PROJECT CONCEPT NOTE

CARBON OFFSET UNIT (CoU) PROJECT

Title: 5.35 KW Micro Scale Solar Power Project by Francis Almon, Ucassaim, Goa

Version 1.0

Date of PCN: 16/006/2025

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BASIC INFORMATION	
Title of the project activity	**5.35 KW Micro Scale Solar Power Project by Francis Almon, Ucassaim, Goa**
Scale of the project activity	Small Scale
Completion date of the PCN	16/06/2025
Project participants	Mr Francis P. Almon (PP)
Host Party	INDIA
Applied methodologies and standardized baselines	Applied Baseline Methodology: AMS-I.D.: "Grid connected renewable electricity generation", version 18 Standardized Baseline: UCR Protocol Emission Factor
Sectoral scopes	01 Energy industries (Renewable/Non-Renewable Sources)
Estimated amount of total GHG emission reductions	To be estimated during verification Ex-ante: ~ 8 CoUs (~ 8 tCO2eq)

SECTION A. Description of project activity

A.1. Purpose and general description of Carbon offset Unit (CoU) project activity >>

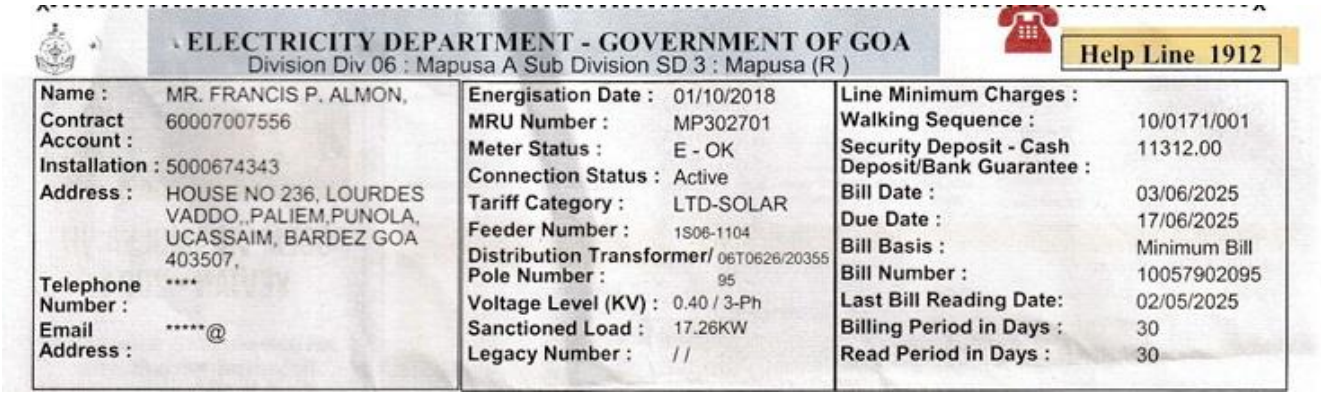
The proposed project titled under UCR is **"5.35 KW Micro Scale Solar Power Project by Francis Almon, Ucassaim, Goa."** This is a micro scale grid-connected, roof-top Solar PV installation located on a residential dwelling belonging to the PP.

The project activity is situated at House #: 236, Ward: Lourdes Waddo, Village: Ucassaim, Taluka: Mapusa, District: Bardez, State: Goa, Country: India, Pin Code: 403507.

This is an operational project that consistently reduces greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and is currently being registered under the **Universal Carbon Registry (UCR).**

Purpose of the project activity:

The proposed bundled project comprises of a single **grid-connected, roof-top Solar PV installation** with a **total installed capacity of 5.35 KW**. The electricity generated under this solar initiative is distributed through the state grid via a long-term Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). In Goa, Electricity Department Goa (EDG) is the implementing agency for all of the "Grid Connected Rooftop Solar Programmes," and the EDG has entrusted the Goa Energy Development Agency (GEDA), the State nodal agency under MNRE for the implementation of the said programme. EDG plays a key role in providing approval for installation and Grid Connectivity, managing the distribution network and billing with the rooftop owner (PP). Mr Francis Almon is the project owner and representative for the purpose of project submission, coordination, and ongoing management under the carbon credit project, ensuring compliance and coordination with the relevant processes.



