, inter alia, proposed to issue ALMM List-II for solar PV cells, to be effective from 1st June 2026, and mandated that all projects falling under the purview of ALMM shall have to mandatorily source their solar PV modules from models and manufacturers included in ALMM List-I for solar PV modules, and such solar PV modules in turn shall have to use solar PV cells from amongst the models and manufacturers enlisted in ALMM List-II for solar PV cells, as per the specified terms and conditions.
2. Para 8 of the aforesaid OM dated 09.12.2024, inter alia, stated that Net-Metering and Open Access RE Power Projects, which are mandated to use ALMM enlisted modules, will stand exempted from the requirement of using solar PV cells from ALMM List-II if such projects get commissioned before 1st June 2026. All Net-Metering Projects and Open Access RE Power Projects commissioned on or after 1st June 2026 shall mandatorily source their solar PV modules from ALMM List-I and their solar PV cells from ALMM List-II.
3. MNRE issued an amendment to the aforesaid O.M. dated 09.12.2024, vide MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025, wherein requisite adjustments were made in para 5 and para 6 of the aforesaid O.M. dated 09.12.2024.
4. First version/initial ALMM List-II for solar PV cells was issued on 31st July 2025, and this, in line with aforesaid amendment dated 28.07.2025, effectively shifted the cut-off date for applicability of ALMM for solar PV cells on projects awarded through bidding, from 09.12.2024 to 31.08.2025.
5. In view of representations received, MNRE, vide Office Memorandum No. 283/24/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 12.08.2025, inter alia, clarified as follows:

*"In case of Government projects under Net Metering / Behind-the-Meter/ Open Access mechanism, if such projects are awarded through bidding and the last date of bid submission is on or before the cut-off date of 31st August 2025 (the date which falls exactly after one month of the publication of ALMM List-II for solar PV cells on 31st July 2025) then such Government projects shall be exempt from using solar PV cells enlisted in ALMM List-II and requisite ALMM compliance for such Government projects shall be limited only to using solar PV modules enlisted in ALMM List-I (for solar PV modules)."*

6. Further, to avoid confusion, MNRE, vide its O.M. No. 283/64/2025-GRID SOLAR dated 23.09.2025, issued responses to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) with respect to ALMM for solar PV cells, wherein MNRE, inter alia, clarified, on the following lines:

- a) For projects awarded through bidding, if last date of bid submission is on or before the cut-off date of 31st August 2025, the projects are exempt from ALMM for solar cells, else not. The applicability of this provision is to bids which were live as on 28.07.2025.

However, if the bid conditions in tenders where the last date of bid submission was between

**09.12.2024** (the date of issuance of MNRE's Office Memorandum No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024 for implementation of ALMM for solar PV cells)

and

**28.07.2025** (the date of amendment to MNRE's aforesaid Office Memorandum dated 09.12.2024, vide MNRE's Office Memorandum No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025),

provided for usage of solar PV cells from ALMM List-II for solar PV cells, such conditions will remain valid, as MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 28.07.2025, which modified the MNRE's O.M. No. 283/59/2024-GRID SOLAR dated 09.12.2024, and the issuance of first list of ALMM for solar PV cells on 31.07.2025, has effectively shifted the cut-off date for applicability of ALMM for solar PV cells on projects awarded through bidding, from 09.12.2024 to 31.08.2025 and MNRE's O.M. of 28.07.2025 does NOT directly / automatically relax the bid conditions in tenders wherein the last date of bid submission was between 09.12.2024 and 28.07.2025.

- b) For Net-Metering & Open Access Projects, if commissioned prior to Effective Date of 1st June 2026, the projects are exempt from ALMM for solar cells, else not.

7. Several requests have been received in MNRE requesting to clarify the applicability of ALMM List-II for rooftop solar projects on Government buildings. The requests have been examined and following is hereby clarified:

**A. For Rooftop Solar Projects on Government Buildings, which have been awarded through bidding:**

- i. If the last date of bid submission was on or prior to 09.12.2024 – the projects will be exempt from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells).
- ii. If the last date of bid submission was between 09.12.2024 to 28.07.2025 – w.r.t. applicability of ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells), the projects will be governed by the provisions in this regard in the tender documents.
- iii. If the last date of bid submission was from 28.07.2025 to 31.08.2025 – the projects will be exempt from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells).
- iv. If the last date of bid submission was after 31.08.2025 – the projects will not be exempt from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells).

**B. For Rooftop Solar Projects (Net-Metering/ Open Access) on Government Buildings, which have not been awarded through bidding:**

- i. If commissioned prior to 01.06.2026 – the projects will be exempt from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells).
- ii. If not commissioned prior to 01.06.2026 but complying to conditions for availing time-extension beyond 31.05.2026 for commissioning with exemption from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells) as per MNRE's O.M. No. 283/63/2025-GRID SOLAR dated 25.05.2026 – the projects can get exemption from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells) if the projects are granted such exemption by the competent authority, as per procedure defined in MNRE's O.M. No. 283/63/2025-GRID SOLAR dated 25.05.2026 and subsequent OMs in this regard.
- iii. If commissioned on or after 01.06.2026 and not granted any exemption from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells) by competent authority as per MNRE's O.M. No. 283/63/2025-GRID SOLAR dated 25.05.2026 – the projects will not be exempted from ALMM List-II (for solar PV cells).

8. This issues with the approval of Secretary, MNRE.



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