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Govt to extend RoDTEP scheme for exporters

New Delhi: The government is expected to extend the duty refund scheme — Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) — for exporters, an official said on Tuesday. The scheme will end on September 30. The official said the matter is being discussed with the Finance Ministry. The Budget for the scheme for this fiscal was ₹10,000 crore. PTI

ED raids jewellers in Haryana, Punjab

Chandigarh: The ED on Tuesday conducted searches at some jewellery shops in Haryana and Punjab as part of its investigation into money laundering aspect in the alleged embezzlement of ₹645 crore from bank accounts linked to the Haryana government and maintained with the IDFC First Bank, officials said. They said about 14 premises in Chandigarh, Mohali and Panchkula were covered during the raids. PTI

Centrum Air's service links Hyderabad-Tashkent



Hyderabad: Centrum Air has launched the first direct service between Hyderabad and Tashkent with the inaugural flight taking off from the GMR Hyderabad International Airport. The service will operate twice weekly, providing passengers from South India with direct access to Uzbekistan, said a release. OUR BUREAU

Sovereign cloud framework proposed to safeguard India's digital infra

CLEAR PATHWAY. Shift away from external tech dependence in stages to domestic control: C-DEP Research

Our Bureau
New Delhi

To protect national security and prevent geopolitical interference over its digital economy, the Centre for Digital Economy Policy Research (C-DEP Research) has proposed a structured pathway for India to progressively secure sovereign control over critical cloud infrastructure, data, operations and technology.

C-DEP Research said this in a report on "Pathways for Sovereign Cloud Adoption in India" released at the Defence Tech Day, organised by the United Service Institution of India, the oldest military think tank of India. Chief of Defence Staff General Raja Subramani was among the defence strategists and senior policymakers from the Department of Telecommunications present at the event.

Recognising that complete technological sovereignty cannot be achieved immediately across every layer of the cloud stack, independent think tank C-DEP has proposed the Bharat Sovereign Cloud Assurance Levels Evaluation (B-SCALE), the report said as per a statement. The framework creates a staged pathway from external technology dependence towards progressively higher levels of Indian control.

CALIBRATED APPROACH

Under the framework, B-SCALE 0 represents cloud environments without an India-specific sovereign-control boundary. B-SCALE 1 establishes Indian control



STRATEGIC AUTONOMY. Parts that need to be domestically sourced must be based on production capacities, says report

over areas including data, operating personnel, administrative access, monitoring, incident response, disaster recovery and server execution.

B-SCALE 2 extends this to encryption keys, networks, infrastructure and platform operations, source repositories, updates, supplier approvals and interoperability. B-SCALE 3 represents the highest level, where the complete cloud stack can be operated, modified, recovered and continued within India without unilateral external dependence. The report, released by Maj Gen Pawan Anand, AVSM, PhD (retd), introduces the Data, Operational, Legal and Technical (DOLT) model, which evaluates Sovereign Cloud environments across 65 measurable parameters. These parameters assess who controls data and its movement, who operates and recovers the cloud environment, which jurisdiction governs the service, and the degree of sovereign control over servers, networks, cloud platforms, software, supply chains, interoperability and technology dependencies.

The C-DEP Research report argues that measuring percentage localisation based on value of sourcing from within the country, may not be a sufficient criteria to push the country to a faster path to sovereign cloud, as the pathway may get embroiled in accounting challenges. The report, therefore, suggests dictating the components that need to be sourced from within India, based on the maturity of production capacities in the country.

Rajnath Singh calls for boosting indigenous warships exports

Our Bureau
New Delhi

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday called for greater emphasis on exports of indigenous warships, highlighting that recently commissioned platforms have over 75 per cent domestic content.

Singh's push underlined the Navy's efforts towards achieving self-reliance in the defence sector while speaking at the second edition of the three-day Indian Navy's biannual Commanders' Conference 2026 that began on Tuesday at Nausena Bhawan here. "The Indian Navy's warship production ecosystem is now meeting global benchmarks. The warships commissioned recently contain over 75 per cent indigenous content. In the times ahead, we must not only meet our own requirements but also export our warships to friendly foreign nations," he told the top brass of the Navy.

