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15 MW BUNDLED GRID-CONNECTED WIND ELECTRICITY GENERATION PROJECT IN RADHAPURAM TALUK OF TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT IN TAMIL NADU, INDIA



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1 PROJECT DETAILS

1.1 Summary Description of the Implementation Status of the Project

The project activity under consideration entails generation of clean power by harnessing wind energy – a non-conventional renewable energy resource and export of the electricity generated to their high-tension industry. The power generated from the wind energy generators (WEGs) would be transmitted to the high-tension industry premises of the company /its subsidiary company by using the transmission lines of Tamil Nadu state Electricity Board. The project proponents have entered into a wheeling agreement² with Tamil Nadu Electricity Board for the same. The electricity exported from the project thereby replaces an equivalent amount of power generation at the grid connected power plants which are primarily fossil fuel based. Therefore, the project activity results in an equivalent amount of CO₂ emission reduction which otherwise would have resulted from fossil fuel combustion related to electricity generation at the grid.

The project activity receives wind in two directions, i.e., Southern and North Eastern. Southern direction wind is the main source of power generation and it usually occurs from May to October of every year. The North Eastern wind at the project activity occurs from November to January of every year. This project activity is located in Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu, India

The project activity is a bundled wind energy project with total capacity of 15 MW, comprising of 12 Wind energy generators (WEGs) of same capacity, commissioned in the period 31-March-2003 to 31-March-2006. The relevant details of the individual components of the bundled project activity including the names of the project promoters, the installed wind power generation capacity for each wind turbine and the unique wind turbine number of the wind turbines have been tabulated.

The monitoring period for this VCS verification is 28-March-2012 to 27-March-2016 (first and last days included) and VCS crediting period from 28-March-2006 to 27-March-2016 (Renewable Crediting Period).

The total GHG emission reductions or removals generated in this monitoring period.

The total emission reductions achieved in this monitoring period i.e., from 28-March-2012 to 27-March-2016 (first and last days included) is 71,419 tCO₂e.

1.2 Sectoral Scope and Project Type

Project Type: I – Renewable Energy Projects

² Wheeling means the operation whereby the distribution system and associated facilities of a transmission Licensee or distribution Licensee, as the case may be, are used by another person for the conveyance of electricity on payment of charges to be determined under section 62 of the Electricity Act 2003. An agreement entered into with the state electricity utility with respect to wheeling is wheeling agreement

pg 3, http://www.srlc.org/var/ftp/OpenAccess/serc/TAMILNADU/OpenAccess2005_tn.pdf.

Sectoral Scope: 01 - Energy industries (renewable/ non-renewable sources)

Project Category: AMS I.D. 'Grid Connected Renewable Electricity Generation' Version 14.
Project is not grouped project activity as per VCS guidelines.

1.3 Project Proponent

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1.5 Project Start Date

The commissioning date for each of the WEGs under the bundled project activity is given in the table below.

Name of the project participant	Survey No.	WEG HT SC No.	Location (Village)	Commissioning Date
Sangeeth Textiles Ltd.	530/1 & 2	1783	Levenjipuram	31-March-2006
	96/3 & 4	550	Irrukkandurai	31-March-2003
	966/2	830	Dhanukkarkulam	31-March-2004
Sri Mookambiga Spinning Mills Ltd.	115/1C2,1 B	1749	Chettikulam	30-March-2006
	259/2	675	Dhanukkarkulam	04-March-2004
	341/2	676	Dhanukkarkulam	04-March-2004
	395/2	656	Dhanukkarkulam	24-December-2003
	349/2	655	Dhanukkarkulam	24-December-2003

CAV Cotton Mills Ltd.	1479/2	1659	Irrukkandurai	24-March-2006
Sri Vasudeva Textiles Ltd.	135/1,2,3,4 A,4B,4C, 4D	1660	Chettikulam	24-March-2006
	99(Part)	548	Irrukkandurai	31-March-2003
	594/1A & 1B	745	Dhanukkarkulam	29-March-2004

The starting date of the project activity is 31-March-2003

1.6 Project Crediting Period

Project Crediting Period Start date: 28-March-2006

Project Crediting Period End date: 27-March-2016 (first and last date included)

Total Crediting Period: 10 Years (Fixed crediting period)

