

Manikaran Analytics Limited

**Use of NWP Forecast in Renewable Energy
Applications - Workshop by NCM 22nd Jan 2021**

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Manikaran Group

MPL



Manikaran Power Limited

Power, Natural Gas
and Coal Trading

MPSL



Manikaran Power Systems Limited

Smart Energy
Monitoring & Energy
Efficient Products

MAL



Manikaran Analytics Limited

(Forecasting & Scheduling)
– Wind & Solar Energy
Analytics Services

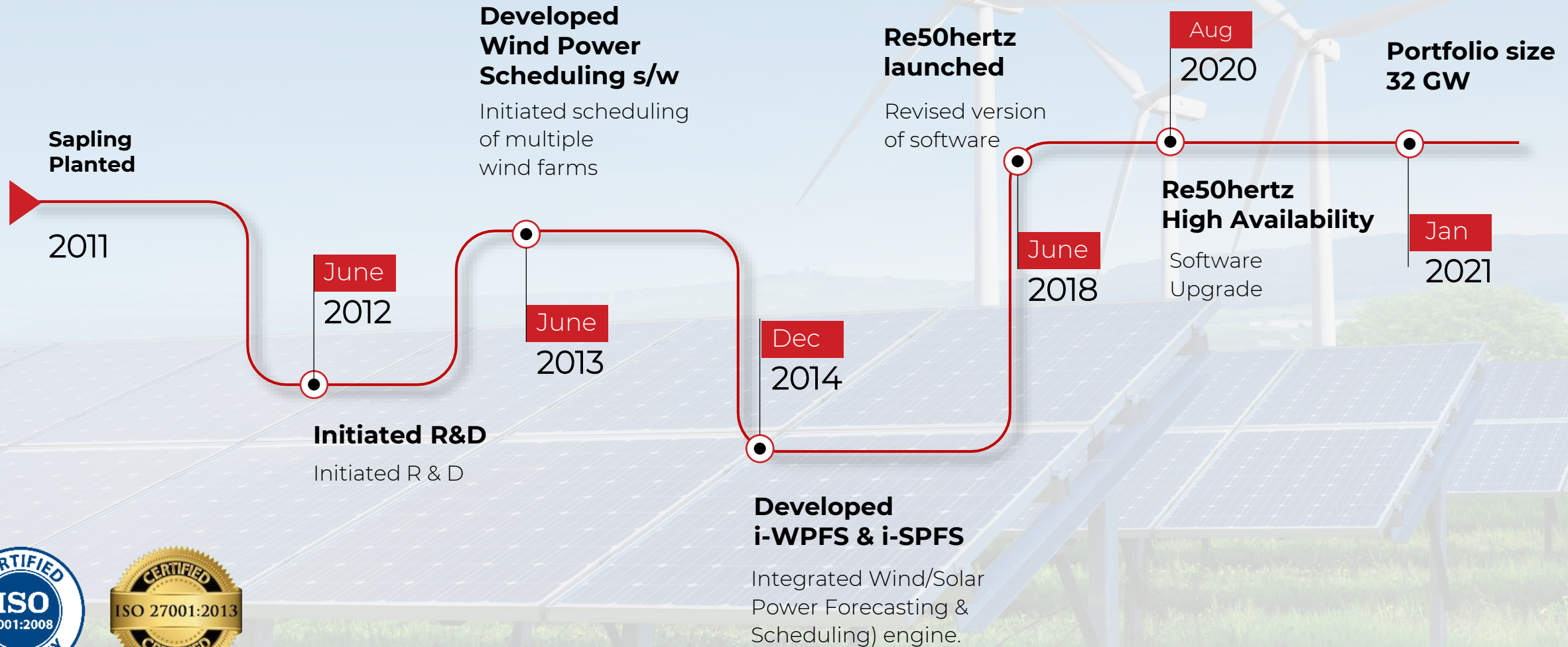
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Manikaran Renewables limited

Roof-top Solar EPC

Journey so Far



■ Significance of NWP data in RE-Forecasting

- Effective maintenance of reliable electric grids and Energy trading.
- MAL uses Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP) data that provides skillful predictions at times beyond a few hours with specialized methods based on observations.
- Leveraged proven forecasting methodologies for each temporal, as well as spatial, scale.

Numerical Weather Data from NCMRWF



Numerical Weather Data for Indian Region

Spatial Resolution : 12.5 X 12.5 Km

Temporal Resolution: 1 hour

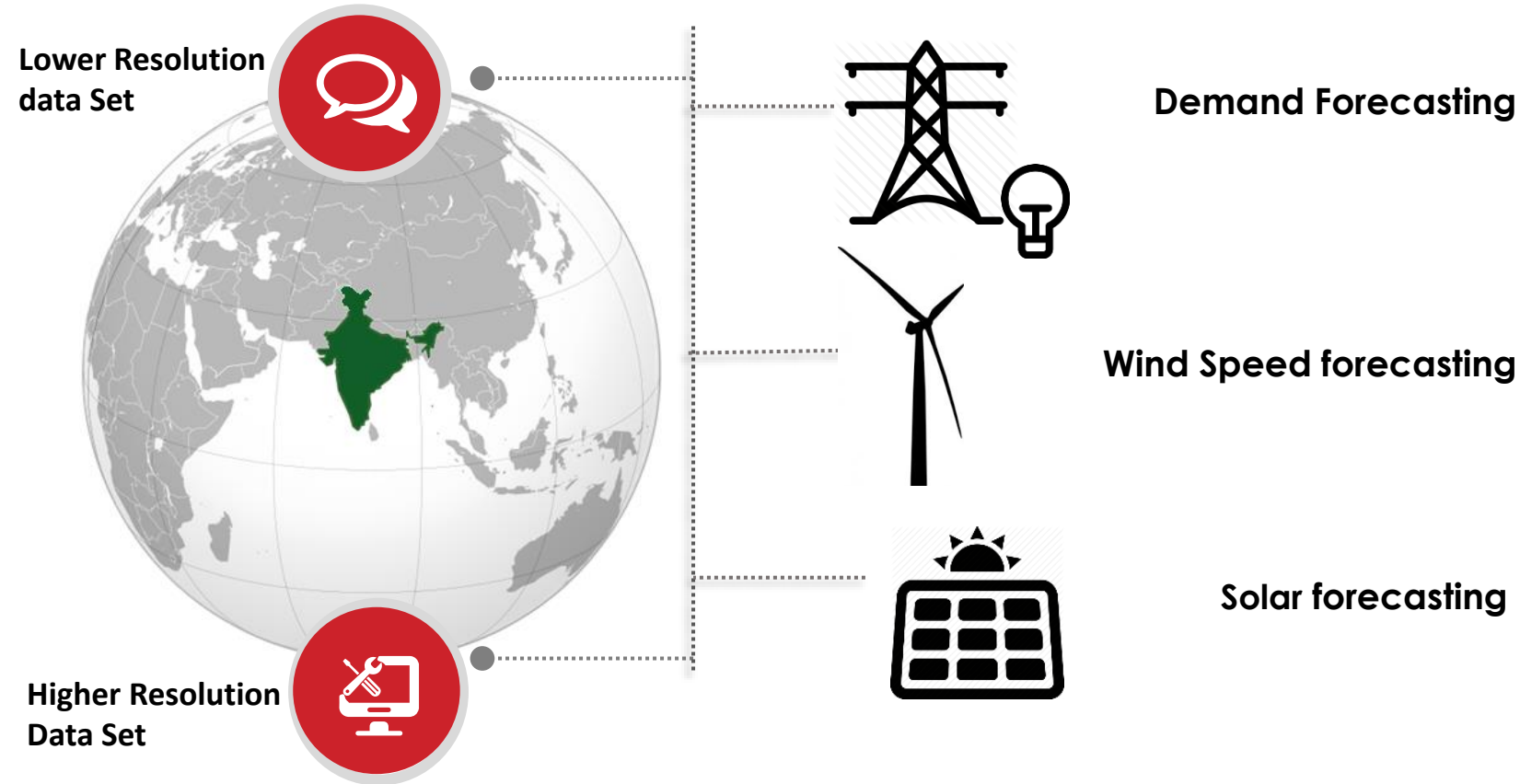
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Vertical levels: 10m & 50m surf., 990 hPa,
960 hPa, 925 hPa.







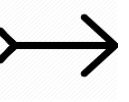
Parameters : U & V component of Wind Speed,
Geopotential Height.

