

# Indian Power Markets & Open Access

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# REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR POWER MARKET

# Market related legislations

## Electricity Act , 2003

- De-licensing of generation
- Development of a multi-buyer multi-seller market in power
- Trading – licensed activity.

## National Electricity Policy , 2005

- Measures to promote competition aimed at consumer benefits
- Promote competition through developing markets

## Open Access Regulations , 2004 & 2008

- Universal Open Access to transmission networks
- Separate procedures for 'Day-Ahead Market( collective transactions) and OTC transactions

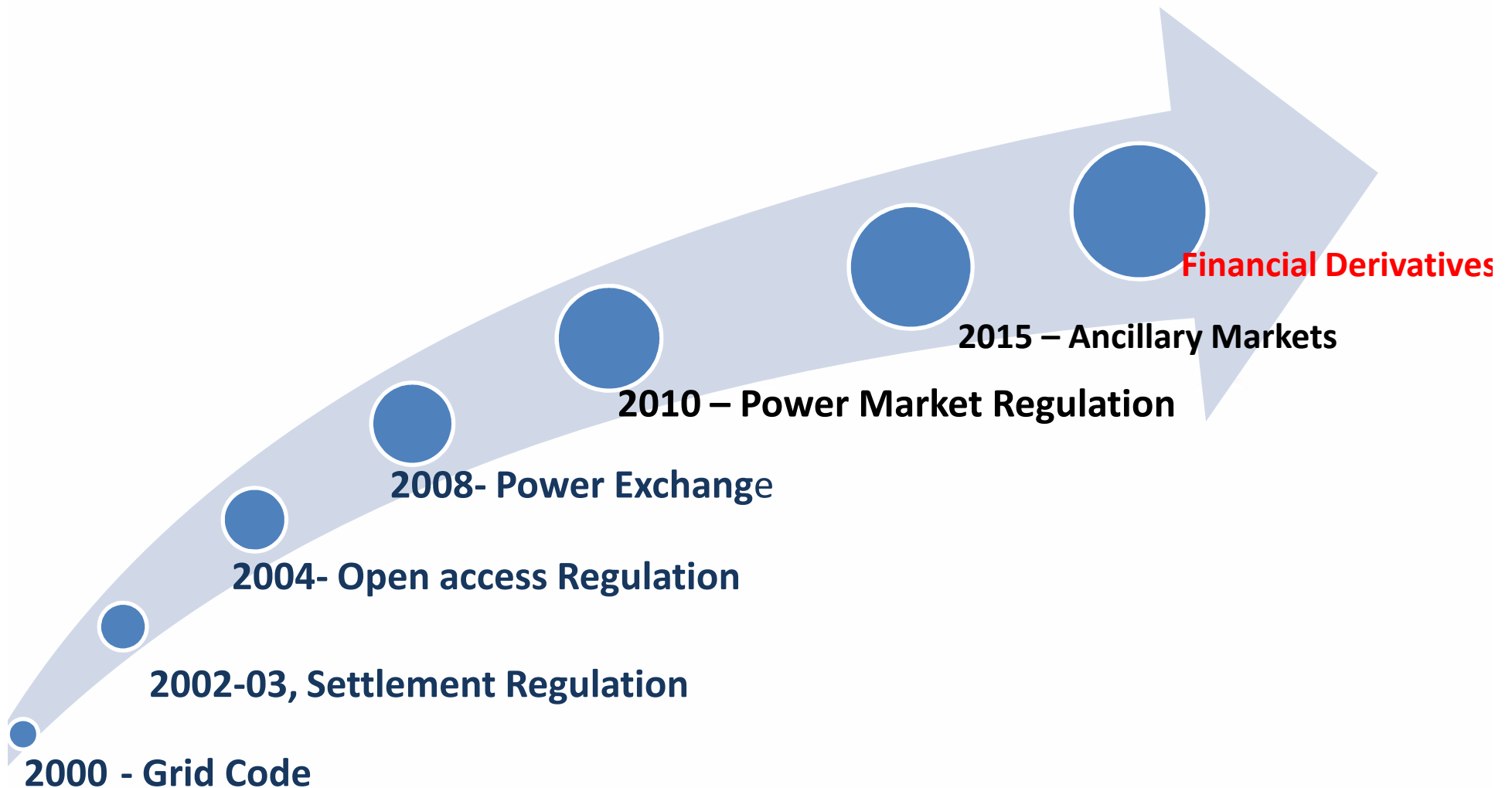
## National Action Plan on Climate Change, 2008

- Promotion of Renewable energy market through PX
- Promotion of energy efficiency market through PX

## Power Market Regulations, 2010

- Providing a regulatory framework for Competitive markets
- Guidelines and prudential norms for setting up and operating power exchanges

# Evolution of Power Market Framework



# CERC Power Market Regulations, 2010

## Role of PXs defined and norms for setting up and operating PX

- Procedure for application, eligibility criteria, shareholding pattern, Net worth, risk management by PX,

## CERC approval for setting up a PX and oversight for contracts offered

## Objectives for PX

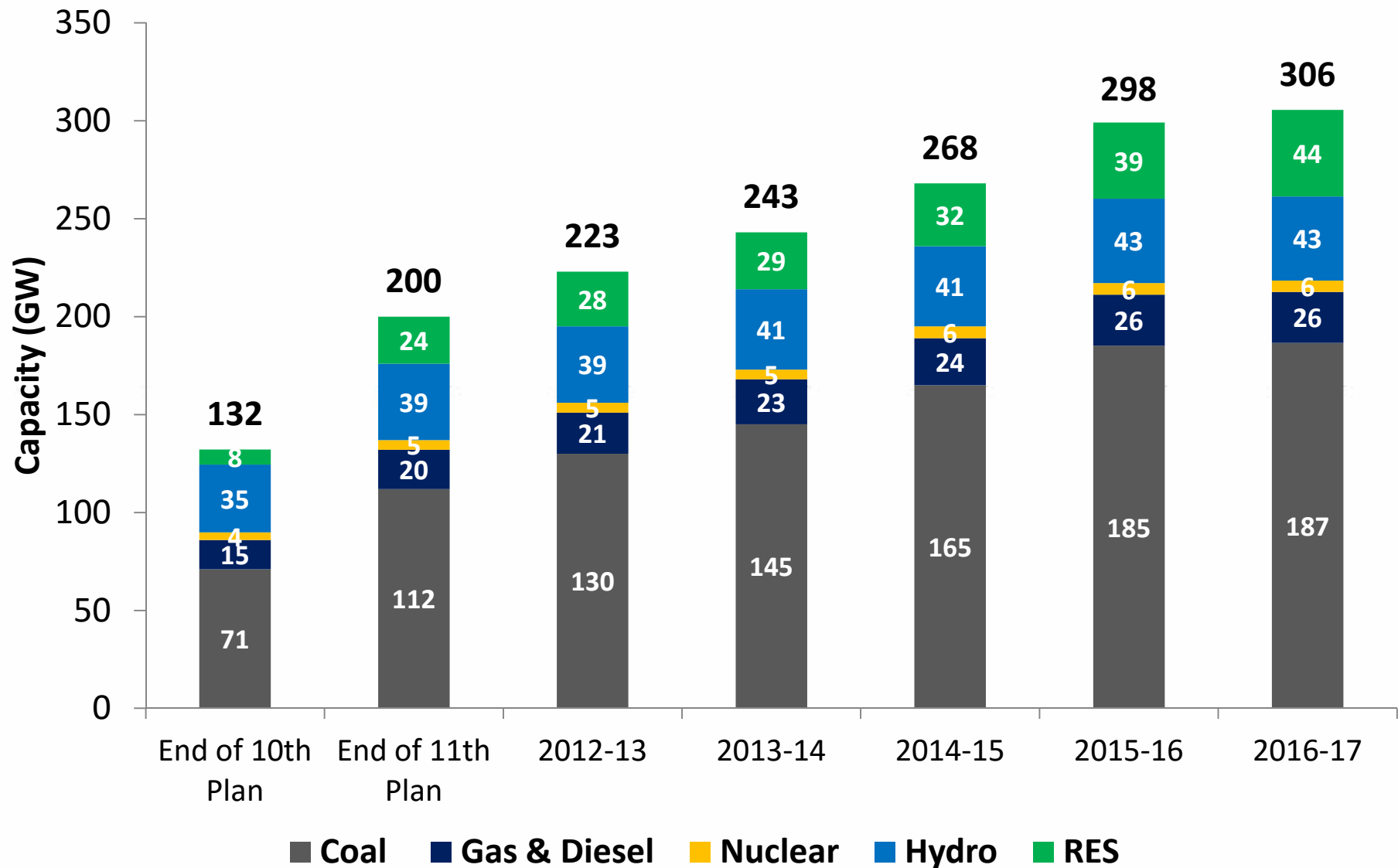
- Ensure fair, neutral, efficient and robust price discovery
- Provide extensive and quick price dissemination
- Design standardised contracts and work towards increasing liquidity in contracts

## Defined principle of price discovery for the exchange

- Economic principle of social welfare maximisation
- **Closed double sided bidding, uniform price discovery, market splitting for congestion management**

# INDIAN POWER SECTOR

# Installed Generation Capacity of India



# Installed Capacity (31.03.16) & Generation (FY 15-16)



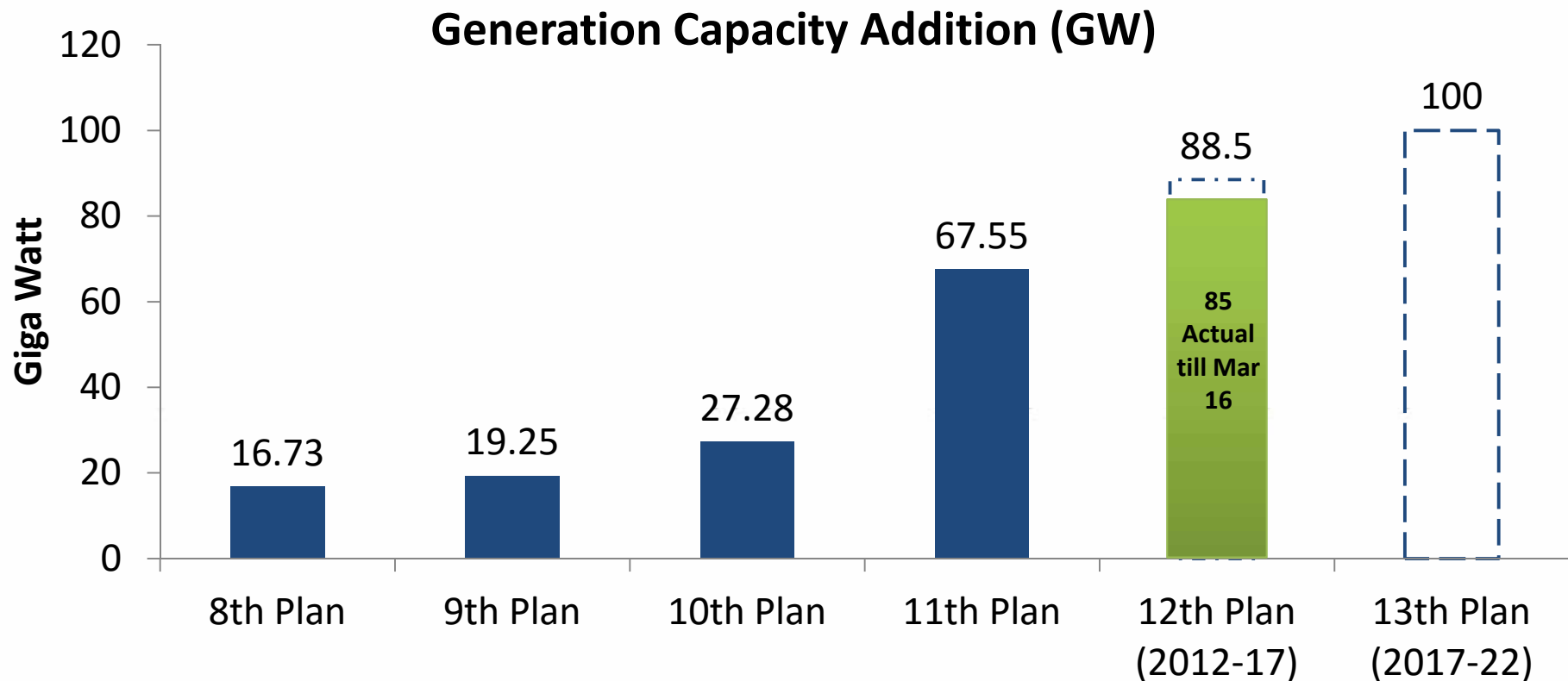
Category	Installed Capacity (MW)	PLF**	Generation (BUs)	Feasible PLF	Possible Generation (BUs)
Coal	185,173	59%^	896	80%	1,298
Gas	24,509	25%^	47	80%	172
Diesel	994	5%	0.4	5%	0.4
Hydro	42,783	33%	121	33%	124
Nuclear	5,780	73%	37	80%	41
RE	38,822	18%	60*	18%	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>298,060</b>		<b>1,161</b>		<b>1,695</b>

