

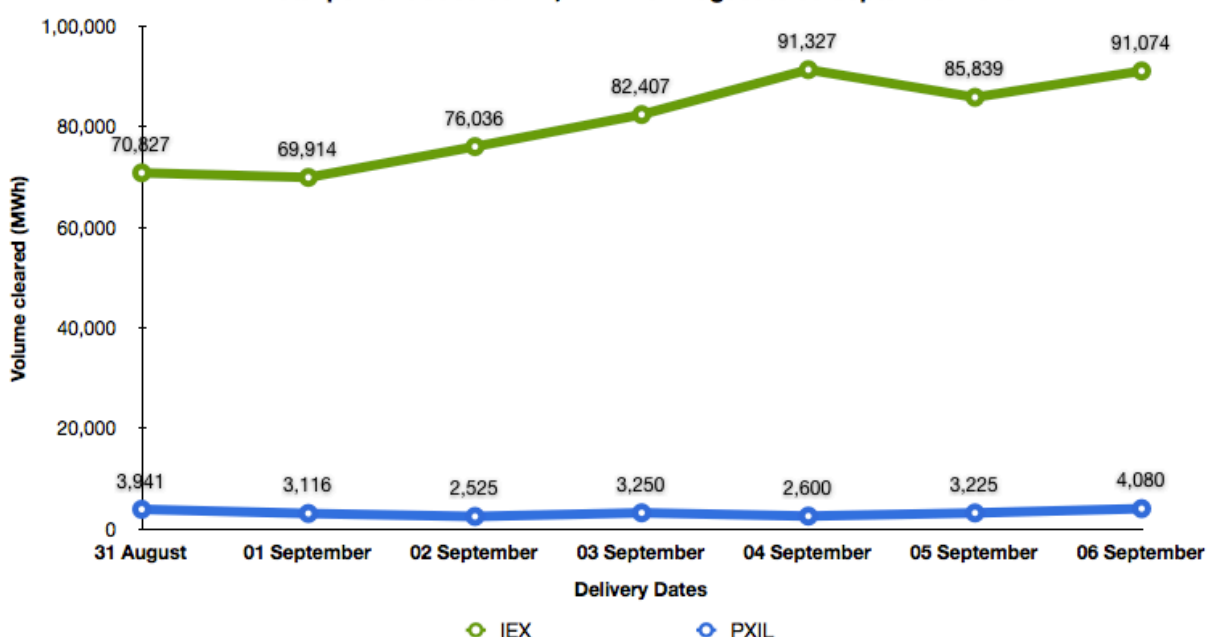
Maharashtra discom set to increase tariff by 10%

The Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL) is set to increase the electricity tariff by 10% following a suo motu order by the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission. Earlier, the distribution company had unsuccessfully requested the commission to allow tariff hike.

The commission however, through a suo motu order, allowed the distribution company to take measures to increase revenue collection. The distribution company has claimed to be in severe financial strain as it owes Rs 2,400 crore to Maharashtra State Power Generation Company Limited and Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Limited.

“The first surcharge to recover Rs 2,040 crore to be recovered in six months will increase the tariff by over 8% for industrial and higher end domestic and commercial consumers. The second surcharge will increase the tariff by 5%,” said RB Goenka of Vidarbha Industries Association.

Total power traded at IEX, PXIL - 31 August to 06 September 2013



Rajasthan announces lowest solar PV tariff – Rs 7.31 per kWh

The Commission has announced a tariff of Rs 7.31/kWh (Rs 8.33/kWh without accelerated depreciation) for solar PV projects. The tariff is same of utility-scale and rooftop power projects. The tariff for solar thermal power projects has been determined as Rs 9.97/kWh (Rs 11.37/kWh without accelerated depreciation).

The new tariff announced by RERC for solar PV projects is 13.1% lower than that announced in the previous order. The tariff for solar thermal power plants has been reduced by 4.6%.

The RERC has assumed the capital cost investment for solar PV projects at Rs 7.80 crore per MW, down from Rs 10 crore per MW assumed in the previous tariff order. The capital cost of solar thermal power projects has been assumed to Rs 13 crore per MW compared to Rs 11.80 crore per MW in the previous tariff order.

In comparison, the Maharashtra Electricity Regulatory Commission (MERC) assumed a capital cost investment of Rs 8 crore per MW for solar PV projects and Rs 12 crore per MW for solar thermal power projects, in its latest tariff order.

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