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Authorisation to Infrastructure Development

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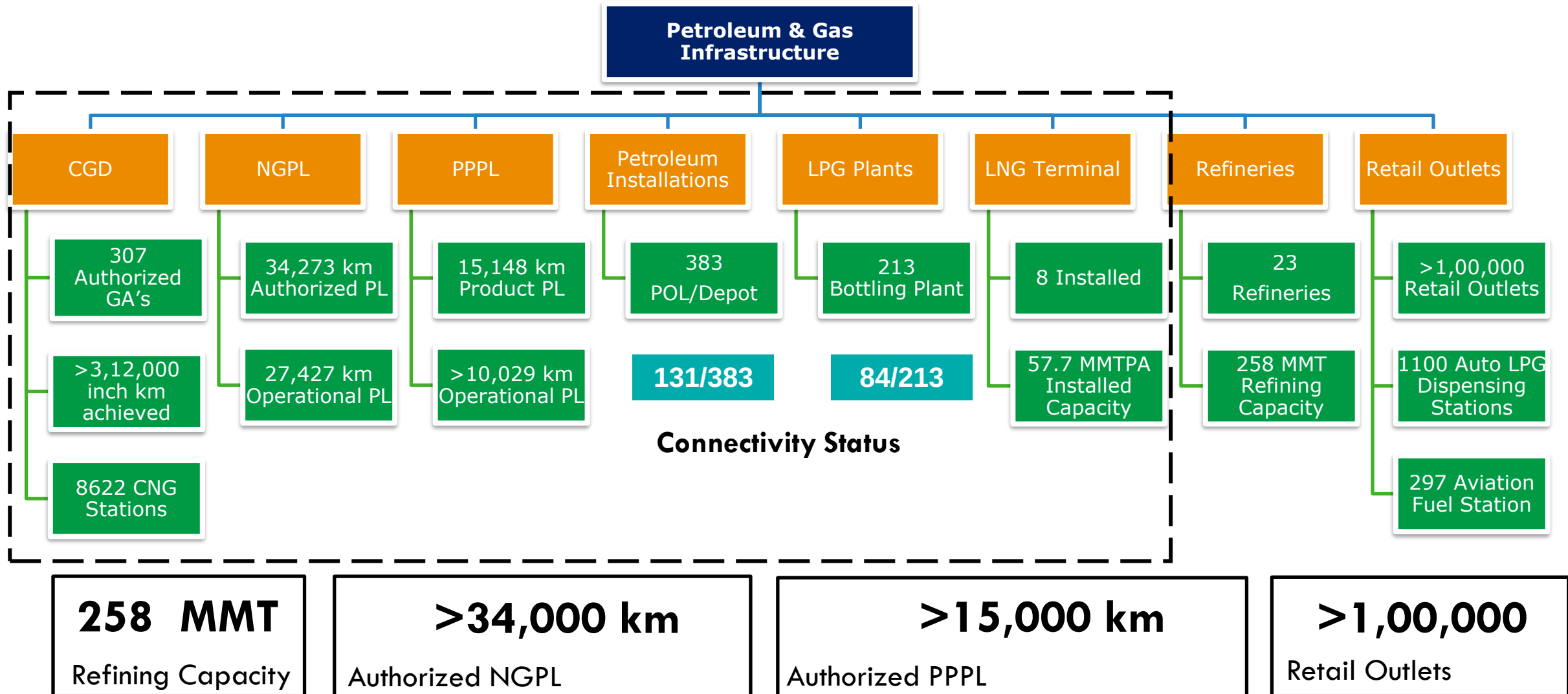


Agenda

- 1 Journey of PNGRB
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- 4 CGD
- 5 Petroleum Product Pipeline
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- 7 Challenges and Opportunities



Petroleum & Gas downstream Infrastructure



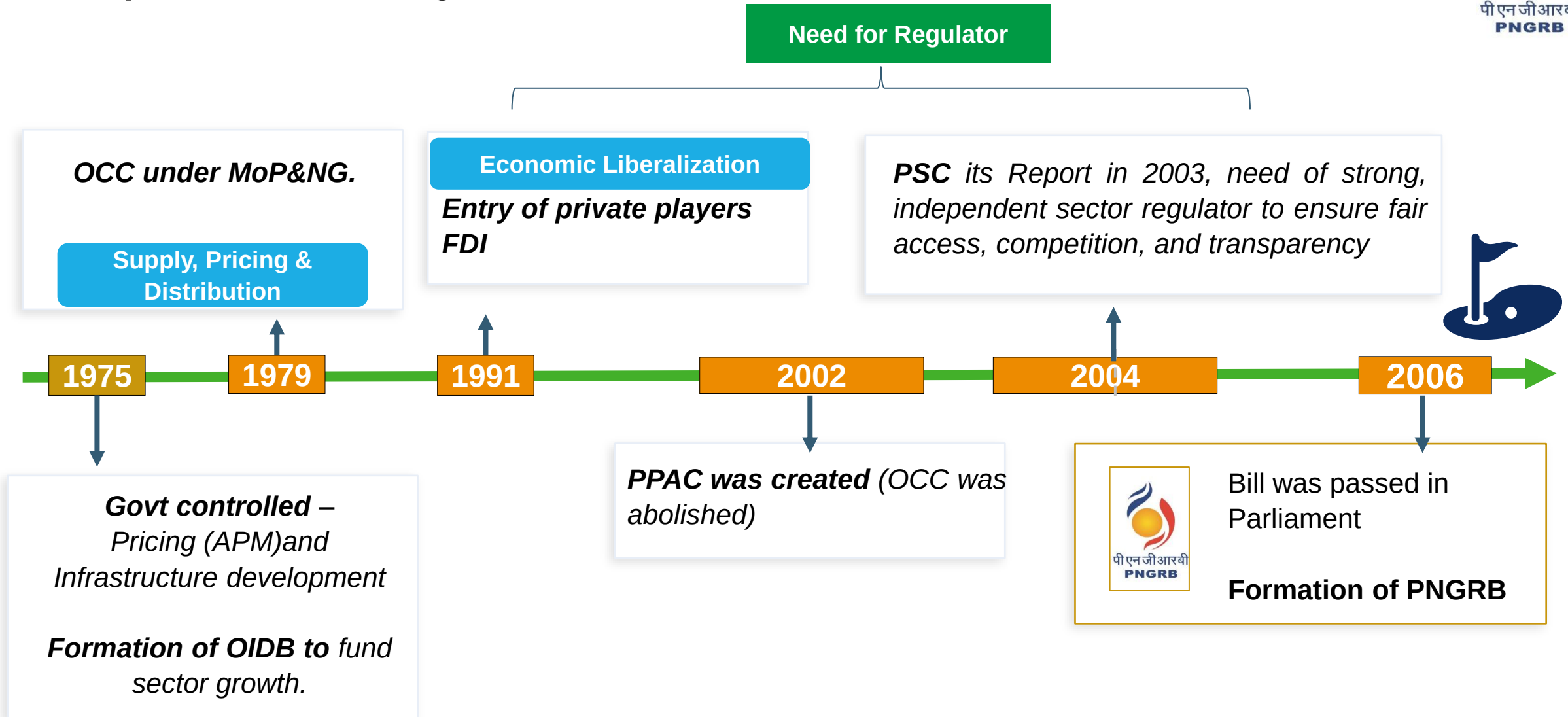
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JOURNEY OF PNGRB

Where it began & Where we are?