Source: Executive Summary of Mar 2016, CEA \*including renewable generation till Feb'16

\*\* Calculated from the Capacity and generation data ^Average capacity taken for the year



# Installed capacity addition in the country



- In addition, Renewable energy capacity of 175 GW is planned till 2022

Source: CEA

# Power Situation in the Country



Year	Installed Capacity (at the end of FY) (MW)	Peak Met ( MW )
2010-11	173,626	110,256
2011-12	199,877	116,191
2012-13	223,344	123,294
2013-14	243,029	129,815
2014-15	267,367	141,160
2015-16	298,060	148,463
2016-17*	<b>305,554</b>	<b>156,058</b>

- During the last 5 years, **capacity has increased at a CAGR of 11 %** i.e. from 173 GW to 298 GW, **peak demand met increased at a CAGR of only 6.1%**

# Power Supply Outlook India



- Installed capacity of India has reached about 298 GW where as the peak demand is only about 156 GW
- During the last five years, **capacity has increased at a CAGR of 11 %** i.e. from 173 GW to 298 GW, **peak demand met increased at a CAGR of only 6%**
- Coal production increased by 9% in FY 2015-16 from previous year. Import of coal has reduced. With increased coal supply, the energy charge has reduced by 20-30 paise/unit
- Sell quantum available in power market has increased due to higher availability of coal at reasonable prices. Thus, the prices at Exchange also came down
- With good rains, high hydro generation, high coal production and further capacity addition, the prices at Exchange are expected to continue being low.

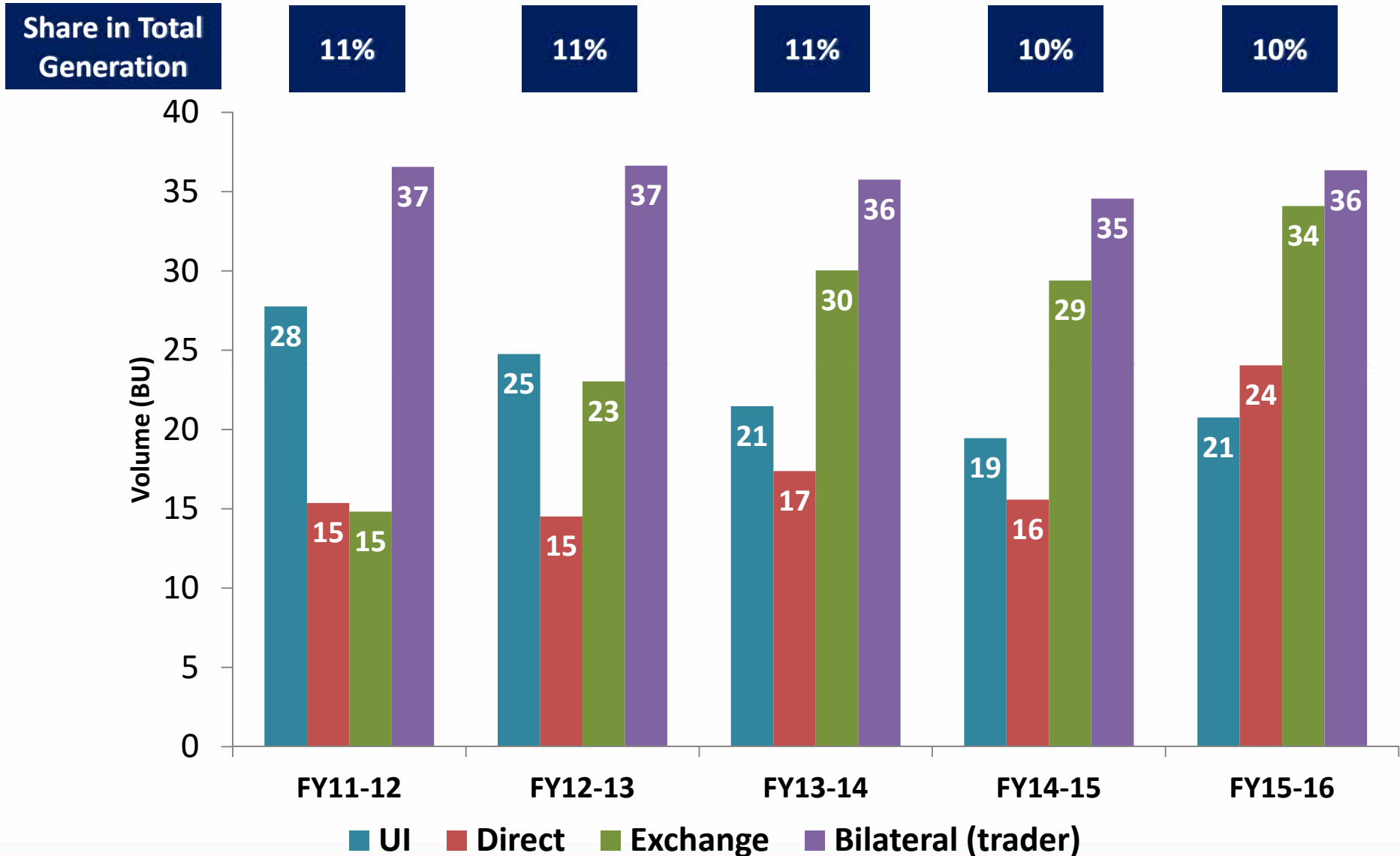
# POWER MARKET DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA

# Indian Power Market Snapshot

	FY 2009	FY 2016
<b>Long Term</b>	<b>93.86%</b>	<b>89.6%</b>
PPA for over 25 years through long term		
<b>Short-Term</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>10.4%</b>
<b>Exchanges</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>
Through traders	3.2%	3.3%
Direct Bilateral	0.5%	2.3%
Unscheduled Interchange	2.1%	1.9%

- Short term market grew at an encouraging rate with a **CAGR of 22%** (FY-09 to FY 16)

# Share of Short Term Market in Total Gen.



# Understanding the Exchange



## A Neutral Platform

- Power Exchange is a **neutral platform**, a market place, which provides the necessary electronic trading platform and associated infrastructure to facilitate buying and selling of electricity by the participants. Power Exchange in **no way influences the price determination process**, which is dependent on the offers and bids placed by the market participants i.e., the sellers and buyers

## Voluntary Participation

- In India, the participation in any of the markets – bilateral or the Power Exchanges is **purely voluntary**, unlike many countries in the world that have mandated compulsory participation through Power Exchanges. It is the **decision of the market participant to choose** the market place for buying or selling electricity

## Anonymity: Trading through the Power

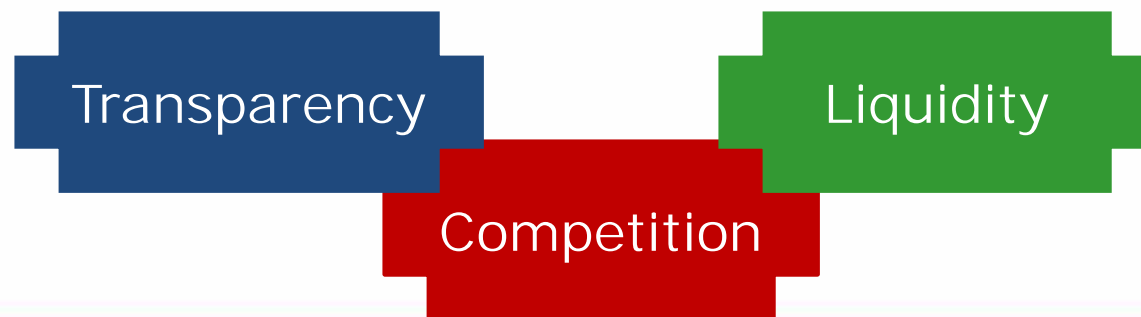
- Exchanges is a **non-cooperative game**. Both the sellers and the buyers place bids on the electronic platform **independent of each other**

# Company Snapshot



- Market Share: **96%**
- Average daily trade: **5000 MW**
- High Participation: **3700+**

**3500+** Industries | **50+** Discoms (all) | **350+** Generators





# IEX Market Segments

## Delivery-based Contracts



### Day-Ahead Market

#### since June,08

*Closed , Double-sided Auction*

*10-12 am bidding*

*Each 15-min block , 0.1 MW min NOC required*



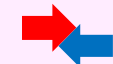
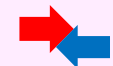
### Term-Ahead Market

since Sep,09

*Day-Ahead Contingency – Another window for Day-Ahead.*

**Extended Market: Trading window increased to 1500-2300 Hours**

**Intra-Day – Round-the-clock Market**



### Extended Markets

**introduced**

20<sup>th</sup> July'15

*Daily- for rolling seven days (delivery starting after 4 days)*

*Weekly- for 1 week (Monday-Sunday)*



### Renewable Energy

#### Certificates

since Feb,11

**Green Attributes as Certificates**

*Sellers : RE generators not under feed in tariffs*

*Buyers: Obligated entities*

*1MWh equivalent to 1 REC*



Next... Energy Saving Certificates



Auction



Continuous

# Features of Day Ahead Market

Physical delivery based market | Min 100kW

A closed double-sided anonymous auction for **each 15-min time block** for the following day

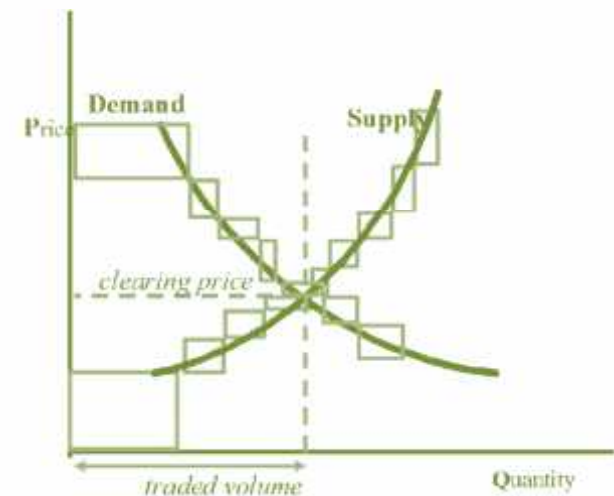
Highly flexible: Bid for any single/combination of time block

Intersection of aggregated sale and purchase curves defines Market Clearing Price (MCP)