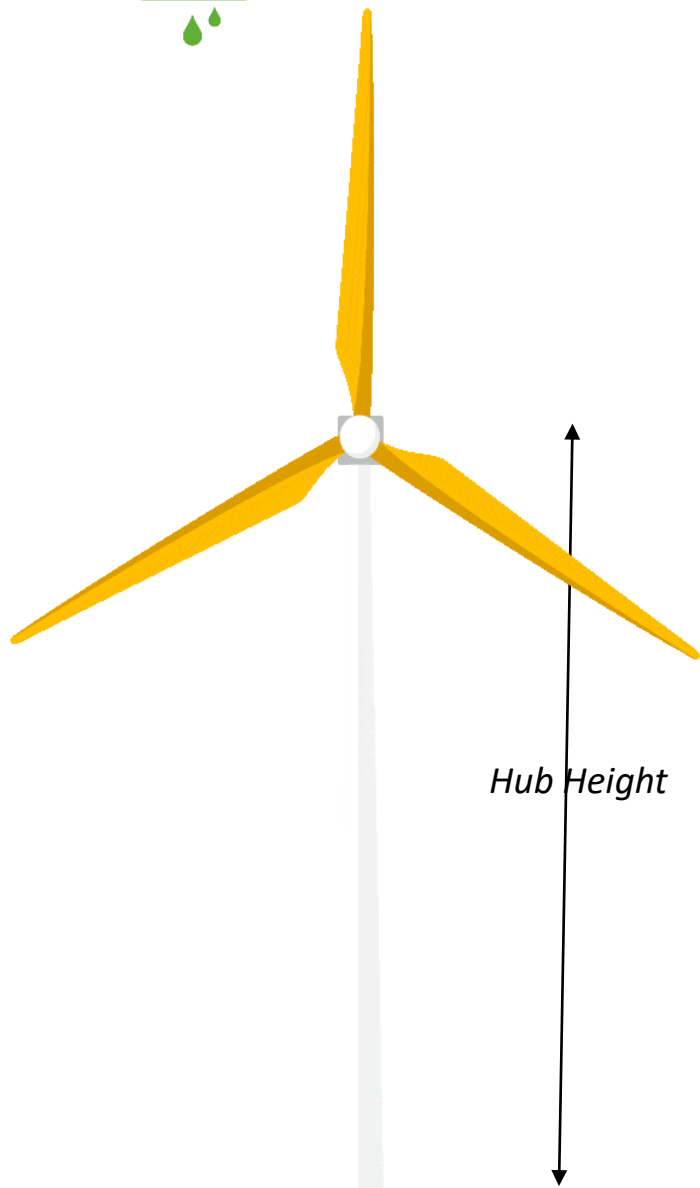


Meteorological Data & Parameters



Weather Inputs for Forecasting

-  GHI
-  Precipitation
-  Temperature
-  Specific Humidity
-  Relative Humidity
-  Wind Speed
-  Wind Direction



Wind components at 925 hPa
received in Weather data

A. Wind Speed Interpolation/Extrapolation using:

1. **Logarithmic law (Uses Surface roughness)**
2. **Power law (Uses Wind Shear exponent)**

B. Site Specific Air Density

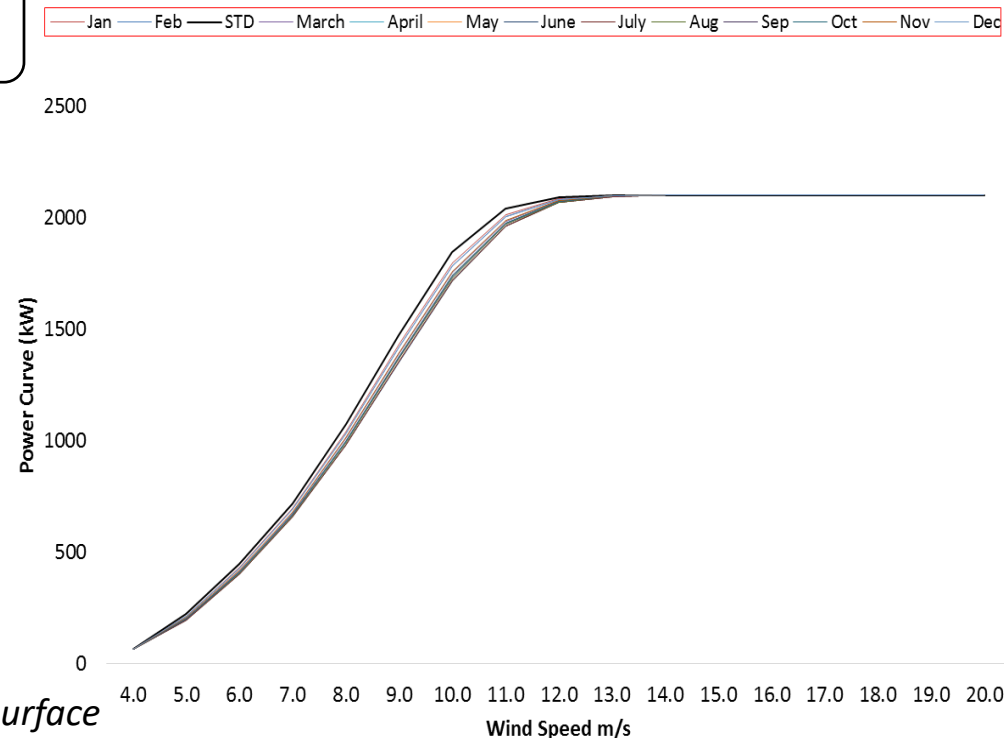
C. Diurnal profile of various parameters.

Forecasted Wind Speed & Power at HH

Wind components at 50 m from surface
received in Weather data

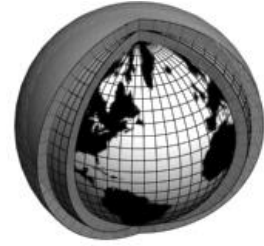
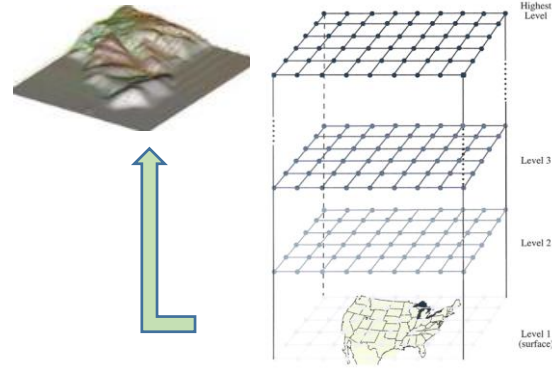
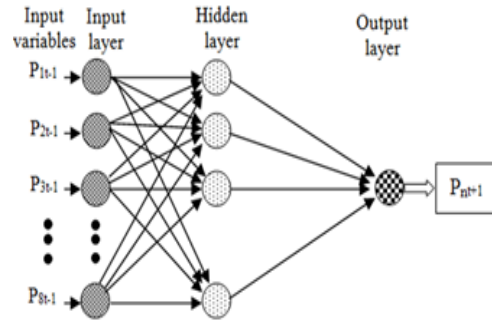
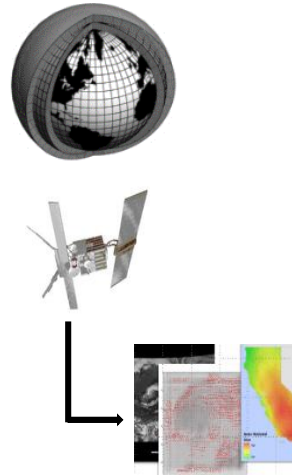
Wind components at 10 m from surface
received in Weather data

Power Curve - Air Density Corrected



Forecast Approach

Approaches of Forecast



NWP Run:

Accuracy of NWP Prediction of weather parameters after solving governing equations of Atmosphere is far more than any statistical approach

NWP Prediction + Hybrid Approach:

Uses results of physical approach (uses Local effects of Terrain) as initial value for Machine Learning