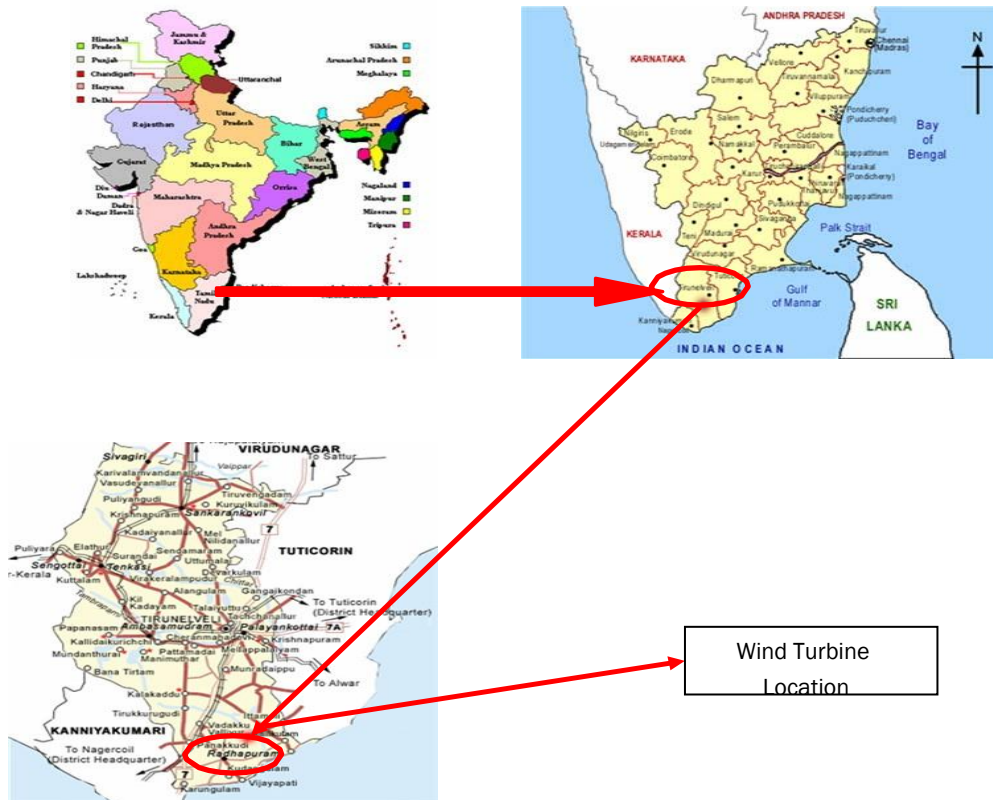
1.7 Project Location

Sl. No.	Company	Installed Capacity of Wind Turbine (MW)	WEG High Tension Service Connection No	WEG Location Number	Make of Turbine	Survey Number	Taluk	District	State	Local Station	Grid	Latitude	Longitude
1.	Sangeetha Textiles Ltd	1.25	1783	S 505	Suzlon	530/1 & 2	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Maharajapuram		8°08'56.4 N	77°35'39.1 E
		1.25	550	S 22	Suzlon	96/3(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Sankaneri		8°12'44.5 N	77°40'35.8 E
		1.25	830	S 91	Suzlon	966/2(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Vadakkankulam		8°14'20.4 N	77°38'12.8 E
2.	Sri Mookambiga Spinning Mills pvt Ltd	1.25	1749	S 711	Suzlon	115/1C2, 1P	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Maharajapuram		8°10'00.1 N	77°38'00.6 E
		1.25	676	S 72	Suzlon	341/2(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Vadakkankulam		8°15'05 N	77°38'26 E
		1.25	675	S 78	Suzlon	259/2(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Vadakkankulam		8°15'24.5 N	77°38'17.6 E
3.	CAV Cotton Mills Ltd	1.25	656	S 74	Suzlon	395/2(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Vadakkankulam		8°15'14.6 N	77°38'06.9 E
		1.2	655	S 75	Suzlon	349/2(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Vadakkankulam		8°15'15.8 N	77°38'22 E

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		1.25	1659	S 362	Suzlon	1479/2	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Chidambarapuram	8°10'52.0N	77°37'56.0E
4.	Sri Vasudeva Textiles	1.25	1660	S 710	Suzlon	135/1,2,3,4A(P),4B(P),4C(P),4D(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Maharajapuram	8°10'11.0N	77°37'23.9E
		1.25	548	S 23	Suzlon	99(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Kodankulam	8°12'34.5N	77°40'37.6E
		1.25	745	S 147	Suzlon	594/1A1B(P)	Radhapuram	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	Sankaneri	8°14'02.2N	77°39'58.8E

Table No.1.1: Unique identification numbers of WEGs

Maps depicting the districts and states in which the Wind Projects are located are placed below.



1.8 Title and Reference of Methodology

Title: Grid-connected Renewable Electricity Generation

Reference: Category I.D - Renewable Energy Projects³: Approved Small Scale Methodology AMS – I.D. / Version 14, EB 48, Annex 23, 17-July-2009.

Tools referenced:

Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system, Version 01.1.

Tool for the demonstration and assessment of additionality, Version 05.2.

1.9 Participation under other GHG Programs

The project has neither been registered nor seeking registration under any other GHG programs. The project is seeking registration only in VCS program.

1.10 Other Forms of Credit

Emission Trading Programs and Other Binding Limits:

Net GHG emission reductions or removals generated by the Project will not be used for compliance with an emissions trading program or to meet binding limits on GHG emissions in any Emission Trading program or other binding limits.

Other Forms of Environmental Credit:

Not applicable, as the project is not registered in any other GHG mechanism other than VCS. Also, the project activity is not availing any REC benefits and the same can be confirmed from publically available link of REC generators⁴.

1.11 Sustainable Development Contributions

The project supplies clean electricity from the wind power project to the Indian Grid, hence displacing the electricity generated from grid connected fossil fuel power plants and thereby avoiding the equivalent Carbon dioxide which is a Green House Gas.

For SDG-7, this project activity generates electricity from wind energy sources that ensures supply of electricity sources from clean energy sources at affordable rate. In the 2nd monitoring period, this project activity has supplied 77,044.90 MWh clean electricity.

For SDG- 13, this project activity has led GHG emissions reductions by generating electricity using wind energy thus avoiding fossil-fuel electricity generation. In the 2nd monitoring period, this project activity has achieved GHG emission reductions of 71,419 tCO₂e.

