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Extension of the Operative Period of the Gujarat Small Hydel Policy - 2016

Government of Gujarat Energy & Petrochemicals Department G.R. No. MMH/e-file/20/2022/0001/B1 Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

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Read:

- 1) Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 vide this Department's Resolution No. MMH-11-2015-1342-B, dated 28/03/2016.
- 2) Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 vide this Department's Resolution No. REN/11/2021/WG/B1, dated 28/06/2021.
- 3) Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 vide this Department's Resolution No. MMH-11-2015-1342-B, dated 13/04/2022.
- 4) Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 vide this Department's Resolution No. MMH-11-2015-1342(P-1)/B1 dated 21/10/2022.
- 5) Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 vide this Department's Resolution No. MMH-11-2015-1342(P-1)/B1 dated 31/03/2023.

Preamble:

The Government of Gujarat vide its G.R. dated 28/03/2016 referred to at Sr. No. 1 above, announced the Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016, with an operative period up to 27/03/2021, with a vision to promote investments in hydro energy sector to optimally harness clean and renewable energy from rivers, streams and canals. The operative period of the Policy was extended up to 30/09/2023 vide GR dated 31/03/2024 referred as at Serial No. 5 above.

Gujarat has rivers, streams, and a large canal network that could be utilized for generating clean and renewable power through Small Hydel Projects. To meet the Renewable Power Purchase Obligation (RPO), increase proportion of renewable energy sources, enhance energy security by diversifying the energy mix and reducing dependence on fossil fuels, it was under consideration of the State Government to extend the operative period of the said Policy in public interest to boost the generation capacity of Renewable Energy in the State.

Resolution:

After careful consideration, the Government is pleased to further extend the operative period of the Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 up to 31st March 2027 or till a new Policy is announced, whichever is earlier.

Clause No. 2 regarding Operative Period in the said Policy, therefore, stands modified to this extent. All other provisions of the Gujarat Small Hydel Policy-2016 shall remain unchanged.

This issues with the concurrence of the Water Resources Department, Climate Change Department and Finance Department on the Department's file of even number.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

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Joint Secretary to the Government Energy & Petrochemicals Department

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- 9) The Addl. Chief Secretary, Energy and Petrochemicals Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar
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- 12) *The Secretary, Vigilance Commission, Gandhinagar.
- 13) The Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 14) The Secretary, Climate Change Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 15) *The Secretary, Gujarat Legislature Secretariat, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 16) The Resident Commissioner, Gujarat State, New Delhi
- 17) The Account General, Ahmedabad/ Rajkot.
- 18) All Departments of Secretariat, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 19) The Chairman, Power Finance Corpo. Ltd, New Delhi
- 20) The Managing Director, Gujarat Power Corporation Ltd, Gandhinagar.
- 21) The Managing Director, Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Ltd, Vadodara.
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- 23) The Managing Director, Gujarat Energy Transmission Corpo. Ltd, Vadodara.
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- 25) The Managing Director, Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Ltd, Vadodara.
- 26) The Managing Director, Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Ltd, Surat.
- 27) The Managing Director, Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Ltd, Rajkot.
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