NWP Prediction + Time Series Analysis

- ❖ ANN, KNN
- ❖ Fuzzy Logic Model
- ❖ SVM, Random Forest

Time Series Analysis

- ❖ Persistence
- ❖ AR, MA, ARMA, ARIMA & SARIMA

Ultra Short Term Forecast
Few min. to 1 hr. ahead

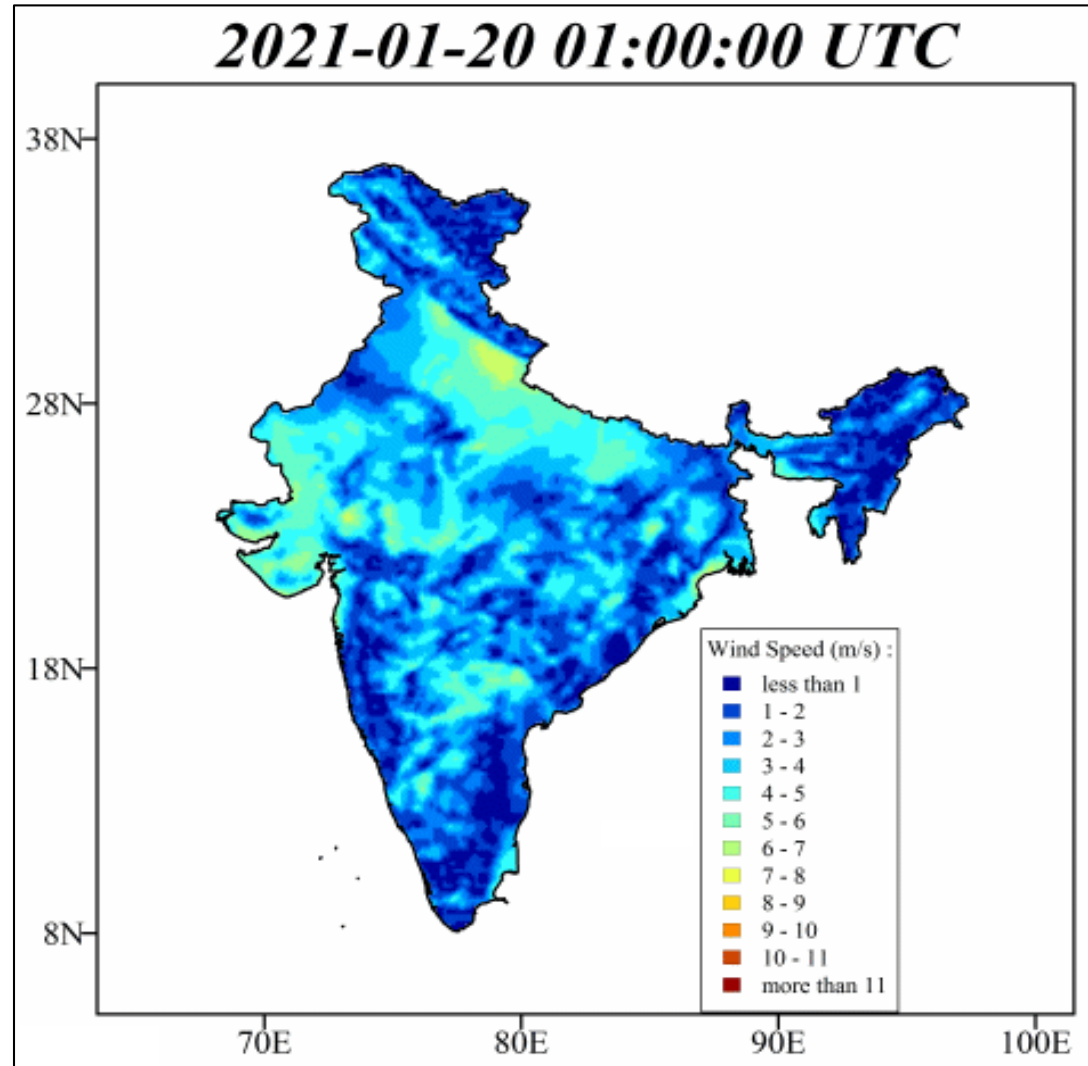
Short Term Forecast
(1 hr to 10 hrs. ahead)

Medium Term Forecast
(10 hrs. to 1 week ahead)

Long Term Forecast
(1 week to 1 yr. ahead)

Forecast Lead Time

Forecast Wind Speed scenario over India





Case Study 1

Site 1: Gujarat : Wind Farm

Months (Oct'20 – Nov'20)

Wind Farm in Gujarat : Results for the Month of Oct'20

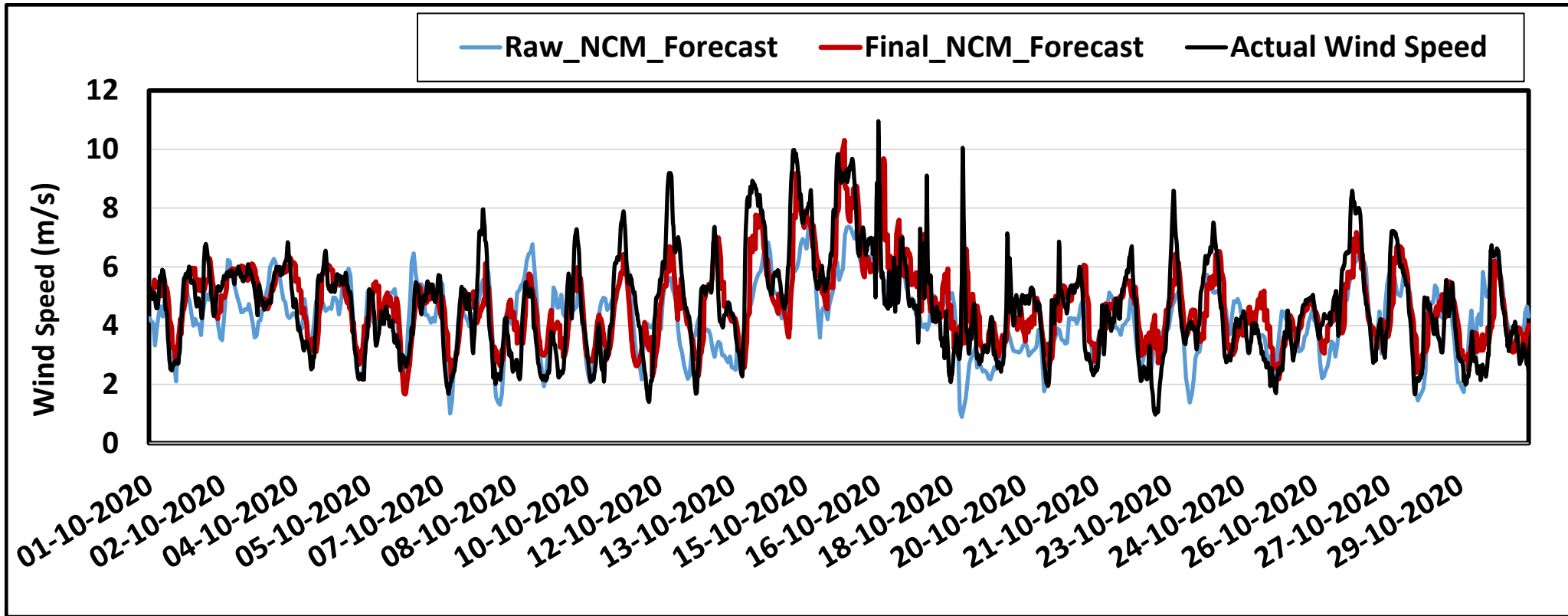


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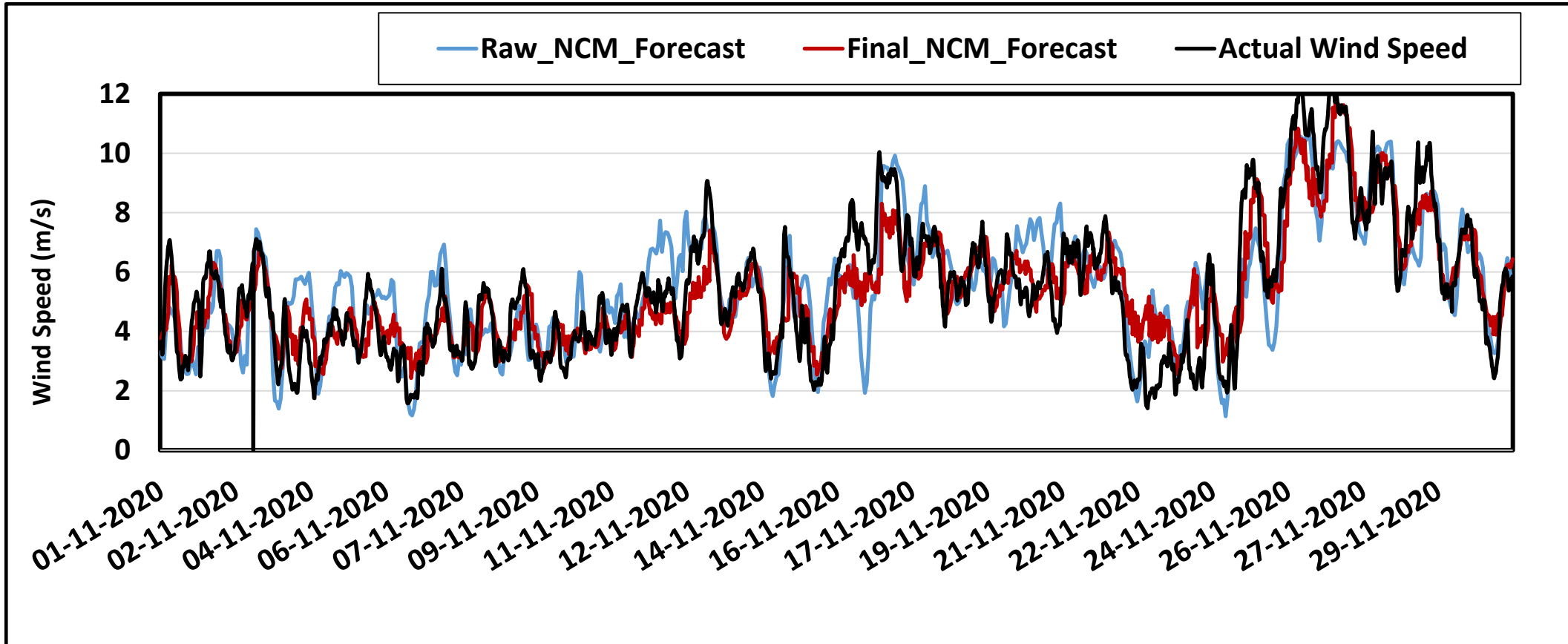
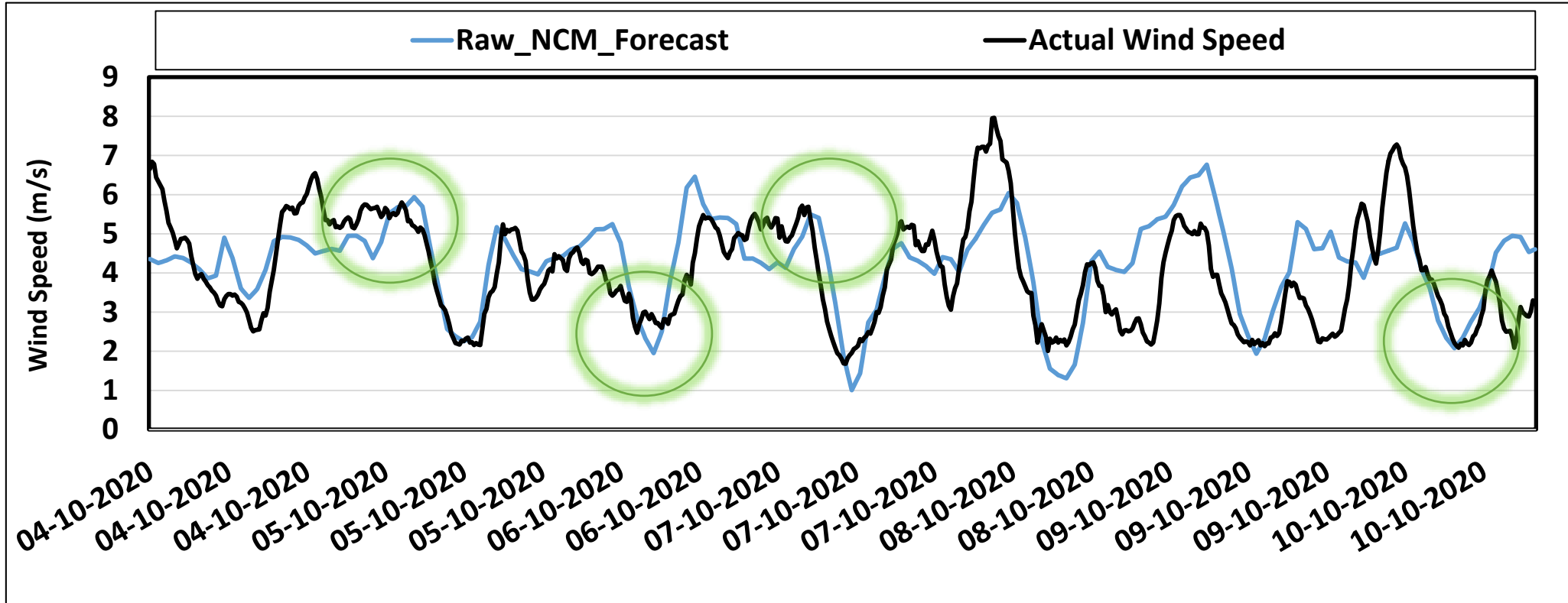