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Name :	MR. FRANCIS P. ALMON,	Energisation Date :	01/10/2018	Line Minimum Charges :	
Contract Account :	60007007556	MRU Number :	MP302701	Walking Sequence :	10/0171/001
Installation :	5000674343	Meter Status :	E - OK	Security Deposit - Cash Deposit/Bank Guarantee :	11312.00
Address :	HOUSE NO 236, LOURDES VADDO, PALIEM, PUNOLA, UCASSAIM, BARDEZ GOA 403507,	Connection Status :	Active	Bill Date :	03/06/2025
		Tariff Category :	LTD-SOLAR	Due Date :	17/06/2025
		Feeder Number :	1S06-1104	Bill Basis :	Minimum Bill
		Distribution Transformer/ Pole Number :	06T0626/20355 95	Bill Number :	10057902095
Telephone Number :	****	Voltage Level (KV) :	0.40 / 3-Ph	Last Bill Reading Date:	02/05/2025
Email Address :	*****@	Sanctioned Load :	17.26KW	Billing Period in Days :	30
		Legacy Number :	/ /	Read Period in Days :	30

The details of the Solar PV installation is provided below:

No.	Project	Latitude	Longitude	Date of Commissioning	Total Installed Capacity (KW)
1	5.35 KW Micro Scale Solar Power Project by Francis Almon, Ucassaim, Goa	15.576264,	73.838230	29/05/2024	5.35
TOTAL					5.35

The purpose of the solar project is to generate electricity using a clean, renewable resource—**solar energy**—and to mitigate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by replacing fossil fuel-based grid electricity. In the absence of this initiative, an equivalent volume of power would likely have been produced by carbon-intensive thermal plants. Photovoltaic module consists of several photovoltaic cells connected by circuits and sealed in an

environmentally protective laminate, which forms the fundamental building blocks of the complete PV generating unit. Several PV panels mounted on a frame are termed as PV Array. Thus, project activity leads to the reduction of the GHG emissions as it displaces power from fossil fuel-based electricity generation in the regional grid.

With an estimated output of approximately ~**10 MW per annum** considering an average PLF of 20% during the annual monitoring period, the project distributes solar electricity through the state grid via long-term PPAs and utilizes advanced PV technologies such as polycrystalline modules, ensuring zero-emission generation throughout their operation.

The project installation is aligned with the regional distribution networks of GEDA, supporting clean energy supply in Goa. It is expected contribute meaningfully to India's renewable energy and climate mitigation goals without causing environmental harm.

A.2 Do no harm or Impact test of the project activity>>

This **Greenfield** solar power initiative introduces clean electricity generation in regions currently dependent on fossil fuel-dominated grid power. Despite India's growing renewable energy capacity, the national grid maintains a high emission factor, establishing a relevant baseline for assessing project impact.

In accordance with Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) guidelines, the project delivers comprehensive benefits across four key sustainability dimensions:

Social Development Impact

The project has played a vital role in generating employment for the local workforce during its construction phase. Following implementation, it has continued to offer stable and long-term job opportunities to the local community, with this positive impact expected to persist throughout the project's operational lifespan. These sustained employment opportunities are anticipated to contribute significantly to poverty reduction and socio-economic development in the surrounding region.

Economic Value Creation

The project initiative is driving meaningful economic growth by creating vital employment opportunities within local communities. The project generates both short-term construction jobs and long-term positions across a broad range of skill levels, supporting inclusive workforce development.

Powered by strategic carbon revenue funding, this investment in sustainable energy not only ensures enduring economic benefits but also enhances the stability and capacity of the regional power grid. As energy reliability improves, surrounding areas become more attractive to complementary industries, stimulating the emergence of a dynamic economic hub. Local residents gain from rising property values, expanded career prospects, and improved quality of life.

This integrated approach to infrastructure and community development promotes a resilient economic ecosystem that aligns environmental stewardship with measurable social impact.

Technological Advancement

Research and development investments by technology providers have increased proportionally with market demand, resulting in improved efficiency metrics for next-generation solar equipment. The technology improvement cycle, driven by demonstrated project success, creates sustainable conditions for continued innovation in the renewable energy sector. Technologies including polycrystalline, multi-crystalline, and Mono-PERC modules demonstrates efficiency in optimization. This project demonstrations the operation for technological advancement by proving the viability of commercial-scale solar power generation.

Environmental Performance

The project delivers quantifiable environmental benefits through displacement of fossil fuel-generated electricity. Key environmental advantages include zero operational greenhouse gas emissions, elimination of particulate matter and other air pollutants, and minimal water consumption compared to thermal generation. This approach preserves natural resources while aligning with India's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement.

This project not only advances clean energy transition objectives but also delivers substantial co-benefits that align with India's sustainable development priorities and international climate commitments.

This project is a greenfield activity where grid power is the baseline. Indian grid system has been predominantly dependent on power from fossil fuel powered plants.

With regards to ESG credentials: At present specific ESG credentials have not been evaluated, however, the project essentially contributes to various indicators which can be considered under ESG credentials.

Some of the examples are as follows:

Under Environment: Environmental criteria may include a company's energy use, waste, pollution, natural resource conservation, and treatment of animals, etc. For the PP, energy use pattern is now based on renewable energy due to the project and it also contributes to GHG emission reduction and conservation of depleting energy sources associated with the project baseline. Also, the criteria can be further evaluated on the basis of any environmental risks which the company might face and how those risks are being managed by the company. Here, as the power generation will be based on solar power, the risk of environmental concerns associated with non-renewable power generation and risk related to increasing cost of power etc. are now mitigated. Hence, project contributes to ESG credentials.