³ <https://cdm.unfccc.int/UserManagement/FileStorage/UO8WZYCH5IVSPBNF2760MGE10TDX9A>

⁴ https://www.recregistryindia.nic.in/index.php/publics/accredited_regens & <https://evident.global/>

Table 1: Sustainable Development Contributions

Row number	SDG Target	SDG Indicator	Net Impact on SDG Indicator	Current Project Contributions	Contributions Over Project Lifetime
1)	7.2	7.2.1: Renewable energy share in the total final energy consumption	Implemented activities increase the renewable energy	77,044.90 MWh of renewable electricity has been supplied to Indian grid during the reported period that helps to increase the renewable energy share in the energy mix.	About 238,507.99 (161,463.09 + 77,044.90) MWh renewable electricity has been supplied to Indian grid that helps to increase the renewable energy share in the energy mix.
2)	13.0	Tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions avoided or removed	Implemented activities to result in avoidance of greenhouse gas	By supplying 77,044.90 MWh clean electricity to Indian grid, the project avoided release of 71,419 tCO ₂ e in to the atmosphere during the reporting period.	Prevented the release of 221,091 (149,672 + 71,419) tCO ₂ e into the atmosphere.

2 SAFEGUARDS

2.1 No Net Harm

As per the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, New Delhi, the 14-September-2006 - S.O. 1533(E)⁵, the project does not require EIA submission.

Since the project activity is a wind-based project activity, there is no requirement that the project get clearance from the Pollution Control Board. However, prior to the installation of the wind turbine generators of the project activity, the project proponents got a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board, Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources. Copies of NOC from the state Electricity Board would be provided.

There are no negative impacts on air, water, soil quality and ambience envisaged due to the project activity and no potential negative environmental and socio-economic impacts in this monitoring period. There was no harm identified from the project and hence no mitigations measures are applicable.

Being a renewable resource, using wind energy to generate electricity contributes to natural resource conservation. Thus, the project causes no negative impact on the surrounding environment contributing to environmental well-being.

2.2 Local Stakeholder Consultation

The stakeholder Meeting for the bundled project activity was conducted on 13-July-2009 at Vadakkankulam village near Sankaneri. The stakeholders were invited via personal invitations.

Documents related to the stakeholder meeting would be provided to the validator. The following were the stakeholders identified for the project activity:

- Elected body of representatives administering the local area (village Panchayat) and the local residents
- Local clubs
- Non-Governmental Organization
- Facility developer and operators

Mr. Venkatesan a representative of M/s Suzlon Energy Ltd, welcomed the stakeholders and project proponents to the Stakeholder Consultation Meeting. He enumerated the benefits of the wind power project.

Later, a brief explanation was made about global warming and the contribution of the VCS wind power project activity in combating the global warming. After the welcome note and the introduction, questionnaires were circulated among the stakeholders to get the comments from the

⁵ <http://www.environmentwb.gov.in/pdf/EIA%20Notification,%202006.pdf>

stakeholders. The questions in the questionnaires were translated to Tamil so that, the stakeholders would be in a better position to answer the same.

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Mr. Tamil Selvan, site in charge of Wind Farms of the Sangeeth Group attended the stakeholder meeting.

Stakeholder Comments:

Mr. S Sudalaimani said that the employment opportunity increased due to the upcoming of wind power project in that region. He added that the land value increased subsequently along with the improvement in the infrastructure like: roads. This project activity has led to the stabilization of the local grid.

Mr. Murugeswaran said that there is a necessity to bring more awareness among the people about wind mill projects, as the energy demand is increasing year after year.

Mr. K. Kumar said that the job opportunities increased after the wind projects were commissioned in that area.

Mr. G.A Nagarajan said that the job opportunities increased and new roads were laid and the power shortage problem has been reduced after upcoming of the project activity. He also said that new factories have opened up in the region after the commissioning of the wind power project.

Mr. K Saravana Kumar said that more wind mills should be erected as wind mills generate clean and pollution free energy.

Mr Mariappan said that the land value has increased. He also said that the approach to every place is possible due to the roads that were newly laid during the construction of the wind power project. Electricity generation has increased. Employment opportunities have been created for the villagers. He also added that due to the set-up of wind power project activity, trade activity in the region has enhanced.

The local people acknowledged the contribution of the project towards the environment, social and economic well-being of the region and appreciated the initiative undertaken by the Project Proponent for the well-being of the environment. Moreover, they also expressed their thankfulness to the Project Proponents for generation of employment in the region. They opined that the power supply scenario in the region got improved after the installation of the wind turbines by the project proponents. They informed that they are at present getting uninterrupted power supply to their houses.

The Project Proponent has received positive comments from the local stakeholders on the project activity, as summarized above. As a part of continual improvement process, feedback from the associated stakeholders is vital, therefore a dedicated Visitor register cum grievance register has been placed at the project site which is accessible to stakeholders to provide their feedback on the project. The process of Local Stakeholder Consultation is continuous. It is appropriate publicly accessible location at which stakeholders can provide their feedback on the project. This location is also conducive to continuous and regular checks for stakeholder comments. The stakeholders are also requested to share their experiences and grievances on continuous basis. Registers is used to records the grievances and feedback. Grievance register is placed at the main gate of site office and is accessible to everyone.

In case of grievances, the nature of probable resolution is discussed with the plant head office and implemented by the site in-charge.

The project proponent has devised a system for continuous local stakeholder interaction during the operation of the project. Local stakeholders are allowed to visit the project site and raise their concern about the project. A grievance register is maintained at the project site in which the feedback and concerns are reported. There is no adverse comment recorded to be reported during the monitoring period under consideration. The copy of grievance register is submitted to the VVB.

2.3 AFOLU-Specific Safeguards

This project is not AFOLU project. Therefore, not applicable.

