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RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPANY IREDA GETS UPGRADED FROM 'SCHEDULE B' TO 'SCHEDULE A' CENTRAL PUBLIC SECTOR ENTERPRISE

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