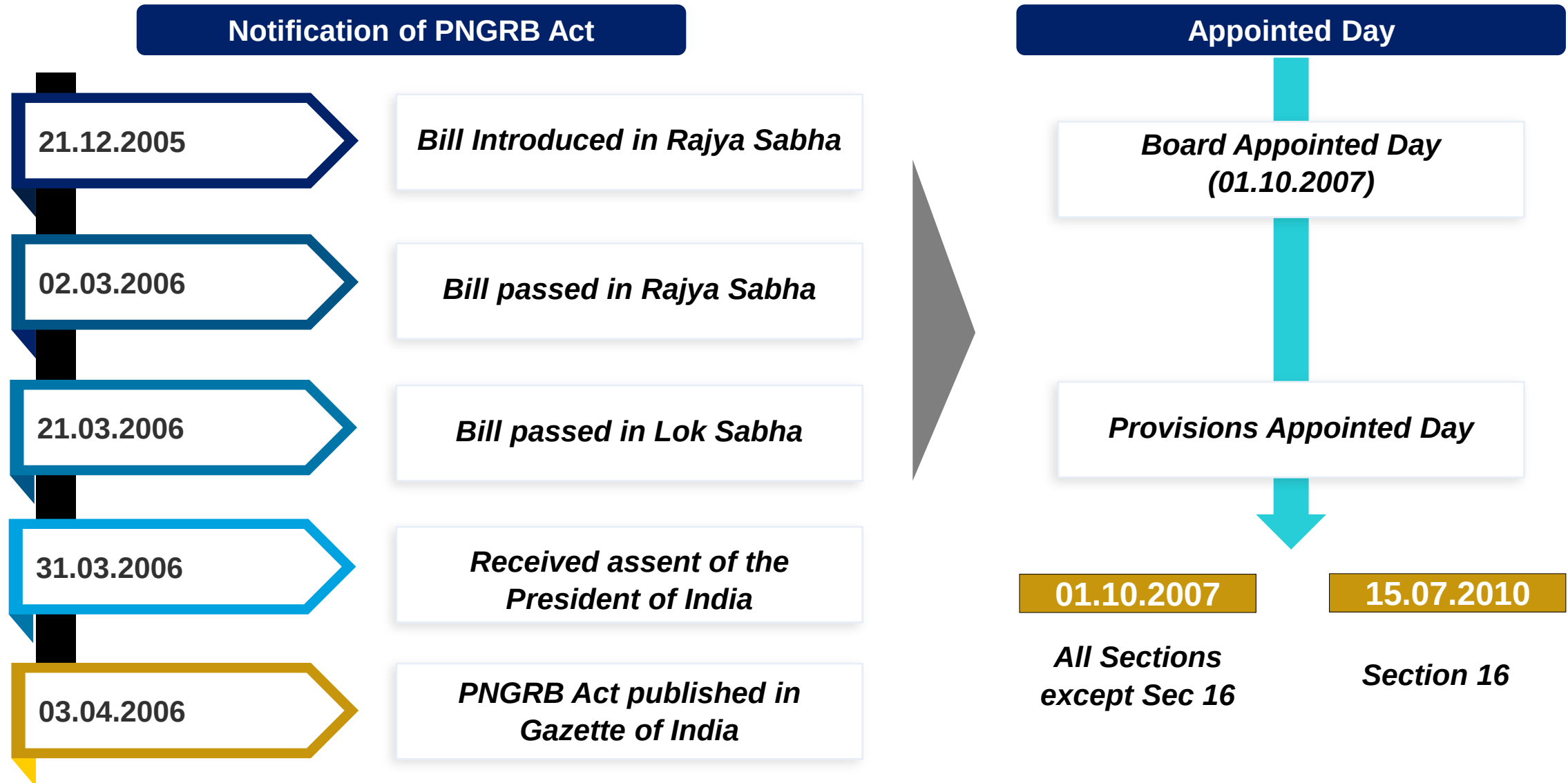


The Journey of PNGRB: From Central Administration to Independent Sector Regulation