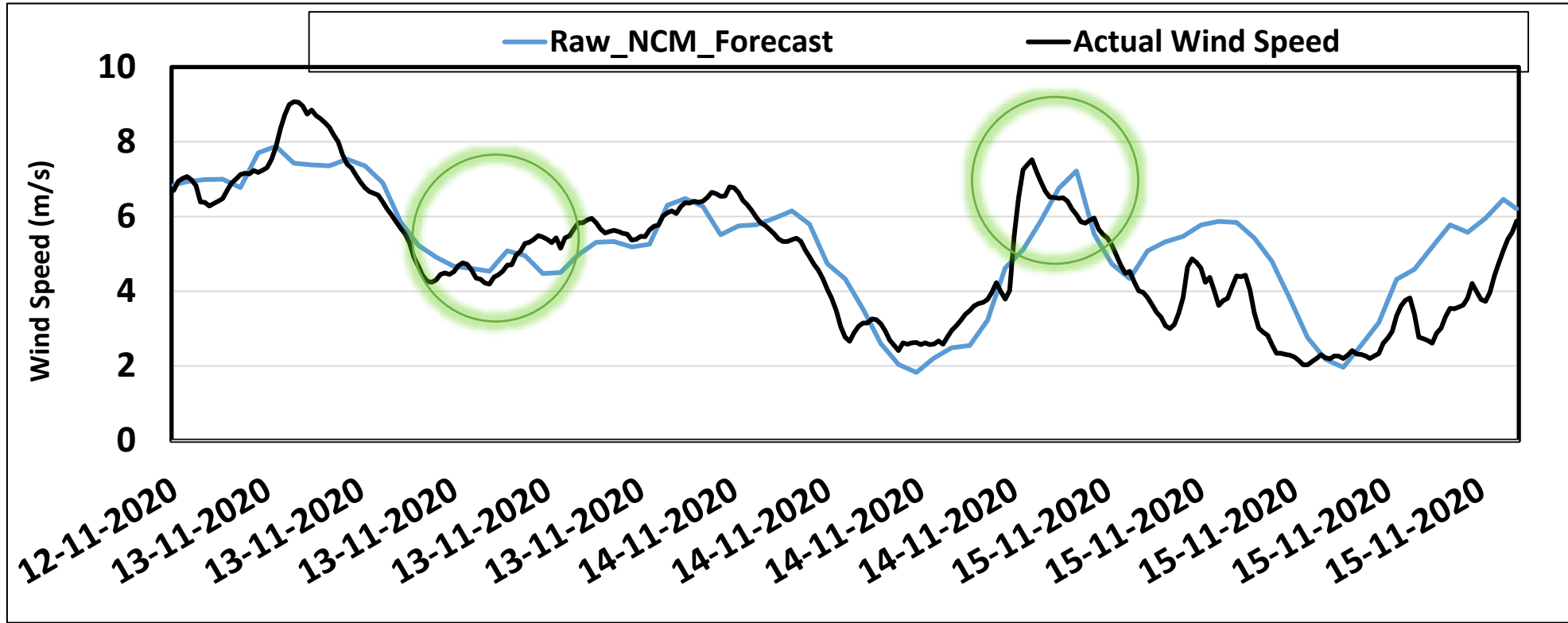
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Case Study 2

Site 1: Rajasthan - Wind Farm

Months (Oct'20 – Nov'20)

