To,

Implementing agencies for rooftop solar projects -
SNAs/PSUs/Discoms/ULBs/Other departments.

Subject: Implementation of Grid Connected Rooftop Solar power projects under MNRE Scheme

In order to ensure transparency in implementation of rooftop solar projects under capital subsidy Scheme for residential, social and institutional sectors, Ministry vide its OM no. 03/88/2015-16/GCRT dated 08.09.2016 (copy attached) had issued guidelines mandating the Implementing Agencies (SNAs/ Discoms/ Municipal Corporations etc.) to undertake transparent bidding process for discovery of price for installation of solar rooftop projects. However, it has been heard that in some cases work orders have been issued on benchmark costs, without going through a transparent bidding process for price discovery.

2. It is once again re-iterated that Implementing Agencies must adhere to above guidelines and selection of bidders and discovery of project cost for rooftop solar under Ministry’s scheme must be through a transparent competitive bidding process. Any violation of these guidelines shall make the project ineligible for availing CFA from MNRE. Further, any advance amount released for in such cases, shall have to be refunded back to the Ministry along with interest accrued thereon.

Enclosed: As above.

Copy to be uploaded on MNRE website for information of all concerns.