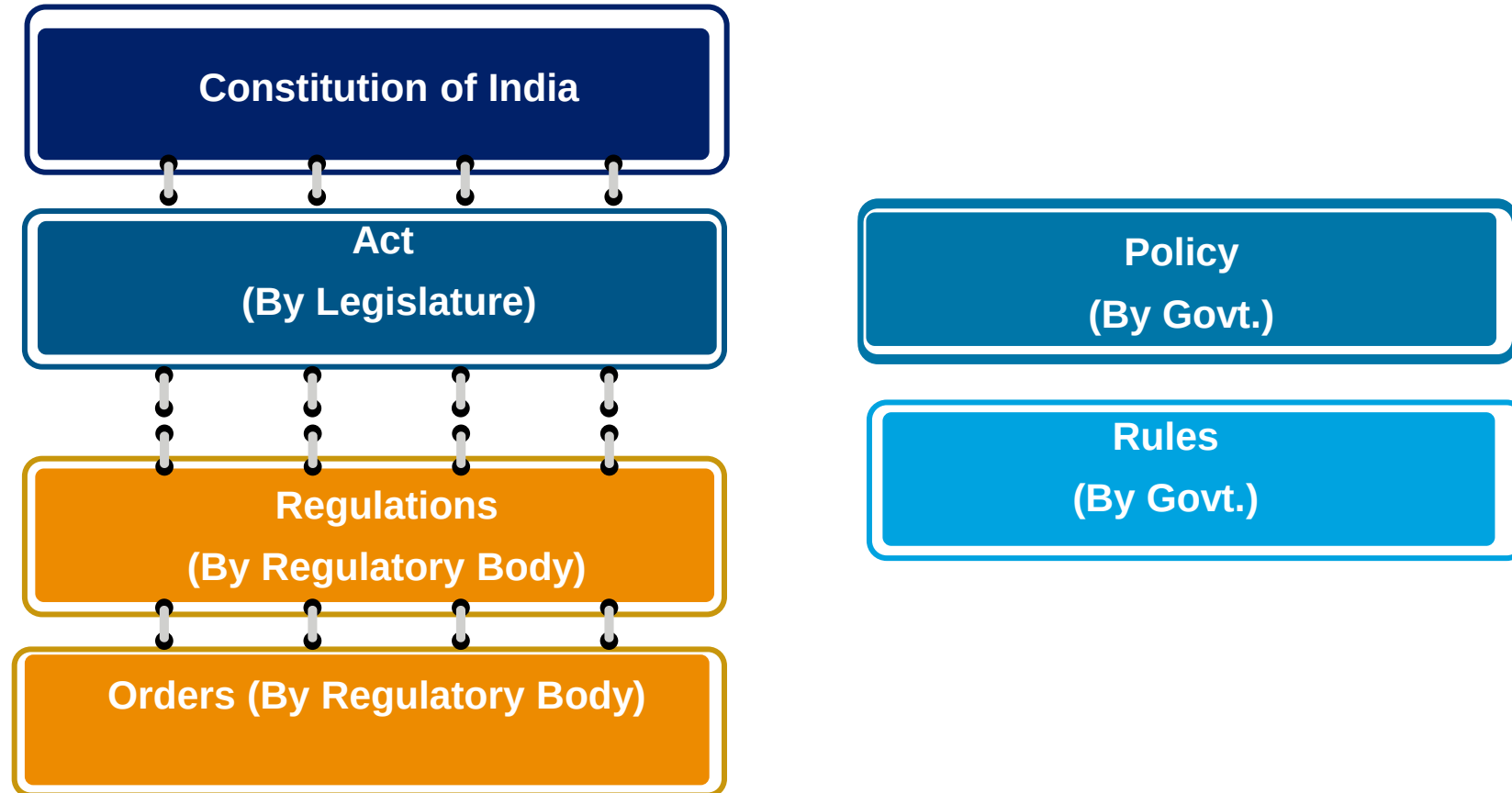


Note: 1. **OCC**- Oil Coordination Committee; 2. **OIDB**: Oil Industry Development Board; 3. **PSC**: Parliamentary Standing Committee

The Journey of PNGRB: From Act Notification to Appointed Day

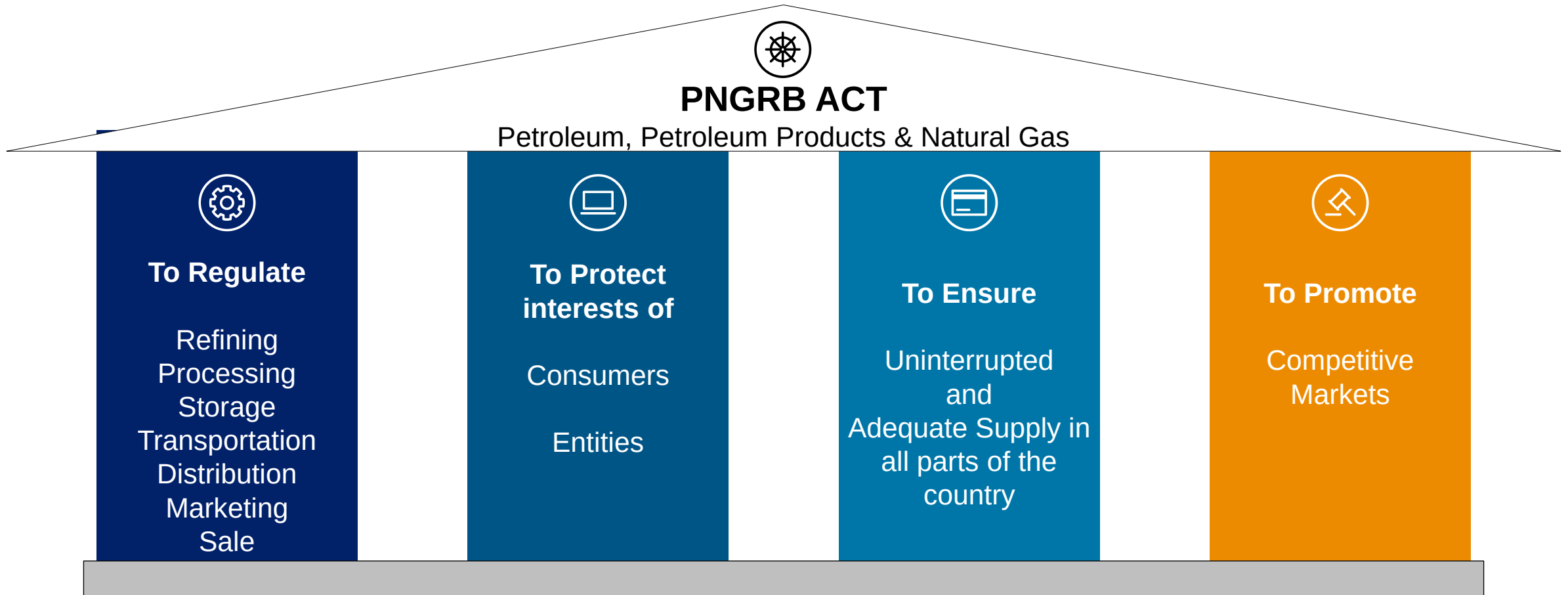


PNGRB Governance Framework



PNGRB Act-Preamble

To ensure uninterrupted supply, protect the interests of consumers and entities, and promote competition and fairness in the market



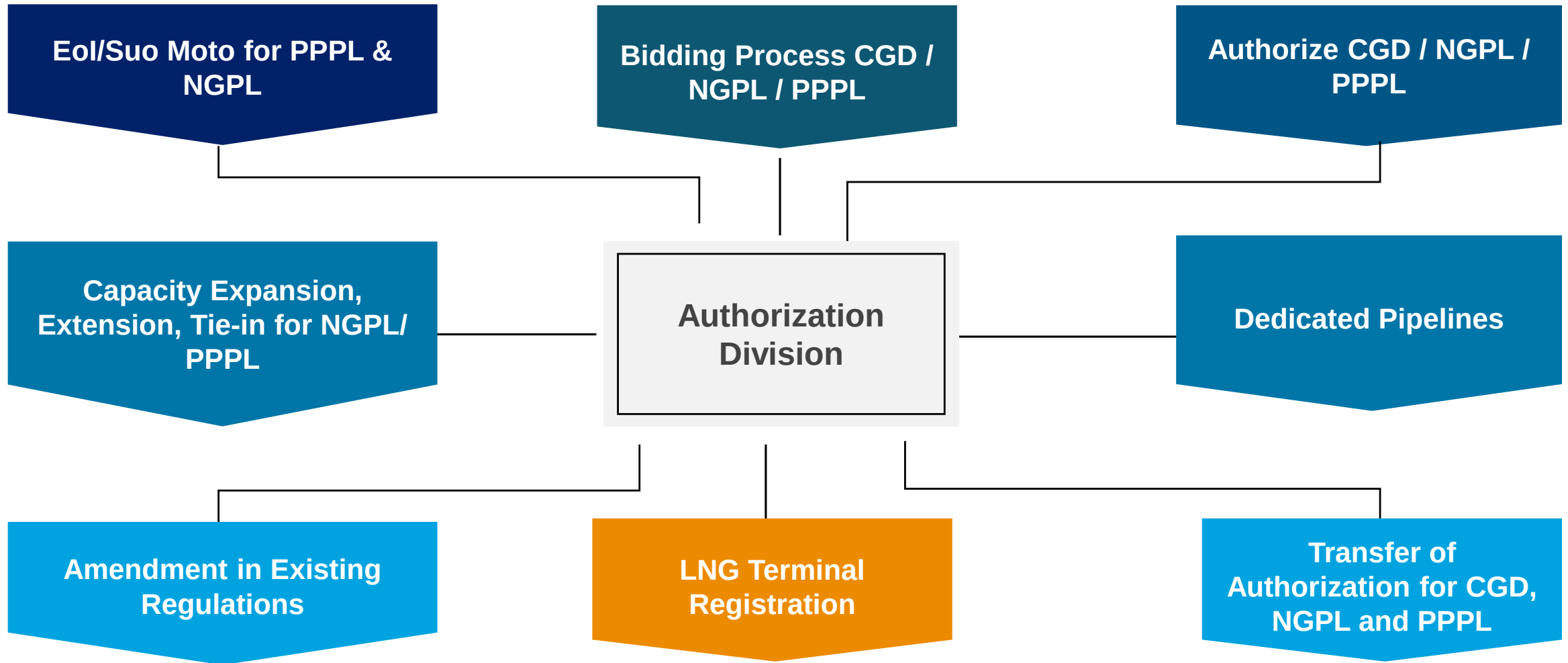
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ROLE OF AUTHORIZATION