Wind Farm in Rajasthan : Results for the Month of Oct'20

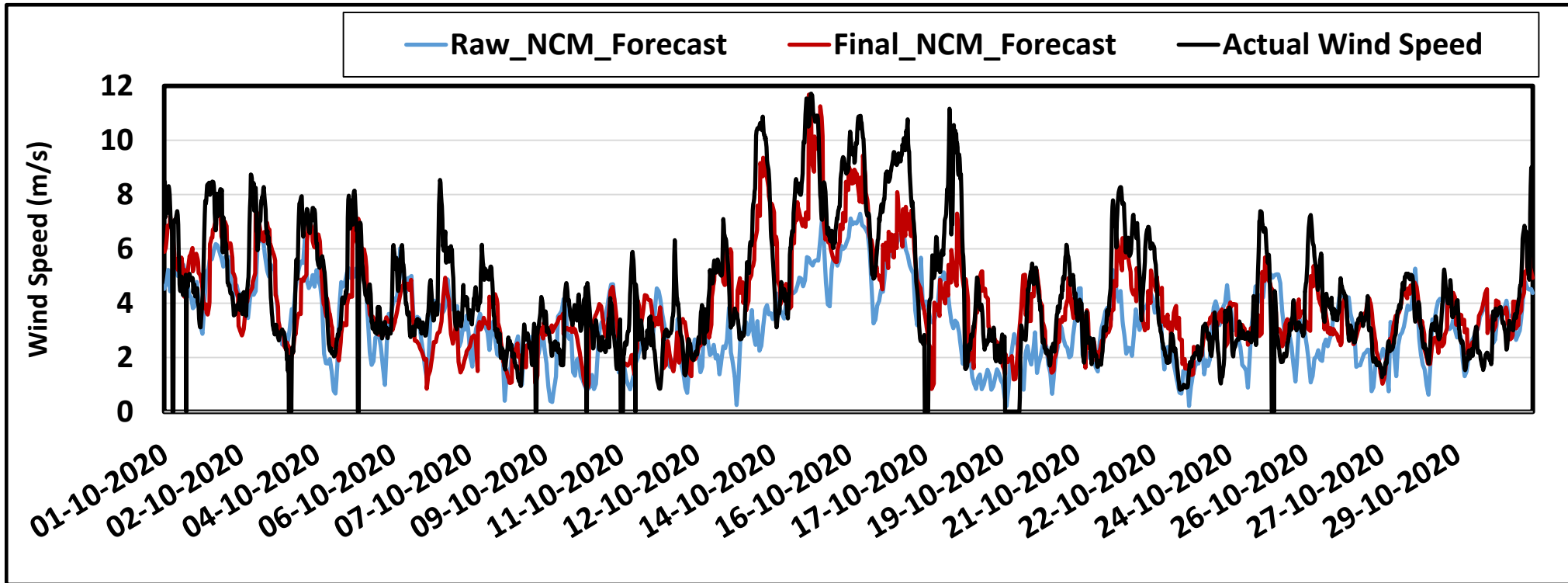


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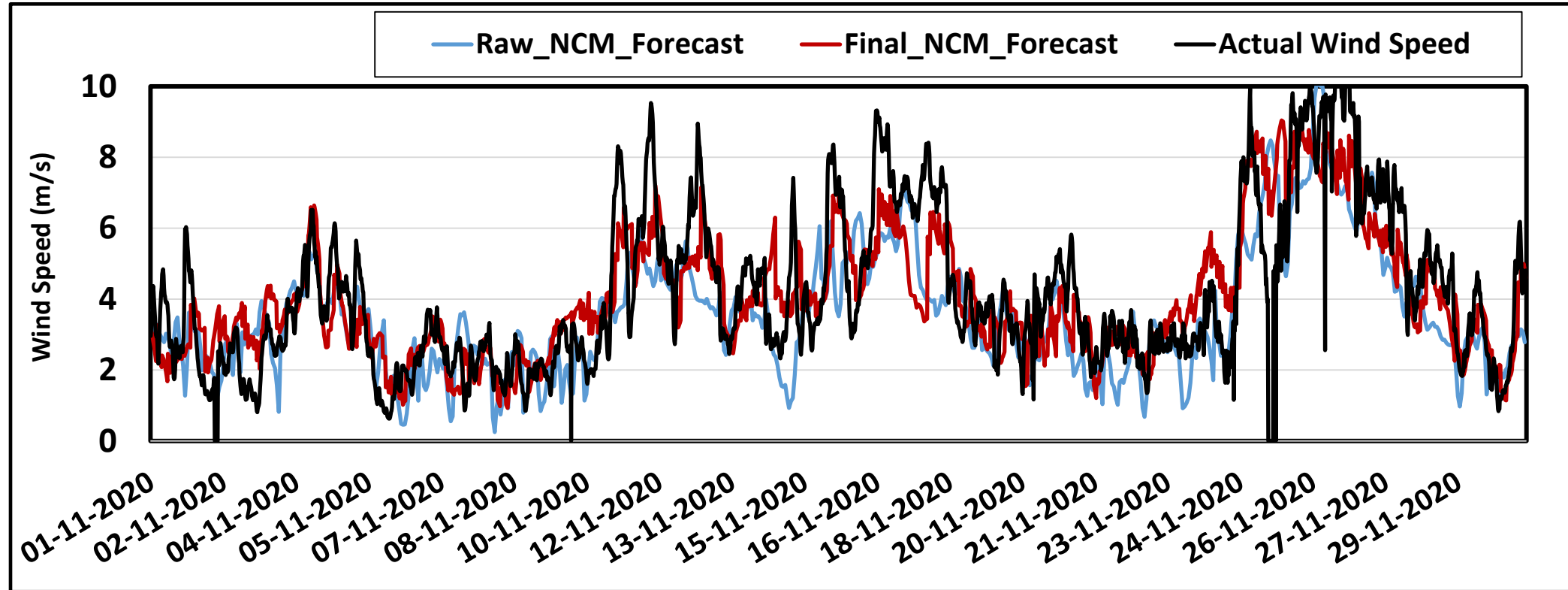
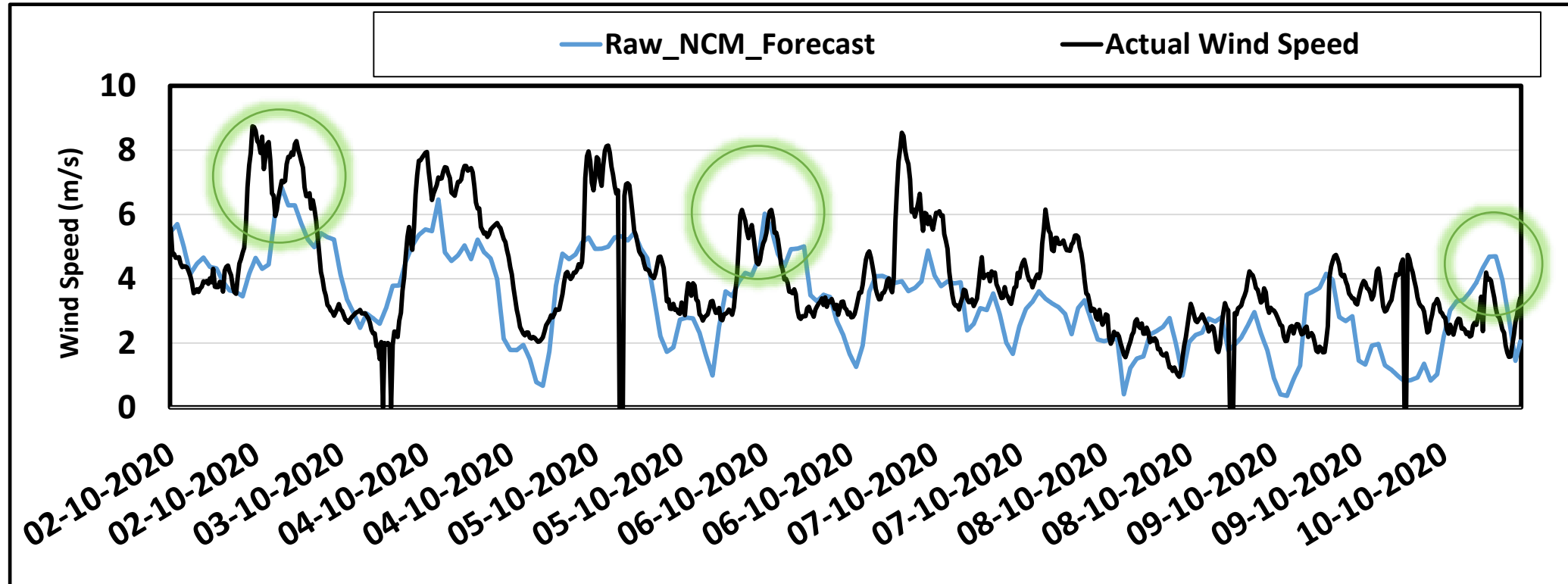