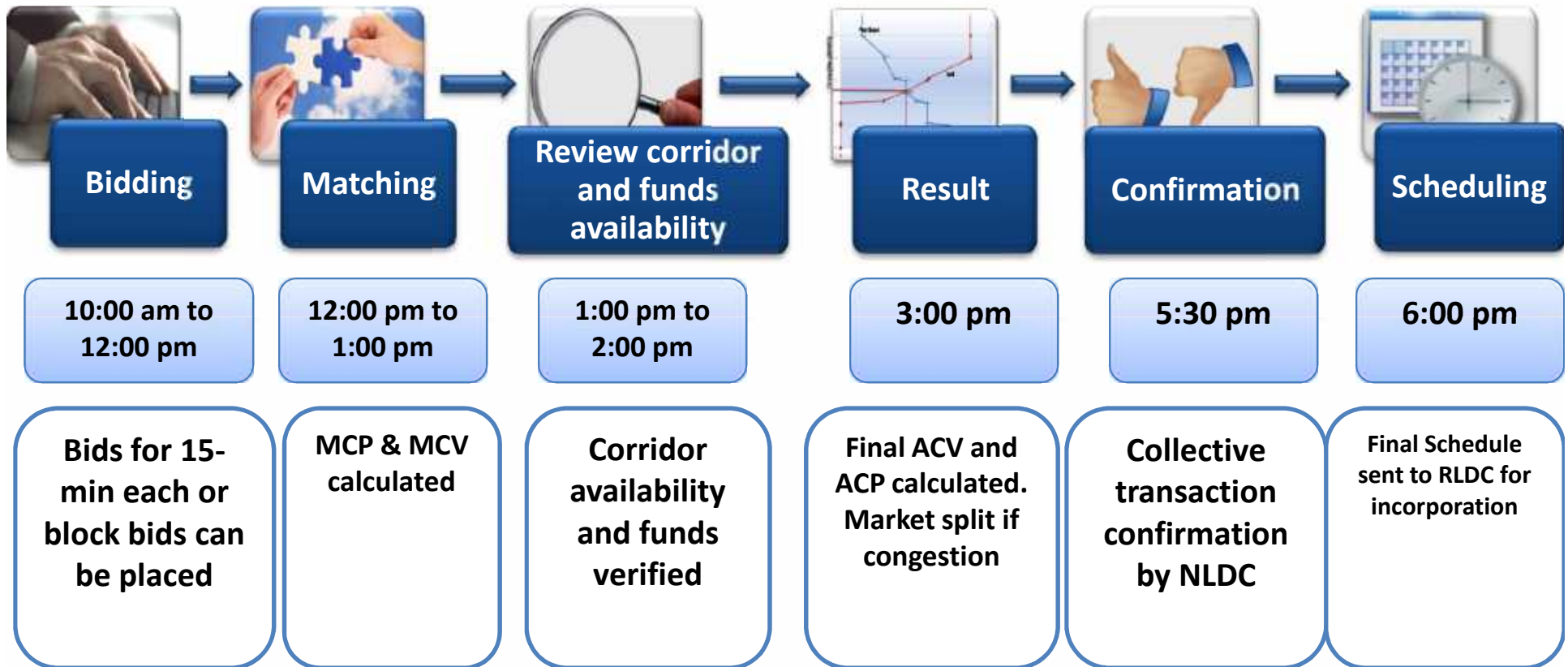
Bid area based on transmission congestion  
ATC across bid areas determined by NLDC /RLDCs

Market splitting determines Area Clearing Price (ACP) specific to an area  
(available at [www.iexindia.com](http://www.iexindia.com))

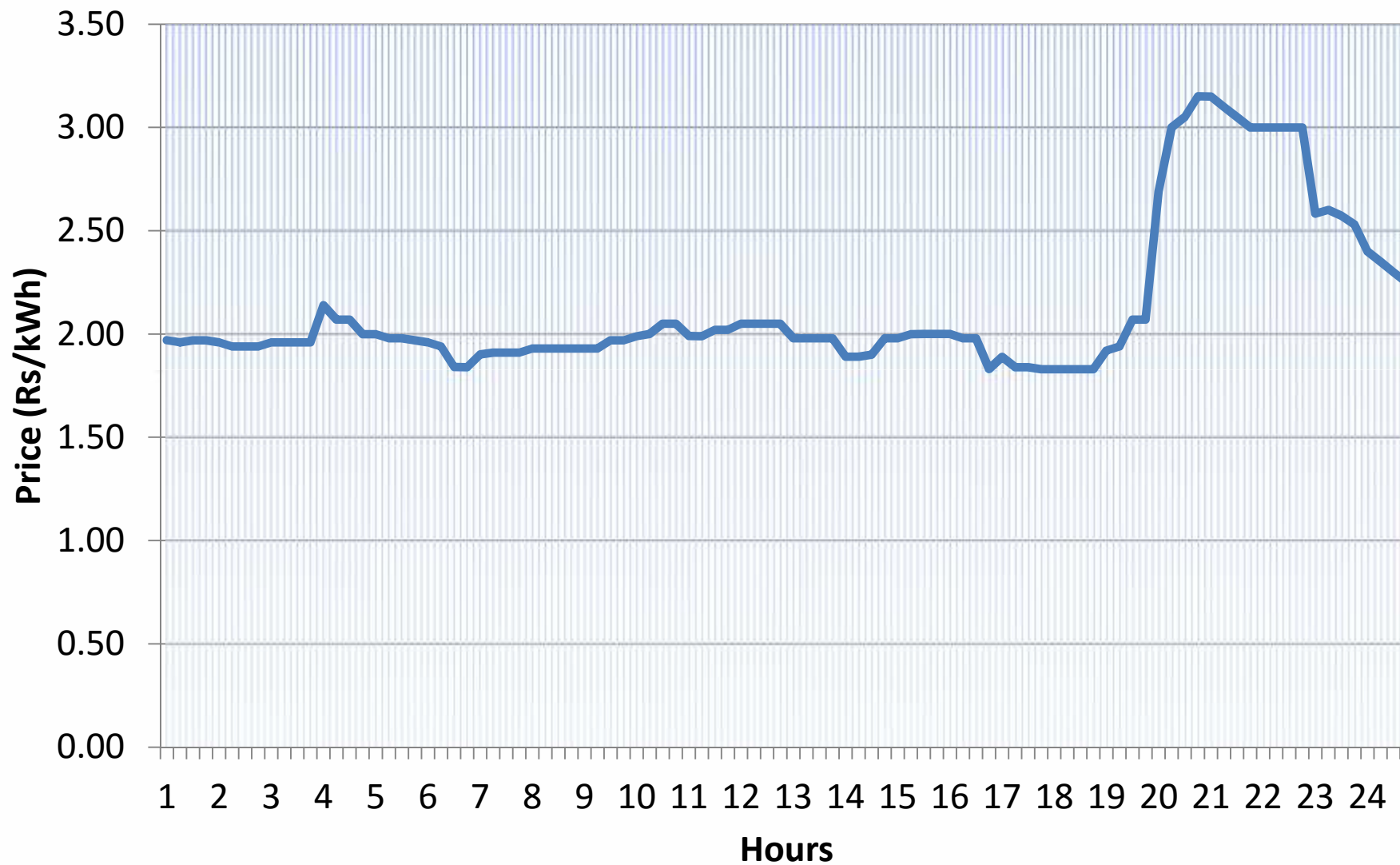
Delivery/ Settlement /All OA Charges thru IEX



