



Business Models for Utility-Scale Energy Storage in India

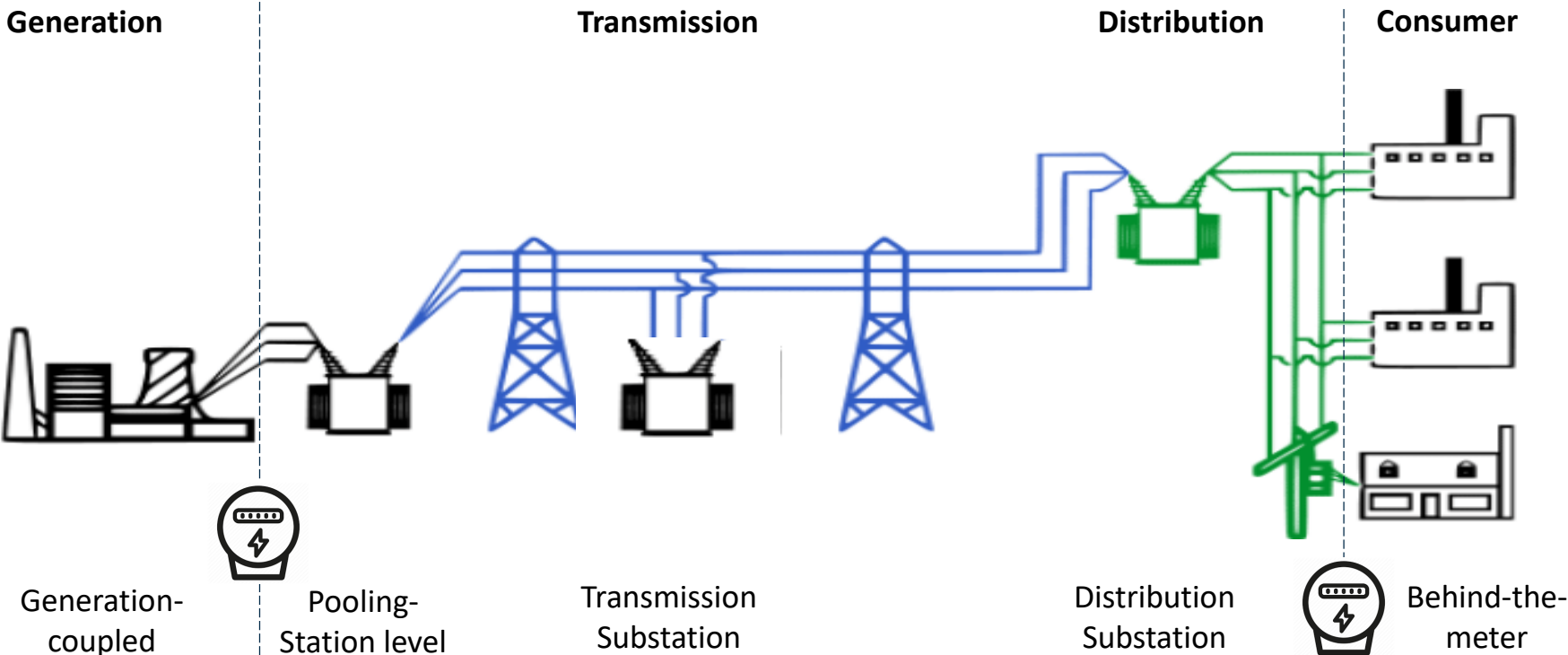
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Agenda

- Applications of Grid-Scale Storage
- Business Models Around the World
- Pros & Cons of Business Models
- Applicability to Indian Context
- Sample Business Case