3 IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

3.1 Implementation Status of the Project Activity

In wind energy generation, kinetic energy of wind blowing at high speeds is converted into mechanical energy while passing through the wind-turbine. The rotation of the turbine blades results in the rotation of the generator mounted on the same shaft, thus generating electricity. As there are no GHG emissions associated with wind electricity generation, the technology is widely recognized as clean technology.

An upwind⁶ Horizontal axis wind turbine (HAWT)⁷ is used in the project activity to generate power.

The important components of a windmill are as follows:

- **Main Tower:** This is what holds the windmill up into the airflow.

⁶ A type of wind turbine in which the rotor faces the wind

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- **Blades:** The blades are basically the sails of the system. They are flat objects connected to the center shaft that converts the push of the wind into a circular motion. When the wind forces the blades to move, it has transferred some of its energy to the rotor
- **Rotor:** The blades and the hub together
- **Pitch:** Blades are turned or pitched out of the wind to control the rotor speed and keep the rotor from turning in winds that are too high or too low to produce electricity
- **Nacelle:** It sits atop the tower and contains the gear box, shafts, generator, controller and brake.
- **Main Shaft:** The wind turbine shaft is connected to the center of the rotor. When the rotor spins, the shaft spins as well. In this way, the rotor transfers mechanical rotational energy to the shaft, which enters an electrical generator at the other end.
- **Gear Box:** A gear box magnifies or amplifies the energy output of the rotor. It is situated directly between the rotor and the generator.
- **Braking:** A disk brake which can be applied mechanically, electrically or hydraulically to stop the rotor in emergencies
- **Generator:** The generator produces electricity from the rotation of the rotor
- **Controller:** the controller starts up the machine at wind speeds of about 8 to 16 miles per hour and shuts off the machine at 55 mph.
- **Anemometer:** Measures the wind speed and transmits wind speed data to the controller
- **Wind vane:** Measures wind direction and communicates with the yaw drive to orient the turbine properly with respect to the wind.
- **Yaw Drive:** This is used to keep the rotor facing into the wind as the wind direction changes. This is a typical requirement of upwind turbine.
- **Yaw Motor:** Powers the yaw drive
- **Stand by battery:** This is a rechargeable battery located in the nacelle. Whenever power supply is there, the battery gets charged up. Whenever there is a grid failure, the same battery is used to bring the rotor blades to 90° position that is braking. It is used to operate the pitch motor.

Wind passes over the blades exerting a turning force. The rotating blades turn a shaft inside the nacelle, which goes into gear box. Gear box increases the rotation speed of the generator, which

uses magnetic fields to convert the rotational energy into electrical energy. The electrical power is generated at 690 V. A step up transformer is connected to the wind turbine which converts the electricity from the generator to match the voltage of the substation, i.e., to 11kV, later it is stepped up to 33kV to match the voltage of local grid.

Furthermore, the specifications of the various WEGs employed by the project activity are presented below:

Sl.No	Particulars	Specifications
		Suzlon S64 (1250kW) WEG
Rotor		
1.	Diameter	64 m
2.	No. of Rotor Blade	3
3.	Orientation	Upwind/Horizontal axis
4.	Rotational Speed	13.9/20.8 rpm
5.	Rotational direction	Clockwise
6.	Rotor Blade Material	GRP
7.	Swept Area	3218 m2
8.	Hub Height	65 m
9.	Regulation	Pitch Regulated
Operational Data		
10.	Cut in Wind Speed	3 m/s
11.	Rated Wind Speed	13 m/s
12.	Cut off Wind Speed	25 m/s
Gear Box		
13.	Type	Integrated 3 stage 1planetary and 2 helical
14.	Gear Ratio	1:74.917
15.	Manufacturer	Flender-Winergy
16.	Nominal Load	1390 kW
17.	Type of Cooling	Oil cooling system, Forced Lubrication
Generator		
18.	Type	Asynchronous 4/6 pole
19.	Make	Siemens
20.	Rotational Speed	1010/1515 RPM
21.	Rated Output	250/1250 kW
22.	Rated Voltage	690 V
23.	Frequency	50 Hz
24.	Insulation	Class “H”
25.	Enclosure Class	IP 56
26.	Cooling System	Air Cooled
Operating Brakes		
26.	Aerodynamic Brake	3 Independent systems with blade pitching
27.	Mechanical Brake	Spring powered disk brakes, hydraulically released, failsafe
Yaw Drive		
28	Method of Operation	4 Active Electrical yaw motors
29	Bearing Type	Polyamide slide bearing

The operational lifetime of the project activity is 20 years. The wind power produced being GHG neutral will not only displace fossil fuel dominated power but will also reduce the associated emissions with existing power generation plants connected to the Unified Indian Grid of India.

The breakdown details of the project activity have been mentioned in Appendix II of this Monitoring Report. The total breakdown hours are 44.8. The impact of breakdown on the GHG emission

reduction during current monitoring period is justified in section 5.4 of this report. The emission reduction for this monitoring period pro rata comparing with registered VCS PD is 101,289 tCO₂e, whereas actual emission reductions achieved are 71,419 tCO₂e, which is -29.49% less due to low wind, maintenance of WEGs, major breakdowns during this monitoring period, project activity is not generating the same. In the current monitoring period wind speed was very low and also falls under lean period.

Moreover, the operation of the project activity(s) during this monitoring period, including any information events that may impact the GHG emission reduction or removals and monitoring is not applicable.

3.2 Deviations

3.2.1 Methodology Deviations

There is no request for methodology deviation applied during current monitoring period.

