



**THE UTTAR PRADESH ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**LUCKNOW**

**Petition No. 2196 of 2025**

**QUORUM**

Hon'ble Shri Arvind Kumar, Chairman

Hon'ble Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Member

**IN THE MATTER OF**

In the matter of Petition under section 86(1)(e) of the Electricity Act, 2003; Regulation 44, 57 and 59 of UPERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2019; Rule 11(4) & 11(5) of Electricity (Right of Consumer) Rules, 2020; Regulation 16 Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Rooftop Solar PV Grid Interactive System Gross/Net Metering) Regulation, 2019; seeking relaxation of Regulation 7.1 and Annexure 1 of Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Rooftop Solar PV Grid Interactive System Gross/Net Metering) Regulations, 2019 in order to allow for waiver of the net-metering application and registration fees for grid connected rooftop solar PV systems up to 10 kW as well as approve the proposed Standard Operating Procedure for net-metering under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana scheme for grid connected rooftop solar PV systems up to 10kW.

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF**

**Uttar Pradesh New & Renewable Energy Development Agency (UPNEDA),**

Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow, U.P. – 226010.

..... Petitioner

**Versus**

**Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited,**

(Through its Managing Director) Shakti Bhawan 14 Ashok Marg, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh-226001.

..... Respondent

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## THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT

1. Shri Swanand Vaidya, Consultant, UPNEDA
2. Shri Divyanshu Bhatt, Advocate, UPNEDA

## ORDER

(DATE OF HEARING: 01.04.2025)

1. The present Petition has been filed by UPNEDA seeking relaxation of Regulation 7.1 read with Annexure 1 of Uttar Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Rooftop Solar PV Grid Interactive System Gross/Net Metering) Regulation, 2019 to allow for waiver of the Net metering application and registration fees for grid connected rooftop solar PV systems upto 10 kW as well as approval of the proposed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for net metering under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojna (PMSGMBY) scheme.
2. It has been submitted that to meet the target of 25 lakh installations for the state by 31.03.2027, the Petitioner has prepared a detailed SOP for the State of Uttar Pradesh. It is further submitted that the implementation of the proposed SOP was crucial for expediting the net-metering process across the State of Uttar Pradesh which would be useful in increasing the number of solar rooftop installations, thereby allowing state DISCOMs to benefit directly from the incentives provided by the Central Government.
3. It has also been submitted that as per Regulation 7.1 read with Annexure 1 of RSPV Regulations, 2019 eligible consumers were required to pay a registration fee of ₹1,000 and an application fee of ₹250 (total ₹1,250) for installing a grid-interactive rooftop solar PV system. The Petitioner has referred to the GoI D.O letter dated 13.01.2025, issued by MNRE, which states that the Discoms are imposing various fees and charges at different stages of a rooftop solar application process.
4. Accordingly, the Petitioner has sought relaxation of Regulation 7.1 read with Annexure 1 of RSPV regulations, 2019 for waiver of application and registration fees and also to approve the proposed SOP for Net-Metering for connections up to 10kW for grid interactive rooftop solar PV

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systems under the RSPV Regulations, 2019. It has further been prayed to pass an Order directing the Respondent to strictly follow the SOP as approved by the Commission.

5. The Commission observed that apart from the issues raised in the present Petition, there were certain other aspects such as waiver of the requirement for Net metering agreement, requirement of security deposit, meter testing charges and treatment for consumers having arrears, which had been flagged in the letter dated 24.03.2025 issued by MNRE and it would be prudent to address all the related issues holistically, if considered necessary by Petitioner. Accordingly, 15 days' time is granted to the Petitioner to decide and make amendment to the petition, if any.
6. The next date of hearing is scheduled on 17.04.2025.

  
**(Sanjay Kumar Singh)**  
**Member**

  
**(Arvind Kumar)**  
**Chairman**



Place: Lucknow

Dated: 07 .04.2025