Applications & Business Models Depend on Location of Storage Asset on the Grid

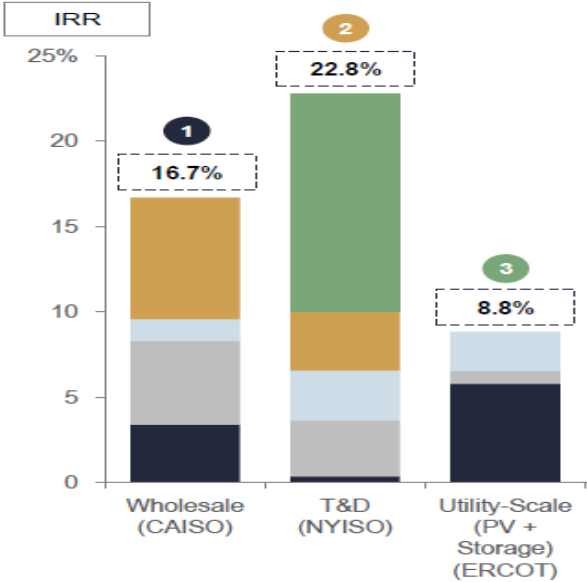


Energy Storage Systems can Serve Several Applications with Varying Values

ESS Applications

- 1 Peaking Capacity/ Resource Adequacy
- 2 Renewable Energy Integration
- 3 Optimization of Generation
- 4 Ancillary Services
- 5 Spin/Non-Spin Reserves
- 6 T&D Deferral

