GREEN PPAS · STEP 04 · CONTRACT & CONNECT · SCHEDULE

Open Access Application & Approval Tracker

Consolidated filing package and live status tracker for connectivity, long-term access and metering approvals across STU/DISCOM.

Worked example (anonymised): 30 MW Open-Access Solar Project for an Industrial Offtaker Group · 30 MWac / 40 MWp, group captive structure · Southern India, 33 kV DISCOM network. Illustrative project: solar IPP supplying five industrial offtakers under a group-captive PPA, requiring simultaneous open-access approval and DISCOM interconnection sign-off ahead of a Q1 commissioning window.

Illustrative sample image

Sample excerpt · Open Access Approval Tracker

Approval Item	Authority	Filed Date	Target Approval	Status
Connectivity application	STU	Week 1	Week 6	Approved
Long-term open access	DISCOM Nodal Cell	Week 2	Week 8	In process
Metering scheme approval	DISCOM Metering Wing	Week 3	Week 7	Approved
Protection coordination study	CTU/STU Joint Cell	Week 4	Week 9	In process
No-objection for evacuation line	Forest/Revenue Dept (if applicable)	Week 2	Week 10	Not required

Notes

• Tracker updated weekly and shared with client and EPC contractor
• Escalation matrix maintained for delays beyond regulatory timelines

What happens in this step

1. Review and redline the PPA, connection agreement and any O&M;/energy-storage services agreement against term sheet and regulatory templates

2. Negotiate tariff structuring, curtailment/deviation clauses, change-in-law protections, termination payments and step-in rights with legal counsel
3. Prepare and file open-access applications (long-term/medium-term/short-term as applicable) with the nodal agency, STU and DISCOM, tracking approval timelines
4. Coordinate connectivity studies, metering scheme approval and protection-coordination sign-off with the transmission utility
5. Align commissioning test schedules (grid interconnection, reliability run, PPA effective date) across developer, EPC, utility and offtaker
6. Monitor conditions-precedent checklist for PPA effectiveness and financial closure triggers
7. Support first-bill reconciliation and handover of the executed contract package to the client's asset-management team

Outcomes

• Fully executed, bankable PPA with negotiated risk allocation acceptable to both developer and offtaker
• Open-access and connectivity approvals secured within the project's construction timeline
• Coordinated commissioning avoiding revenue-start delays and grid non-compliance penalties
• Clean handover package (contracts, approvals, SLDs) ready for asset management and lender due diligence

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