



# Chasing targets in difficult times

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# We have come a long way

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*GW of Installation of Solar Power in 2009*

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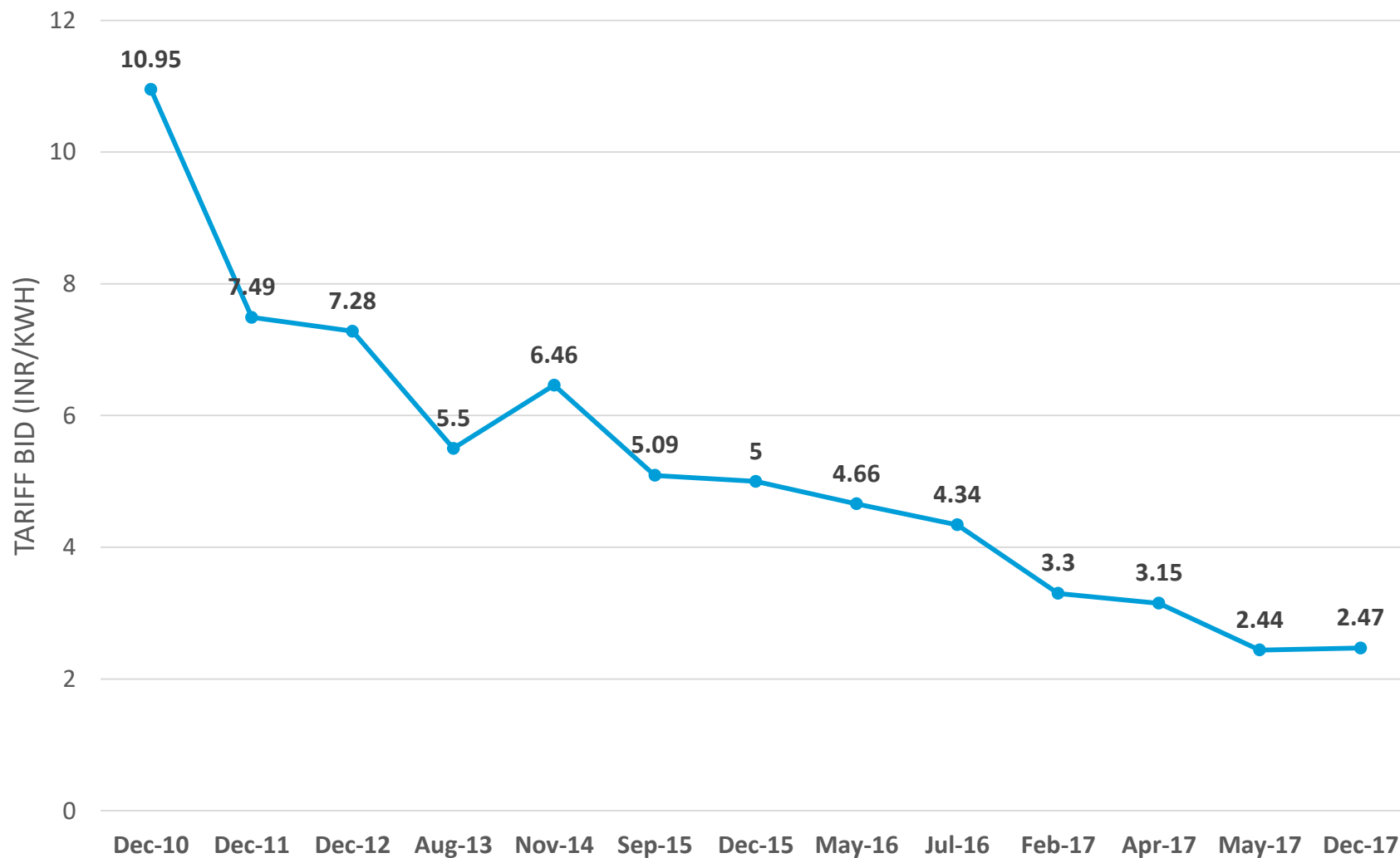
*GW of Installation in 2018*