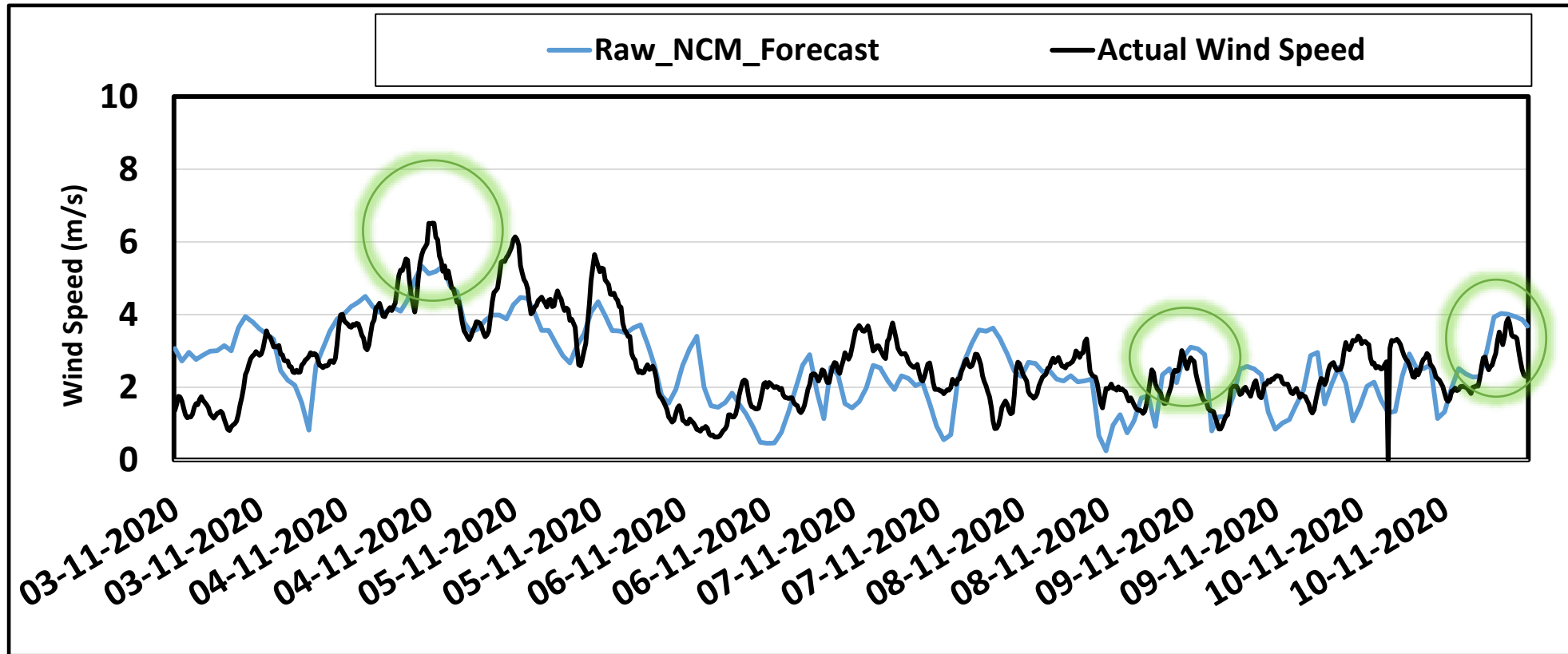
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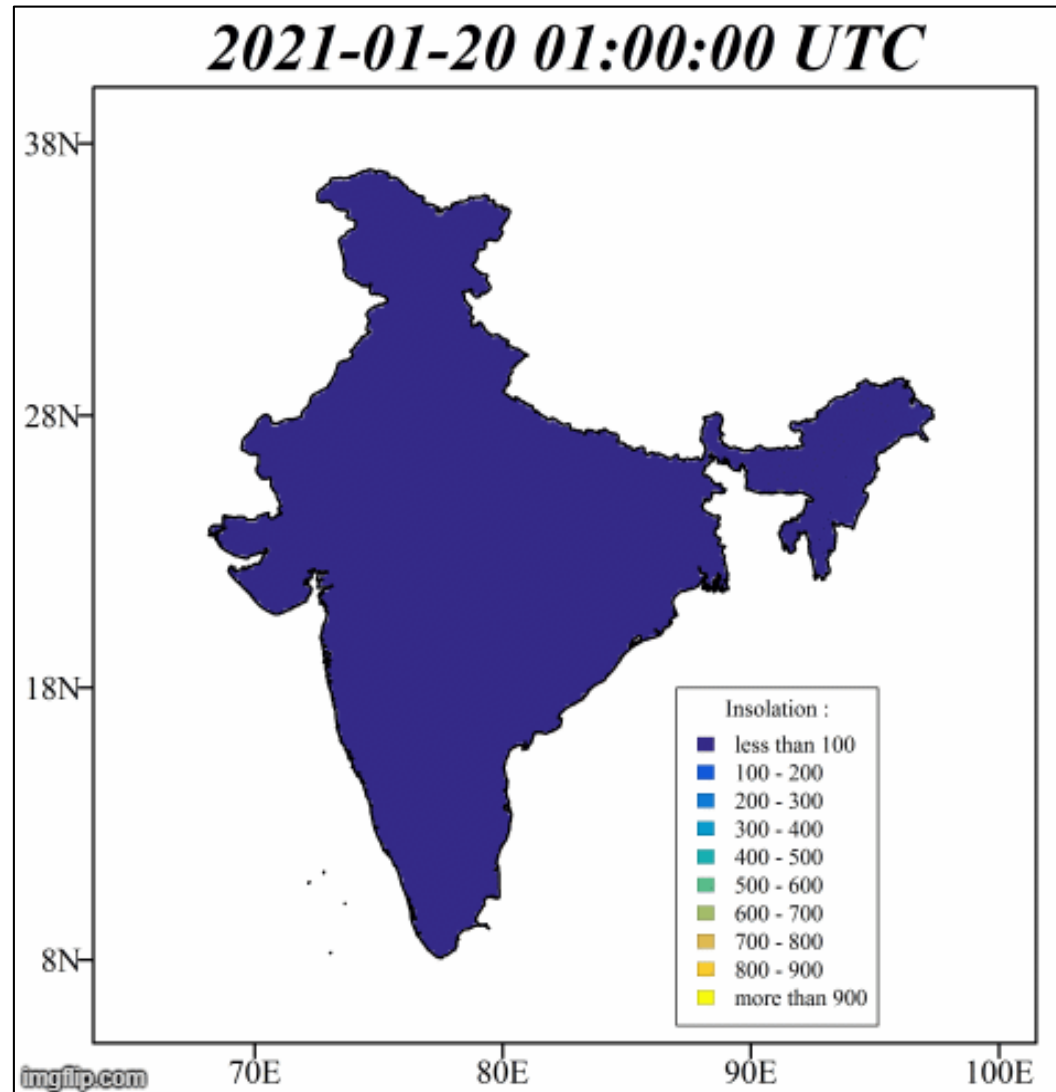
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Forecast Insolation scenario over India

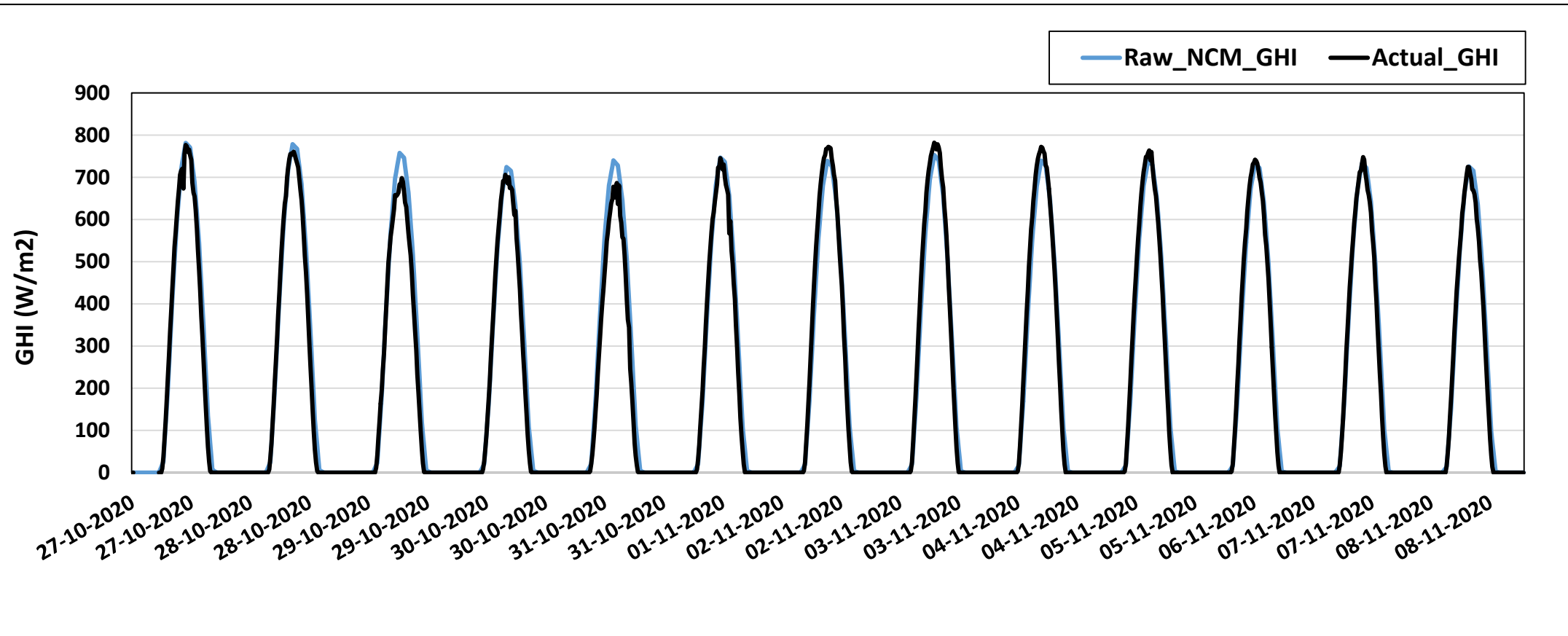


Case Study 3

Site 1: Rajasthan - Solar Farm

Months (Oct'20 – Nov'20)

Solar Farm in Rajasthan : Results during Month of Oct & Nov'20



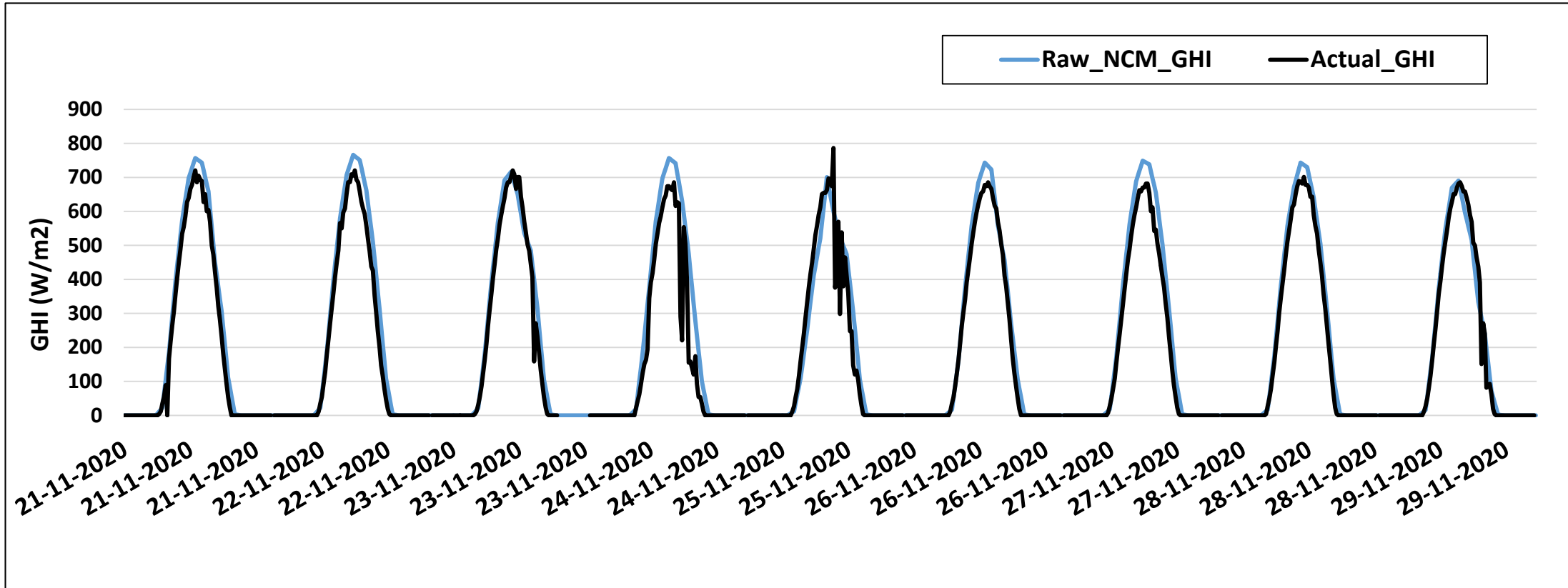
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Case Study 4

