

Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**  
(Kagawaran ng Enerhiya)

**ADVISORY**

**TO :** ALL HYDROPOWER DEVELOPERS AND ENERGY STAKEHOLDERS

**DATE :** DEC 23 2020

**SUBJECT :** EXTENSION OF THE FEED-IN TARIFF (FIT) SYSTEM FOR RUN-OF-RIVER (ROR) HYDROPOWER

Pursuant to Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9513, the FIT System was established where the DOE, in its Resolution dated 28 May 2011, prescribed a total of 250MW installation target for ROR hydropower for the next three (3) years.

Upon conclusion of the first regime of the FIT System for ROR hydropower on 31 December 2017, six (6) plants with a total capacity of 43.1MW were able to qualify as FIT-eligible hydropower plants. At the time, the installation target was undersubscribed by 206.9MW.

The DOE endorsed the request and resolution of the National Renewable Energy Board (NREB) on the extension of the FIT System for ROR hydropower to the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) on 23 February 2018 and recommended that the extension shall only be for a period of two (2) years, from 31 December 2017 until 31 December 2019, or upon successful commissioning of plants utilizing said technologies covering the remaining balance of their respective installation target, whichever comes first.

Despite the extension of the FIT deadline for ROR hydropower, the 250MW installation target remain undersubscribed. On the other hand, a substantial number of hydropower plant projects which are in various stages of construction and vying for FIT eligibility were not able to meet the 31 December 2019 deadline.

As of 25 November 2020, the status of the installation target for ROR Hydropower is as follows:


<b>RE Resource</b>	<b>Installation Target (MW)</b>	<b>No. of ROR Hydropower Plants Issued with Certificate of Endorsement under the FIT System (COE-FIT)</b>	<b>Total Capacity Subscription (MW)</b>	<b>Remaining Balance of the Installation Target (MW)</b>
Run-of-River Hydropower	250	15	146.113	103.887

The balance of the 250MW installation target remains significant at 103.887MW.

Accordingly, the NREB requested for and endorsed to the DOE the granting of the extension of the deadline for successful commissioning for FIT eligibility of ROR hydropower projects from 31 December 2019 to such date that the installation target of 250MW is fully subscribed.

In view of the foregoing, please be advised that the extension of the FIT System for ROR hydropower shall continue until full subscription of the 250MW installation target is achieved.

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE.



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