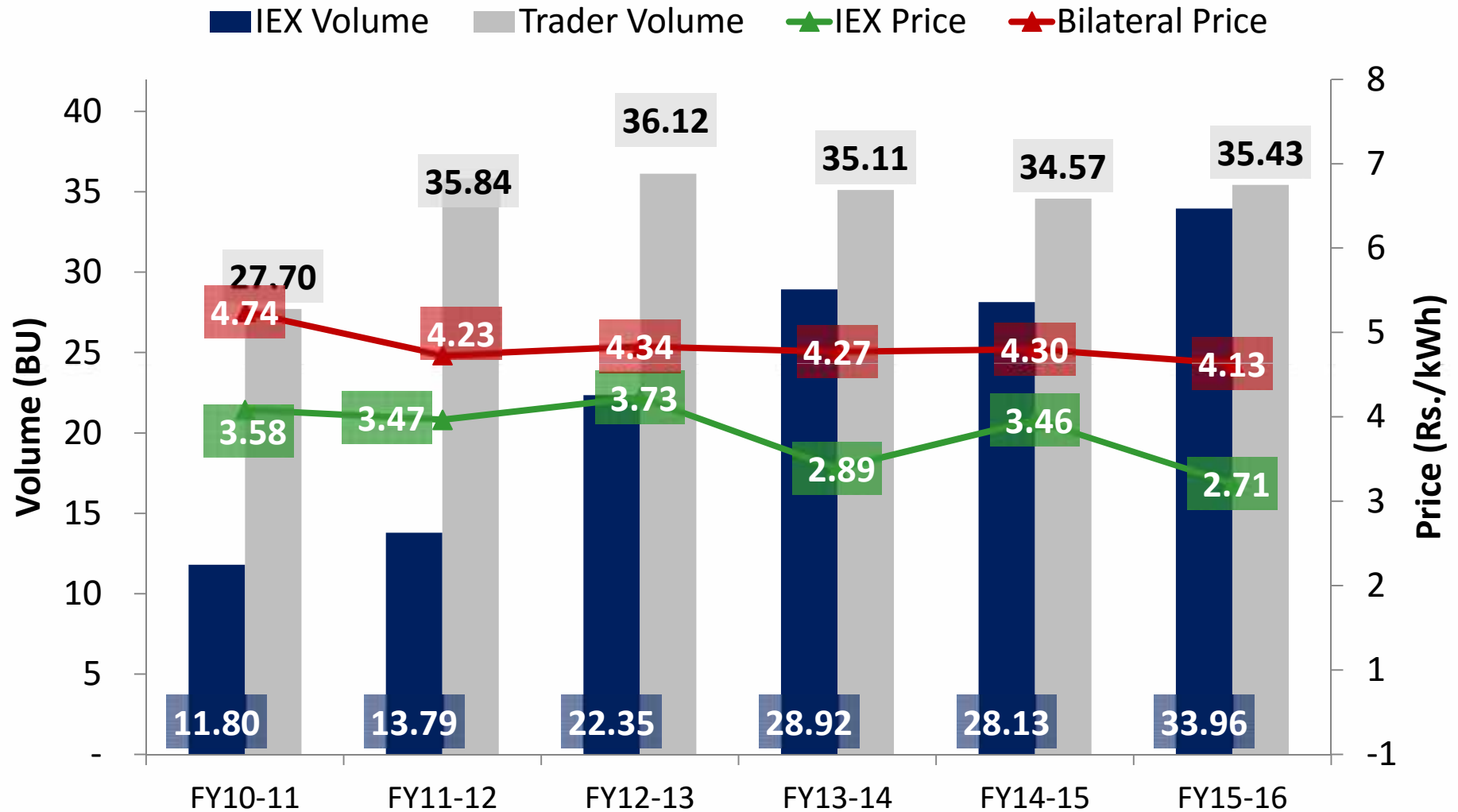
# DAM trading process



# Typical Day Price Trend (MCP-Aug 31, 2016)



# Price and Volume: Bilateral vs. IEX DAM

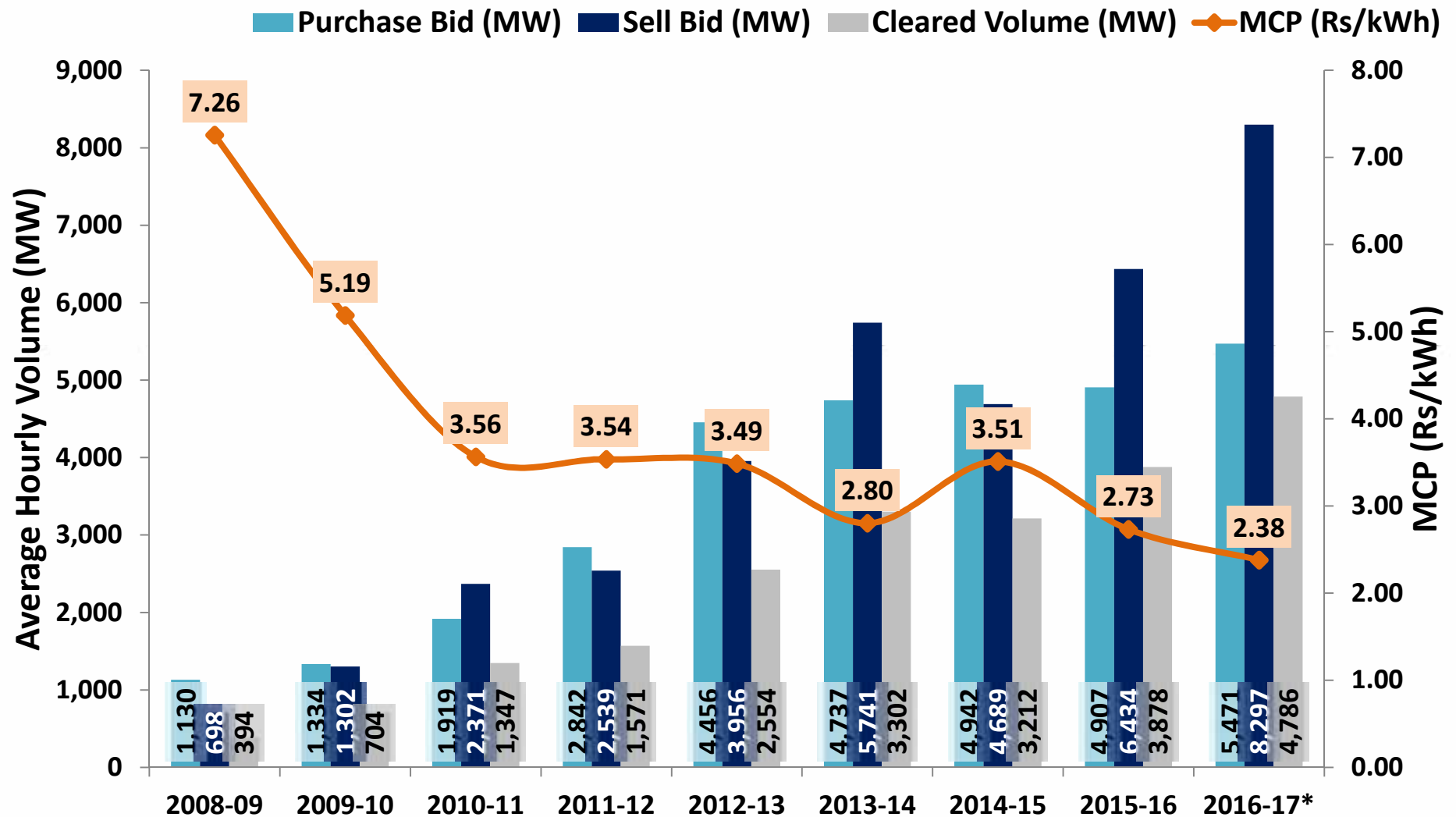


Prices at the Exchange always remained lower than Bilateral Contracts

Source: CERC MMC Reports

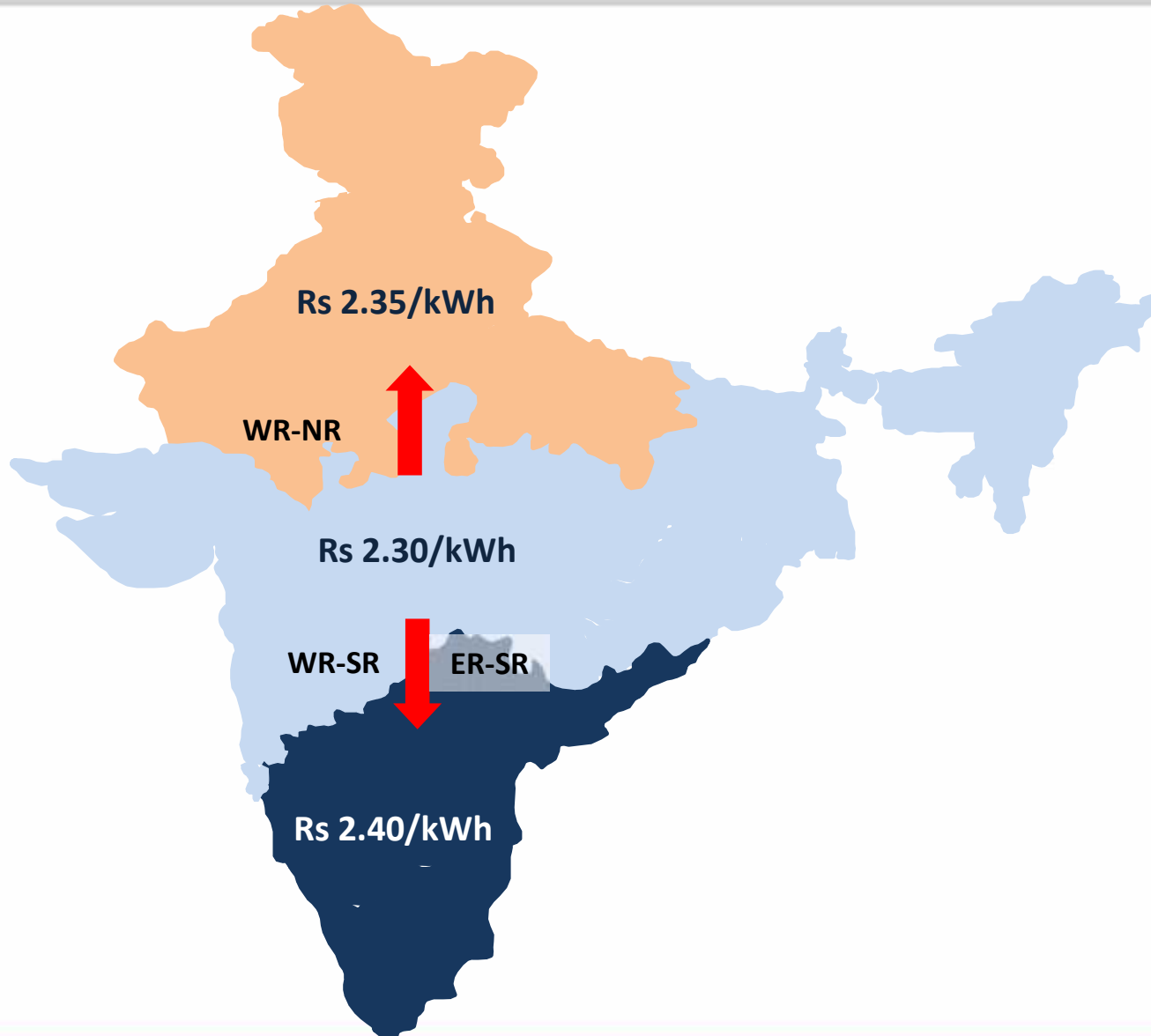
# High Liquidity in Volume at IEX

(Average Hourly Volume in MW)



\* Up to Sep 30, 2016

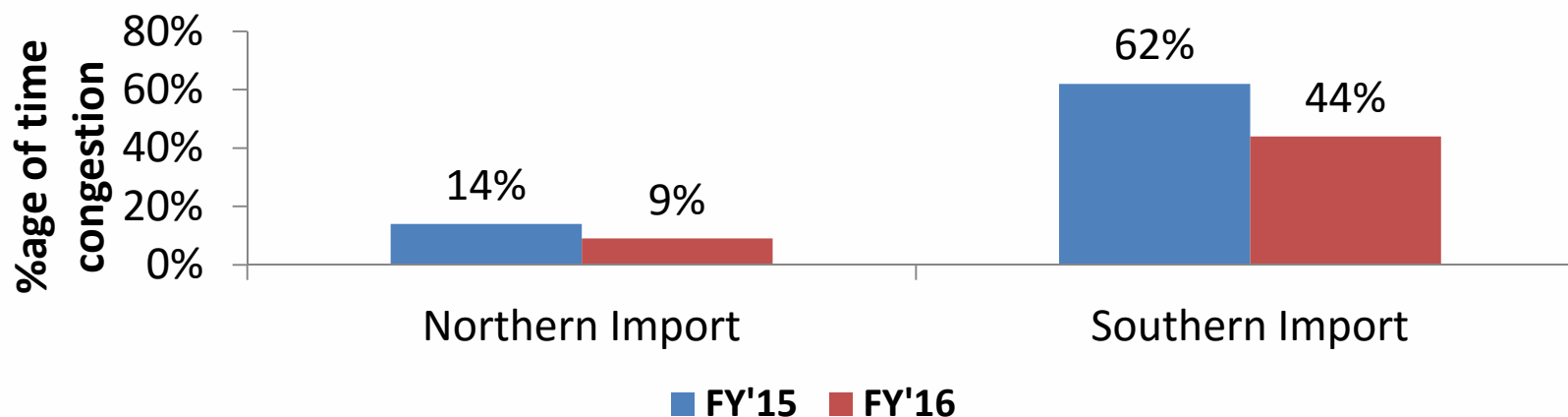
# Inter-regional Transmission Network Congested Corridors



Avg Price of April 16 is considered

# Volume Lost due to Congestion

Percentage of time congestion in Northern and Southern Import

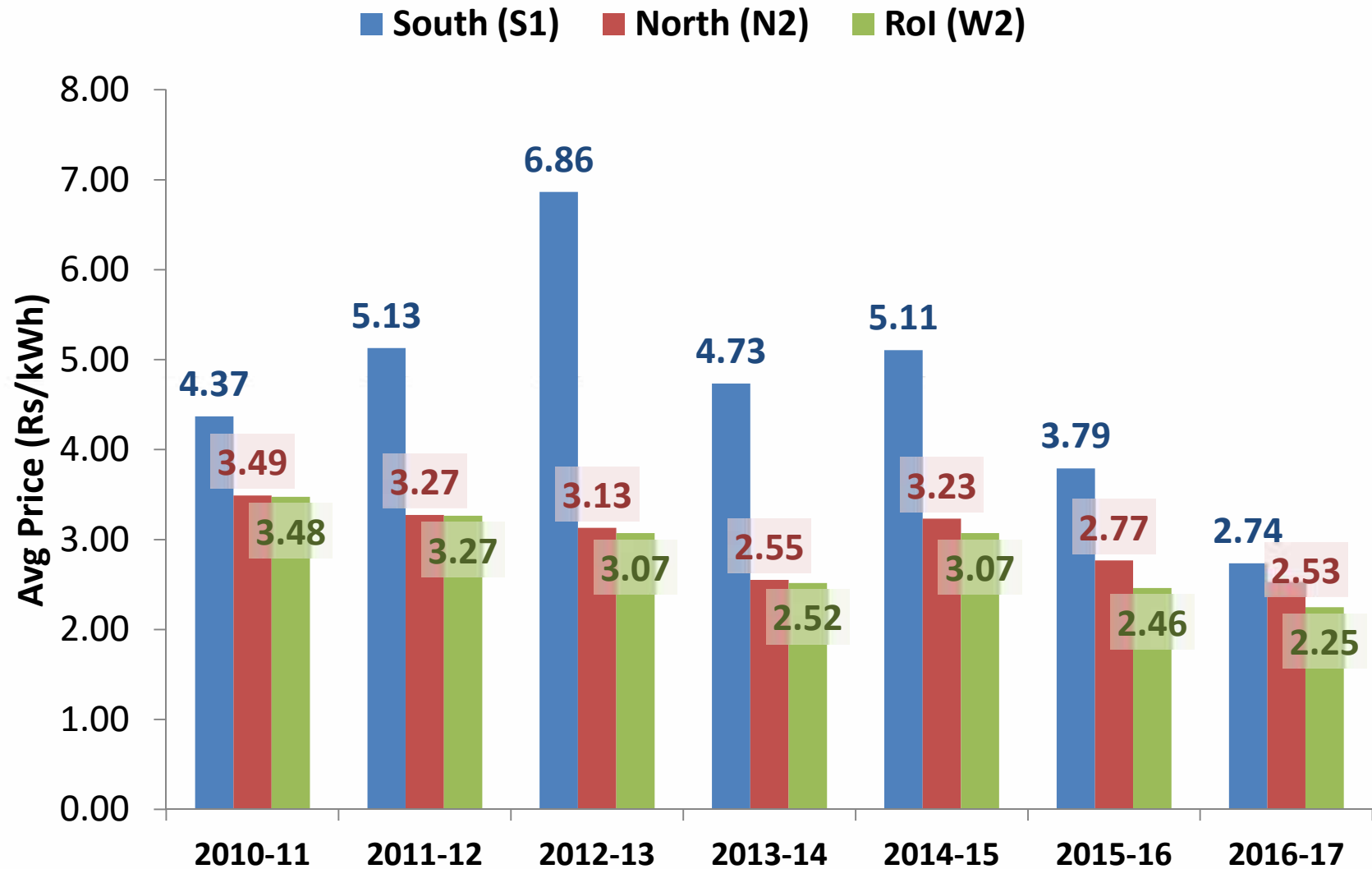


	Market Clearing Volume (MU)	Cleared volume (MU)	Curtailed Volume (MU)	Curtailment (%)
FY11-12	15,561	13,799	1,762	11%
FY12-13	26,143	22,375	3,768	14%
FY13-14	34,230	28,925	5,306	15%
FY14-15	31,227	28,131	3,096	10%
FY15-16	36,210	34,067	2,144	6%