From Market Development to Competition

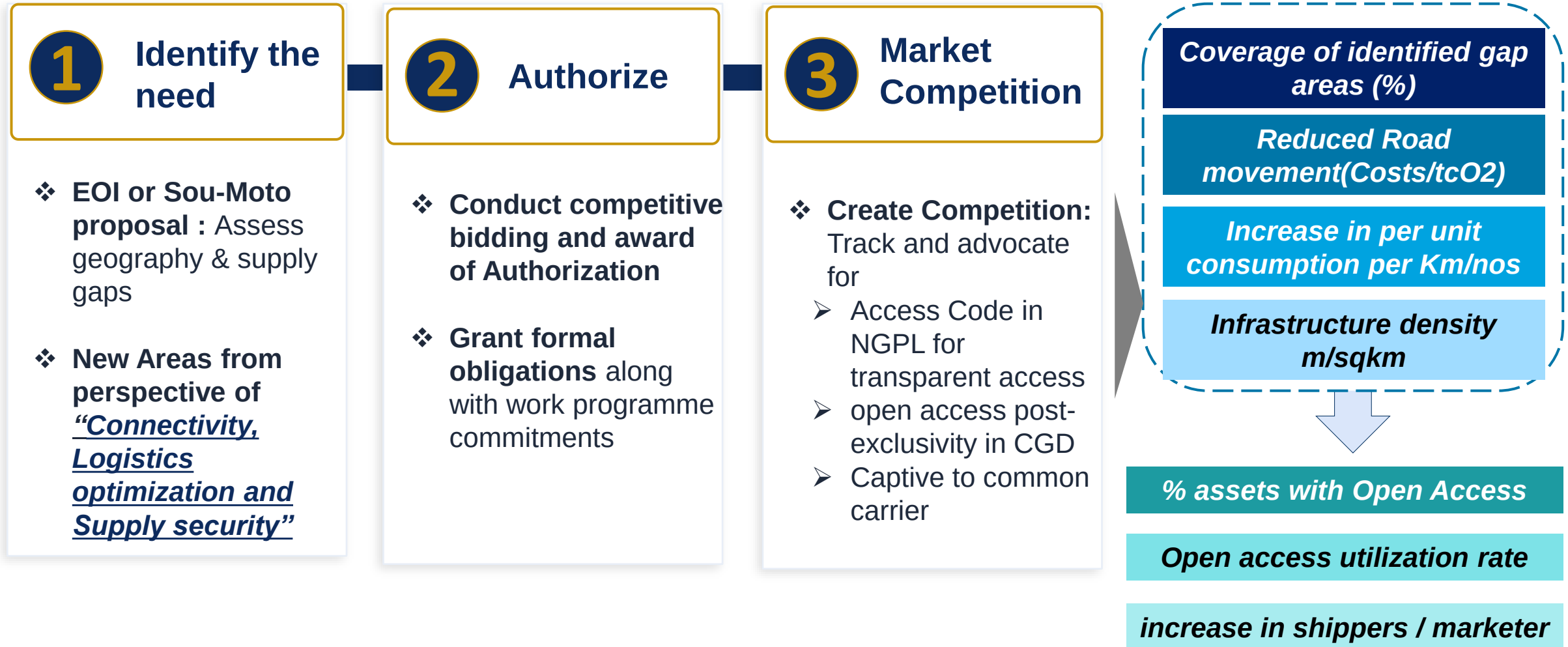


Functions



Function of Authorization & Impact Metric

Proposals that meet the defined impact criteria are shortlisted and recommended to the Board



Regulations in purview of Authorization (1/2)

Regulations	Details	Applicability
 Authorization	• <i>Approval to develop & operate infrastructure</i> • <i>Defines bidder selection & work programme</i> • <i>Enables network expansion</i>	NGPL, PPPL and CGD
 Access Code	• <i>Ensures non-discriminatory third-party access on NGPL, PPPL and CGD</i> • <i>Standardizes booking, scheduling & usage</i> • <i>Enables competitive market</i>	NGPL, PPPL and CGD
 CGD Exclusivity	• <i>Protects initial investment period of 3,5 or 8 years</i> • <i>Balances growth & competition</i> • <i>Defines transition to open access</i>	CGD

Regulations in purview of Authorization (2/2)

Regulations	Details	Applicability
 Affiliate Code of Conduct	• <i>Prevents cross-subsidization by transparency through account separation or legal separation</i> • <i>Ensures fair access to all shippers by arms length operation principle</i>	NGPL, PPPL and CGD
 Guiding Principle for common carrier declaration	• <i>Provides procedure for declaration of network as common carrier</i> • <i>Clarity on transition to third party access</i>	PPPL and CGD
 LNG Terminals	• <i>Registration framework for LNG terminals</i>	LNG

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: NGPL Authorization Regulation

NGPL Authorization Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
EOI / suo-motu proposal / bidding route	4	Sections 17
Selection criteria for EOI route	5	Section 17 and 20
Bidding Criteria	7	Sections 19 and 20
Grant of Authorisation	9	Sections 19, 20(3)
Fixation of Tariff	11	Section 22
Capacity expansion and tariff impact	12	Sections 19, 20 and 22
Transitional authorization for pre-existing pipelines and Pre-appointed-day operating pipelines	17 & 18	Section 16 proviso, section 17, section 20
Dedicated pipeline conversion / Authorisation	19	Section 16 proviso, section 17, section 20
Tie-in Connectivity	21	Section 16 proviso, section 17, section 20

