BEFORE THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

GANDHINAGAR

IA No. 27 of 2026 in Petition No. 2495 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2495 of 2025.

And

IA No. 28 of 2026 in Petition No. 2505 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2505 of 2025.

And

IA No. 29 of 2026 in Petition No. 2506 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2506 of 2025.

And

IA No. 30 of 2026 in Petition No. 2507 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2507 of 2025.

And

IA No. 31 of 2026 in Petition No. 2508 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2508 of 2025.

And

IA No. 32 of 2026 in Petition No. 2511 of 2025.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2511 of 2025.

And

IA No. 33 of 2026 in Petition No. 2608 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2608 of 2026.

And

IA No. 34 of 2026 in Petition No. 2609 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2609 of 2026.

And

IA No. 35 of 2026 in Petition No. 2610 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2610 of 2026.

And

IA No. 36 of 2026 in Petition No. 2613 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2613 of 2026.

And

IA No. 37 of 2026 in Petition No. 2620 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2620 of 2026.

And

IA No. 38 of 2026 in Petition No. 2621 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2621 of 2026.

And

IA No. 39 of 2026 in Petition No. 2623 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2623 of 2026.

And

IA No. 40 of 2026 in Petition No. 2624 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2624 of 2026.

And

IA No. 41 of 2026 in Petition No. 2630 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2630 of 2026.

And

IA No. 42 of 2026 in Petition No. 2650 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2650 of 2026.

And

IA No. 43 of 2026 in Petition No. 2651 of 2026.

In the Matter of:

Interlocutory Application seeking interim approval of provisional tariff equivalent to 95% of the tariff claimed, pending final adjudication of the Petition No. 2651 of 2026.

Applicant/Petitioner : Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited
Sardar Patel Vidyut Bhavan
Race Course, Vadodara – 390007, Gujarat.

Represented By	:	Mr. Shubhadeep Sen and Mr. A. B. Tadvi
		V/s.
Respondent	:	Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited Sardar Patel Vidyut Bhavan Race Course, Vadodara – 390007, Gujarat.
Represented By	:	Mr. K. N. Brahmbhatt and Smt. V. N. Dalal

CORAM:

Pankaj Joshi, Chairman
Hiren Shah, Member
Jatin N. Thakkar, Member

Date: 20/08/2026.

DAILY ORDER

1. The above IAs were listed for hearing on 18.08.2026 through Hybrid Mode.

2. Since the subject matter of all the IAs are similar, identical and arising out of similar subject matter of Petitions and having the common Respondent GUVNL in all these matters, all the IAs were heard together and therefore, we pass a common order in the present IAs.

3. Mr. Shubhdeep Sen, appearing on behalf of the Applicant/Petitioner GSECL, submitted that the subject Solar Power Projects are already commissioned and injecting and supplying power to the Respondent GUVNL. However, in absence of tariff determined by the Commission in the present Petitions, the Applicant/Petitioner is deprived of any payment for supply of such power to the Respondent. Since the final determination of tariff by the Commission in these petitions is pending, the Applicant/Petitioner has preferred the present IAs in each of

Petitions seeking interim tariff equivalent to 95 % of the tariff claimed by the Applicant/Petitioner in respective petitions, subject to final determination of tariff by the Commission.

3.1. He submitted that the subject solar projects are developed by the Applicant/Petitioner, pursuant to the Scheme notified by the State Government vide GR dated 07.03.2019. He further submitted that 635 MW across 17 projects has been commissioned and forms the subject of these 17 petitions and IAs for allowing provisional tariff determination.

3.2. He submitted that the total investment of Rs. 3,600 crores has been made by the Applicant/Petitioner for the development of projects under the Scheme with 50% funding from the State Government.

3.3. He further submitted that the Respondent GUVNL has filed its reply on IAs only on yesterday and the Applicant/Petitioner has preferred not to respond to or make any comments on the same.

4. The representative appearing on behalf of the Respondent GUVNL, submitted that they have filed their reply on IAs filed by the Applicant/Petitioner, on 17.08.2026. While referring to para no. 6 of its reply, he submitted that the Respondent neither supports nor opposes in principle the Applicant/Petitioner's request for grant of 95% of tariff claimed in respective petitions as an interim arrangement pending final determination of tariff by the Commission.