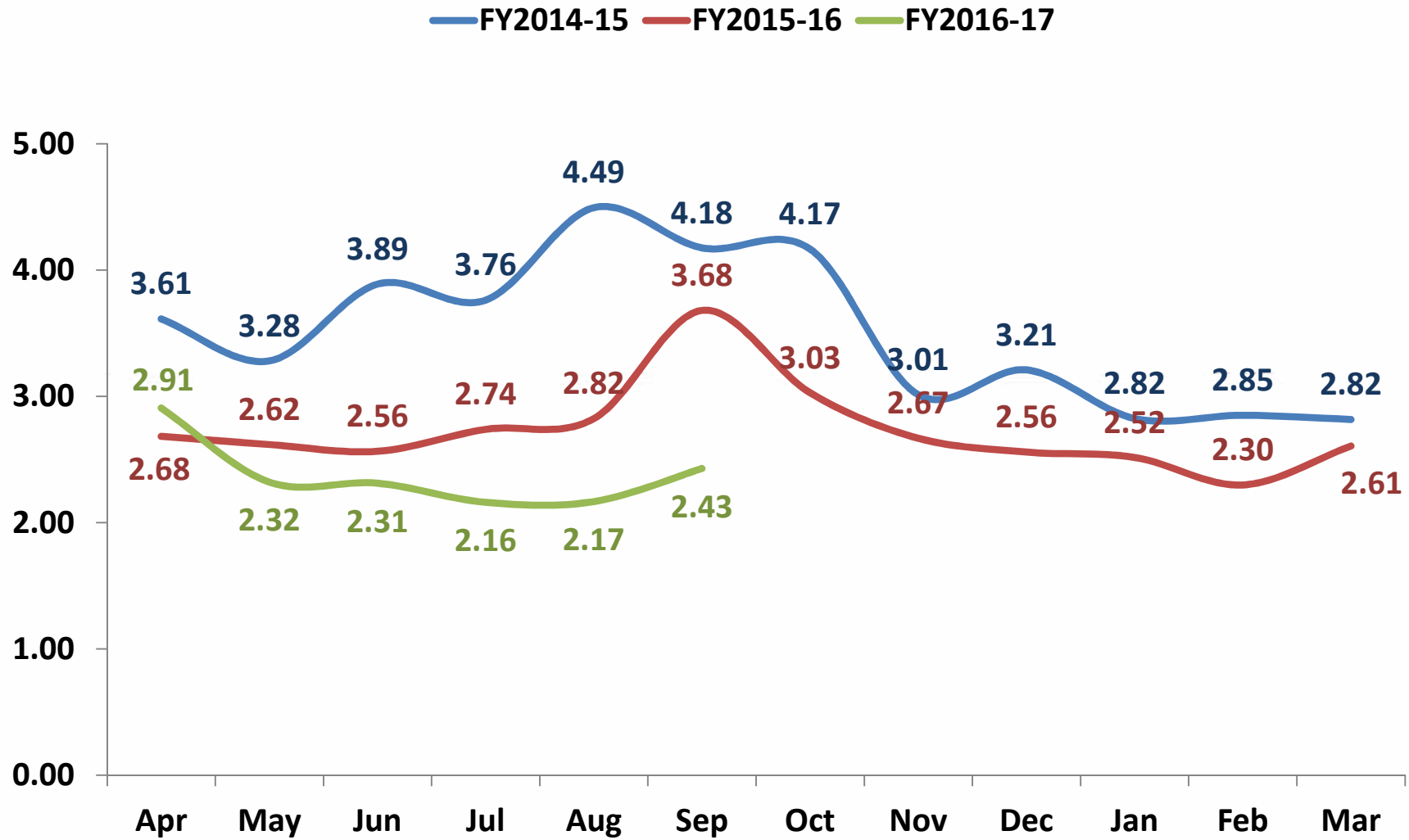
After commissioning of Sholapur-Raichur line and associated transmission lines congestion in SR has reduced