Under Social: Social criteria reflect on the company's business relationships, qualitative employment, working conditions with regard to its employees' health and safety, interests of other stakeholders, etc. With respect to this project activity, the PP has robust policies in place to ensure equitable employment, health & safety measures, local jobs creation etc. Also, the PP directly supports local stakeholders to ensure social sustainability. Thus, the project contributes to ESG credentials.

Under Governance: Governance criteria relate to overall operational practices and accounting procedure of the organization. With respect to this project activity, the PP practices a good governance practice with transparency, accountability and adherence to local and national rules & regulations etc. This can be further referred from the fact that the PP is among the few in the village to have installed a solar PV project. Also, the project activity is a solar power project owned and managed by the PP for which all required NOCs and approvals are received. The electricity generated from the project can be accurately monitored, recorded and further verified under the existing management practice of the PP. Thus, the project and the PP ensure good credentials under ESG.

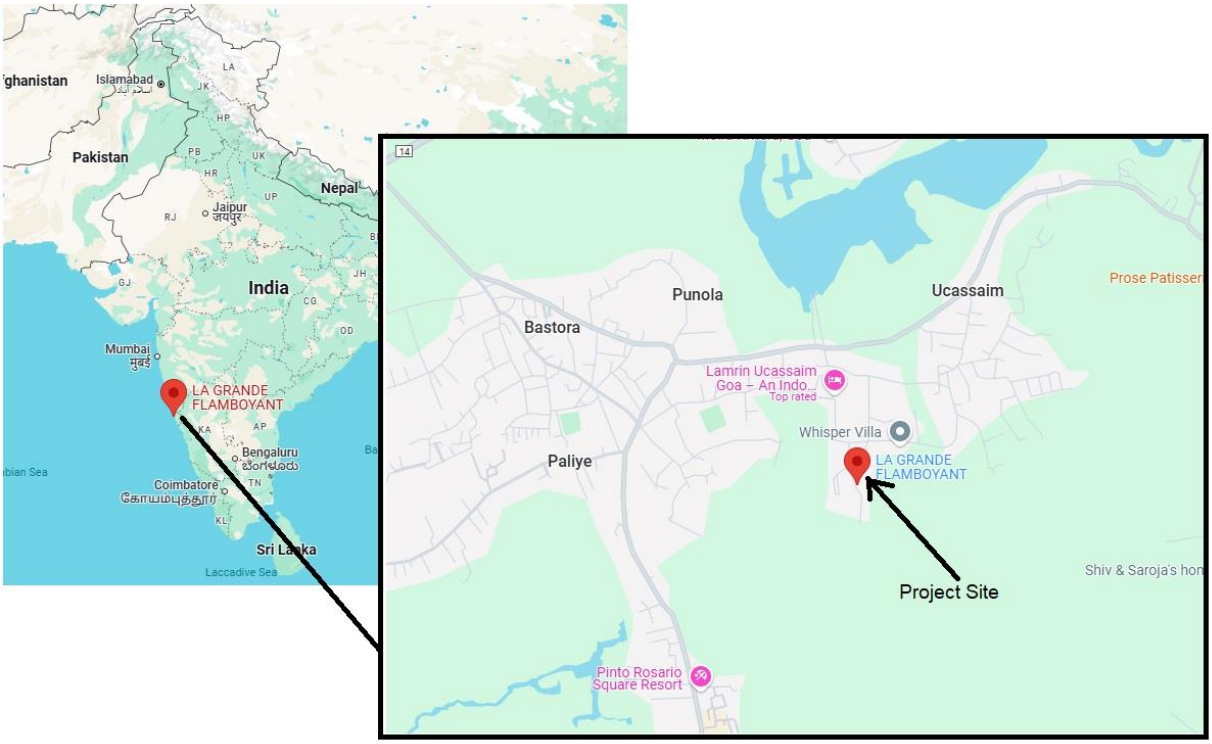
There was no harm identified form the project and hence no mitigations measures are applicable. Rational: as per 'Central Pollution Control Board (Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India)', final document on revised classification of Industrial Sectors under Red, Orange, Green and White Categories (07/03/2016), it has been declared that solar project activity falls under the "White category".

White Category projects/industries do not require any Environmental Clearance such as 'Consent to Operate' from PCB as such project does not lead to any negative environmental impacts. Additionally, as per Indian Regulation, Environmental and Social Impact Assessment is not required for small-scale Solar Projects. PP had conveyed about project activity to local stakeholders before implementation at respective village of Ucassaim in the district of Mapusa, India to understand, discuss, record all possible concerns related to environment and socio-economic aspects of the project so that as per requirements mitigation measures can be taken. The feedback and inputs received from local stakeholders confirm that no negative impact is foreseen by them. Additionally, there are social, environmental, economic and technological benefits which contribute to sustainable development. The key details have been discussed in the previous section.