HISTORIC YEAR

The Minister described 2026 as a historic year for the Navy, with plans for the induction or commissioning of 18 warships, which would constitute the largest single-year force accretion in the Navy's history. "The developments reflected the growing maturity of India's domestic naval shipbuilding ecosystem, while emphasising that further capability enhancement remained necessary," he said.



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh

"Beyond merely guarding maritime boundaries, our Navy strengthens economic protection, regional stability, and power projection," he remarked.

Singh also advised Indian Navy commanders to "elevate monitoring and response mechanisms to a new level" to tackle congestion, deception, and gray-zone activities which have made maritime domain far more complex than ever before.

CALL FOR UPGRADES

He also called for a significant upgrade of India's maritime surveillance architecture, recognising the importance of existing systems. He added that the growing volume and complexity of maritime traffic require enhanced analytical capabilities.

"India stands firm as the first responder, preferred security partner and a symbol of trust and reliability in the Indian Ocean Region, and the entire world is witnessing the growth of both our strategic position and our strategic responsibility in the region," Singh told the commanders.

"Today, issues such as congestion, deception, and gray-zone activities have made our maritime domain far more complex than ever before. Hence, we must elevate our monitoring and response mechanisms to a new level," he added.

Lauding the India Navy's role in the crisis in West Asia, the Minister highlighted that ensuring the safe transit of Indian-flagged merchant vessels through the Strait of Hormuz under 'Operation Urja Suraksha' is an outstanding achievement.

High battery prices could delay 12 GWh BESS capacity projects: Crisil

Rishi Ranjan Kala
New Delhi



As much as 12 gigawatt-hour (GWh) of battery energy storage system (BESS) capacity, or roughly one-fifth of the total BESS under construction, faces commissioning delays due to hardening battery prices and low tariffs bid for these projects, Crisil Ratings said in a commentary.

Manish Gupta, Senior Director and Deputy Chief Ratings Officer at Crisil Ratings, said: "The risk has emerged because battery prices have hardened in 2026, while tariffs bid out for these projects were relatively low. Developers typically procure batteries about a year after securing project bids. Consequently, most projects awarded in 2025 are now exposed to higher battery prices, which have rebounded from the lows witnessed in 2025."

As battery prices were consistently coming down till 2025, developers appear to have bid aggressively on the assumption that prices would continue their downward trajectory, he said.

However, battery prices have increased and at these prevailing levels, project return may be insufficient to achieve a typical target internal rate of return (IRR) of 12-14 per cent. Consequently, developers may defer implementation in anticipation of more favourable battery pricing, the ratings agency said.

The analysis covers bids awarded between fiscals 2024 and 2026 across nearly 100 RE developers.

BESS PROJECTS

BESS projects accounted for nearly 40 per cent of the total auctioned capacity in FY26, up sharply from about 5 per cent in FY24 and FY25. As a result, 50-55 GWh of BESS capacity is scheduled for commissioning across FY27 and FY28.

Of this, around 40 GWh has been awarded through government-led auctions, where distribution utilities are the offtakers, while the remaining 10-15 GWh is expected to serve commercial and industrial consumers directly or be deployed in the merchant market.

Ankit Hakhu, Director at Crisil Ratings, said that around 8-9 GWh out of the 12 GWh is exposed to an additional challenge —limited implementation experience among project sponsors.

"While BESS projects typically face relatively lower land acquisition and connectivity-related challenges compared to conventional renewable energy projects, equipment procurement remains a key risk given the sector's continued dependence on overseas suppliers for batteries and other critical components," he added.

Consequently, any increase in procurement costs, coupled with execution-related challenges, could moderate IRRs and/or result in delays in project commissioning. Early signs of these pressures are already evident across parts of the under-construction pipeline with projects getting stranded, Hakhu said.