The relative value of each application in the stack is specific to location

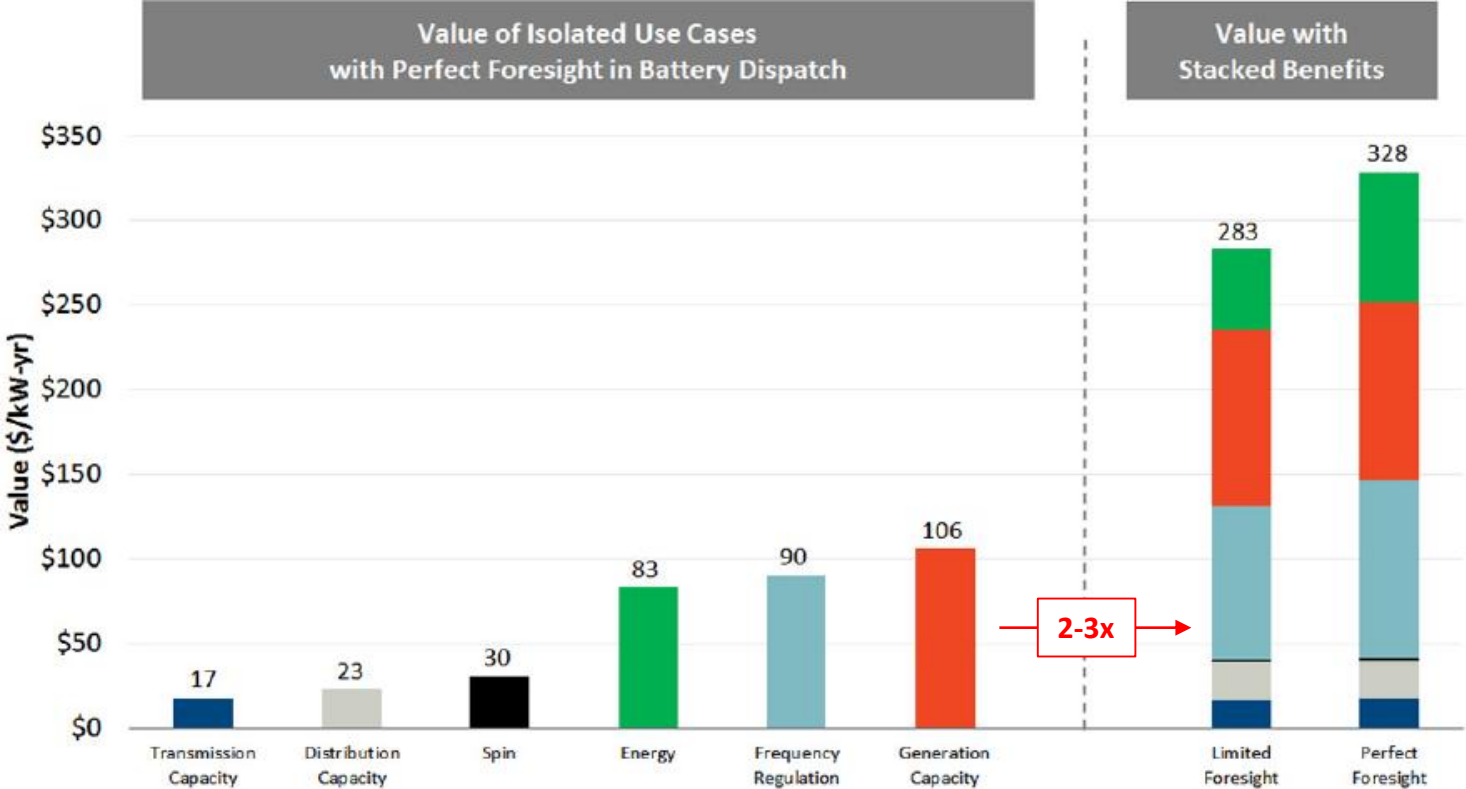


Energy Arbitrage
 Frequency Regulation
 Spinning/Non-Spinning Reserves
 Resource Adequacy
 Distribution Deferral
 Demand Response-Wholesale

Source: Lazard LCOS Analysis

Application-Stacking Leads to Value-Maximization

Brattle Report:
 "Stacked
 Benefits:
 Comprehensively
 Valuing Battery
 Storage in
 California" Sep
 2017



Broadly, Three Business Models Used for Deploying Energy Storage Around the World

Storage as a...	Generation-coupled Asset	Grid Asset	Merchant Asset
Location of Battery	Generation	Transmission or Distribution grid Front-of-Meter	Anywhere
Ownership	Generators / IPPs	Independent Storage Providers, Regulated Utilities	Independent Storage Providers
Dispatch	IPPs	System operators	Independent Storage Providers
Applications	Firm-RE, Ramping for Thermal gen	All	Based on existence of market (in India – Energy Arbitrage)
Contract	PPA (\$/kWh)	Tolling agreement (\$/kW-year availability)	Market-based merchant revenues



Broadly, Three Business Models Used for Deploying Energy Storage Around the World (Contd....)

	Generation-coupled Asset	Grid Asset	Merchant Asset
Value Maximization	<p>Medium</p> <p>as dispatch priority is to maximize generator value, not system benefits</p>	<p>Maximum</p> <p>as grid operator is the single dispatcher maximizing value both upstream and downstream</p>	<p>Low</p> <p>In the absence of multiple markets with deep volumes and participation</p>
Bankability	<p>Medium</p> <p>as there is volume uncertainty</p>	<p>High</p> <p>as there is a fixed capacity payment contract underlying the project</p>	<p>Low</p> <p>as the revenue stream is merchant with hourly or yearly price uncertainties</p>