SDG	Relevant SDG Target	Description – How the Project Contributes
 SDG 7Affordable and Clean Energy	Target 7.2: By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix.	The project deploys solar photovoltaic technology to generate renewable electricity, thereby increasing the share of clean energy in the regional power mix and enhancing energy security.
 SDG 8Decent Work and Economic Growth	Target 8.4: Improve progressively, through 2030, global resource efficiency in consumption and production.	The project supports sustainable industrial growth by creating skilled and semi-skilled employment during installation, operation, and maintenance of solar facilities while promoting clean technology.
 SDG 13Climate Action	Target 13.2: Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning.	• This **5.35 KW** bundled solar meet the SDG 13 goal by saving fossil fuel and produce clean energy. • The project is expected to reduce **8 tCO_2** emissions per year by displacing fossil fuel-based grid electricity with solar power, thereby contributing to climate change mitigation and low-carbon development.

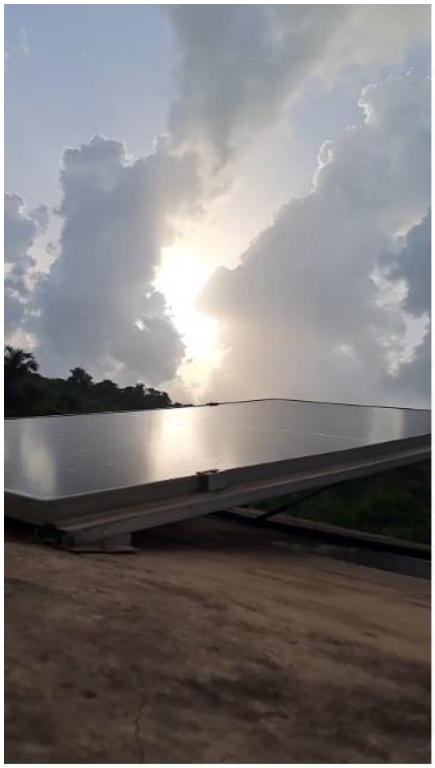
A.3. Location of project activity >>

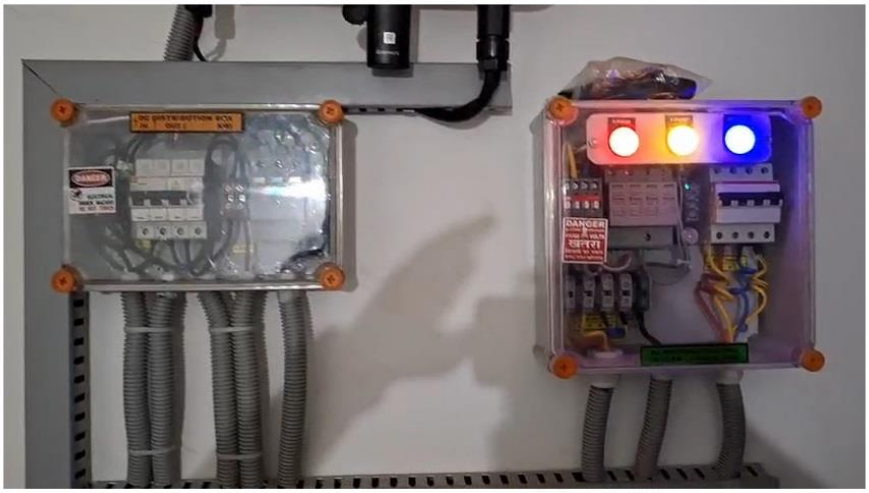
The project activity is situated in the following location:
House #: 236
Ward: Lourdes Waddo,
Village: Ucassaim,
Taluka: Mapusa,
District: Bardez,
State: Goa,
Country: India,
Pin Code: 403507.



A.4. Technologies/measures >>

The project activity is using clean renewable solar energy to produce electricity. The applied technology is considered to be one of the most environment friendly technologies available as the operation of the Solar photovoltaic does not emit any GHGs or any other harmful gases unlike the operation of conventional power plants.



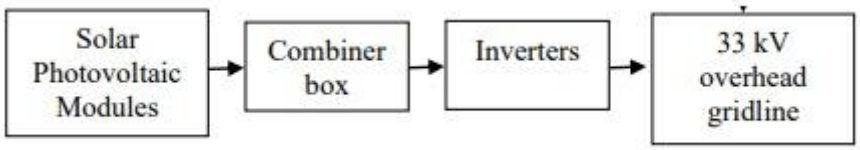


Photovoltaic module consists of several photovoltaic cells connected by circuits and sealed in an environmentally protective laminate, which forms the fundamental building blocks of the complete PV generating unit. Several PV panels mounted on a frame are termed as PV Array. The project activity has used

the reliable and proven technology to ensure that an environmentally safe and sound technology is only being implemented in the proposed project activity leading to the GHG reduction. These systems utilize photovoltaic technology to convert sunlight into electricity, directly contributing to clean energy generation while displacing fossil-fuel-based power sources. The installations are designed for grid integration and long-term performance, equipped with high-efficiency modules, robust structural foundations, and smart monitoring infrastructure.