# Region-Wise Price Trend



# Monthly Price Trend

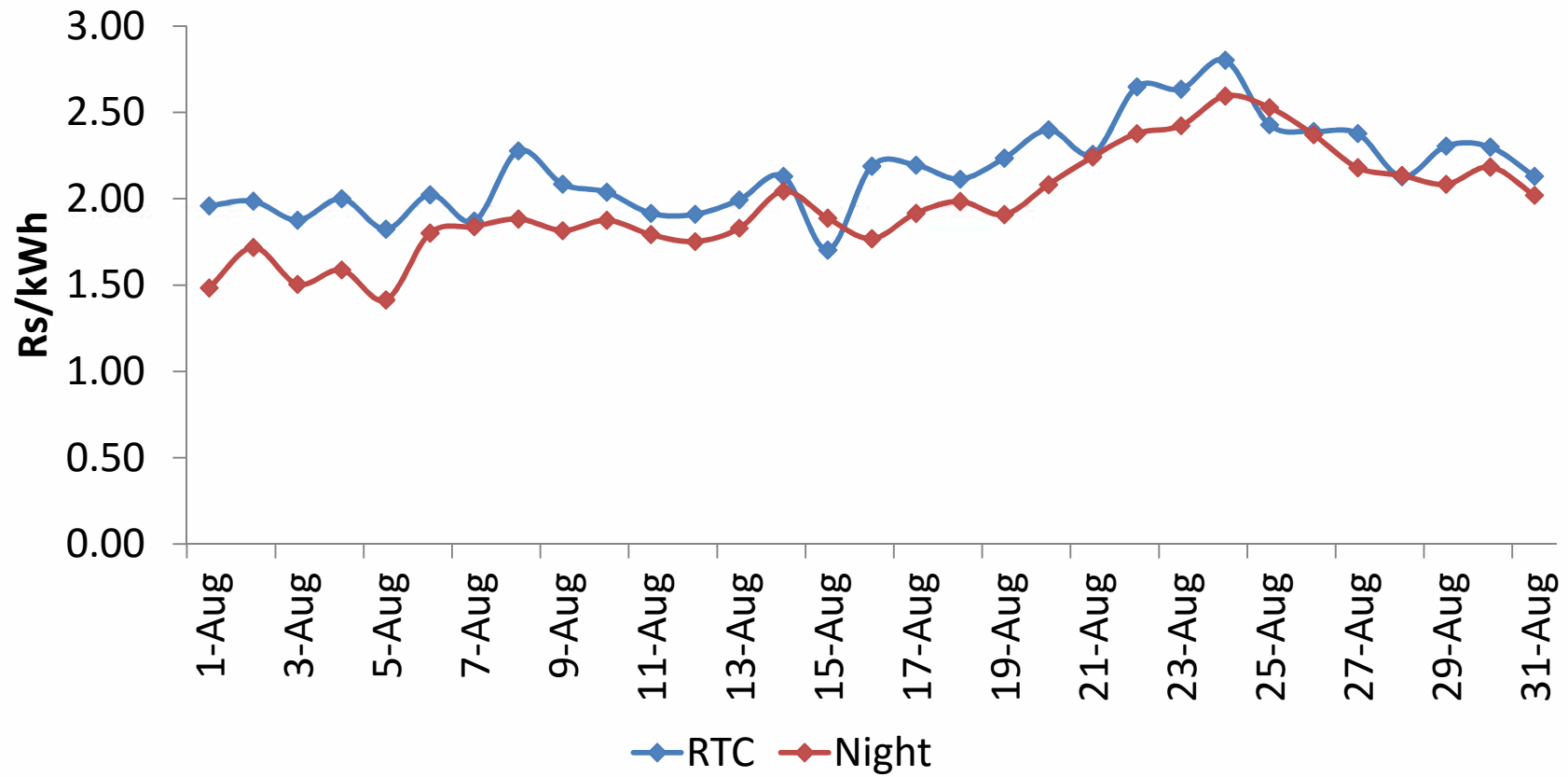


# IEX Daily Avg Volume and Price

## Aug 2016



**Avg Daily Volume: 111 MU**  
**Avg MCP (RTC): 2.17 Rs/kWh**  
**Avg MCP (Night): 1.97 Rs/kWh**

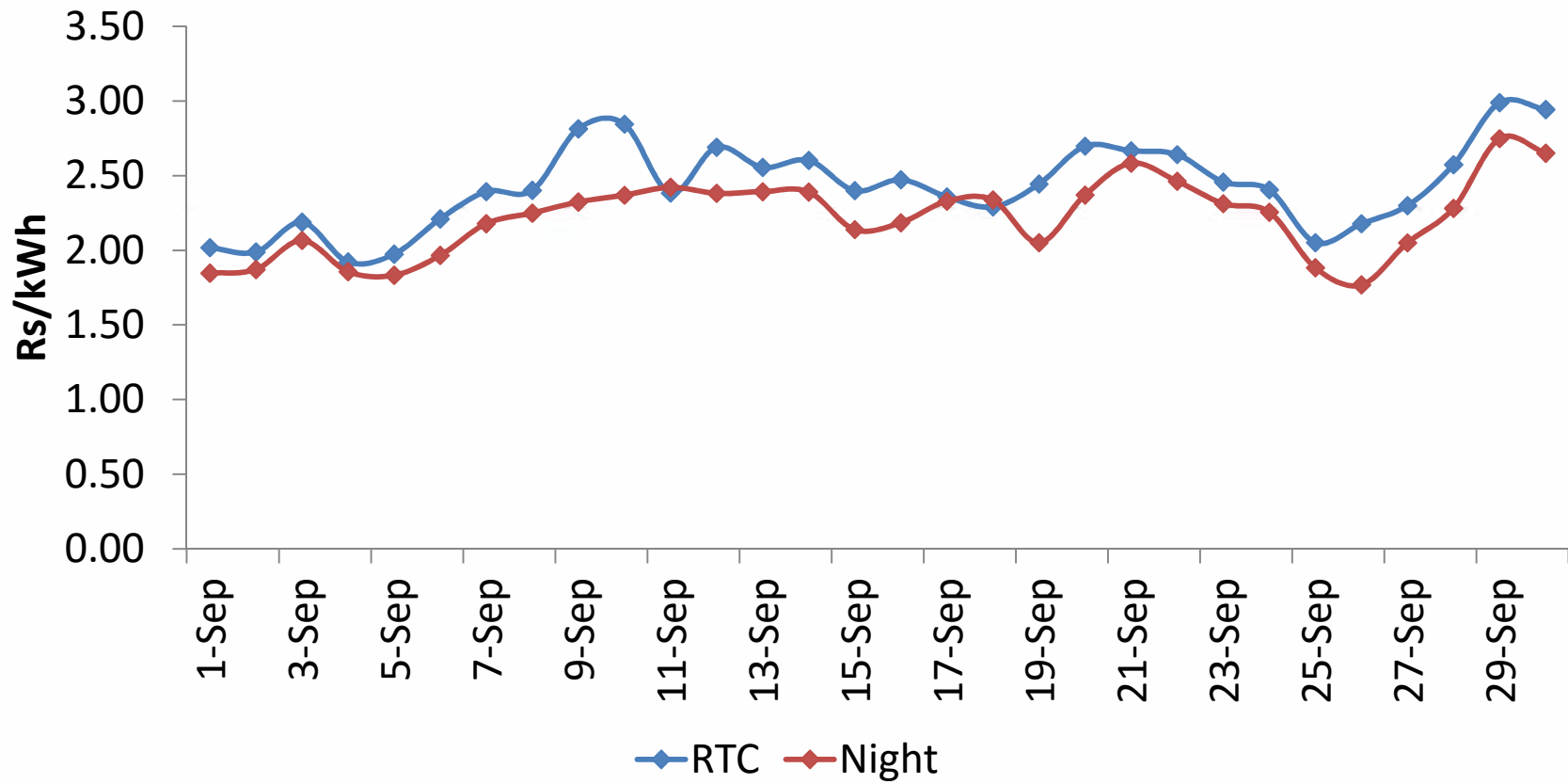


# IEX Daily Avg Volume and Price

## Sep 2016



**Avg Daily Volume: 121 MU**  
**Avg MCP (RTC): 2.43 Rs/kWh**  
**Avg MCP (Night): 2.22 Rs/kWh**



# How Discom/industry prepares to buy/sell on exchange?



1. Get Standing Clearance from SLDC
  - Check Open Access Regulations of State
  - Get Clearance from Discom
    - Install ABT meters and apply to Discom
2. Become exchange Member/Client
  - Client registration ... with Annual fees
  - Membership... for larger industries (of say >20MW)
3. Check historical prices vis-à-vis your costs etc. and place bids (price/quantity)
  - Exchange handles Delivery and Financial Settlements and all charges payable to statutory bodies

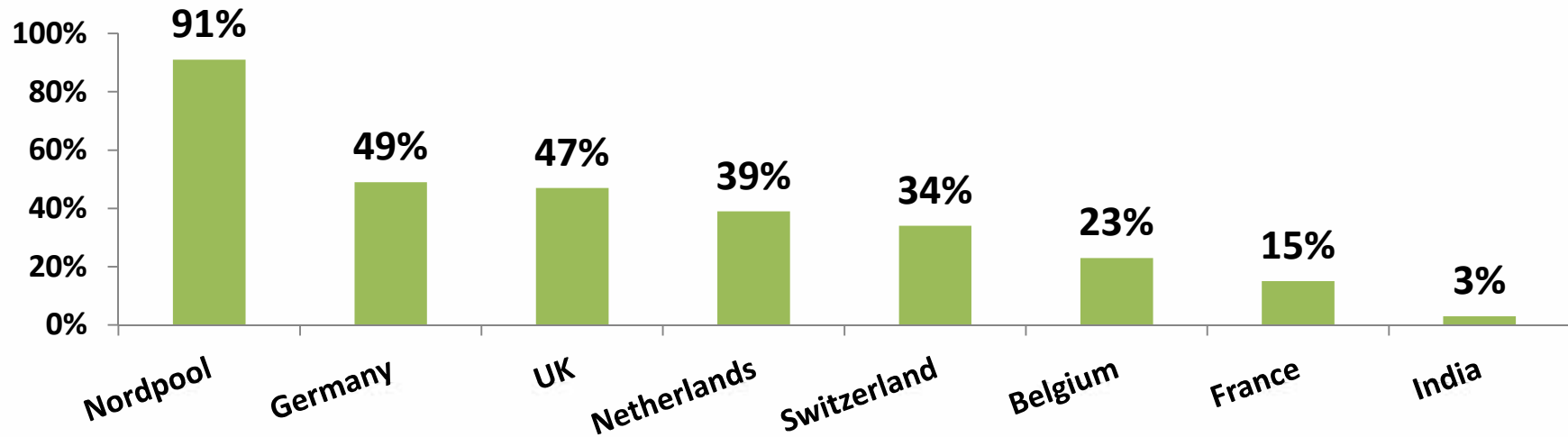
# Power Exchange Benefits to the Country

- Scarce resource allocated to demands which values the commodity most
  - Operates on economic principles of demand-supply
  - Buyer ready to pay more gets priority
- Transparent price discovery, Uniform Market Clearing price – true price discovery, participant bid at marginal cost
- **Enormous cost savings for industries and Discoms, as competition promotes efficiency and lower price**
- Sets reference price for other transactions, bilateral prices also decreased after Exchange operation
- Physical delivery-based market – not susceptible to manipulation
- Low transaction cost, Low Overheads, standardized contracts lead to decreased ambiguity
- Payment Security ensured by the Exchange, giving confidence to merchant generators.

# Comparison of Percentage consumption traded on Exchanges



Percentage consumption traded on Exchanges



Country	DAM (BU)	Intraday (BU)	Total traded (BU)	Net electricity consumption (BU)	% consumption traded on Exchange
Nordic & Baltic	361.0	4.9	365.9	400	91%
Germany	264.4	24.9	289.3	585	49%
UK	147.1	14.5	161.7	347	47%
Netherlands	44.5	1.0	45.5	116	39%
Switzerland	20.5	1.1	21.6	63	34%
Belgium	19.8	0.8	20.6	89	23%
France	66.1	5.0	71.1	482	15%
India	28.5	0.9	29.4	940	3%

# OPEN ACCESS FRAMEWORK



# Electricity Act enabled competition

Intent of the Act was **to promote competition** by “freeing” all possible avenues of procurement and sale of power:

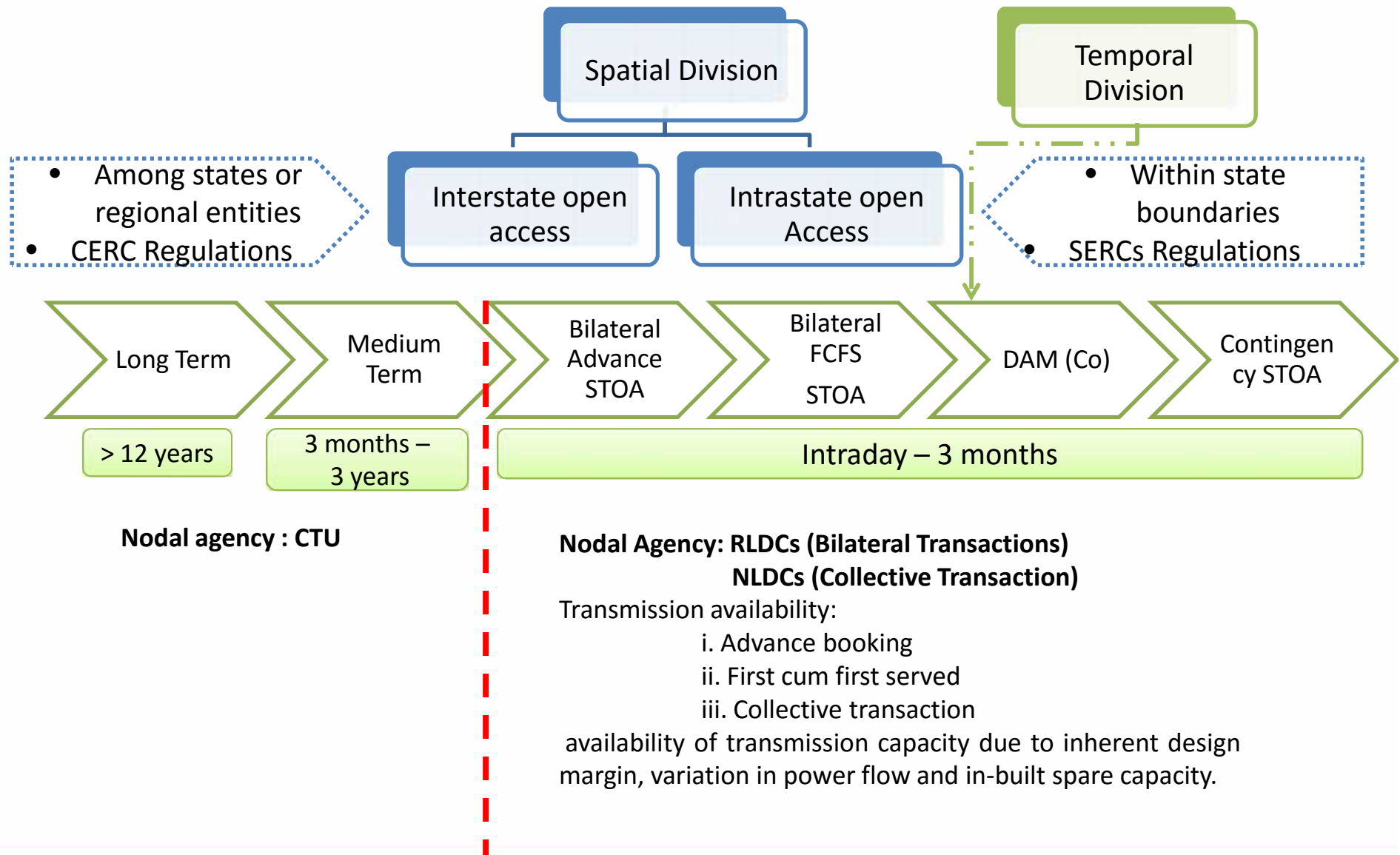
- **Delicensing of generation**
- **Promoting Captive Generation**
- **Promoting open and non-discriminatory access to transmission and distribution system (OPEN ACCESS)**
- **Development of Power Market**
  - Section 66 of the Electricity Act 2003 gives powers to the regulatory commissions to develop the power market including trading
  - **Amendment proposed by MoP** in the Sec 66 of the Act also gives power to the commissions to **promote development of spot as well as forward market including trading**

# Open Access - Background

- Electricity Act, 2003

*Open Access means “The non discriminatory provision for the use of transmission lines or distribution system by any licensee or consumer or a person engaged in generation in accordance with the regulations specified by the appropriate commission”*

# Open Access Segregation



# Inter-State Open Access Regulatory Framework



CERC (Open Access Regulations) 2008  
Last Amendment: 2013

- Specifies roles of different agencies system operators, CTU & Transmission licensees and others
- Specifies Timelines
- Provide for congestion management- Setting relative priorities
- Separate procedures for 'Day-Ahead Market (collective transactions) and OTC transactions on inherent margins

CERC (Grant of connectivity, Long Term Access and Medium Term Open Access) in inter state transmission Regulation, 2009  
Last Amendment: 2013

- Nodal agency for grant of Long and Medium access: **CTU**
- Defines criteria for grant of access and application procedure for medium and long term access

Procedure for Scheduling STOA in Interstate Transmission (Collective Transaction)  
(Bilateral Transaction)

- **Collective Transaction:** Application procedure, treatment of losses, congestion management at PXs
- **Bilateral Transaction:**
  - Procedure for Advance Scheduling/FCFS/Day-Ahead Bilateral/Contingency Transaction

# Intra-State Open Access Regulations



- Each SERC defines the Terms and Conditions for intra-state open access regulations
- Typically the regulations define :
  - Connectivity and Technical Requirements for open access
  - Application Procedure and approvals for long term, medium and short term access for intra-state open access
  - Open Access charges applicable on the entities availing open access