The remaining 45-50 GWh of capacity has a higher likelihood of being commissioned during FY27 and FY28.

VOC Port's wind turbine blade handling jumps 75%

Our Bureau
Chennai

With a 75 per cent jump in handling wind turbine blades, the VO Chidambaranar Port is consolidating its position as a renewable-energy logistics hub.

During April-August 2026, the port handled 2,188 wind turbine blades, compared with 1,254 blades during the corresponding period of FY 2025-26, registering year-on-year growth of 75 per cent.

The number of vessels carrying wind turbine blade consignments also increased to 52 from 39 during the same period, said a release.

The latest performance builds on a sustained increase in wind-energy cargo handled at the port.

In FY24, the port handled 2,030 wind turbine blades; in FY25, the number increased to 2,635 blades and in FY26 to 4,922 blades.

To support this cargo segment, VOC Port provides 1 lakh sq m of exclusive open space outside the Customs-notified area and 1.44 lakh sq m within the Customs-notified area for the storage of wind turbine blades and associated components.

Susanta Kumar Purohit, Chairperson, VO Chidambaranar Port Authority, said, "Renewable energy projects increasingly depend upon the efficient movement of large and specialised components, and ports will have an important role in enabling this supply chain."

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES under SARFAESI Act 2002
APPENDIX IV-A and II-A [See Proviso to Rule 9(1)]

E-Auction sale notice for sale of Immovable assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described Immovable properties Mortgaged/ Charged to the Secured Creditor, **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda, ROSAR Branch, Hyderabad,** Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is"** and **Whatever there is"** basis on **28-10-2026** for recovery of **Rs. 2,94,42,908.12 (Rupees Two Crores Ninty Four Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Eight And Paisa Twelve only)** as on **28-09-2026** and further interest there on from **29-09-2026** plus costs, charges & expenses due to **Bank of Baroda ROSAR Branch, Hyderabad** secured creditor, from **Borrower/Guarantors/Mortgagers: M/s G.V.Reedy (Partnership Firm represented by its partners/Guarantors: Mr. Gudimetla Vijay Bhaskar Reddy, Mr. Gudimetla Satish Kumar Reddy and Mrs. Gudimetla Venkata Sirisha Kumari), All Are R/o** #6-3-345/1, Plot No. 102, Meghana Residency, Dwarakapuri Colony, Road No. 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana- 500028. **Mr. Gudimetla Satish Kumar Reddy, (Partner & Guarantor),** 4-44-8-9, G V Reddy Street, P & T Colony, Tadepalligudem, 534 101, A.P., **Mr. Gudimetla Vijay Bhaskar Reddy (Partner & Guarantor),** Flat No. 401, P.No-62, Jyothi Sai Ganesh Apts, Shanthi Nagar, Hyderabad- 500034, **Mrs. Gudimetla Venkata Sirisha Kumari, (Partner & Guarantor)**, H.No.6-115 C Post Office Road, House of Sesha Vani Garu, Attili, West Godavari, **Mr. Tetali Subbi Reddy (Guarantor),** H.No.102-3/3, N.E.Layout, Seethammadhara,Visakhapatnam-530013., **Mrs. Konala Vijaya Ganga Bhavani (Guarantor),** H.No.6-3-345/1, F.No.:102, Meghana Residency, Road No-1, Banjarahills, Hyderabad-500034, **Mrs. Medapati Sai Kumari (Guarantor),** 4-44-8-9, G.V.Reddy Street, P&T Colony, Tadepalligudem-534 101, A.P.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Residential land and building with land to the extent of **403.78 Sq Yds** and building thereupon (G+2) with a built-up area of 5202 Sq Ft at D.No, 4-44-8 (New), RS No, 380, ward No, 10, P&T colony, Opp Vasavi Club Park, Tadepalligudem Municipality, West Godavari. Property **Belonging to Mr G Satish Kumar Reddy & Mr G Vijaya Bhaskara Reddy, Bounded by: NORTH:** Land of A. Ramadevi, **SOUTH:** Venkatesh and K.Satyanarayana Land, **EAST:** Land of A. Narasimha Murthy, **WEST:** Municipal Road.