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: NGPL Access Code Regulation

NGPL Access Code Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
Capacity declaration	4	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1), 22(1)
Gas quality and operating parameters	5	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1)
SUG / line pack / transmission loss	6	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1)
Measurement and custody transfer	7	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)
Pipeline Capacity Booking	10	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)
Interconnection	11	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)
Methodology for providing Access	12	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)
System Indiscipline Charges	13	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)
Planned Maintenance	14	Sections 20(3)(c), 22(1)

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: NGPL Affiliate Code Regulation

NGPL Affiliate Code Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
Scope of affiliate code / arm's-length dealings	4	Section 61
Accounting and financial separation	5	Section 61
Legal separation / separate legal entity	5A	Section 61; Section 21
Confidentiality of consumer information	6	Section 61
Shared corporate services / employee restrictions	7	Section 61
Non-discriminatory access and no preferential treatment	8	Section 61
Compliance measures and annual reporting	9	Section 61
Record keeping and web-hosting requirements	10	Section 61
Default and termination consequences	4	Section 61

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: CGD Authorization Regulation

CGD Authorization Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
EOI / suo-moto bidding route	4	Sections 17
Selection criteria	5	Section 17
Board-initiated bidding process	6	Sections 17 and 20(5)
Bidding Criteria	7	Sections 17 and 20(5)
Fixation of Transportation rate	8	Section 22
Grant of Authorisation	10	Sections 17 and 20
Gas tie-up and financial closure	11	
CGD exclusivity	12	Section 20(4)
Service Obligations	14	Section 52, Section 61(f)
Suspension / termination	16	Section 23
Transitional authorization for pre-existing CGD and Pre-appointed-day operating CGD	17&18	

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: CGD Exclusivity Code Regulation

CGD Exclusivity Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
Exclusivity for laying/building/expansion of CGD network	5	Section 20(4); Section 61
Exclusivity from common-carrier / contract-carrier purview	6	Section 20(4); Section 61
Specific performance bond	7	Section 20(4); Section 61
Service obligations during exclusivity	8	Section 20(4); Section 61
Post-exclusivity obligations / third-party access	9	Section 20(4); Section 61
Cancellation / termination of exclusivity	10	Section 20(4); Section 61
Miscellaneous / interpretation	11	Section 20(4); Section 61

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: CGD Access Code Regulation

CGD Access Code Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
Capacity declaration	4	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1), 22(1)
Capacity booking	5	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1), 22(1)
Network expansion / access coverage	6	Sections 20(3)(c), 21(1)
Repeal / savings	25	—

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: PPPL Authorization Regulation

PPPL Authorization Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
EOI / suo-moto bidding route	4	Sections 17, 20(3)(b), 20(5)
Selection criteria	5	Section 20(5), section 17
Bidding Criteria	7	Sections 20(3)(b), 20(5)
Grant of authorization	9	Sections 17(3), 20(3)(b)
Capacity expansion	12	Sections 20(3)(b), 20(5)
Default/ Suspension / termination	16	Section 23
Pre-PNGRB Pipelines	17 & 18	Sections 17
Access / interconnection	20	Sections 20(3)(c), 21, 22

Regulatory Provision for Authorization: PPPL Access Code Regulation

PPPL Access Code Regulations	Regulation no.	PNGRB Act section no.
Applicability of access code	3	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Capacity declaration	4	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Product quality parameters	5	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Interface Handling	7	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Capacity Booking	13	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Interconnection	14	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Methodology for Providing Access	15	Sections 20(3)(c), 21
Planned Maintenance	16	Sections 20(3)(c), 21

PROGRESS FROM THE EYES OF AUTHORIZATION



NATURAL GAS PIPELINES (NGPL)

>34,000 kms ^{~3.7x}
Natural Gas Pipeline Length 
▶ 82 pipelines authorized

2.2 → 8.3 m/Sqkm ^{~3.8x}
Natural Gas Pipeline Density 
▶ 27k pipelines constructed



CITY GAS DISTRIBUTION (CGD)

307 Nos ^{~9x}
Authorized City Gas 

0.04 → 0.13 ^{~3.6x}
mmcmd per GA 
Consumption per GA

3.12 → ~8-10 m/Sqkm
lakh inch-Km



PETROLEUM PRODUCT PIPELINES (PPPL)

