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# India Energy Storage Combined Frequency Regulation Project



## Overview

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Should energy storage be regulated in India?

India's existing regulations present a useful framework for enabling energy storage deployment; however, current regulations that explicitly restrict storage from providing services or earning revenue for those services present a barrier to maximizing the cost-effective value of storage investments.

Will India's first battery energy storage system be regulated in 2024?

New Delhi | 08 May 2024 — In a significant step forward for India's energy transition, the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) has granted regulatory approval of India's first commercial standalone Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project.

How a hybrid energy storage system can support frequency regulation?

The hybrid energy storage system combined with coal fired thermal power plant in order to support frequency regulation project integrates the advantages of "fast charging and discharging" of flywheel battery and "robustness" of lithium battery, which not only expands the total system capacity, but also improves the battery durability.

How much battery energy storage capacity is available in India?

Between 2022 and May 2025, India auctioned approximately 12.8GWh of battery energy storage system (BESS) capacity for both hybrid and standalone applications. However, only about 219MWh of BESS capacity is reported to be operational, leaving a large pipeline of projects under construction.

Why is energy storage important in India?

The technical system characteristics of the Indian power system are favorable for energy storage to reduce operating cost and improve system reliability. Storage can provide energy arbitrage, ancillary services, and potentially defer transmission investments, but existing policy and regulatory barriers may limit

these opportunities.

Can energy storage accelerate India's energy transition?

Energy storage has the potential to meet these challenges and accelerate India's energy transition. The potential for storage to meet these needs depends on many factors, including physical characteristics of the power system and the policy and regulatory environments in which these investments would operate.

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