Site 2: Maharashtra - Solar Farm

Months(Nov'20)

Solar Farm in Maharashtra : Few Results from Month of Nov'20



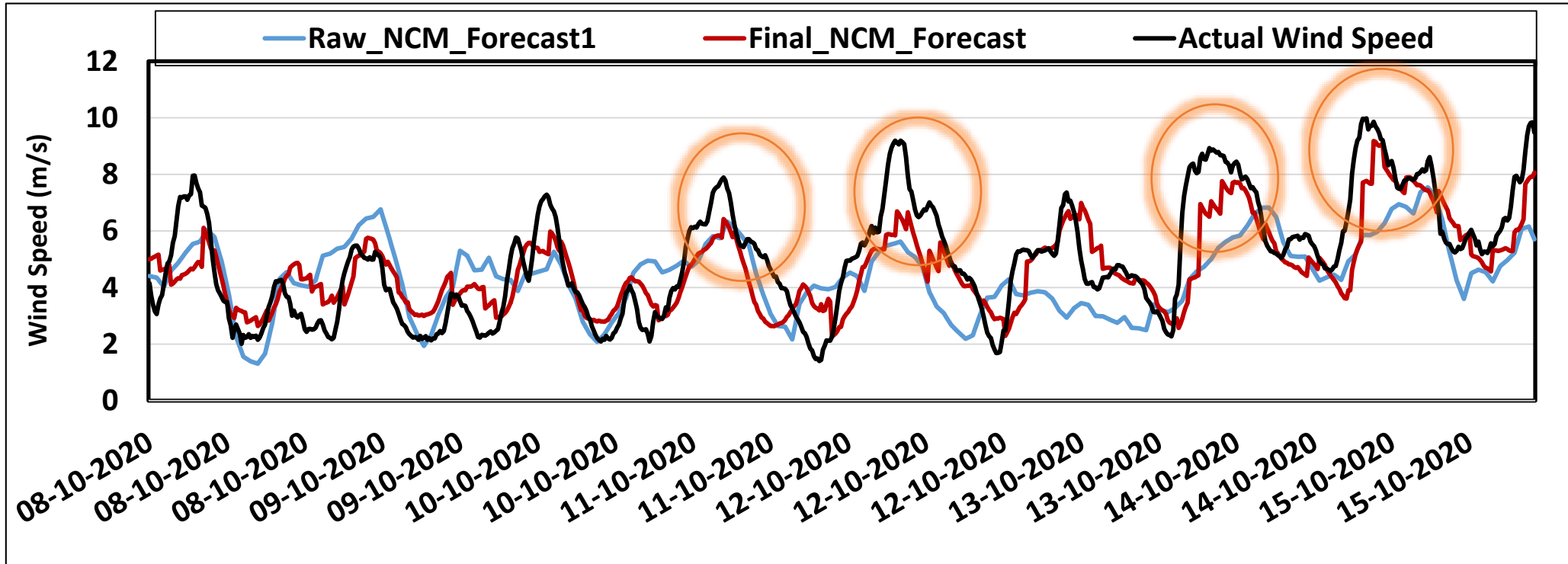
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Case Study 5

Challenges in Wind & Solar Power

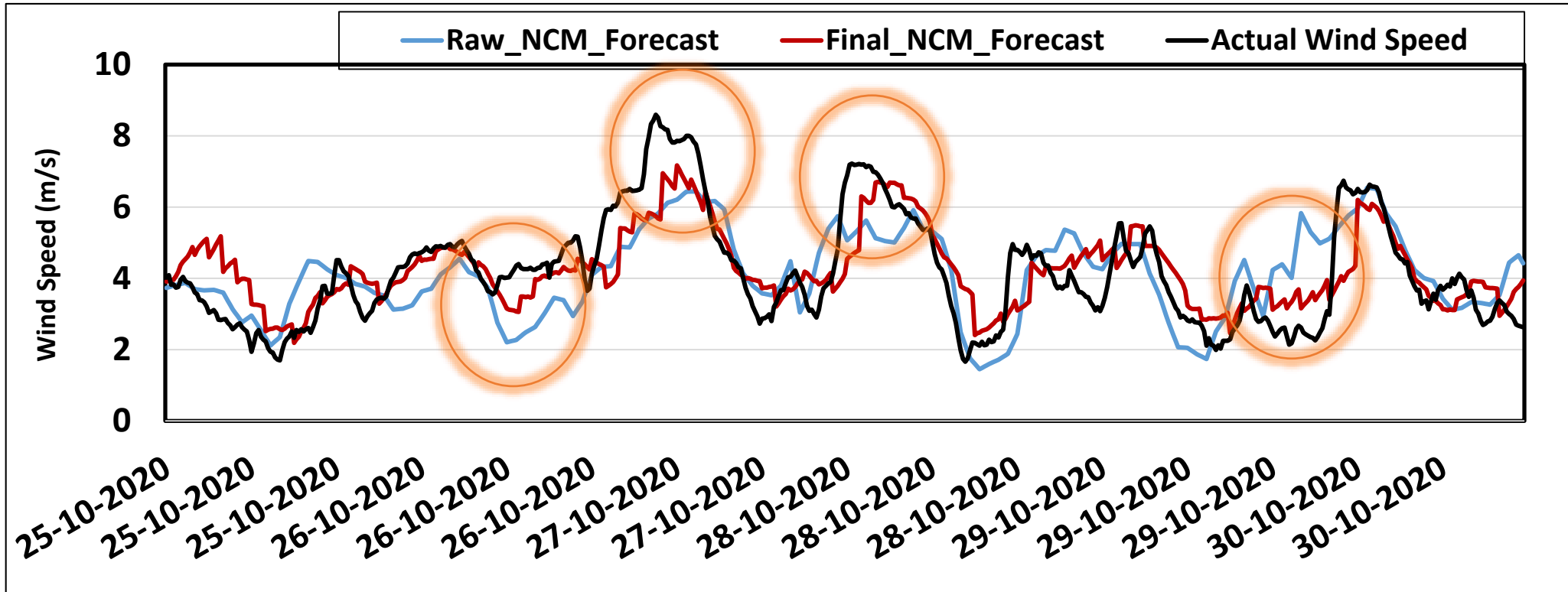
Forecasting

Challenges in Wind Power Forecasting

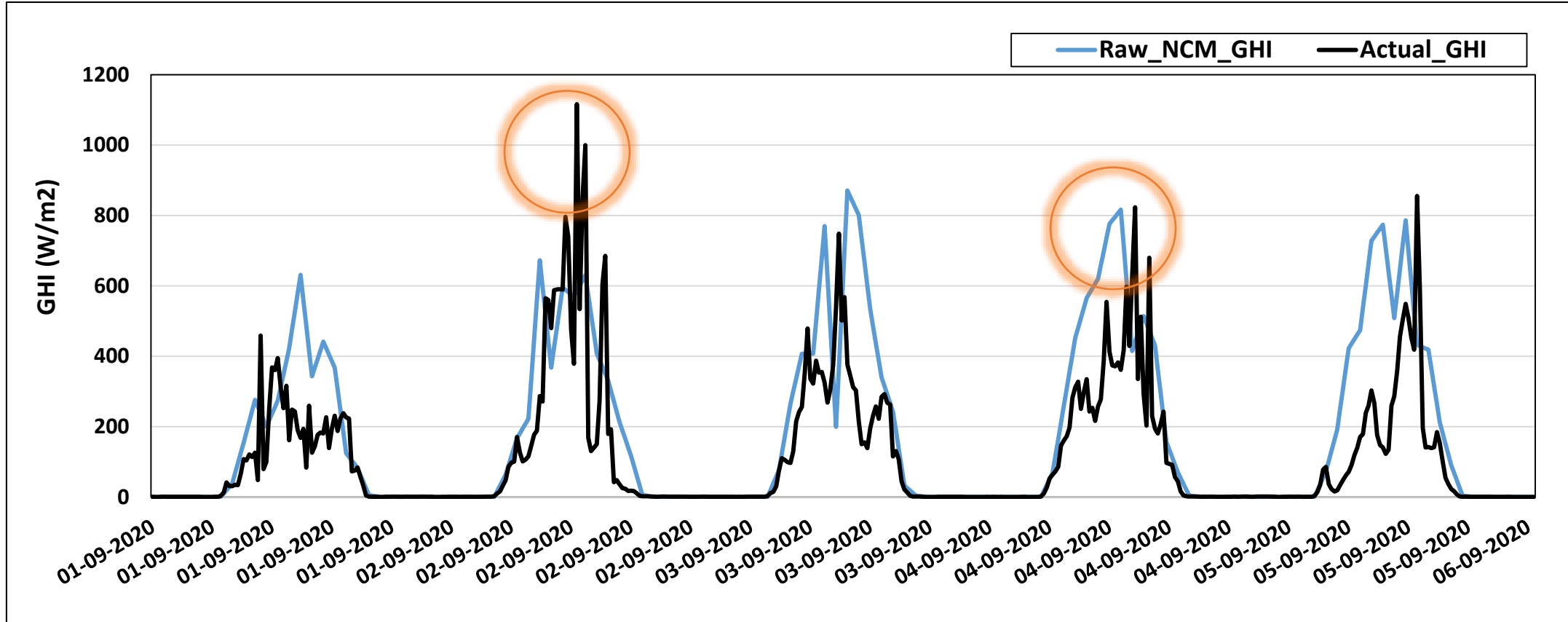


- Ramping Events- Ramp Up & Ramp Down.
- Complex Terrain
- Day-Ahead Forecast for Energy exchange Markets.

