

Draft Concept Note

Fourth Assembly of The ISA

Technical Session on Country Partnership Framework and Signing of grant agreements for Demonstration Projects in LDC/SIDS Countries

18 Oct 2021, 17:30 HRS- 18:45 HRS (IST)

The International Solar Alliance is providing technical assistance to LDC and SIDS member countries for setting up of Demonstration Solar Projects with grant up to USD 50,000 each. Ten countries have submitted the DPRs and approved by ISA. A formal Signing-in ceremony will be hosted by the International Solar Alliance (ISA) on 18 October 2021 at the Technical Session on Country Partnership Framework and Signing of grant agreements for Demonstration Projects in LDC/SIDS Countries at 17:30 HRS- 18:45 HRS (IST) during the fourth assembly of the ISA which is being convened on 18, 20 and 21 October 2021 on a virtual platform.

ISA's initiative of providing technical and financial support of up to USD 50,000 for financing 47 demonstration solar projects for LDCs and SIDS Member Countries was approved during The Third Assembly (14th October 2020). The initiative was earlier recommended by the Third Standing Committee (27th May 2020).

The Objectives of this initiative is to provide technical and financial support to LDCs and SIDS Member Countries of ISA for implementation of innovative pilot solar projects, to support in building resilience in key sectors such as agriculture and health in the backdrop of Covid crisis, to create market for innovative solar technologies and to increase their access in LDCs and SIDS Member Countries, to foster innovation in business model, finance, technology and implementation modalities

To familiarize the countries about the initiative and the procedure for submission of project proposals, three Regional Meetings, one each for Asia Pacific, Africa and Latin America & Caribbean (LAC) regions were conducted. 16 countries participated in these Regional Meetings and expressed their interest for availing the financial support under this initiative.

Expression of interest from 27 Member Countries have been received. DPRs of 11 countries have been approved and Grant agreement signing is being done on 18 October 2021 during the Fourth Assembly of the ISA. DPR of many countries are on an advanced stage and some are under preparation.