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Agreement pertains to advisory services on solar energy

AHMEDABAD, JUNE 1: The Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI) has entered into an agreement with Haryana Power Generation Corporation Ltd (HPGCL) to provide advisory services and extend its knowledge to various government agencies of Haryana.

"It is not just a deal for a service to be provided, but we see this as a landmark initiative of knowledge transfer between two States to achieve a common goal towards sustainability," K V Rama Rao, MD of HPGCL, and Omkar Jani, principal research scientist (solar), GERMI, said in a statement here announcing the signing of the memorandum of understanding (MoU).

The total installed generation capacity of HPGCL is 3,230.2 MW. Haryana Electricity Regulatory Commission (HERC) has mandated the distribution companies of Haryana a solar renewable purchase obligation (RPO) of 0.25 per cent of the total consumption of FY 2014-15.

To meet this RPO, Haryana has set a target for installation of solar power capacities of 400 MW in the next four years on ground, rooftops, canal-tops, and ash dykes, by constructing solar parks.

GERMI will provide its services with the approach of 'concept to commissioning' for developing solar projects in Haryana.

GERMI and HPGCL will work together to identify sites, check the project feasibility, provide complete project management support as well as capacity building.

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