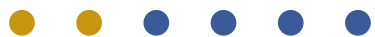
15,000 kms ^{~1.5x}
PPPL 

5 Nos
ATF Authorized

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NATURAL GAS PIPELINE

Completing the Grid and Going Deep into India

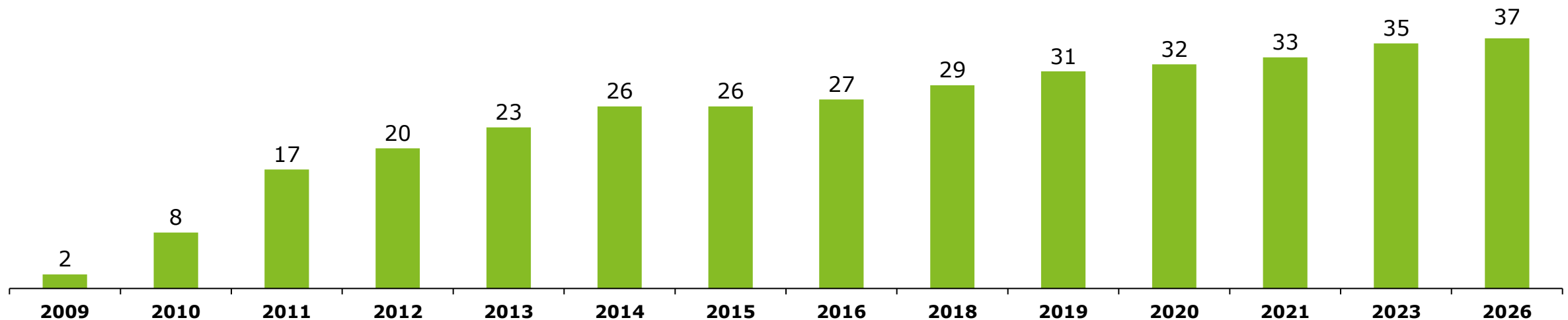


Current Status of NGPL Infrastructure

More than 80 pipelines have been authorized

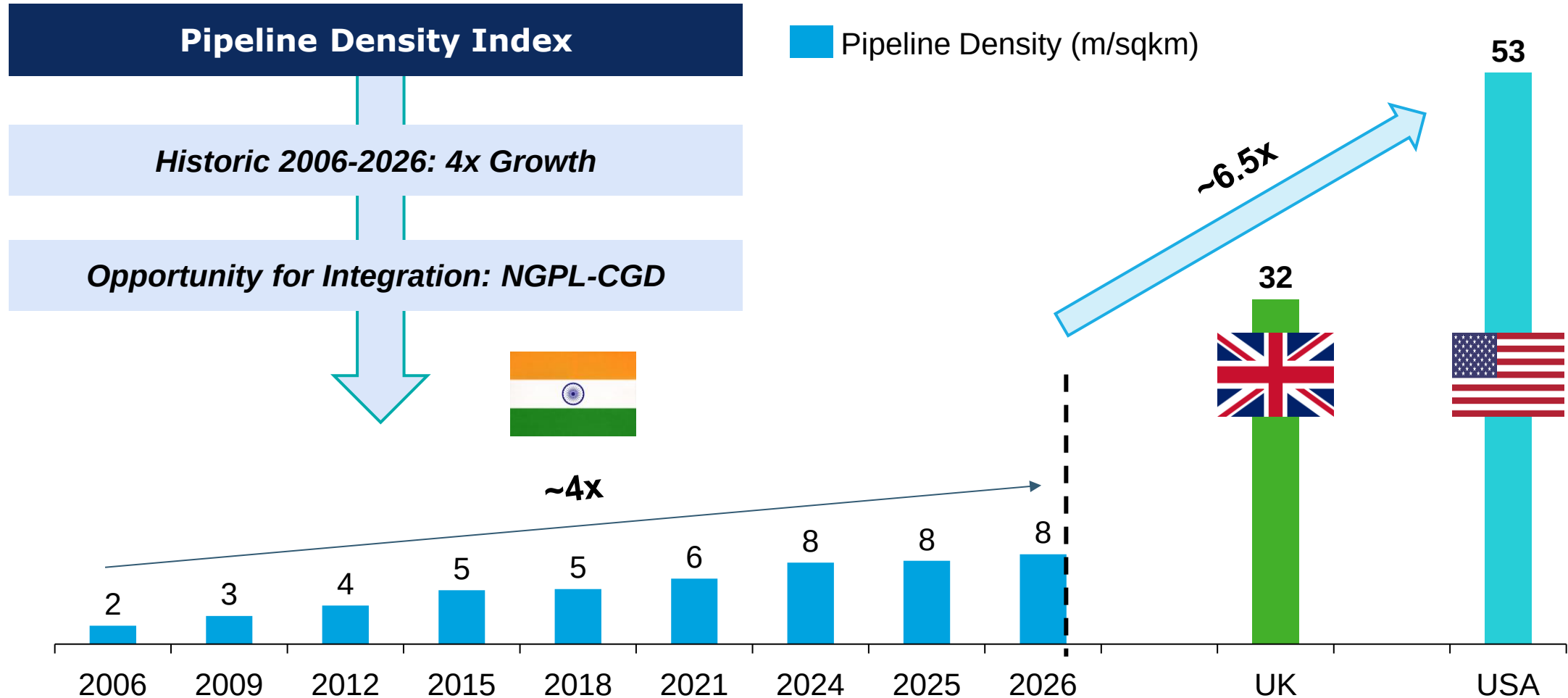
Pipelines Authorized under Regulation 5,17,18,42

Regulation	Authorization	No. of Valid Pipeline Authorizations
5	Bid out	13
17 & 18	Pre-PNGRB	23
42	Govt. Mandate	2* (JHBDPL under Reg 17 read with Sec 42)
19	Dedicated	21
21	Tie-in	22



NGPL Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (1/3)

