Net Load Ramping Requirements of Southern Region by 2022

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I. Introduction

• 175 GW of Renewable energy targets & Infirm and intermittent nature of the renewables.

• SR present capacity is 22 GW expected to reach 55GW by 2022 (Wind+Solar)

• Maintaining Load-Generation balance at every instant is essential requirement for stable operation of grid.

• **Net Load:** Difference between actual connected load and generation from Wind & Solar.

• Based on the derived net load, system operator has to flex the generation of conventional power stations in order to achieve load-generation balance, on real time basis.

• Estimating Net load is important for managing the high penetration of renewables.

• Expected net load of SR for the year 2022 presented here

**All data presented is as per SCADA/SEM meter data available at SRLDC.**
II. SOLAR GENERATION CHARACTERISTICS

Solar generation during a day

Solar generation for one month
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Summary of solar generation ramping during the day

Block wise solar generation ramps during the day

![Block wise Generation variations of 250MW Solar Park](image)
III. WIND POWER VARIATIONS IN SOUTHERN REGION

Wind generation in MU for 3 years

Wind generation in MW for 1 year Day wise
III. WIND POWER VARIATIONS IN SOUTHERN REGION

General curve during high wind season:

General curve during lean wind season:
IV. EXPECTED NET LOAD BY 2022

• Wind & Solar forms around 38% of total generating capacity of SR in 2022

• Net load is defined as the difference between actual connected load and generation from Wind & Solar.

• Net Load gives an idea to system operator about the amount of flexibility required from conventional generation to accommodate renewables
IV. EXPECTED NET LOAD IN PEAK DEMAND SEASON

1. Peak demand season
   a) Scenario 1: 80% of RE Target achieved
   b) Scenario 2: 100% of RE Target achieved

Expected net load in the 28th time block of the day is ~55GW and has come down to ~41GW (1a) (~36 GW1(b)) during 49th time block and again increased to ~55GW in 70th time block
Net Load requirement in Peak Demand Scenario

Blockwise Net Load Ramps Required-Scenario 1(a)

Blockwise Net Load Ramps Required- Scenario 1(b)
2. Peak Wind season
   a) Scenario 1: 80% of RE Target achieved
   b) Scenario 2: 100% of RE Target achieved

The net load of ~41GW during 28th time block has come down to ~21GW (2(a)) (~15 GW (2(b))) in 49th time block
Net Load requirement in Peak Wind Scenario

Blockwise Net Load Ramps Required- Scenario 2(a)

Blockwise Net Load Ramps Required-Scenario 2(b)
V. MANAGING THE LOAD RAMPS – SOLUTIONS

1. **Storage**: Pumped hydro storage and other storage techniques. CEA Draft technical standards proposes maintaining at least 10% of installed capacity as storage facility for the wind & solar plants of 50 MW and above.

2. **Exporting excess power to other regions**: Presently SR is importing power from other grids, in future situation for exporting of power may arise with high RE generation.

3. **Altering the load curve**: Agriculture loads are predominant in SR, presently supply is being given in three time slots on rotational basis & shifting the loads to day hours may help in lowering the ramping requirements.

   The net load requirement for region as a whole has been computed while in reality it is different for different states based on their RE status. There must be a flexi trading mechanism among different states within the region for smoothening the net load requirement.
VI. ADDRESSING THE INTRA-DAY/SUDDEN VARIATIONS IN RENEWABLES

• Primary Response or Governor Response: Presently only 20 to 30% of mandated response is observed, further improvement required.

• Automatic generation control: For controlling the tie line flows (Variations in renewable generation leads to deviation of power flows from schedule)

• Ancillary services: Presently Indian specific ancillary services launched covering central generating stations. Further bringing state generating stations & implementation through market mechanisms.
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