Business Model and Contract Analysis of US Projects

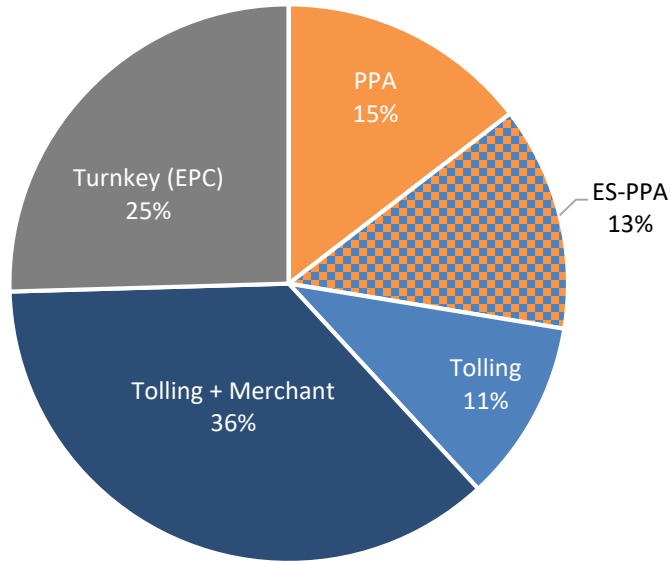


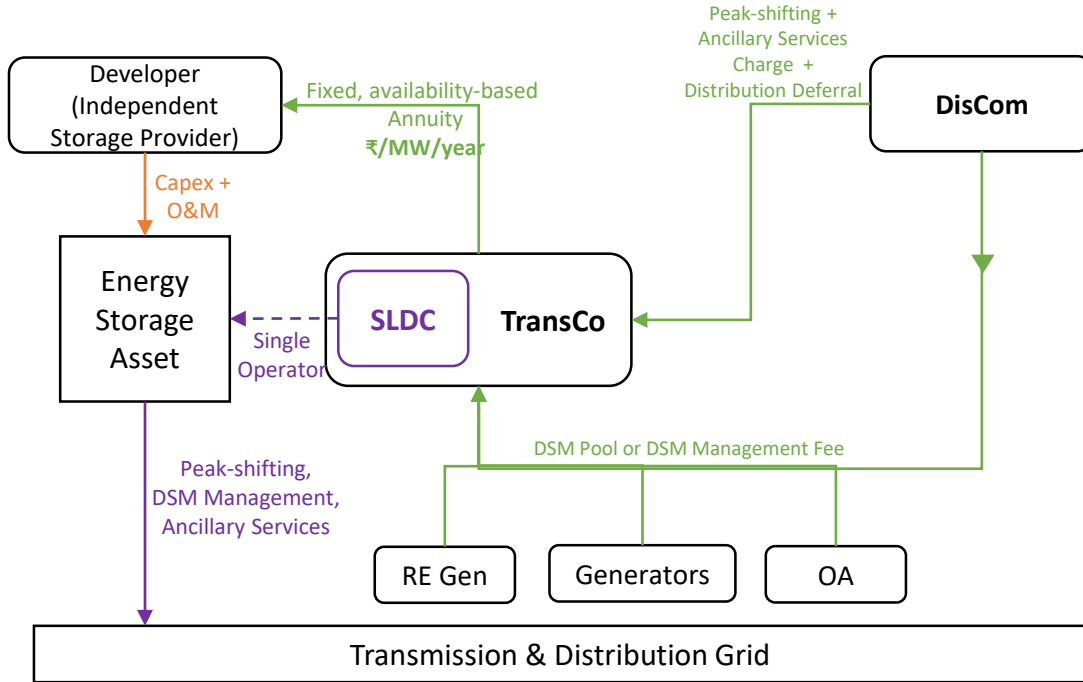
Figure: Front-of-the-Meter Energy Storage Projects in the U.S. business models by MWh

- Initially a lot of generation-coupled storage, to benefit from solar-ITC incentives which are being phased-out
- Increasing number of Tolling Contracts, representing Storage-as-a-Grid Asset business model
- Emergence of hybrid-models
 - Tolling + Merchant contracts are the most widely deployed benefiting from California's energy imbalance market
 - Energy Storage-PPAs (*ES-PPA*)

Analysis of CERC Proposed Models for Energy Storage

Owner	Value	Bankability	Pro	Con
Transmission Licensee/ Independent Storage Provider	High	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximization of system benefit due to alignment of incentives between operator and beneficiary Fixed, availability-based revenue & creditworthiness of TransCo enables highest bankable asset 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complex Cost sharing between beneficiaries
RE Generator	Low	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simpler cost recovery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict of interest between operator and beneficiaries means max value not extracted Volume(kWh) linked revenue risk reduces bankability
Discom/Independent Storage Provider	High	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High value utilization as Discom is both the operator and has the most to benefit from storage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some value lost by not serving broader system Discoms have limited capital to deploy storage under capex model Not many providers under Opex model due to low discom credit rating
Merchant - Independent Storage Provider	Medium	Low	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Frequency Regulation market in India Thin volumes on energy market for arbitrage Revenue uncertainty leads to low bankability

Potential Model for Implementation of Storage-as-a-Transmission Asset in Indian States



Prominent Features and Advantages of this Model :