5. The Commission has sought the response from the Respondent GUVNL on the following aspects:

(a) The key objective of the Scheme notified by the State Government is to entail the benefits of cheaper power to the end consumers by optimum utilisation of resources. The Government Scheme under

the GR has specifically mentioned that considering the impact of land availability at token rate of Rs. 1 per hectare along with Govt. subsidy equivalent to 50% project cost, the tariff shall be most competitive and almost half as compared to market tariff. Since the projects are already commissioned, whether the Respondent GUVNL has evaluated at its own that the aforesaid scheme objectives have been achieved or not, as no details/information is placed on the records by either parties to indicate that both the parties have engaged to carry out in-depth analysis of the project cost and operational parameters claimed in the Petitions and to see whether the stated objectives of the Scheme are meted out or not.

(b) The Commission has passed the Order dated 19.07.2023 in Petition No. 2013/2021 wherein both the parties have confirmed and accordingly submitted that even with a 12% RoE, the tariff would be under Rs. 1.50 per unit. However, the records of the Petitions indicate that for most of the projects the claimed tariff even after factoring 50% govt. subsidy is higher than Rs. 1.50 per unit with capital cost significantly higher than envisaged cost of Rs. 4 crores per MW. In the given circumstances, the Respondent as prudent utility was expected that necessary check and in-depth analysis of cost and operational parameters impacting the overall tariff be undertaken. The replies filed by the Respondent GUVNL on main Petitions or replies filed in the present IAs, do not indicate that the Respondent GUVNL has performed any independent prudence check on these figures or on the 95% provisional tariff claimed by the Applicant/Petitioner in the IAs except relegating the responsibility to the Commission.

(c) How is it prudent on the part of the Respondent GUVNL to suggest the Commission, in a very casual manner in its reply on the IAs, to allow the interim tariff after prudent check, appreciating the evidences placed on records and consumers' interests while not carrying out any analysis/ prudent check by its own and merely leaving the matter with the Commission to decide on the matter of the provisional tariff as claimed by the Applicant/Petitioner.

(d) Being a procurer, how it is reasonable and justified on behalf of the Respondent GUVNL to agree for allowing 95% of claimed tariff specifically when the capital cost of the project and consequent tariff is on higher side impacting the consumers' interest.

6. In response, the representative appearing on behalf of the Respondent GUVNL requested that while granting the adjournment, the Commission may also give four weeks to the Respondent GUVNL to address the above concerns and to carry out in-depth analysis and prudent check of each and every cost elements and operational parameters of individual projects of the Applicant/Petitioner and to file additional submissions in the respective main Petitions as well as in IAs alongwith their clear submissions on admissibility of interim tariff based on such analysis, which is not objected to by the Applicant/Petitioner.

7. Heard the parties. We note that the Applicant/Petitioner has filed respective Interlocutory Applications (IAs) in respective petitions seeking interim tariff equivalent to 95 % of the tariff claimed by the Applicant/Petitioner in respective Petitions subject to final determination of tariff by the Commission. We also note that the Respondent GUVNL has filed the reply vide its affidavit dated

17.08.2026, i.e., one day before hearing, through email dated 17.08.2026 in all IAs, with a copy to the Applicant/Petitioner.

7.1. Having considered the request of the Respondent GUVNL to adjourn the matter for filing its additional submissions and the Applicant/Petitioner having no objection to the same, the matters stand adjourned. We direct the Respondent GUVNL to file its additional submissions on or before 16.09.2026, as stated in paras 5 & 6 above, with copy to the Applicant/Petitioner. The Applicant/Petitioner shall file its rejoinder reply, if any, on or before 23.09.2026 with copy to the Respondent.

8. Next date of hearing will be intimated separately.

9. Order accordingly.

Sd/-	**Sd/-**	**Sd/-**
[Jatin N. Thakkar]	**[Hiren Shah]**	**[Pankaj Joshi]**
Member	**Member**	**Chairman**

Place: Gandhinagar.

Date: 20/08/2026.