



# DEVIATION REQUEST FORM

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## A. To be completed by Gold Standard

### 1 | Decision

**1.1 | Date – 27/10/2023**

#### **1.2 | Decision**

Deviation request 1 is not approved. As per PRINCIPLES & REQUIREMENTS Version 1.2: 5.1.46 Delay in the completion of re-validation beyond the last date of current certification cycle shall result in a reduction of any issuance of Certified Products and/or Impact Statements available during following certification cycle (for example, a delay of 1 year beyond the first cycle shall mean that no Certified Impact Statements shall be issued for the period of delay). PD can request the renewal of crediting period, but no issuance can be claimed for the period of delay in design certification renewal, which goes from 25/06/2023 until the submission of documents for design certification is performed.

Deviation request 2 is approved.

**1.3 | Is this decision applicable to other project activities under similar circumstances?**

No.

**B. To be completed by the Project Developer/Coordinating and Managing Entity and/or VVB requesting deviation** (Submit deviation request form in Microsoft Word format)

**2| Background information**

Deviation Reference Number	DEV_541	
Date of decision	27/10/2023	
Precedent (YES/NO)	No	
Precedent details	N/A	
Date of submission	08/09/2023	
Project/PoA/VPA	Project	ID – GS 6756
Project/PoA/VPA title	GS 6756: 30 MW WIND ENERGY PROJECT BY GIRIRAJ ENTERPRISES	
Date of listing	-	
GS Standard version applicable	GS4GG	
Date of transition to GS4GG (if applicable)		
Date of transition to Gold Standard from another standard (e.g., CDM) (if applicable)	N.A.	
Date of design certification/inclusion (if applicable)	26/06/2020	
Location of project/PoA/VPA	India	
Scale of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> Microscale <input type="checkbox"/> Small scale <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large scale	
Gold Standard Impact Registry link of the project/PoA/VPA	<a href="https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1737">https://registry.goldstandard.org/projects/details/1737</a>	
Status of the project/PoA/VPA	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Listed <input type="checkbox"/> Certified design <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified project	
Title/subject of deviation	Deviation Requested for Proceeding with delay in RCP.	
Specify applicable rule/requirements/methodology, with exact paragraph reference and version number	Deviation is requested from clause no 5.1.45 of GS4GG Principles and Requirements V 1.2 which states that " To maintain Gold Standard Certified Project status beyond five years, a Project must undergo Design Certification Renewal. This process shall begin (defined by the submission of a Renewal opinion by a VVB for Design Review to Gold Standard) no later than the last date of current certification cycle. Note that review of the Design Certification Renewal may complete after the last date of current crediting period. In this case, the renewal date shall be the first day after the end date of the current certification cycle.	

Specify the monitoring period for which the request is valid (if applicable)	
Submitted by	Contact person name: Anantrao Patil
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	Organisation: EKI Energy Services Limited
	Project participant: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Validation and Verification body (VVB opinion shall be included, where required by the applicable rules/requirements or request is submitted by the VVB).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  If yes; VVB name:  VVB Staff name(s):
Any previous deviations approved for the same project activity/PoA/VPA(s)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 3 | Deviation detail

#### 3.1 | Description of the deviation:

3.1.1 | Deviation detail (to be completed by Project developer):

##### Deviation 1:

As a part of commitment to improving services and ensuring the efficient management of assets, Giriraj Enterprises underwent an ownership transfer from Giriraj Enterprises to M/s Moryana Renewable Kochi Private Limited.

There was delay in applying for the process of renewal of crediting period due to delay in ownership transfer process.

However, we acknowledge that this ownership transfer has led to an unforeseen delay in the renewal of crediting period.

##### Deviation 2:

The first crediting period ends on 24/06/2023. the asset owner has changed from 01/05/2023, and the duration of the change in owner in the first crediting period is from 01/05/2023 to 24/06/2023. Please allow us to complete Verification during the first crediting period with old and new asset owners without any PRC.

3.1.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

#### 3.2 | Assessment of the deviation:

3.2.1 | Deviation assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

## Deviation 1:

PP is requesting for the Renewal of crediting period for the project activity for the 2<sup>nd</sup> crediting period starting from 25/06/2023 to 24/06/2028. The Overall Crediting Period of the Project activity is described below –

1<sup>st</sup> crediting period - 25/06/2018 to 24/06/2023

Thus, GS is requested to please allow for the Renewal of Crediting Period for the Project Activity following scenario as listed below –

Scenario – The PP is requesting GS to allow for proceeding the RCP for the duration 25/06/2023 to 24/06/2028. The subsequent verifications will be done following the latest methodology as applicable in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Crediting Period without the loss of VERs.

Validating and verifying body for the renewal of crediting period. (2<sup>nd</sup> Crediting Period) is already appointed and VVB will finalize the validation opinion as per GS4GG requirements by 31/10/2023.

Since the project owner is serious towards the renewal of crediting period of the project activity, hence it is requested Gold Standard to approve the deviation request for delay in submission of documents submission.

## Deviation 2:

Since the asset owner has changed from 01/05/2023, And first crediting ends on 24/06/2023. Duration of change in owner in first crediting period is from 01/05/2023 to 24/06/2023. Please allow to complete Verification during first crediting period with old and new asset owner without any PRC.

3.2.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

### 3.3 | Impact of the deviation:

3.3.1 | Impact assessment (to be completed by Project developer):

The above deviation will not cause any impact upon the data quality or attract any potential risk on GS related to any issuance or any other material impact affecting the quality of the project and thus no any potential risk is attributed to GS Project activity in particular.

The deviation requested adheres to the Principles and Requirements set forth by GS4GG and complies with:

- Environmental Integrity- The GSVER's generated from the project activity are not Over-estimated as a result of deviation and conservativeness are ensured.
- Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals- SDG contributions that the project is designed to achieve are in line with GS4GG requirements and the above deviation does not have any potential impact upon the certified SDG's claimed during the current monitoring period.

Safeguarding Principles and requirements- The deviation does not create any impact upon the safeguarding principles and requirements set forth by GS4GG

- Compliance with Host Country Regulations- The project does not create any conflict with Host Country regulations and all the host country regulations are followed.

Thus, Kind request to allow PP to claim the credits for complete monitoring period without loss of any credits.

3.3.2 | VVB opinion (to be completed by VVB, if applicable):

Not Applicable.

**3.4 | Documents:**

Not Applicable, if required, the PP can submit any kind of supporting sought by the GS.

Version number	Release date	Description
5	11.04.2022	Additional information added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- date of listing, design certification, transition</li> <li>- standard version</li> <li>- specific reference to a requirement deviated from</li> <li>- any previous deviations/design changes approved</li> </ul> Guidance on VVB opinion
4	14.01.2021	
3	16.07.2020	
2	03.05.2018	
1	01.07.2017	Initial adoption