Challenges in Wind Power Forecasting

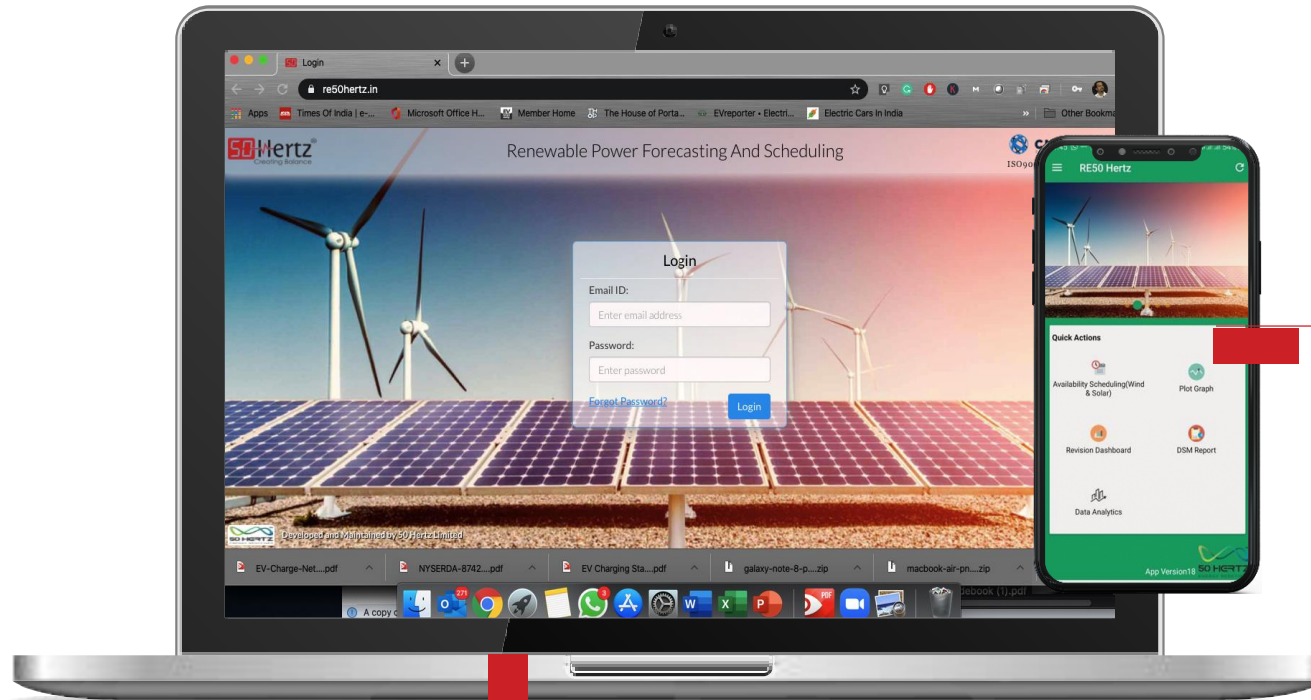


Challenges in Solar Power Forecasting



- Estimation of Cloud Motion Vectors.
- Day-Ahead Forecast for Energy exchange Markets.

Client View Platforms



Re50Hertz
Android APP

Re50Hertz.in
Web portal

Use of SCADA Data



Forecasting
Model (Training
on Historic data
set, and real time
data set)



Scheduling
Model



Output
Forecast

Experience and Team



Generating in-house 4500+ forecasts using NWP data along with real time updates at every 15 minutes

Reliable & secure cloud server with redundancy, exchanging approximately 90,000+ data files daily including SCADA, NWP, Special Energy Meter and Forecast Data



Daily Submission of 6000+ Day ahead & Intra Day schedules to various SLDC's across India

Highly reliable & secure database with redundancy, processing 3000 MB (3GB) data daily with Historical data since last 5.5 years



Multiple machine learning Models to analyze “n” no. of forecasts and submission of the best forecasts

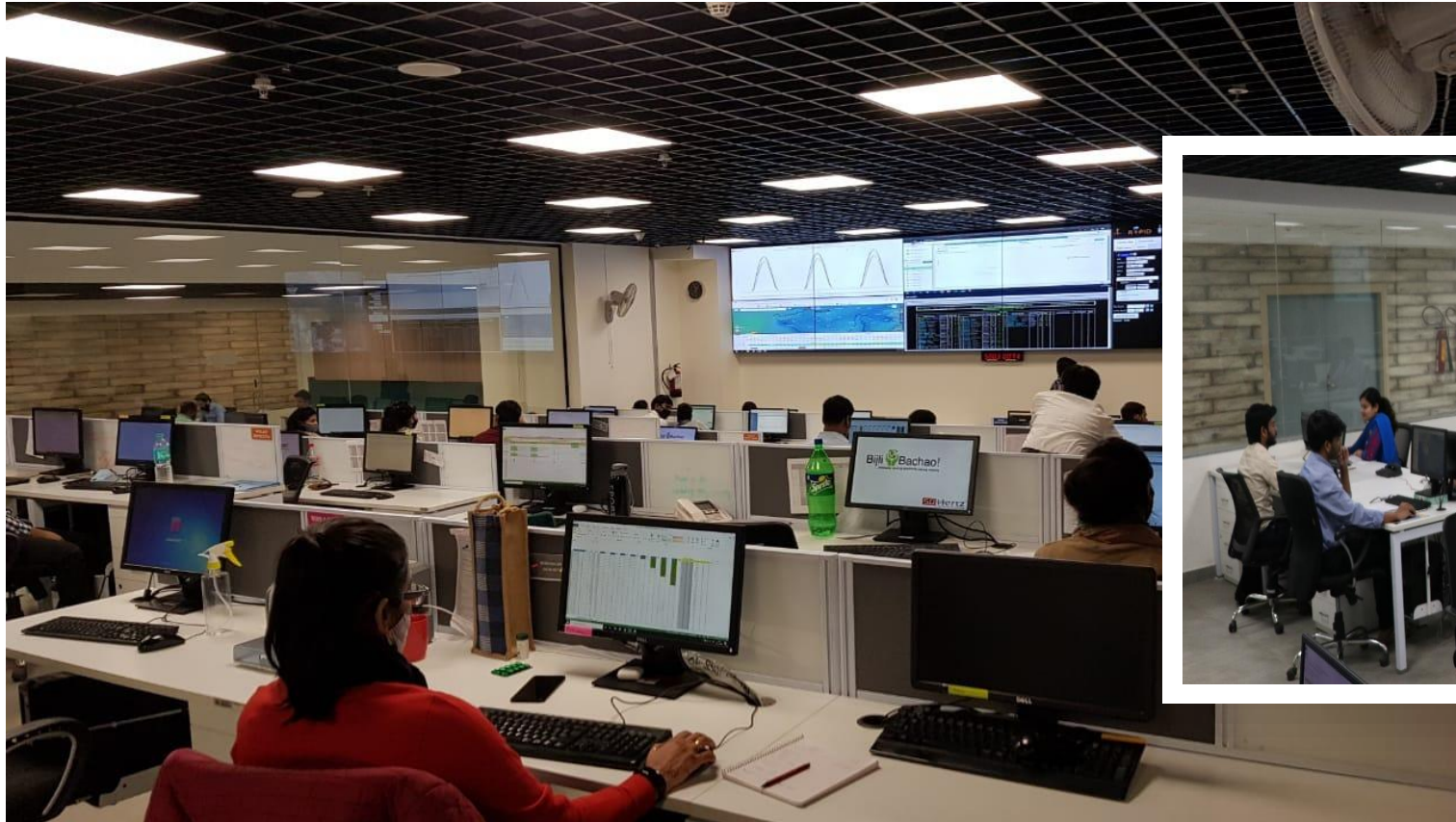
Web Based tool with multiple user authentication for Geo-visualization, Graphical/Table visualization, comparison, analyzing, downloading data & images



A dedicated team of Analysts, Statisticians, Economists, Energy modelers, Wind/Solar Resource, Software developers and 24*7 operation team




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