

Cabinet nod to new power sub-stations

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Lucknow: The state cabinet on Wednesday gave nod to construction of power sub-stations under the green energy corridor (Phase-2) to evacuate electricity from non-conventional energy resources.

Under the project, 20 sub-stations are proposed

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to be built. In the first phase, sub-stations are proposed to be constructed from 2022-23 to 2024-25. The second phase will cover 2023-24 to 2025-26 period. The project aims to bring down carbon emissions by tapping non-conventional sources like solar and biogas.

The cabinet also approved reducing the cost of the proposed solar park in the state. Earlier, the state government had proposed a

4,000MW distributed solar park in the Bundelkhand region. This has now been modified. Now, the government will set up a 2,600MW exhaustive solar park and a 1,400MW distributed one. The cabinet noted that the cost of material to be used in the project has come down from Rs 5,011 crore to 4,786 crore. Accordingly the new cost has been endorsed.

The cabinet also green flagged the proposal to pay off the loan state government would receive from the German company KfW for the transmission system linked to the 4,000MW solar project in Bundelkhand. The company would have paid 47% of the total cost of the project. The Centre had agreed to provide 33% of the project cost, while the state government would bear 20% of the cost.