# Intra-State Open Access Regulations..SERCs



## *Basic features*

- Eligibility Criteria:
  - Connectivity
    - Voltage
    - Feeder- Mixed or Express
  - Connected Load/ capacity
- State Transmission Losses & Charges
- Wheeling/Distribution losses & charges
- Cross-Subsidy Surcharge
- Additional Surcharge, if any
- Other special conditions (BG's, Imbalance Settlement, DISCOM Undertaking etc.)
- Standard procedure for grant of Open Access
  - SLDC to publish procedures

# Open Access for Consumers

Section 42 (ii) - 2 Types of Consumers:

Consumers  
with choice of  
Supplier

- 1MW & above

Consumers  
without choice  
of Supplier

- Retail

# Status of Open Access for Large Consumers

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- Electricity Act, 2003 envisages States to implement open access for 1MW+ customers by Jan, 2009

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- First retail open access through IEX, first transaction in Aug, 2009

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- Several operational and regulatory impediments have led consumers to choose **partial** open access and **not full** open access

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- Consumer maintains its supply agreement with local distribution company and **leverages market for economical and contingency power.**



# Enablers for facilitating implementation of Open Access



Open Access Charges

Legislative

Operational

- **Sec 42 (2)** :“....Provided also that such surcharge and cross subsidies **shall be progressively reduced** in the manner as may be specified by the State Commission...”
- **Tariff Policy 8.3.2**: SERC may bring tariff to be +/-20% of cost of supply
- **NEP, 2005 Sec 5.8.3**: “.....the amount of surcharge and additional surcharge levied from consumers who are permitted open access **should not become so onerous that it eliminates competition.....**”

**Implement existing statutes in EA 2003 and NTP 2016**

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Open Access Charges

Legislative

Operational

- **Strengthen Sec 11, 37, 108** to remove ambiguity and facilitate OA
  - **Sec 11:** OA to generators restricted by state government by citing **extraordinary circumstances**
  - **Sec 37:** State governments can direct LDC to restrict power sale outside state in lieu of **maintaining smooth and stable supply**
  - **Sec 108:** Directions of state government will prevail where **public interest** is involved
- **Sec 42(4)** : Define uniform methodology of determination of additional surcharge

**Strengthen EA 2003 by expanding, restricting and/or clarifying scope under certain statues concerning OA**

# Enablers for facilitating implementation of Open Access



Open Access Charges

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Operational

- **Equip SLDCs**
  - Use revenue accrued to SLDC from OA consumers for Infrastructure development, automation, capacity and capability building. 100 OA consumers imply a yearly revenue of appx Rs 9 crores to SLDC
  - Leverage technology solutions and automate processes for NOC issuance, energy scheduling and energy settlement
  - IEX has introduced SLDC interface to help manage NOCs of customers in the state of Punjab and Tamil Nadu. The same can be adopted for other states
- **Open Access Registry (OAR)**
  - **OAR** will bring in transparency and facilitate faster transactions using automatic rule-based open access clearance while removing manual discretions

# Amendments in NTP, 2016

## Open Access – Cross-subsidy Surcharge, Additional Surcharge and Standby Charges



### Cross subsidy and additional surcharge shouldn't be barrier to competition

- **Cross Subsidy Surcharge**

- New Formula to calculate CSS:  $S = T - [C / (1 - L/100) + D + R]$ 
  - *T: tariff payable by consumer including RPO*
  - *C: per unit weighted average cost of power purchase by the Licensee, including RPO*
  - *D: aggregate of transmission, distribution and wheeling charge*
  - *L: aggregate of transmission, distribution and commercial loss*
  - *R: per unit cost of carrying regulatory assets (if applicable)*
- **CS Surcharge capped at 20% of tariff**

- **Additional Surcharge**

- Applicable only if it is conclusively demonstrated that the obligation of a licensee, in terms of existing power purchase commitments, has been and continues to be stranded, or there is an unavoidable obligation and incidence to bear fixed costs consequent to such a contract.

- **Standby Charges**

- In case of outages of generator supplying to a consumer on open access, **standby arrangements** should be provided by the licensee on the payment of tariff for temporary connection to that consumer category as specified by the Appropriate Commission.
- *Standby charges shall not be more than 125% normal tariff*

# States blocking Open Access

- Earlier CSS was calculated as the difference between the industrial tariff and cost of top 5% power purchase but as per the new formula, the CSS is being calculated as the difference between the tariff and the weighted average cost of power.
- As a result, Many States such as Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka and West Bengal increased CSS
- States such as Tamil Nadu, WB, Andhra Pradesh, where CSS is over 20% of the tariff have still not re-determined CSS

## States blocking Open Access (cont.)

- **High Additional Surcharge**
  - States such as Delhi, Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab and Gujarat have high additional surcharge of about Rs 1/unit that reduces OA viability
- **With these tariff barriers, even though the average power purchase cost is Rs. 3.50/kWh, the viability for open access consumer is only when he can get power at Rs. 2.50/kWh**

### Non-Tariff Barriers

Certain states imposes restrictive conditions on OA consumers to purchase power from other sources.

- State does not give NoC to consumer citing transmission constraints
- Even in the states where OA is allowed, SLDC is not giving clearances (WB and Maharashtra) on flimsy grounds
- Many states require SCADA for consumers

**Open Access Charges including CSS, AC, wheeling and transmission charge shouldn't exceed the difference between retail tariff and average power purchase cost**

# Open Access Charges



<b>Cross Subsidy Surcharge (Rs/kWh)</b>			
<b>State</b>	<b>FY2015</b>	<b>FY2016</b>	<b>%Change</b>
West Bengal	2.20	2.87	30%
Meghalaya	1.47	1.90	29%
Haryana	0.93	1.57	69%
Gujarat	0.59	1.45	146%
Orissa	1.29	1.41	10%
Chattisgarh	0.89	1.21	36%
Karnataka	0.63	0.86	37%
Bihar	0.13	0.78	500%
Uttar Pradesh	0.23	0.63	174%
Uttarakhand	0.42	0.47	12%
DND	0.00	0.42	Introduced
Himachal Pradesh	0.14	0.41	193%
DNH	0.03	0.22	633%
<b>Additional Surcharge (Rs/kWh)</b>			
Delhi	0.00	1.67	Introduced
Punjab	0.00	1.13	Introduced
Haryana	0.84	0.87	4%
Rajasthan	0.00	0.80	Introduced
Himachal Pradesh	0.00	0.78	Introduced

## Open Access framework v/s Discom tariff

- The Open Access framework has been designed to compensate Discoms against all charges (cross subsidy, transmission, stranded assets etc) except for Energy Cost.
- Therefore, a comparison of the charges payable by Open Access consumers (after including APPC) should be equivalent to their industrial tariff.
- However, as per details in the ARR, it is found that in many states, the sum total of OA charges and APPC is higher than the industrial tariff.
- This highlights that Open Access charges are being set higher to restrict Open Access in the States.



# APPC v/s IEX Break Even Price



State	Average Power Purchase cost	IEX Break Even Price
Gujarat	3.29	2.57
Madhya Pradesh	2.82	2.16
West Bengal	3.42	2.65
Tamil Nadu	3.35	2.35
Andhra Pradesh	4.08	2.76
Haryana	3.91	4.17
Rajasthan	3.41	4.20

# Calculation Sheet



<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>			
	Rs./unit		Rs./unit
<b>APPC (Average Pooled Cost of Power Purchase)</b>	<b>2.82</b>	<b>HT Tariff</b>	6.10
<b>State losses</b>	2.59%	<b>Rebates/Discounts</b>	
<b>Wheeling Losses</b>	5.83%		
<b>Transmission Charges</b>	0.06	Load Factor above 50%	1.00
<b>Wheeling Charges</b>	0.23	Power Factor >99% (7% on Bill Value)	0.427
<b>Cross Subsidy Surcharge</b>	1.67	Timely Payment	
<b>Total APPC and other charges</b>	<b>5.03</b>	<b>Total Tariff Payable</b>	<b>4.67</b>

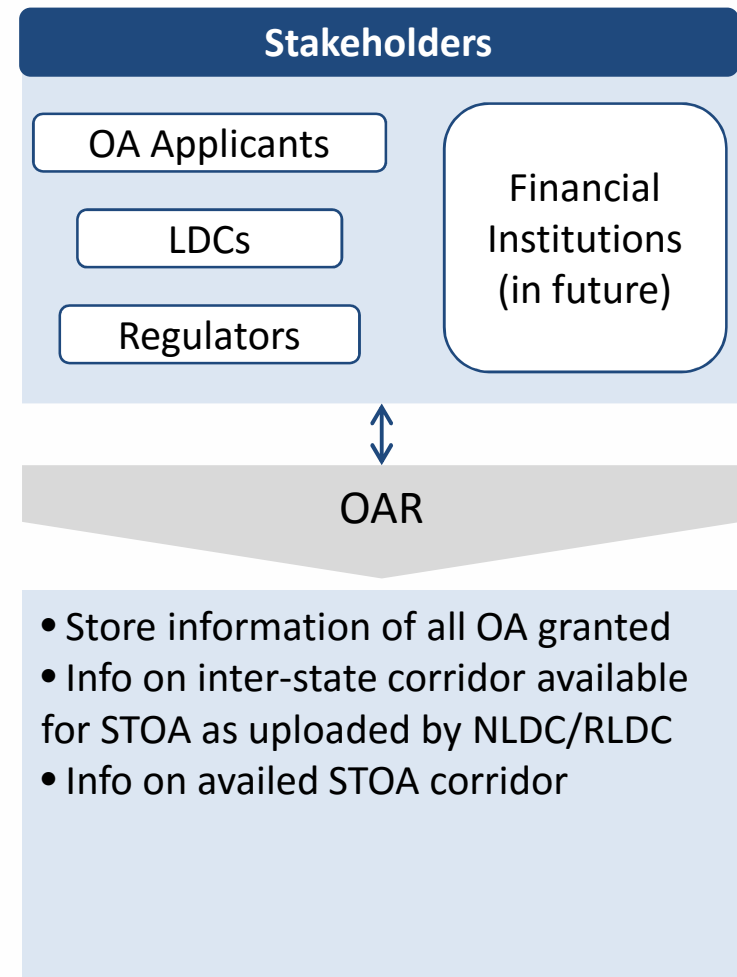
## Open Access – Way forward

- Open Access has been implemented in the country for last 10 years
- **Full Open Access is viable:** Industries should be allowed open access without contract demand, that is, no payment of demand charges and additional surcharge
- **Aggregation:** Further, there are many industries with contract demand of <1 MW. Even these industries can be provided open access by combining 2-3 industries and one of the industry acting as leading consumer. Haryana is one such example where group of 2 or more consumer with combined contract demand of 1 MW or above can collectively apply for open access

# Open Access Registry Framework Proposal for implementation



- This will bring in transparency and facilitate faster transactions using automatic rule-based open access clearance while removing manual discretions
- Integrated IT based system
- All OA approvals automated
- Function as an interacting medium between the OA Participants, Trade Intermediaries/PXs and National/Regional and State LDCs.
- Record of Information will be available to CERC, System Operators, OA Customers, Traders and PXs



# SUGGESTIONS FOR DISCOMS

- 1. Power Procurement Optimization by Discoms**
- 2. Long-term PPA for only Base Load of Discoms**

# Distribution

## NTP, 2016 mandates



### *SERCs to prepare road-map for 24-hour supply by '22*

#### ***Performance Standards***

- SERC to notify standards of performance with respect to **quality, continuity and reliability** of service for all consumers.
- Penalties may be imposed on licensees in accordance with section 57 of the Act for failure to meet the standards.

#### ***Merit order Dispatch purchases are allowed***

- All power purchase costs need to be considered legitimate unless it is established that the MoD principle has been violated or power has been purchased at unreasonable rates.

