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# CEB Renewable Energy (RE) Scheme for Religious Bodies Information Pamphlet

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Before filling the Application Form, please read carefully this Information Pamphlet. CEB will start taking application as from 19 October 2020. Application Form submitted prior to this date will be rejected.

### **Overview of the Scheme**

Within the framework of the Renewable Energy Roadmap 2030 and following the Budget Speech 2019-2020, in December 2019 CEB invited religious bodies to express their interests for the CEB Renewable Energy (RE) Scheme for Religious Bodies.

The Scheme is another action to contribute towards meeting the national target of 35% of renewable energy in the electricity production mix by 2025. The objective of the Scheme is to deploy at least 4 MW cumulated capacity of solar photovoltaic (PV) installations (kits) to benefit qualified religious bodies.

Each qualified religious body will benefit from the installation of a solar PV kit. The PV kit will be installed by CEB subsidiary company, CEB (Green Energy) Co Ltd (CGE) free of charge. The investment and operational & maintenance costs will also be borne by CGE.

Under this Scheme, for a period of 20 years, a qualified customer (religious body) will receive for free every month 50% of the energy produced and exported by the solar PV kit.

Based on the information collected through the expression of interest (EOI) exercise, the terms and conditions of the Scheme, as detailed below, will be applied to implement the Scheme.

# Processing of the application and required documents

All religious bodies, who have expressed their interest, will have to call at one of the CEB's Customer Services Centres to complete the application procedure. For this purpose, CEB Customer Services Agents will contact the religious bodies.

When calling to the CEB Customer Services Centre, the authorized representative of the religious body shall bring along the following documents:-

1. The original registration certificate and/or any relevant document confirming the registration of the religious body;

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- **2.** A copy of the latest electricity bill of the premises of the religious body where the solar PV kit will be installed;
- 3. A copy of the National Identity Card or Passport of the person representing the religious body;
- **4.** A copy of the delegation letter confirming that the Authorised Representative has been duly authorised to represent the religious body, sign the Delegation Letter and act on its behalf;

#### Note:

The delegation letter should be signed by an executive member of the management committee of the religious body who holds the necessary legal authority to act on behalf of the religious body. Please indicate the authority/position of the executive member in the religious body.

- **5.** A copy of the National Identity Card or Passport of the executive member if he/she is not the Authorised Representative;
- **6.** A letter from the Account Holder expressing his/her 'no objection' for the religious body and the Authorised Representative to manage the electricity contract account;
- **7.** A copy of the National Identity Card or Passport of the Account Holder if the electricity account is not on the name of the Religious Body and
- **8.** (a) A copy of the title deed of the premises where the solar kit will be installed.
  - (b) In the case of rented premises, the following documents are required: -
    - A copy of the title deed of owner of the premises and a copy of the rent book;
    - A letter, duly signed by the owner giving her/his 'no objection' for the installation of the solar PV kit on the premises; and
    - A copy of the National Identity Card or Passport of the owner;
  - (c) If the property is under a lease, a copy of the lease agreement.
  - (d) If family property, a copy of affidavit and consent of other relatives, as applicable.
  - (e) If other, documentary evidence(s) and consent of the other party or parties, as warranted.

Based on the documents submitted together with the Application Form, dully filled and signed, the CEB Customer Service Agent will perform the Administrative Assessment. A notification number will be given for each application made.

## Terms and conditions of the Scheme

Only electricity contract accounts of religious bodies registered under the Domestic Tariffs and on whose premises electricity is consumed for worship will be considered for the Scheme. Electricity contract accounts in the Social Tariffs Category are not eligible. For information on the Domestic Tariffs, please contact a CEB Customer Services Centre.

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- (2) The Scheme will operate under the net billing method, whereby 50% of the monthly energy produced and thereof exported to the grid will be credited every month to the religious body electricity contract account at a rate of Rs 2.31 per kWh. The credit will appear as a discount on the monthly electricity bill and that for a period of 20 years.
- (3) For the purpose of (1) and (2) above, the religious body must hold an active electricity contract account; where the electricity contract is not in the name of the religious body, the written consent of the electricity account holder authorizing CEB to manage the account, as deemed necessary, will be required.
- (4) Subject to the Technical Assessment and required network survey, a solar PV installation of capacity not exceeding 4 kWp (2 x 2 kWp standard solar PV kit) will be installed on the premises of each qualified religious body. In case of inappropriate or limited roof space, consideration may be given to alternative site(s) within the premises associated to the electricity contract account.
- (5) The religious body must be the owner of or holder of proper lease agreement for the premises where the PV solar kit will be installed. If the premises belong to a third party, the written consent of the latter expressing its no objection for CEB/CGE to install the solar PV installation will be required. In both cases, submission of a copy of the title deed of the premises/property is mandatory.
- (6) The premises where solar photovoltaic kits will be installed must not be unoccupied.
- (7) An area of at least 10 square meters per kWp must be provided on the roof of the premises.
- (8) The roof space must be easily accessible and un-shaded.
- **(9)** The religious body should provide free access to the roof and installation at all times.
- (10) The electricity contract account holder, as applicable, must not be in dispute, indebted towards and/or having litigation with CEB.
- (11) The selected customer or third party, as applicable, must agree to the terms and conditions of the Installation Agreement prior to the Technical Assessment of the premises.

## Notes:

- The solar PV kit will be installed only after the religious body has duly met all requirements of the Technical Assessment.
- Other terms and conditions may be added if deemed necessary.

For more information on the terms and conditions of the project, please contact a CEB Customer Services Centre.

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#### **Essential information**

- 1. The Application Form may be filled with the assistance of a CEB Customer Services Agent.
- **2.** Application from religious bodies, who participated in the CEB expression of interest of December 2019, will be treated first;
- **3.** The duly filled and signed Application Form, accompanied with all requested documents, should be submitted in a CEB Customer Services Centre as from 19 October 2020.
- **4.** Application Form will be processed only after it has been duly filled and all requested documents have been submitted.
- **5.** The information provided in the Application Form together with all requested documents will be used to perform the Administrative Assessment of the application for the Scheme.
- **6.** Application Form not duly filled will be kept into abeyance and thereafter it will be put in the waiting list provided it is effectively rectified.
- 7. Application Form which could not be entertained will be kept into abeyance.
- **8.** A notification/reference number will be given after the Application Form has been logged by the concerned CEB Customer Services Centre.
- **9.** The premises of the administratively qualified religious body will be subject to a technical assessment. Premises not satisfying the technical assessment will not be considered for the installation of the solar PV kit.

## The benefits to the qualified religious body

The benefits to the qualified religious body participating in the Scheme are, as follows:-

- Monthly reduction in the religious body electricity bill payment.
- A protection against increase in electricity tariff, if any.
- Zero financial risk to the religious body as the investment cost will be entirely made by CGE, a subsidiary company of CEB.
- No installation, operational and maintenance costs to the religious body; CGE will take responsibility for the installation, operation and maintenance of the solar PV kit.
- The religious body will participate in the protection of the environment by producing and consuming renewable energy.



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## More details about the Scheme

For more details on the Scheme:-

- Please contact a CEB Customer Services Centre. The contact telephone numbers are provided on the back of electricity bills; or
- Send your request to the email: customerservice@ceb.intnet.mu

# Save time – download and fill the Application Form and submit by email at <a href="mailto:rbrescheme@ceb.intnet.mu">rbrescheme@ceb.intnet.mu</a>

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