50%

*CAGR required if we want to achieve the 100 GW target*

**Challenging but achievable**

# How solar tariffs bottomed out



# Uncertainty a major hurdle

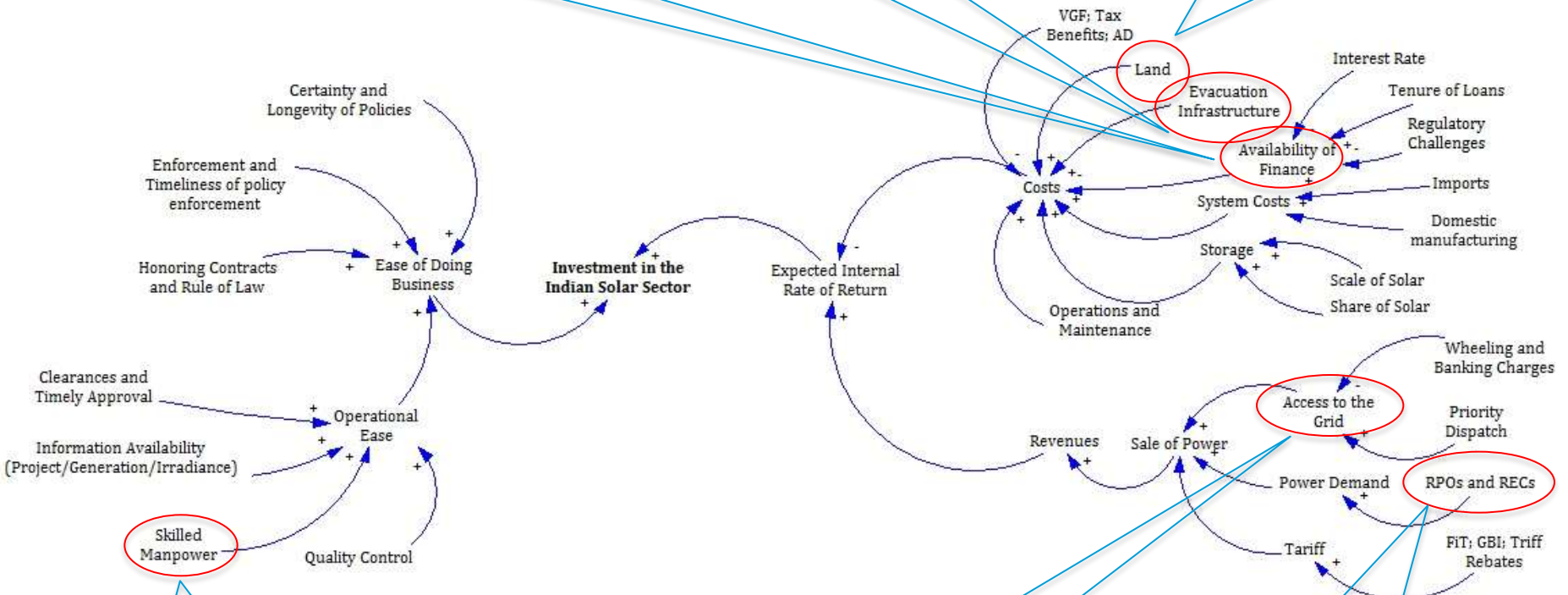
- **Unclear targets**
  - Applicability of targets in states
  - Applicability of RPO & RGO
- **Procedural flaws**
  - Applicability of GST
  - Passthrough provisions of Safeguard duty
  - Change in law provisions in tender
  - BCD on solar modules
  - Quality control orders
- **Reliability of commitments**
  - PPA re-negotiation
  - Cancellation of bids
  - Delay in payments
  - Grid Curtailments
- **Infrastructure bottlenecks**
  - Availability of land & preparedness of solar parks
  - ROW issues
  - Evacuation challenges

# What factors determine returns in renewable energy?

Offtaker risk  
Evacuation infrastructure risk  
Foreign exchange risk  
Construction & regulatory risk  
Technology risk

Evacuation infrastructure within solar parks  
Green Energy Corridor  
Deemed generation

Solar Parks; Mega Solar Parks  
Rajasthan land leasing  
Karnataka aggregation & leasing  
Madhya Pradesh exemptions on stamp duty