3.2.2 Project Description Deviations

Project Description Deviation requested in Previous Verification dated (28-March-2006 - 27-March-2012; both dates included):

Deviation 1:

This deviation is related to cross checking with Monthly generation report (MGR) of the project. At the time of registration, as per monitoring plan the Net electricity exported to the grid supposed to be cross checked against the invoice. But at the time of 1st verification (28-March-2006 to 27-March-2012), it is observed that all the energy generated by the WTGs involved in this project activity were fully utilized by own captive use and there was no energy sale during the 1st monitoring period to state electricity board (TNEB) or other third parties. So, PP has provided Monthly generation report for crosschecking of JMR in 1st monitoring period.

This deviation is of permanent nature and does not have any impact on the project applicability, baseline scenario and additionality.

Deviation 2:

This deviation is related to apportioning procedure of the project. At the time of registration, apportioning procedure not included in monitoring plan of registered VCS PD. But at the time of project verification, it is observed and included in section 4.3. So, we have included the apportioning procedure in monitoring plan of this monitoring period. These deviations is of permanent nature and does not have any impact on the project applicability, scale, baseline scenario and additionality.

The above deviation has been taken in 1st verification (28-March-2006 to 27-March-2012) and also applicable for 2nd verification (28-March-2012 to 27-March-2016).

3.3 Grouped Projects

This project activity is not a grouped project activity. Hence not applicable.

4 DATA AND PARAMETERS

4.1 Data and Parameters Available at Validation

Data / Parameter	EF _{OM,y}
Data unit	tCO ₂ e/MWh
Description	Operating Margin Emission Factor of Southern Grid (now a part of Unified Indian Grid)
Source of data	“CO ₂ Baseline Database for Indian Power Sector”, version 4 published by the Central Electricity Authority, Ministry of Power, Government of India ⁸ .
Value applied	1.00
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	The data has been taken from official government website of the host country India, which is publicly available. Hence can be trusted as an authentic source of information.
Purpose of Data	Baseline Emission Calculation
Comments	The value is calculated on ex-ante basis and it will remain same throughout the crediting period.

Data / Parameter	EF _{BM,y}
Data unit	tCO ₂ e/MWh
Description	Build Margin Emission Factor of Southern Grid (now a part of Unified Indian Grid)
Source of data	“CO ₂ Baseline Database for Indian Power Sector”, version 4 published by the Central Electricity Authority, Ministry of Power, Government of India ⁹ .
Value applied	0.71
Justification of choice of data or description of	The data has been taken from official government website of the host country India, which is publicly available. Hence can be trusted as an authentic source of information.

⁸ CEA CO₂ Baseline Database, version 4.0, dated September 2008, available at: www.cea.nic.in

⁹ CEA CO₂ Baseline Database, version 4.0, dated September 2008, available at: www.cea.nic.in

measurement methods and procedures applied	
Purpose of Data	Baseline Emission Calculation
Comments	The value is calculated on ex-ante basis and it will remain same throughout the crediting period.

Data / Parameter	$EF_{grid,CM,y}$
Data unit	tCO ₂ e/MWh
Description	Combined Margin Emission Factor of Southern Grid (now a part of Unified Indian Grid)
Source of data	Combined Margin Emission Factor Southern grid is calculated as per “Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system, version 01.1, EB 35, Annex 12 ¹⁰ ”. The combined margin emissions factor is calculated by weights of 75% on OM and 25% on BM are applied while calculating CM ¹¹ .
Value applied	0.927
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	This is a calculated value based on the data that have been taken from official government website of the host country India, which is publicly available. Hence can be trusted as an authentic source of information.
Purpose of Data	Baseline Calculation
Comments	The value is calculated on ex-ante basis and it will remain same throughout the crediting period.

4.2 Data and Parameters Monitored

Data / Parameter	$E_{EXP,i,y}$
Data unit	kWh /Year
Description	Net Power Exported to grid by the WEGs under the project activity in the year y
Source of data	Power Export Bills of the WEGs at regular intervals (monthly) by TANGEDCO
Description of measurement methods and procedures to be applied	$E_{EXP,i,y}$ will be calculated from the sum of the monthly data that will be measured by an electronic tri-vector portable master meter at the WEG location, by the personnel from TNEB as follows: $E_{EXP, i, y} = \sum_{m=1}^{12} E_{EXP, i, m}$

¹⁰ <https://cdm.unfccc.int/methodologies/PAMethodologies/tools/am-tool-07-v1.1.pdf>

¹¹ CEA CO₂ Baseline Database, version 4.0, dated September 2008, available at: www.cea.nic.in

	where 'm' stands for each month from January (m=1) to December (m=12) The meter is an import-export meter provided with a totalizer from which cumulative reading can be taken to yield the net electricity exported to the state grid at the end of every month.
Frequency of monitoring/recording	Continuous Monitoring and Monthly Recording
Value monitored	77,044,895
Monitoring equipment	Monitoring: 3-Phase energy meter is used for monitoring Accuracy Class: 0.5s The meter calibration details are provided in Appendix I of this document
QA/QC procedures to be applied	The meter reading will be taken on 15th of every month by the personnel from the TNEB, in the presence of representatives from the company. The meter would be sealed by the TNEB. The meter installed is of an accuracy class of 0.5%. The net energy exported by the WEG is obtained by multiplying the Main meter reading with a multiplication factor specific to the master meter. The Main meter will be maintained and calibrated by the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board State on a regular basis per their internal calibration schedule as specified in the wheeling Agreements or as deemed necessary by the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board (The meters are calibrated by TNEB annually) and calibration is done using the portable meter. The shift in charge of the power plant will be responsible for verifying the quantum of electricity exported to the grid vis-à-vis the net electricity generated from the wind power generating unit within the same time period.
Purpose of the data	Calculation of Baseline emissions
Calculation method	NA
Comments	The relevant data will be recorded in electronic form and the same along with the electricity bills will be archived during the crediting period and for two years beyond the crediting period.

