

## Press Release

# National Solar Energy Federation of India (NSEFI) SolarPower Europe and Indo German Energy Forum Jointly Launch O&M Best Practices Guidelines for Solar in India supported

40 Industry leaders from India and Europe contributed to this report



Proud to present...

- A pioneering document
- Collaboration between NSEFI and SolarPower Europe, supported by IGEF
- Based on SolarPower Europe's O&M Best Practice Guidelines V4.0
- Authored by over 40 top solar experts from 25 companies from India and Europe
- 8 months' work
- 14 chapters
- Over 130 pages
- Useful documentation in the annex
- Download at [www.solarpowereurope.org](http://www.solarpowereurope.org) or [www.nsefi.in](http://www.nsefi.in)

Operation & Maintenance Best Practices Guidelines for Solar in India

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NSEFI and SolarPower Europe jointly launched the Indian edition of O&M Best practices for Solar on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 during the Smarter E India conference. With an objective to have a common standard document that all stakeholders can agree on and collectively refer, this document was prepared by 40 experts from both Indian and European Solar industries representing IPPs, Rooftop players, manufacturers, O&M service providers. This initiative was supported by Indo German Energy Forum.

This occasion was graced by Dr. Nicole Glanemann the Deputy. Head of Division, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Govt. of Germany who appreciated NSEFI and SolarPower Europe's efforts in bringing the industry in India and Europe together to create a reference document on O&M which is a key subject for sustainable operations of solar assets. She emphasized the growing importance of O&M and highlighted that India is already a 300 Million USD O&M market which is poised to exponentially grow making it very important to have industry accepted standards and best practices in place.

Speaking on this occasion Pranav Mehta, Chairman of NSEFI said "I am very happy that NSEFI and SolarPower Europe with the support of Indo German Energy Forum developed the Indian Edition of O&M best practice guidelines. Many NSEFI members consisting of leading Indian Solar Power Developers/IPPs, Rooftop developers, manufacturers, O&M service providers contributed to this report and I truly believe this report signifies the importance of qualitative asset operation and management Indian industry adopts. I am very happy to also note that almost a year and half ago NSEFI and SolarPower Europe Signed an MoU of mutual cooperation and it is very encouraging to see the cooperation yielding good results in such a short period of time. I am optimistic that in the coming days NSEFI and SolarPower Europe will continue working closer and connect the Indian and European Solar industry stakeholders in a more engaging manner with innovative initiatives like manufacturing, green Hydrogen and PV recycling."

NSEFI CEO Mr. Subrahmanyam Pulipaka and Head of International Cooperation – SolarPower Europe Mr. Mate Heisz jointly launched this report virtually in the presence of industry stakeholders.