System Design and Technology

The technology employed involves **solar photovoltaic (PV) modules** mounted on fixed-tilt roof-top structures. The modules convert solar irradiance into direct current (DC) electricity, which is then routed through inverters that convert it to alternating current (AC) for injection into the grid. **polycrystalline modules**, with high module efficiencies (above 17% for polycrystalline).



The installation spans a large, prepared rooftop area with a clear solar exposure. Roof-top arrays are organized in multiple strings, supported on galvanized steel structures anchored into the main roof. Module interconnection is done through MC4-compatible connectors with DC cables routed to string inverters.

The inverters are placed in inverter rooms, and power is stepped up and transmitted to the grid. The system includes protective equipment such as lightning arresters, surge protection devices, and earthing pits.

Key Module Specifications

Specification	Unit
Rated Power (Pmax)	530–550 Wp
Module Efficiency	>17%
Total number of Photovoltaic Modules	10
No. of Inverters	01
Main meter Serial No.	24112033
Main meter Make	L&T
Type	Bidirectional with DLMS

A.5. Parties and project participants >>

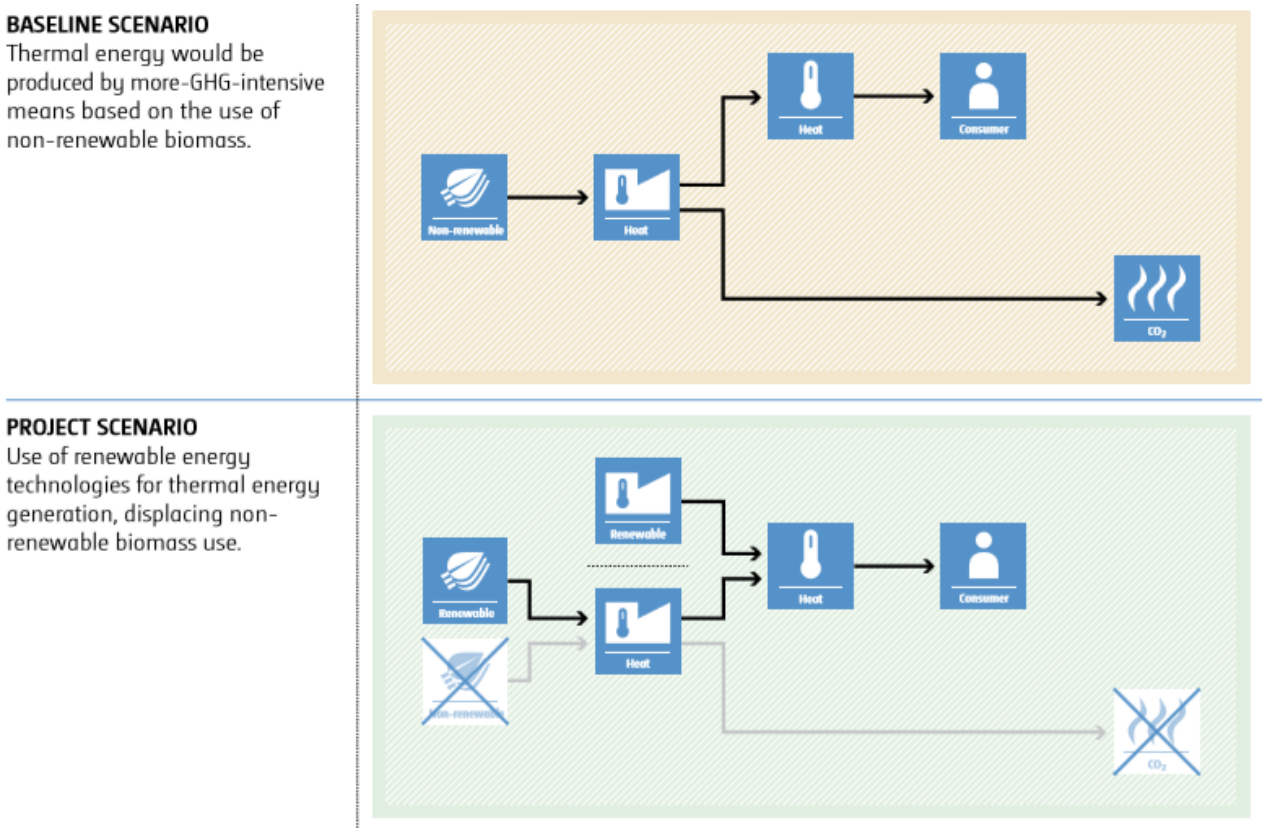
Party (Host)	Participants
INDIA	**Mr Francis Almon (Project Proponent)** **236 Lourdes Waddo, Ucassaim, Goa, Mapusa, 403507** **UCR ID:** Email: francisalmon73@gmail.com

A.6. Baseline Emissions>>

The baseline scenario identified at the PCN stage of the project activity is: “Grid”

In the absence of the project activity, the equivalent amount of electricity would have been imported from the regional grid (which is connected to the unified Indian Grid system), which is carbon intensive due to predominantly sourced from fossil fuel-based power plants. Hence, baseline scenario of the project activity is the grid-based electricity system, which is also the pre-project scenario.

