

# Andhra Pradesh Wind Power Policy, 2015, Dated: 13.02.2015

Sl. No.	Description	Summary
1.	<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To encourage, develop and promote wind power generation in the State with a view to meet the growing demand for power in an environmentally and economically sustainable manner.</li> <li>2. To attract private investment to the State for the establishment of large wind power projects.</li> <li>3. To promote investments for setting up manufacturing facilities in the State, which can generate gainful local employment.</li> </ol>
2.	<b>Operative Period</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The policy shall come into operation with effect from the date of issuance and shall remain applicable for a period of five (5) years and/ or shall remain in force till such time a new policy is issued.</li> <li>2. Wind power projects that are commissioned during the operative period shall be eligible for the incentives declared under this policy, for a period of ten (10) years from the date of commissioning – unless the period is specifically mentioned for any incentive.</li> </ol>
3.	<b>Eligibility</b>	All registered companies, Joint Venture Companies, Central and State power generation/ distribution companies and public / private sector wind power developers will be eligible for setting up of wind power projects, either for the purpose of captive/group captive use and/or for selling of electricity to the utilities or third parties, in accordance with the Electricity Act-2003, as amended from time to time.
4.	<b>Category</b>	<p><b>Category I:</b> Projects set up in government/revenue lands or forest areas or assigned lands and also in private lands selling power within the state.</p> <p><b>Category II:</b> Projects set up for captive use or group captive use /3rd party sale within or outside the state.</p> <p><b>Category III:</b> Sale of power at average power purchase cost and availing Renewable Energy Certificate (REC).</p>
5.	<b>Capacity Allotment</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The wind power projects shall be allowed in the areas notified by MNRE or in the areas where wind monitoring studies have been undertaken by MNRE/NIWE/NREDCAP/GoAP.</li> <li>2. NREDCAP shall be responsible for capacity allotment for upto 40 MW and to recommend capacity allotment beyond 40 MW to Government of AP.</li> </ol>
6.	<b>Solar and Wind Hybrid Power Projects</b>	To enable better utilization of common infrastructure and related facilities, solar and wind hybrid power projects shall be encouraged in the State. The tariff for such solar projects shall be as determined by APERC.
7.	<b>Power Evacuation</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Eligible Developer shall bear the entire cost of power evacuation facilities for interconnecting the wind farm with the grid.</li> <li>2. Wind power projects will be exempted from paying the supervision charges to APTransco/Discom towards the internal evacuation infrastructure within the wind farm site and up to pooling sub-station.</li> <li>3. APTransco/Discom will dispose the proposals for the technical feasibility for evacuation within 14 days from the date of receipt of application. Any upstream system strengthening requirement shall be borne by APTransco/Discom on a priority basis.</li> </ol>

8.	<b>Transmission and Distribution charges</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exempted for within the State.</li> <li>2. Transmission and Distribution charges for wheeling of power generated from the wind power projects for sale outside the State shall be as per regulations of APERC.</li> <li>3. The 3rd party sale by Eligible Developers under this policy will be permitted only to HT – I category consumers as categorized in Tariff Orders and as per the regulations issued by APERC from time to time.</li> </ol>
9.	<b>Energy Banking</b>	Banking of 100% of energy shall be permitted during all 12 months of the year. Banking charges shall be adjusted in kind @ 2% of the energy delivered at the point of drawal. The banking year shall be from April to March.
10.	<b>Open Access</b>	Intra-state Open Access clearance for the whole tenure of the project or 25 years whichever is earlier will be granted as per the APERC Regulations amended from time to time.
11.	<b>Electricity Duty</b>	All wind power projects are exempted from paying Electricity Duty in case of sale of power to APDiscom.
12.	<b>Non Agriculture Status</b>	Deemed Non-Agricultural (NA) status for the land where wind power projects will be accorded, on payment of applicable statutory fees.
13.	<b>Must run status</b>	Injection from wind power projects shall be considered to be deemed scheduled subject to prevailing regulations/grid code of appropriate commission.
14.	<b>Pollution Clearance</b>	Wind power projects will be exempted from obtaining any NOC/Consent for establishment under pollution control laws from AP Pollution Control Board.
15.	<b>Nodal Agency</b>	New and Renewable Energy Development Corporation of A.P. Ltd (NREDCAP)
16.	<b>Mid-term Review</b>	State Govt. may undertake a Mid-term Review of this policy after a period of two years or as and when need arises in view of any technological breakthrough or to remove any inconsistency with Electricity Act 2003, rules and regulations made there under or any Govt. of India policy.