#### ***Regulatory Asset***

- Provision of RA to be only as a very rare exception in case of natural calamity or force majeure conditions
- Recovery to be time bound and in <7 years

#### ***Power Procurement by Discoms (6)***

- 24-Hour notice for URS capacity for allowing Gen to sell
- Benefits over VC to be shared 50:50, if not already provided in the PPA.
- Change of Law allowed to be pass-through

## Merit Order Purchase by Discoms

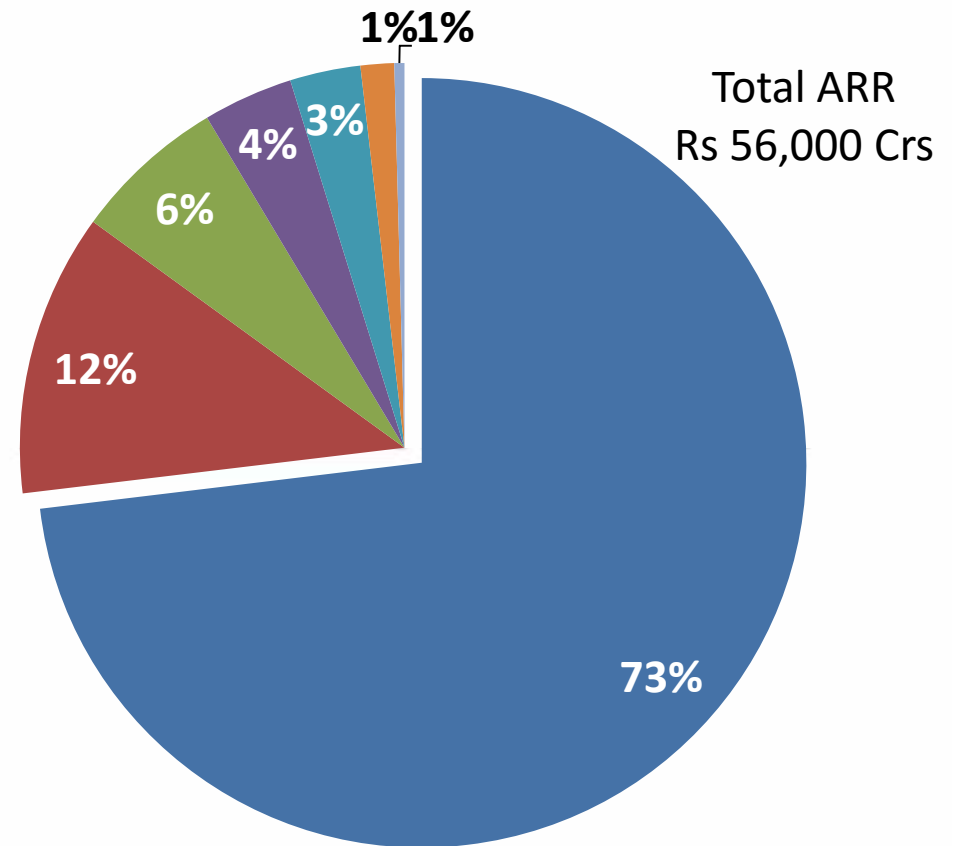
- **Under long term PPA two component**
  - Capacity charges (commitment charges): paid irrespective of whether discom purchase power from these plants or not
  - Energy charges : Paid corresponding to the number of units of power purchased from that particular plant
- **Discoms can replace costlier long term power by procurement from IEX, if,**
  - Energy charge of power under long term PPA is greater than IEX rates
  - During night hours prices at IEX are further low and savings can be enhanced
- **Discoms can continue paying fixed charge to Long Term PPAs and substitute where energy charge is higher than IEX price**
- There is enough liquidity available in the market and merchant capacity of about 20,000 MW is available. **With improved supply, better transmission system and low prices in market, most optimum power procurement strategy must be formed by Discom**
- West Bengal, Rajasthan & Bihar have adopted optimization strategy and have achieved significant savings. Other States like Karnataka and J&K keen to implement
- **Regulations may stipulate inclusion of Exchange Price in merit order to enable Discoms to optimize procure power through Exchange in a cost effective manner**



# Power Purchase Expense for Discom



- Power purchase accounts for 70-80% of the total revenue requirement for Discoms
- SMART BUYING can save at least 10% (Rs 4124Cr.)



# Merit order dispatch schedule to be prepared based on Variable cost and considering Exchange Prices



## Capacity Tied up by Discom

### Long Term Contracts

PPA | Variable Cost

PPA 1 | 3.70

PPA 2 | 4.06

PPA 3 | 3.00

PPA 4 | 1.99

PPA 5 | 2.00

### Bilateral Contracts

Contract 1 | 4.70

Contract 2 | 3.50

Contract 3 | 2.10

Exchange

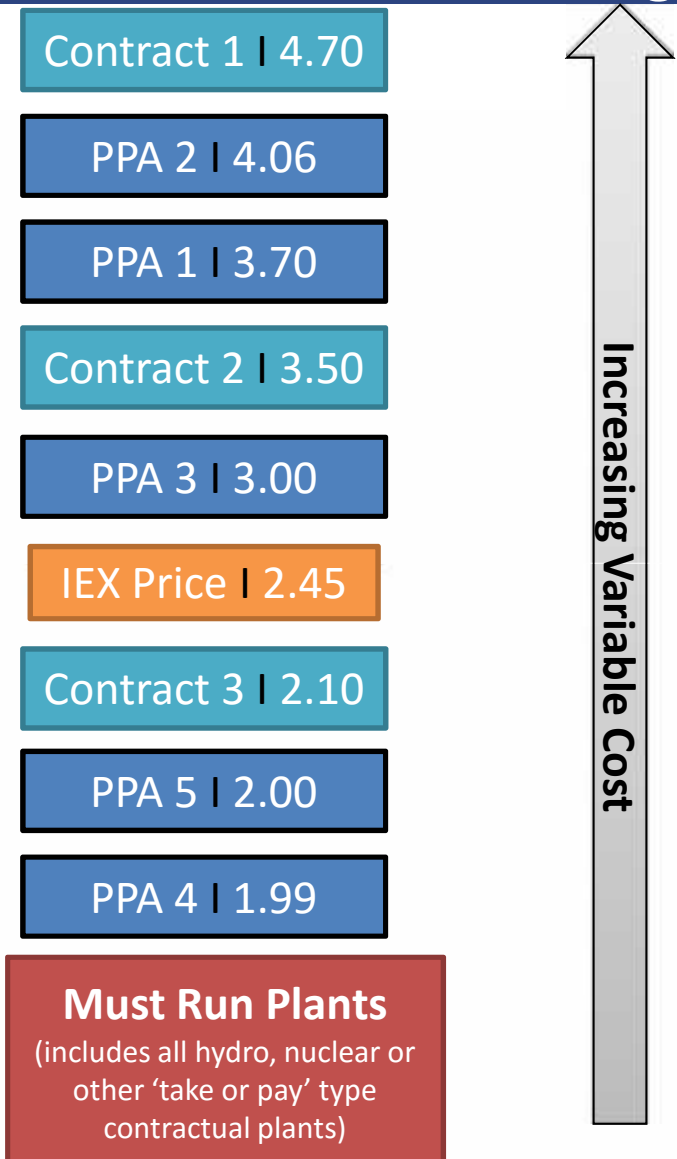
IEX Price | 2.45

### Must Run Plants

(includes all hydro, nuclear or other 'take or pay' type contractual plants)

Merit Order Baseline

# Merit order dispatch schedule to be prepared based on Variable cost and considering Exchange Prices



To be dispatched in this Order based on Energy Demand of the Discom

Merit Order Baseline

## 2. Long Term PPA only for Base Load

- Many Discoms (example Gujarat, Haryana, Delhi, Punjab) have tied PPAs to meet their peak demand. As a result, Discom is paying fixed charge for 12 months while the peak demand is only for 5-6 months. Due to this, power procurement cost for Discoms increases.

In Delhi, consumers are paying about Rs. 1/unit extra only on this account.

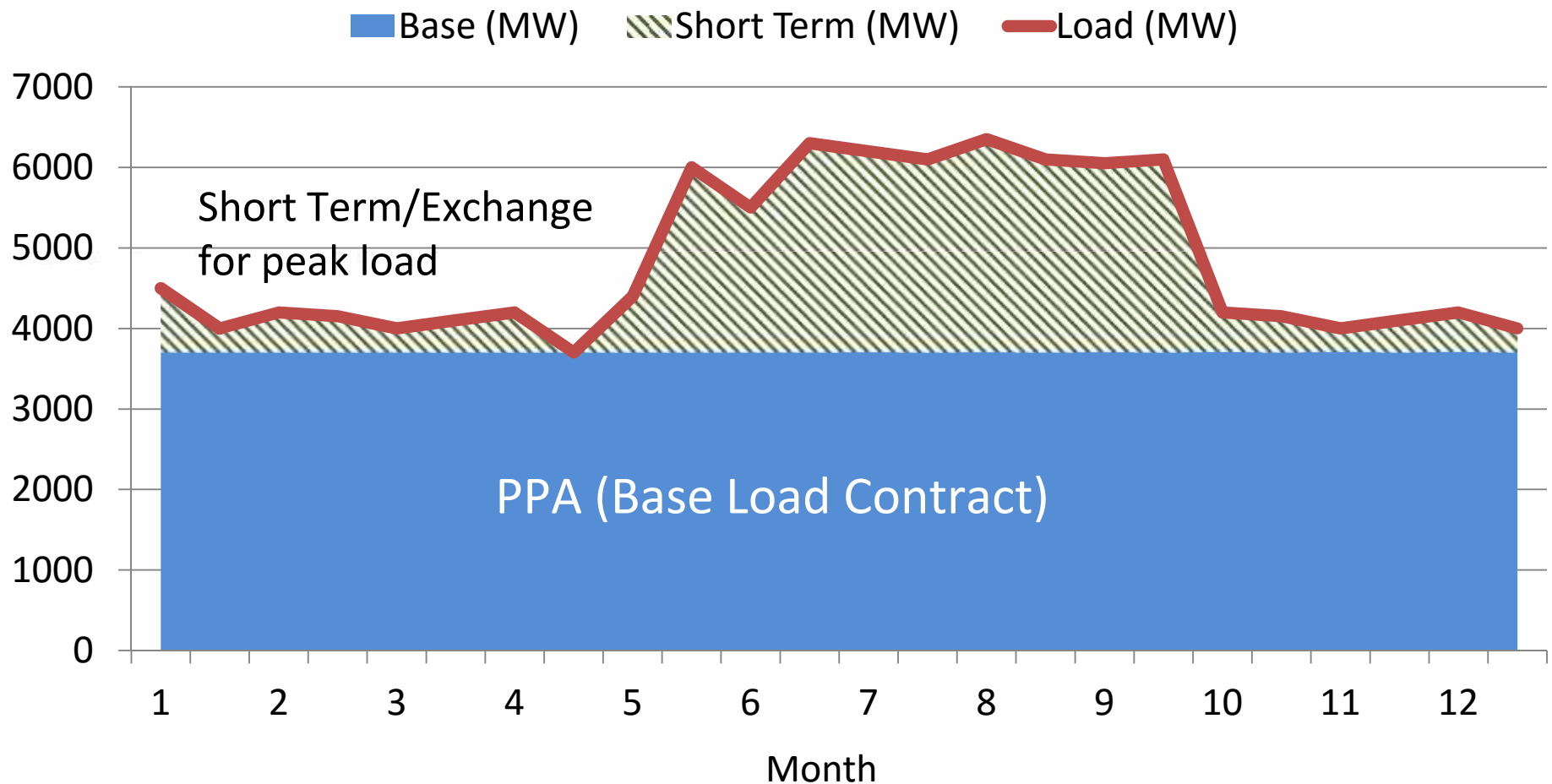
- There is enough liquidity available in the market and merchant capacity of about 40,000 MW is available.
- On the basis of this, most **optimum power procurement strategy must be formed by Discom**
- Discom should contract capacities on long term basis only for meeting base demand and should manage seasonal variations through short term market

# Meeting Shortages/Surplus through Short Term Market

## Maximizing efficiency – Ideal Scenario



→ **Surpluses/Deficits** - Balance physical supply and demand



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