Skilled Manpower

1,116,400 jobs for 100 GW solar  
180,000 jobs for 60 GW wind  
50,000 *Surya Mitras*  
Skill Council for Green Jobs  
National Certification Programme for Rooftop Solar PV Installer

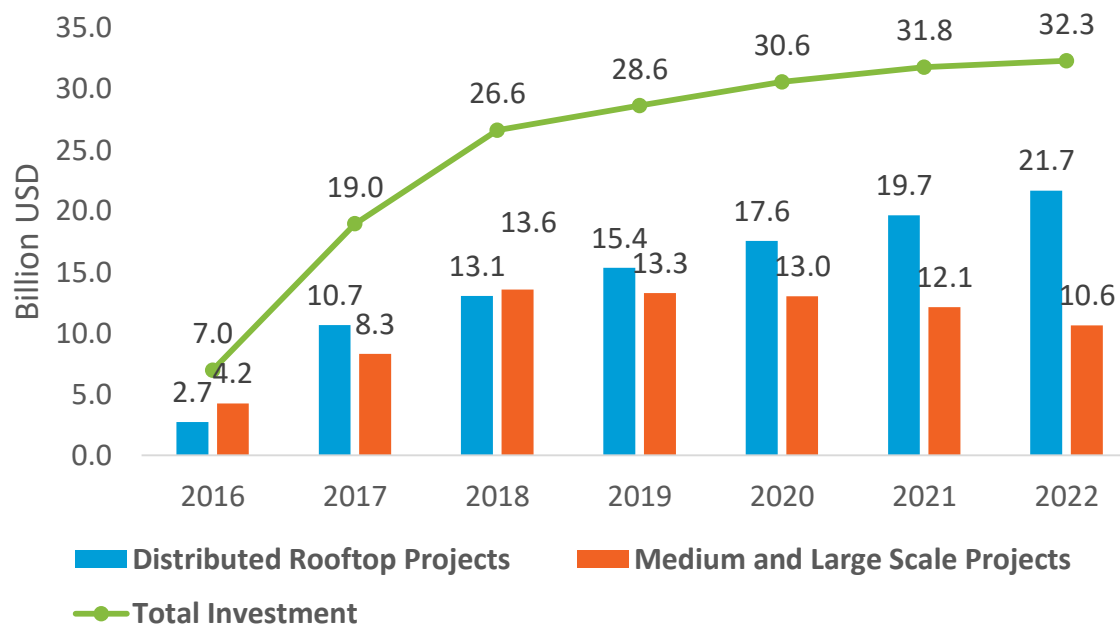
Forecasting of RE generation  
Renewable sources exempted from inter-state transmission charges – National Tariff Policy  
Pilots on energy storage

21% by 2012 (10.5% solar & Non-solar)  
Extended to open access users and captive power (draft RE Act)  
DISCOMs can now procure bundled solar power on a cost plus basis  
REC price band revised downwards to stimulate active REC trading

# RE Investment Flows

RE Investment Flows	Average 2013-2017 (USD Billion)	2017 (USD Billion)
India <sup>1</sup>	10.0	10.9
Global <sup>2</sup>	321	334

Annual investment needed in India's solar sector



<sup>1</sup> Source: BNEF, *Global Trends In Renewable Energy Investment 2018*, 2018; Chawla 2016

<sup>2</sup> Includes large hydro investments

# Overcoming challenges to meet targets

- **Increasing coherence between various actors**
  - Clarity on policies which affect installation (open access, banking, net metering etc)
- **An eco-system with incentives and penalties**
  - Strict enforcement of RPO/RGO
- **Improving transparency on procedures**
  - Confusion during implementation of GST, BCD & Safeguard duty
  - Bids should not be cancelled and PPA not be re-negotiated
- **Abandoning retrospective changes**
  - Incentives agreed during bidding should not be rolled back
- **Improving infrastructure availability**
  - Grid evacuation & availability needs a major overhaul
- **Improving quality of projects**
  - Strict enforcement of quality orders
- **Mission 2030**
  - A new target will motivate and help industry re-align their business plan



**Thank you**

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