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Tata Power Solar (TPS), one of the pioneering solar manufacturers in the world, won one of the largest DCR orders of JNNSM phase-2 batch-1. The company will supply entire module requirement for the 20 MW (AC) project to be built by ACME Solar, a solar power developer in India. The 1,00,000 modules, constituting 60,00,000 cells, needed for the project will be manufactured at TPS' state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Bangalore. ACME Solar, during the JNNSM bidding last year, won projects totalling 100 MW. Of this, 20 MW, under Domestic Content Requirement (DCR) policy of MNRE, needs to be constructed using cells and modules manufactured domestically. ACME Solar is a three-

way joint venture between ACME, EDF Energies Nouvelles (EDF EN), the renewable energy arm of French state-run electricity utility Électricité de France S.A., and Luxembourg-based natural resources saving group EREN. Rahul Budhwar, VP - Manufacturing and Business Development, Tata Power Solar said, "ACME and EDF awarded the business to us after a rigorous selection process. This is a testimony to our superior and world-class manufacturing capabilities we have built over the last 25 years. We are looking forward to a strategic relationship with ACME and EDF and, in the process, contributing to the success of JNNSM by providing world-class modules at competitive prices." A total of 375 MW of solar power plants have to be built using domestically produced cells and modules. The initiative is aimed at promoting manufacturing in the country.