4.3 Monitoring Plan

The system in practice to monitor the electrical energy generated and there from the GHG emission reduction quantum from the project activity is provided in the following section.

The project activity essentially involves generation of electricity from wind, the employed WEG converts wind energy into electrical energy and does not use any other fuel for electricity generation. Thus, no special ways and means are required to monitor leakage from the project activity.

- The project activity requires evacuation facilities for sale to Indian grid and the evacuation facility is essentially maintained by the state power utility, TNEB.

- The electricity generation measurements are required by the utility and the project proponents to assess electricity wheeling charges.
- Each WEG is equipped with an integrated electronic meter, the portable master meter connected to the Central Monitoring Station (CMS) through a wireless Radio Frequency (RF) network (PLC). The generation data of individual machine can be monitored as a real-time entity at CMS.
- The energy measurement is carried out on the 15th day of every month in the presence of both parties (a representative of the project proponent and personnel from the state power utility, TNEB). Both parties will sign the recorded reading.
- The metering equipment is maintained in accordance with electricity standards and has the capability of recording hourly and monthly readings and is of accuracy class 0.5%. Records of meter reading are maintained at the head office. The energy meters will be duly approved, tested and sealed by the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board.
- The energy meter will be calibrated annually by the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board or as deemed necessary by the board. The calibration would be done using the portable meter annually by the personnel from the TNEB. Copies of periodical calibration certificates will be provided to the validator.
- Ex-ante grid emission factor will be used during the crediting period.

Data is monitored continuously and recording will be done on monthly basis for entire crediting period.

Monitoring roles and responsibilities

Project proponent and wind turbine supplier together will be involved for collecting the monitoring information and data measurements.

The wind power policy of the Tamil Nadu state government was neither consistent, nor conducive for the investors in the state for promotion of private sector investment. Additionally, the state government never allowed third party sale of power within the state, leaving only the options of captive consumption (through wheeling and banking) and sale to the grid. The state government also kept the power purchase price (tariff) much lower than other states and lower than the recommended tariff by MNRE, whereas the banking and wheeling charges are higher than other states. This tariff issue also discouraged private sector investment in clean technologies. Such power policies of the state government impediments implementation of clean power projects.

Purpose of monitoring:

The Monitoring and Verification (M&V) procedures define a project-specific standard against which the project's performance (i.e., GHG reductions) and conformance with all relevant criteria will be monitored and verified. It includes developing suitable data collection methods and data interpretation techniques for monitoring and verification of GHG emissions with specific focus on technical / efficiency / performance parameters. It also allows scope for review, scrutiny and benchmarking of all these information against reports pertaining to M & V protocols.

The M&V Protocol provides a range of data measurement, estimation and collection options/techniques in each case indicating preferred options consistent with good practices to allow project managers and operational staff, auditors, and verifiers to apply the most practical and cost-effective measurement approaches to the project. The aim is to enable this project have a clear, credible, and accurate set of monitoring, evaluation and verification procedures. The purpose of these procedures would be to direct and support continuous

monitoring of project performance/key project indicators to determine project outcomes, greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions.

The general monitoring principles are based on:

- **Frequency:** The amount of electricity exported to the grid is monitored continuously and aggregated every month
- **Reliability:** The reliability of the monitoring system is governed by the accuracy of the measurement system and the quality of the equipment to produce the result. All energy meters will be calibrated on a regular basis by the Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board for ensuring reliability of the system. The monitored data is reliable as it is being done by the state utility and also the meters are periodically calibrated. All the meters are of 0.5% accuracy class. The calibration certificates are provided to the validator
- **Registration and Reporting:** Registration of data would be in the plant records and there from the Electricity Export invoices raised to the SEB. Monthly reports would be prepared stating the net electricity exported and archived by the project proponent. The records pertaining to EB bills are maintained at the registered office of the project proponents.

Roles and Responsibility:

- The project investors have signed an operation and maintenance agreement with the WEG supplier / external O&M Service Providers, contract is for stipulated time period after completion of the that time period, investor may choose other service provider.
- The performance of the turbines, safety in operation and scheduled /breakdown maintenances is the responsibility of O&M Service Providers and are organized and monitored by them. So, the authority and responsibility of project management lies with the O & M Service Providers / Project Proponent Representative.
- Joint meter reading reports shall be taken in the presence of TNEB officials & Investors Representative (e.g., O&M Service Provider), while the Invoices processing shall be done by Investor /Investor's Representative (e.g., O&M Service Provider).

Emergency procedure:

In case Main meter is found to be outside the acceptable limits of accuracy or faulty or not functioning properly, it will be repaired, recalibrated or replaced as soon as possible. In the event that the Main meter is not in service as a result of maintenance, repairs or calibration, the controller meter will be used. In case both are found to be outside the acceptable limits of accuracy or faulty or not functioning properly, both the meters shall be calibrated immediately and the error percentage found in the main meter during its calibration shall be applied to its metered energy data for the entire period since its last calibration to obtain the corrected value of net electricity exported to the grid. There is a delay in calibration of the meter as per schedule calibration was due on 28-March-2012. However actual calibration was done on 25-April-2016. As per calibration results meter is found working ok. Further PP has applied 0.5% error factor which is accuracy of the meter as per Annex 60¹² Guidelines for Assessing compliance with the calibration frequency.