Schematic diagram showing the baseline scenario:



The "grid emission factor" refers to the CO_2 emission factor (tCO_2/MWh) associated with each unit of electricity supplied by an electricity system. The UCR recommends an emission factor of 0.9 tCO_2/MWh as a fairly conservative estimate for Indian projects that have not been previously verified under any GHG program for the vintage years **2013–2023**.

For the **2024** vintage year, a grid emission factor of 0.757 tCO_2/MWh has been considered. The combined margin emission factor calculated from the CEA database in India results in higher emissions than the default value.

Hence, the same emission factor has been used to calculate the emission reduction under a conservative approach

A.7. Debundling>>

This project activity is not a de-bundled component of a larger project activity.

SECTION B. Application of methodologies and standardized baselines

B.1. References to methodologies and standardized baselines >>

The project activity is approved under the positive list of approved activities under the UCR CoU Standard

Sectoral Scope	01, Energy industries (Renewable/Non-renewable sources)
Type	I - Renewable Energy Projects
Scale	Small Scale
Category	AMS-I.D. (Title: "Grid connected renewable electricity generation", version 18)

Illustration of respective situations under which each of the methodology ("AMS-I.D.: Grid connected renewable electricity generation", "AMS-I.F.: Renewable electricity generation for captive use and mini-grid" and "AMS-I.A.: Electricity generation by the user") applies is included in Table 2 below.

Table 2. Applicability of AMS-I.D, AMS-I.F and AMS-I.A based on project types

	Project type	AMS-I.A	AMS-I.D	AMS-I.F
1	Project supplies electricity to a national/regional grid		√	
2	Project displaces grid electricity consumption (e.g. grid import) and/or captive fossil fuel electricity generation at the user end (excess electricity may be supplied to a grid)			√
3	Project supplies electricity to an identified consumer facility via national/regional grid (through a contractual arrangement such as wheeling)		√	
4	Project supplies electricity to a mini grid[5] system where in the baseline all generators use exclusively fuel oil and/or diesel fuel			√
5	Project supplies electricity to household users (included in the project boundary) located in off grid areas	√		

Applied conditions 1 and 3

B.2. Applicability of methodologies and standardized baselines >>

This project activity involves generation of grid connected electricity from the construction and operation of a new solar power-based power project. The project activity has installed capacity of **5.35 KW** which will qualify for a small-scale project activity under Type-I of the Small-Scale methodology.

The project status is corresponding to the methodology AMS-I.D., version 18 and applicability of methodology is discussed below:

Applicability Criterion	Project Case
1. This methodology comprises renewable energy generation units, such as photovoltaic, hydro, tidal/wave, wind, geothermal and renewable biomass: (a) Supplying electricity to a national or a regional grid; or (b) Supplying electricity to an identified consumer facility via national/regional grid through a contractual arrangement such as wheeling.	The project activity is a Renewable Energy Project i.e., wind power project which sell its energy to the grid and falls under applicability criteria option 1 point (a). Thus, this project activity fulfils this criterion.
2. This methodology is applicable to project activities that: (a) Install a Greenfield plant. (b) Involve a capacity addition in (an) existing plant(s) (c) Involve a retrofit of (an) existing plant(s). Involve a rehabilitation of (an) existing plant(s)/unit(s); or Involve a replacement of (an) existing plant(s).	The option (a) of applicability criteria 2 is applicable as project is a Greenfield plant /unit. Hence the project activity meets the given applicability criterion
3. Hydro power plants with reservoirs that satisfy at least one of the following conditions are eligible to apply this methodology: (a) The project activity is implemented in existing reservoir, with no change in the volume of the reservoir; or (b) The project activity is implemented in existing reservoir, where the volume of the reservoir(s) is increased and the power density as per definitions given in the project emissions section, is greater than 4 W/m2. (c) The project activity results in new reservoirs and the power density of the power plant, as per definitions given in the project emissions section, is greater than 4 W/m2	The project activity involves installation of Solar PV (SPV); hence, this criterion is not applicable.
4. If the new unit has both renewable and non-renewable components (e.g. a wind/diesel unit), the eligibility limit of 15 MW for a small-scale CDM project activity applies only to the renewable component. If the new unit co-fires fossil fuel, the capacity of the entire unit shall not exceed the limit of 15 MW.	The proposed project is **5.35 KW** solar power project, i.e., only component is renewable power project below 15 MW, thus the criterion is not applicable to this project activity.
5. Combined heat and power (co-generation) systems are not eligible under this category	This is not relevant to the project activity as the project involves only solar power generating units.
6. In the case of project activities that involve the capacity addition of renewable energy generation units at an existing renewable power generation	There is no other existing renewable energy power generation facility at the project site. Therefore, this criterion is not applicable.