Reserve Price: Rs.1,15,40,000/-, EMD: Rs.11,54,000/-, Bid Increment: Rs.1,00,000/-

Vacant residential land to the extent of **274 Sq Yds** at Plot No. 26, RS No. 296, D.No.7-44-1,LP No.69/86, ward No.11, Satyavathi Nagar, Tadepalligudem Municipality, West Godavari. Property **Belonging to Mr. G. Satish Kumar Reddy & Mr. G.Vijaya Bhaskara Reddy**, **Bounded by: NORTH:** Plot No. 25 (61'8"), **SOUTH**: Site of Plot No. 27, **EAST:** Site of Plot No.32, **WEST:** 33 feet wide road.

Reserve Price: Rs.30,00,000/-, EMD: Rs.3,00,000/-, Bid Increment: Rs.50,000/-

Residential land to the extent of **267.20 Sq Yds** at Plot No. 32, RS No. 296, DNo. 7-44-1, LP No. 69/86-A, Plot No.32 in Karri Narsimha Rao Nagar H/o Karri Satyavathi Nagar, ward No. 11, Tadepalligudem Municipality, West Godavari. Property **Belonging to Mr G Satish Kumar Reddy and Mr. Mr G Vijaya Bhaskara Reddy. Bounded by: NORTH:** Site of Plot No.31, **SOUTH:** Site of Plot No.33, **EAST:** 40 feet layout Road, **WEST:** Plot No.26.

Reserve Price: Rs.29,20,000/-, EMD: Rs.2,92,000/-, Bid Increment: Rs.50,000/-

Residential land and building to the extent of **232.8 Sq Yds** at D.No. 3-160 (new) in R S No 256/11, 282/2 at Kommara village & Panchayat, Attili Mandal, West Godavari, Property **Belonging to Mr. G. Satish Kumar Reddy & Mr. G. Vijaya Bhaskara Reddy, Bounded by: NORTH:** House Part-C Schedule, **SOUTH:** Irrigation Canal/ house Part-D Schedule, **EAST:** Land of G venkata Reddy, **WEST:** ZP Road

Reserve Price: Rs.10,80,000/-, EMD: Rs.1,08,000/-, Bid Increment: Rs.25,000/-

Vacant residential land to the extent of **233.50 Sq.yds** at RS No: 41/12, 41/13, Plot No: 3, Near D. No: 2-344/01, Balajii Nagar, 4thstreet, opposite A.P.S.P, Ramannayya peta village, Kakinada rural Mandal, East Godavari district, Property **Belonging to Mrs Medapati Sai Kumari Bounded by: North:** Site of M. V. Sita Mahalakshmi, **South:** 25ft wide road, **East**: Site of Medapati Krishna Kumari, **West:** Site of Plot No.2.

Reserve Price: Rs.44,30,000/-, EMD: Rs.4,43,000/-, Bid Increment: Rs.50,000/-

Known encumbrances: NIL

Date of E-Auction: 28-10-2026 between 11.00 A.M. to 03.00 P.M. (With unlimited auto extension of 10 minutes)

Last Date of Submission of bid and EMD: 27-10-2026 upto 10.30 A.M.

:: Date & Time of Inspection of the property :: 22-10-2026 From 11.00 AM to 01.00 PM With prior appointment

For any Clarifications or further details contact Authorized Officer & Chief Manager on **Tel:040-23421635 & Cell: 88771 71915** and Also may contact the Bank's approved service provider **M/s PSB Alliance** at their web portal **https://BAANKNET.com.** The interested bidders shall ensure that they get themselves registered on the e-auction website and deposit earnest money in the virtual wallet created by service provider as per guidelines provided on **https://BAANKNET.com** prior to the date of e-auction. For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link **https://www.bankofbaroda.bank.in/e-auction.**

Place: Hyderabad
Date: 28-09-2026

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