QA / QC procedure:

¹² https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/052/eb52_repan60.pdf

The TNEB meters are scheduled to be calibrated at least once in every year. The entire responsibility of this task lies with the state utility. The meters have an accuracy class of at least 0.5s. TNEB has an on-site testing & calibration arrangement; hence there is no need to dismantle the meter for calibration. In case the meters are found faulty and hard to calibrate against the prescribed accuracy class the meter will be replaced by the state utility.

Data uncertainties and adjustments

Data uncertainties are likely under following conditions:

In case of error in TNEB meter

It is the common practice in the state of Tamil Nadu not to install check meter therefore at the site there are no check meters installed and readings are being taken directly from main meter & in case of main meter failure, the same shall be calibrated immediately & the correction factor applicable for the main meter shall be used for energy computation. For the period thereafter the measurement shall be continued in accordance with the calibrated main meter.

When records are lost

Tamil Nadu Electricity Board Statements will be used as reference & the same is justified as the TNEB statements are issued on the basis of monitoring values of TNEB energy meter only.

Apportioning Procedures in case the dates of monitoring period do not match with billing cycle dates

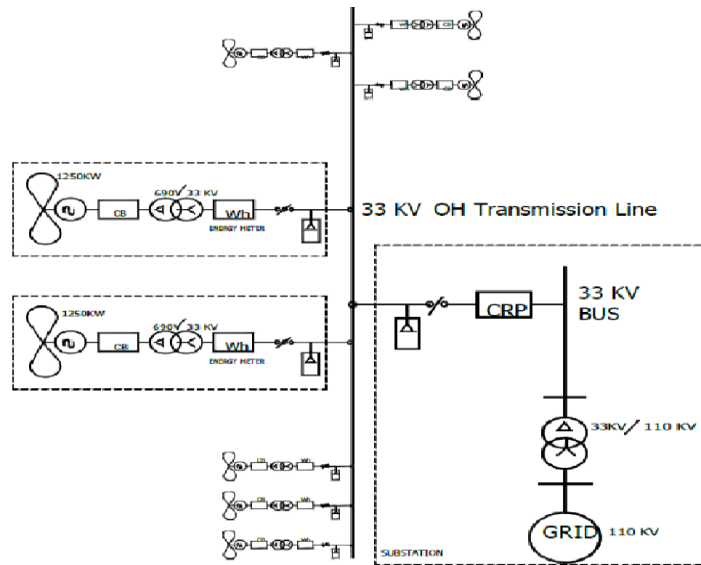
In the event when verification period dates and billing cycle of WEGs in the project activity, do not coincide:

Each WEG is equipped with the integrated electronic meter i.e., controller, which shows reading & the same has been recorded manually daily in Manual Log Books. Controller is connected to Central Monitoring System (CMS, the system continuously monitors the generation from each WEG. A daily consolidated report of the generation data is generated in the form of 'Daily Performance Report' and recorded in electronic and printed form).

In the event when the individual verification period dates and billing cycle dates of the each WEGs in the project activity do not coincide, then the monitoring procedure is being followed as-

X	Sum of generation during partial days of the month recorded at controller meter (kwh) source – Electronic / Manual Log Book
Y	Total generation during the month recorded at controller meter (kwh/month)
$Z = X / Y$	Ratio
B	Net Energy export by the WEG as per TNEB Monthly Report on Generation and Consumption
$Z * B$	Generation of partial days for calculating emission reduction (kwh)

The metering location diagram of the project activity is shown below:



5 QUANTIFICATION OF GHG EMISSION REDUCTIONS AND REMOVALS

5.1 Baseline Emissions

Emission reductions due to project activity are calculated as follows,

$$ER_y = BE_y - PE_y - LE_y$$

Where,

ER_y = Emission reductions in year y (tCO₂e/yr)

BE_y = Baseline emissions in year y (tCO₂e/yr)

PE_y = Project emissions in year y(tCO₂e/yr)

LE_y = Leakage emissions in year y(tCO₂e/yr)

The baseline emissions are to be calculated as follows:

$$BE_y = EG_{EXP,i,y} * EF_{grid,CM,y}$$

Where,

BE_y = Baseline Emission in year y (tCO₂e/yr)

$EG_{EXP,i,y}$ = Quantity of net electricity generation that is produced and fed into the grid as a result of the implementation of the CDM project activity in year y (MWh/yr)

$EF_{grid,CM,y}$ = Combined margin CO₂ emission factor for grid connected power generation in year y calculated using the latest version of the "Tool to calculate the emission factor for an electricity system" (tCO₂e/MWh)

Emission Factor for Southern grid (now a part of Unified Indian Grid), $EF_{grid,CM,y} = 0.927$ tCO₂e/MWh

Calculation of $EG_{EXP,i,y}$

The calculation of $EG_{EXP,i,y}$ is different for Greenfield plants, capacity additions, retrofits, rehabilitations, and replacements. These cases are described as follows:

$$EG_{EXP,i,y} = EG_{facility,y}$$

Where;

$EG_{EXP,i,y}$ = Quantity of net electricity generation that is produced and fed into the grid as a result of the implementation of the project activity in year y (MWh/yr)

$EG_{facility,y}$ = Quantity of net electricity generation supplied by the project plant/unit to the grid in year y (MWh/yr)