- 1. Asset dispatch and control by system operator**
 - Value maximization for system benefit
- 2. Tolling-Contract**
 - Fixed, availability-based payment reduces cost of financing
- 3. Asset Ownership by Independent-Storage-Provider**
 - Reduces capex burden on Discoms
 - Transfers technology and O&M risk to developers
 - Does not restrict competition to generators

Sample Business Case Study done for a Renewable-Rich State in India

Cost-Benefit Analysis for a 50MW x 3-hour system with 365 cycles/yr and more than 96% system availability (*Assumption ESS Capex – ₹ 5.88 Cr./MW*) *

ESS Application Value – INR 57.50 Cr./yr

Applications	Assumptions & Calculations	Value (₹ Cr./ year)
1. DSM Savings	DSM Savings: ₹43 Lakhs/MW	21.50
2. Peak-Cost Savings <i>(Source: Merit Order Dispatch)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peak-Cost: 6 ₹/kWh Off-peak Cost: 1.5 ₹/kWh Peaking cycles per year: 200 Energy arbitrated: 50MW * 3hrs * 200 cycles/year * 96% availability = 28.8MU Peak Cost savings = 28.8MU * (6 – 1.5) ₹/kWh 	13
3. Transmission Deferral	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transmission upgrade cost : ₹2 Cr./MW Deferral = Upgrade cost * size * cost of capital 	13
4. Capacity Availability / Reliability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparable: ₹100Cr/year distribution utility pays as standby fees to generator for 500MW of capacity Reliability Charge = (50/500)MW * 100Cr. 	10
TOTAL (₹ Cr./year)		57.50

Break Even Period – 6.2 years

Item	Assumptions & Calculations	Cost
Capex	Including Battery cells, racks, containers, HVAC, software & SCADA, PCS, MV switchgear and transformer ₹ 5.88 Cr. /MW * 50MW system =	294 (₹ Cr.)
Opex	Long term Service Level Agreement (SLA) for 20 years = 3% * Capex =	9 (₹ Cr./yr)
Conversion Loss	50MW*3hrs * 365 cycles * 10% efficiency loss * 1.5 ₹/kWh off-peak energy cost	0.8 (₹ Cr./yr)
Break Even	Capex / (Annual Benefit Value – Opex – Conversion loss)	6.2 years

* Source: IHS Markit

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Appendix: Tolling Agreements reduce cost of financing

S&P Report: “What Factors Power a Rating on a Utility-Scale Battery Storage Project”

Factor	Tolling Project	Merchant Project
Asset class operations stability score	2	2
Project specific contractual terms and risk attributes	Technology Performance: +1 Redundancies: -1 Uncertain O&M: +1	Technology Performance: +1 Redundancies: -1
Performance standards	Average	Average
Resource & raw material risk	Minimal/N/A	Minimal/N/A
Market risk	N/A	Low% 15-30%
Competitive position	N/A	Satisfactory
Market risk score	N/A	2 or 3
Operations Phase Business Assessment (OPBA)	3	5 or 7
BBB DSCR range	1.2-1.4	1.4-2 (OPBA of 5) or 1.75 to 2.6 (OPBA of 7)

Appendix: Application of ESS

Application	Description
Peaking Capacity/ Resource Adequacy	Resource Adequacy is the need to maintain enough capacity to meet generation requirements during peak-consumption hours.
Renewable Energy Integration	Firming up intermittent renewable power by storing RE output to serve consistent, on-demand electricity over a longer period.
Optimization of Generation	Frequent ramp-up and down to match demand changes leads to efficiency losses, shortened asset-life and increase emissions impact. Fast acting energy storage assets can provide the ramping needs .
Ancillary Service	Energy storage systems with quick response and ramp times are perfectly suited for frequency regulation, voltage support, and black start.
Spin/Non-Spin Reserves	Unutilized/idle capacity in traditional generation assets in form of spin/non-spin reserve can be freed up using energy storage systems.
T&D Deferral	Reducing the size of, or entirely avoiding utility investments in transmission system upgrades necessary to meet projected load growth on specific regions of the grid.