

## Now solar power will illuminate border outposts at Jaisalmer

### Azure Power commissions first private solar project under JNNSM in the country to power Indo-Pak Border

- For the first time in the country, floodlights at the border posts and fencings along the international border adjoining Pakistan will run on solar energy
- PPA with the Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) to supply power for a tenure of 25 years

**New Delhi, 25 November, 2015:** Azure Power, leading independent power producer in the Indian solar power sector, has commissioned 5MW capacity solar plant in Sarkaritala, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan to electrify the border posts around the region. Azure Power signed a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI), the designated agency for implementation of Solar PV Projects for the Solarization of Indo-Pak Borders, to supply power for 25 years.

With the commissioning of this project, Azure Power becomes the first private solar power producer in the country to supply power to border outposts through the solar route under JNNSM policy. The government can save crores of rupees spent every year on power and diesel used in generators with this free energy.

The project was built under extremely harsh environment. The remote location has several sand dunes with constant shifting contours, restricted transportation and tele-connectivity. Considering the complexity of the project, Azure Power delivered the project in a commendable timeframe of two months.

**Inderpreet Wadhwa**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Azure Power said, “With the commissioning of this plant we have once again demonstrated our strong project development, engineering and execution capabilities. This is the first such project in the country to supply power to border outposts through the solar route. This is an excellent example of the many exceptional uses that solar power can be put to. Our sincere gratitude to the government of Rajasthan and Solar Energy Corporation of India, for all the cooperation and support extended”

Azure Power has been working on various projects with the Rajasthan Government. Recently, Azure commissioned a 100 MW Capacity Plant in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, the largest solar power project under the National Solar Mission. With the latest project being commissioned in Jaisalmer, Azure Power becomes the single largest owner and operator of projects under the NSM with a cumulative operational capacity of 147 MW.

#### **About Azure Power**

Azure Power is a leader in the Indian Solar Industry. Azure Power developed India’s first utility scale solar project in 2009 and has been at the forefront of developments in the sector as a developer, constructor and operator of utility scale, micro-grid and rooftop solar projects since its inception in 2007. With its in-house engineering, procurement and construction expertise and advanced in-house operations and maintenance capability, Azure Power manages the entire development and operation process, providing low-cost solar power solutions to customers throughout India. For more information about Azure Power, please visit [www.azurepower.com](http://www.azurepower.com).

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