facility, the added capacity of the units added by the project should be lower than 15 MW and should be physically distinct1 from the existing units.	
7. In the case of retrofit, rehabilitation or replacement, to qualify as a small-scale project, the total output of the retrofitted, rehabilitated or replacement power plant/unit shall not exceed the limit of 15 MW.	The project activity is a new installation, it does not involve any retrofit measures nor any replacement and hence is not applicable for the project activity.
8. In the case of landfill gas, waste gas, wastewater treatment and agro-industries projects, recovered methane emissions are eligible under a relevant Type III category. If the recovered methane is used for electricity generation for supply to a grid, then the baseline for the electricity component shall be in accordance with procedure prescribed under this methodology. If the recovered methane is used for heat generation or cogeneration other applicable Type-I methodologies such as "AMS-I.C.: Thermal energy production with or without electricity" shall be explored.	This is not relevant to the project activity as the project involves only solar power generating units.
9. In case biomass is sourced from dedicated plantations, the applicability criteria in the tool "Project emissions from cultivation of biomass" shall apply.	No biomass is involved, the project is only a solar power project and thus the criterion is not applicable to this project activity.

B.3. Applicability of double counting emission reductions >>

To prevent any possibility of double counting emission reductions, the following controls are in place for the project:

- The project is distinctly identified using exact location coordinates, ensuring spatial uniqueness.
- It has a standalone commissioning certificate and a clearly assigned grid or connection point.
- Energy metering systems are exclusively installed for the project, ensuring that all recorded data pertains solely to the activities of the project proponent.

B.4. Project boundary, sources and greenhouse gases (GHGs)>>

As per applicable methodology AMS-I.D. Version 18, "The spatial extent of the project boundary includes the project power plant, and all power plants connected physically to the electricity system that the project power plant is connected to."

Thus, the project boundary includes the Solar PV system and the Indian grid system.

Source		GHG	Included?	Justification/Explanation
Baseline	Grid connected electricity generation	CO_2	Yes	Main emission source
		CH_4	No	Minor emission source
		N_2O	No	Minor emission source
Project	Greenfield Wind Power Project Activity	CO_2	No	No CO_2 emissions are emitted from the project
		CH_4	No	Project activity does not emit CH_4
		N_2O	No	Project activity does not emit N_2O

B.5. Establishment and description of baseline scenario (UCR Standard or Methodology) >>

As per the approved consolidated methodology **AMS-I.D. Version 18**, if the project activity is the installation of a new grid-connected renewable power plant/unit, the baseline scenario is defined as follows:

"The baseline scenario is that the electricity delivered to the grid by the project activity would have otherwise been generated by the operation of grid-connected power plants and by the addition of new generation sources into the grid."

The current project activity involves the **installation of a new solar photovoltaic (PV) power plant** with a total capacity of **5.35 KW**, comprising **roof-top system.** The electricity generated is supplied to the Indian grid through **Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)** with licensed distribution utilities-via Goa Energy Development Agency (GEDA).

In the absence of this project activity, the equivalent amount of electricity would have been generated by the **operation of fossil fuel-based grid-connected power plants** and by the **addition of new fossil fuel-based generation sources** into the Indian electricity grid. India's power generation is still predominantly based on coal and other fossil fuels. Therefore, the baseline scenario for this solar project is the generation of an equivalent amount of electricity from conventional sources, primarily fossil fuel-based thermal power plants.

The **"grid emission factor"** refers to the amount of carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions (in tonnes of CO_2 per megawatt-hour) associated with each unit of electricity supplied by the electricity system. For Indian grid-connected renewable energy projects that have not been previously verified under any greenhouse gas (GHG) program, the **Universal Carbon Registry (UCR)** recommends a **default conservative emission factor of 0.9 tCO_2/MWh** for the **vintage years 2013–2023**.

However, for the **2024 vintage year**, the project uses a more recent and conservative figure of **0.757**

tCO_2/MWh, which is aligned with the **combined margin emission factor calculated by the Central Electricity Authority (CEA)** in India. This emission factor reflects a weighted average of both the operating margin and build margin and considers the growing contribution of renewable energy but still reflects the dominance of fossil fuel-based generation. As this value results in higher emissions than the default factor, it has been used for emission reduction calculations to ensure a conservative and credible approach.

In conclusion, the baseline emissions for this solar PV project are calculated as the product of net electricity generated and exported to the grid (in MWh) and the emission factor of **0.757 tCO_2/MWh**, in line with the methodology AMS-I.D. and UCR guidance.