HTSC No.	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1783	1665879	1827697	1899887	1006784	362098
550	1384690	1831895	1650354	1230391	314439
830	2119954	1419703	1965931	1297056	350719
1749	2070430	1984184	1831356	383039	0
675	1737725	1937138	1994265	1141938	340686
676	1852538	1852526	467804	0	0
656	2070908	1980153	599954	0	0
655	1778111	1697783	594043	0	0
1659	1815455	1978213	1908221	360324	333533
1660	1952821	1882482	1797002	1177577	311485
548	1712247	2608087	2676107	1851325	612680
745	1940886	1897326	1907589	1300665	378812
Total	22101643	22897188	19292512	9749100	3004452

Electricity Supplied to the Southern Grid (now a part of Unified Indian Grid), $EG_{facility,y} = 77,044.90$ MWh

Baseline Emission, $BE_y = 77,044.90 \times 0.927$

= 71,419 tCO₂e (ROUND DOWN)

There is a delay in calibration of the meter as per schedule calibration was due on 28-March-2012. However actual calibration was done on 25-April-2016. As per calibration results meter is found working ok. Further PP has applied 0.5% error factor which is accuracy of the meters. This is in line with the guidelines provided under paragraph 3.4.2 of VCS Validation and Verification manual version 3.2 and Para 350 under section 10.2.6 of CDM Validation and Verification Standard Version 3.0 and Annex 60¹³ Guidelines for Assessing compliance with the calibration frequency; Version 01.

¹³ https://cdm.unfccc.int/EB/052/eb52_repan60.pdf

5.2 Project Emissions

As per para 13 of AMS-I.D version 14¹⁴, This project activity is grid connected wind power generation. Hence there is no project emission from the project activity.

$$PE_y = 0$$

5.3 Leakage

As per para 14 of AMS-I.D version 14¹⁵, The project activity engages neither transferring the energy generating equipment from another activity, nor is the existing equipment transferred to another activity. So, the leakage emissions are not applicable and hence not considered.

$$LE_y = 0$$

5.4 Net GHG Emission Reductions and Removals

Year	Baseline emissions or removals (tCO ₂ e)	Project emissions or removals (tCO ₂ e)	Leakage emissions (tCO ₂ e)	Net GHG emission reductions or removals (tCO ₂ e)
2012 (28-March-2012 to 31-December-2012)	20,488	0	0	20,488
2013 (01-January-2013 to 31-December-2013)	21,225	0	0	21,225
2014 (01-January-2014 to 31-December-2014)	17,884	0	0	17,884
2015 (01-January-2015 to 31-December-2015)	9,037	0	0	9,037

¹⁴ <https://cdm.unfccc.int/UserManagement/FileStorage/UQ8WZYCH5IVSPBNF2760MGE10TDX9A>

¹⁵ <https://cdm.unfccc.int/UserManagement/FileStorage/UQ8WZYCH5IVSPBNF2760MGE10TDX9A>

2016 (01-January-2016 to 27-March-2016)	2,785	0	0	2,785
Total	71,419	0	0	71,419

The estimated emission reduction to be achieved from the project activity for the current monitoring period is 101,289 tCO₂e (the basis of calculation is unitary method using annual emission reduction in the registered VCS PD), whereas actual emission reductions achieved are 71,419 tCO₂e, which is -29.49% less in the ERs from the estimated ones in the VCS PD which is due to the low PLF. Observed PLF (14.65%) is lower by 25.90% from the one which was estimated in VCS PD. It is to be noted that PLF is completely governed by the availability of wind, which is natural phenomenon and same is beyond the control of the project proponent.

And also, PP has taken some major shutdowns during this monitoring period. That is around 44.8 breakdown hours during current monitoring period. The breakdown details have been mentioned in Appendix II of the Monitoring Report.

APPENDIX I: METER CALIBRATION DETAILS

HTS C No.	Mete r No.	Make	Accur acy Class	Date of Calibration	Validity of Calibration	Delay in Calibration
178 3	0480 4608	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016
550	0230 7242	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016
830	0232 9693	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016
174 9	0472 6599	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
676	0233 2456	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
675	0233 2455	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
656	0472 6605	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
655	0230 7248	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
165 9	0234 5893	ELSTER	0.5s	24-December- 2011, 25-April- 2016	23-December- 2012, 24-April- 2017	24-December- 2012 to 24-April- 2016
166 0	0472 6593	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016
548	0230 7239	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016

745	0234 5881	ELSTER	0.5s	25-April-2016	24-April-2017	28-March-2012 to 24-April-2016
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APPENDIX II: MAJOR BREAKDOWN DETAILS

HTSC No.	Date	Breakdown Reason	Breakdown Hours
550	19-May-2015	Nacelle temp.	1.20
550	21-May-2015	Outdoor temp. low	1.00
830	10-April-2015	Natural Calamities	2.00
830	06-February-2016	Cable autounwind	0.60
745	28-March-2012	Substation Maintenance	5.20
548	28-March-2012	Cable autounwind	0.80
548	28-March-2012	Forced Backdown	0.70
548	28-March-2012	Forced Backdown	2.00
548	28-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
548	28-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
745	29-March-2012	Routine Checking	0.70
548	29-March-2012	Forced Backdown	2.30
548	29-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
548	29-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
548	30-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
548	30-March-2012	Forced Backdown	4.80
1660	30-March-2012	SS EL Tripped	0.10
745	31-March-2012	Cable autounwind	0.60
548	31-March-2012	Forced Backdown	1.80
548	31-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
548	31-March-2012	Forced Backdown	3.00
Total Breakdown Hours			44.8