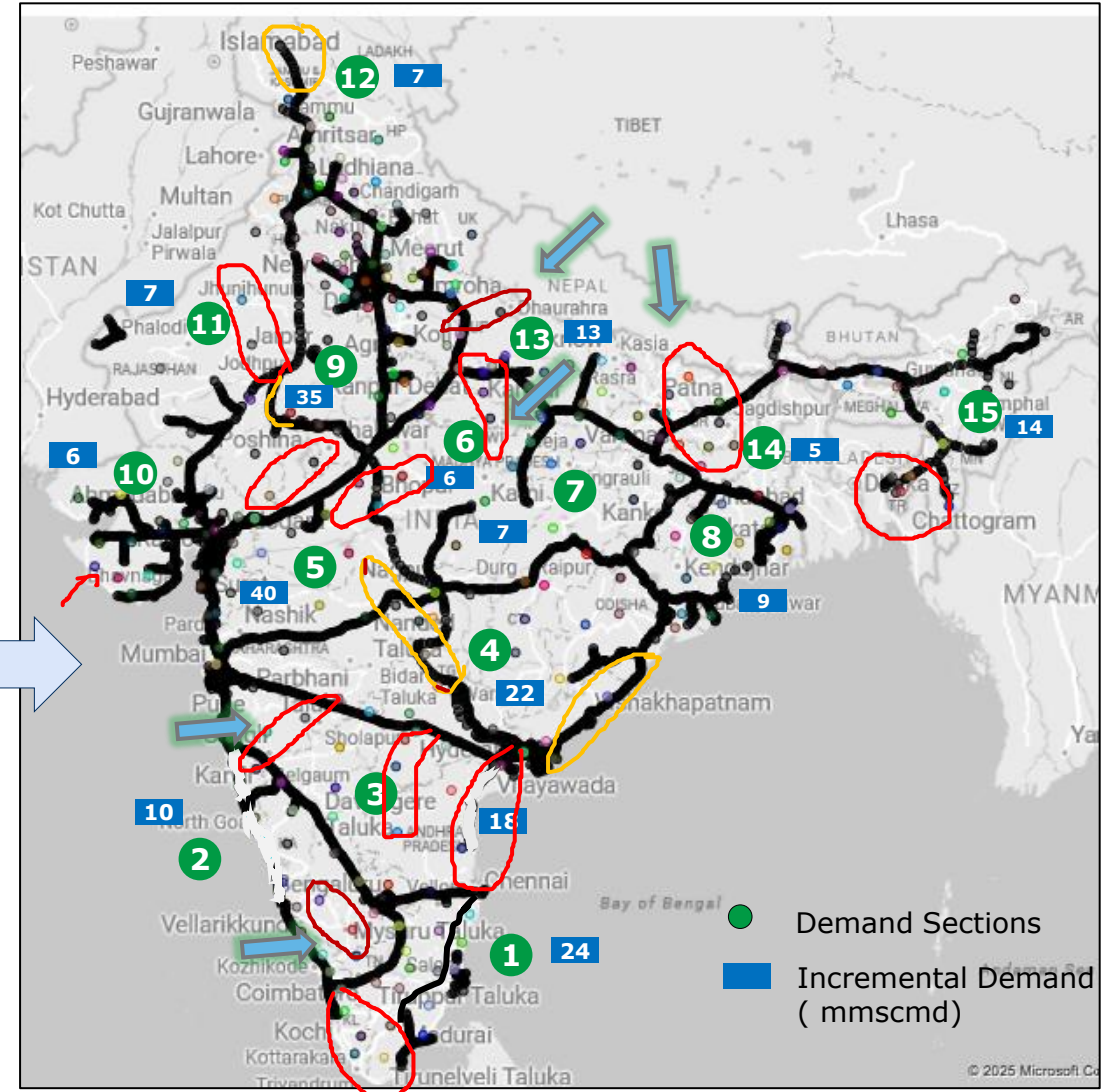
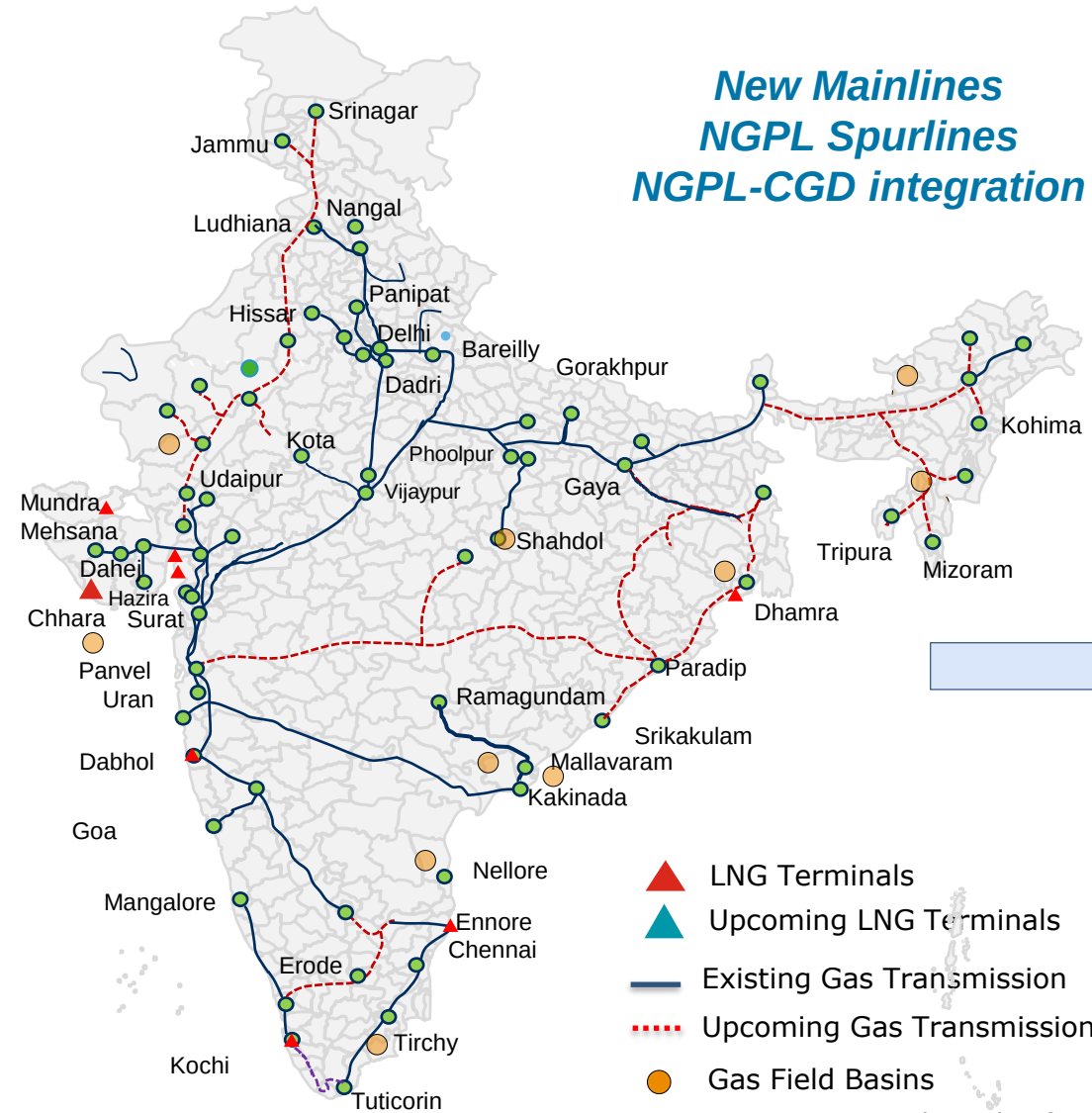
For India, Pipeline density Index has witnessed an increase over the period of 20 years. However, the target is to further scale up the infrastructure by integration of NGPL to CGD



NGPL Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (3/3)

Future pipeline infrastructure development is focused on regional expansion of network

Demand Centre and Connectivity Gap



NGPL Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (3/3)

Pipeline Proposal under evaluation

PIPELINES	GA/DC CONNECTED	DISTANCE (KM)
Ennore-Nellore-Kondapalli	4	450
Hyderabad-Wanaparthi-Raichur-Kurnool	3	180
Srikakulam-Vizag-Kondapalli	4	430
Indore-Barwani-Khargone-Shirpur-Jalgaon	4	220
MBBPL-Spurline Ajmer-Bikaner or Jodhpur-Gajner	3	160
Rajgarh-Amrvati	4	360
Wardha-Adilabad-Nizamabad-Hyderabad	4	380
Jamnagar to Ranpar	1	50