Net GHG Emission Reductions and Removals:

Thus,

$$ERy = BEy - PEy - LEy$$

Where:

ERy = Emission reductions in year y (tCO2/y)
BEy = Baseline Emissions in year y (t CO2/y)
PEy = Project emissions in year y (tCO2/y)
LEy = Leakage emissions in year y (tCO2/y)

Baseline Emissions

Baseline emissions include only CO2 emissions from electricity generation in power plants that are displaced due to the project activity. The methodology assumes that all project electricity generation above baseline levels would have been generated by existing grid- connected power plants and the addition of new grid connected power plants. The baseline emissions are to be calculated as follows:

$$BEy = EG_{BL,yl} \times EF_{CO_2, GRID, y}$$

Where,

***BEy*:** Baseline emissions in year y (tCO_2/y)

***EG BL,yl*:** Quantity of net electricity generation that is produced and fed into the grid as a result of the implementation of the CDM project activity in year y (MWh)

EF, CO2, GRID, y: UCR recommended emission factor of 0.9 tCO_2/MWh for the vintage years 2013–2023 has been considered.

(Reference: General Project Eligibility Criteria and Guidance, UCR Standard, page 4)

For the 2024 vintage year, a grid emission factor of 0.757 tCO_2/MWh has been considered

Project Emissions

As per Paragraph 39 of AMS-I.D. version-18, only emission associated with the fossil fuel combustion, emission from operation of geo-thermal power plants due to release of non- condensable gases, emission from water reservoir of Hydro should be accounted for the project emission.

Since the project activity is a **solar power project**, project emission for renewable energy plant is nil.

Thus, PEy=0.

Leakage

As per paragraph 22 of AMS-I.D. version-18, 'If the energy generating equipment is transferred from another activity, leakage is to be considered.' In the project activity, there is no transfer of energy generating equipment and therefore the leakage from the project activity is considered as zero.

Hence, LE=0

The actual emission reduction achieved during the first CoU period shall be submitted as a part of the first monitoring and verification. However, for the purpose of an ex-ante estimation, the following calculation has been submitted:

Hence Net Annual GHG emission reductions = 8-0-0 = tCO2/year (i.e., 8 CoUs/year).

B.6. Prior History>>

Following are the key details under the prior history of the project: (a) the project was not applied under any other GHG mechanism. Hence project will not cause Double accounting of carbon credits (i.e., COUs).

B.7. Changes to start date of crediting period >>

There is no change in the start date of crediting period.

B.8. Permanent changes from PCN monitoring plan, applied methodology or applied standardized baseline >>

Not applicable.

B.9. Monitoring period number and duration>>

First Issuance Period: 29/05/2024 onwards.

B.8. Monitoring plan>>

Data/Parameter	UCR recommended emission factor
Data unit	tCO_2 /MWh
Description	A "grid emission factor" refers to a CO_2 emission factor (tCO_2 /MWh) which will be associated with each unit of electricity provided by an electricity system. The UCR recommends an emission factor of 0.9 tCO_2 /MWh for the 2013-2023 years as a fairly conservative estimate for Indian projects not previously verified under any GHG program. Hence, the same emission factor has been considered to calculate the emission reduction under conservative approach.

Source of data	https://a23e347601d72166dcd6-16da518ed3035d35cf0439f1cdf449c9.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com//Documents/UCRStandardAug2024updatedVer7_020824191534797526.pdf
Value(s) applied	0.9
Measurement methods and procedures	-
Monitoring frequency	Ex-ante fixed parameter

Data/Parameter	UCR recommended emission factor
Data unit	tCO_2 /MWh
Description	A "grid emission factor" refers to a CO_2 emission factor (tCO_2 /MWh) which will be associated with each unit of electricity provided by an electricity system. The UCR recommends a grid emission factor of 0.757 tCO_2/MWh for the 2024 vintage year as a fairly conservative estimate for Indian projects not previously verified under any GHG program.
Source of data	https://cea.nic.in/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/User_Guide_Version_20.0.pdf
Value(s) applied	0.757
Measurement methods and procedures	-
Monitoring frequency	Ex-ante fixed parameter
Purpose of data	For the calculation of the Emission Factor of the grid

Data / Parameter:	EGPJ,facility, y
Data unit:	MWh
Description:	Total electricity produced by the project activity
Source of data:	Electricity Generation data though monitoring system
Measurement procedures (if any):	Data Type: Measured Monitoring equipment: Energy Meters and inverter data are used for monitoring Recording Frequency: Continuous monitoring and Monthly recording from Energy Meters, Summarized Annually Archiving Policy: Paper & Electronic Calibration frequency: 5 years (as per CEA provision) For example, the difference between the measured quantities of the grid export and the import will be considered as net export: EGPJ,y = EGExport – EGImport
Monitoring frequency:	Monthly
Value applied:	**Calculated** (Ex-post)

QA/QC procedures:	Calibration of the Main meters will be carried out once in five (5) years as per National Standards (as per the provision of CEA, India) and faulty meters will be duly replaced immediately as per the provision of power purchase agreement
Purpose of data:	The Data/Parameter is required to calculate the baseline emission.
Any comment:	Data will be archived electronically for a period of 36 months beyond the end of crediting period.