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CGD

From Coverage to Penetration — The Consumer Gas Revolution



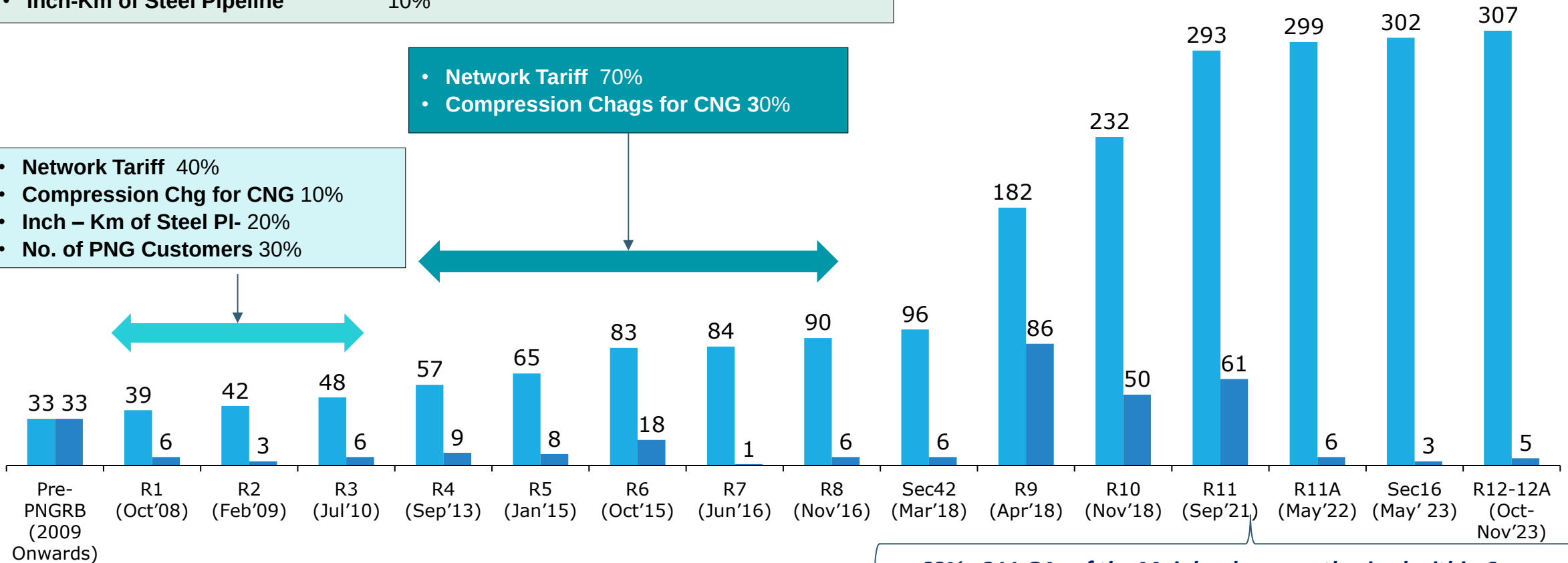
Current Status of CGD Infrastructure

The active efforts of Authorization team of PNGRB has resulted in scale up supply infrastructure in the mainland region of India

- Transportation rate for CGD in Rs./MMBTU- 10%
- Transportation rate for CNG in (Rs. / kg) 10%
- No of CNG stations to be installed within 8 contract years ~20%
- No. of DPNG connections to be achieved within 8 contract years -50%
- Inch-Km of Steel Pipeline 10%

- Network Tariff 70%
- Compression Chgs for CNG 30%

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- Compression Chg for CNG 10%
- Inch – Km of Steel PI- 20%
- No. of PNG Customers 30%

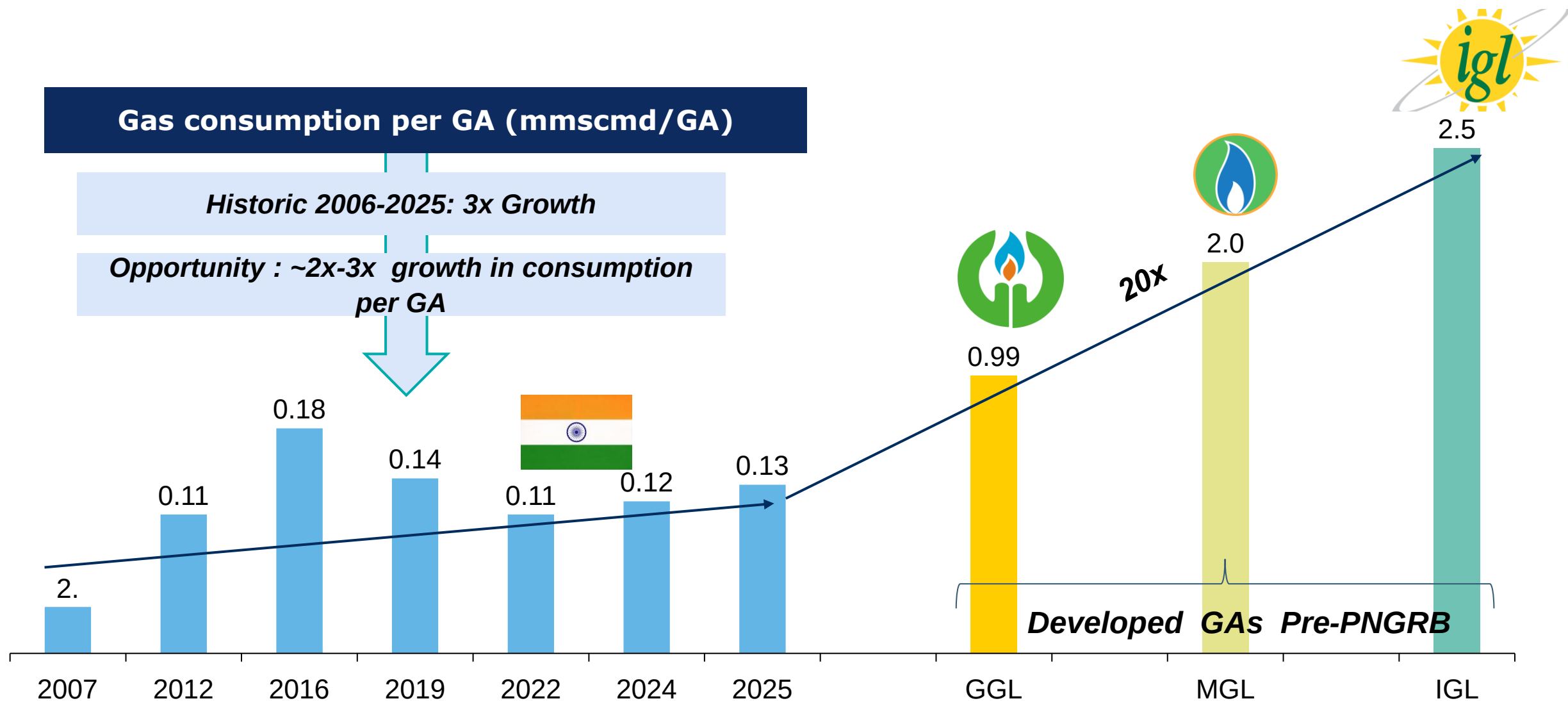


Evolution of PNGRB's CGD Bidding Regime

12 Rounds of Transparent, Competitive & Rule-Bound Reforms

Round	Parameters
1 to 2	Network tariff (40%) + CNG compression charge (10%) + Inch-km pipeline (20%) + PNG connections (30%)
3	Higher technical experience (3 years), introduction of feasibility report stage, post-exclusivity tariff consideration
4 to 5	70% weight to network tariff and 30% to CNG compression charge + Minimum Work Programme (MWP). In the event of a tie, highest Additional Bid Bond (ABB) was declared the successful bidder
6 to 8	Additional Bid Bond (ABB) quote is now submitted along with the financial bid
9 to 12	80% weightage is assigned to physical infrastructure (connections (PNG domestic connections + 50%, CNG stations –20%, and steel pipeline inch-km – 10%), while only 20% weightage is given to tariff. Floor tariff rates (₹30/MMBTU for CGD and ₹2/kg for CNG) were introduced to discourage unrealistically low tariff bids

CGD : Current Status and Future



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PETROLEUM PRODUCT PIPELINE

Open Access, Logistics Optimization and
Connectivity



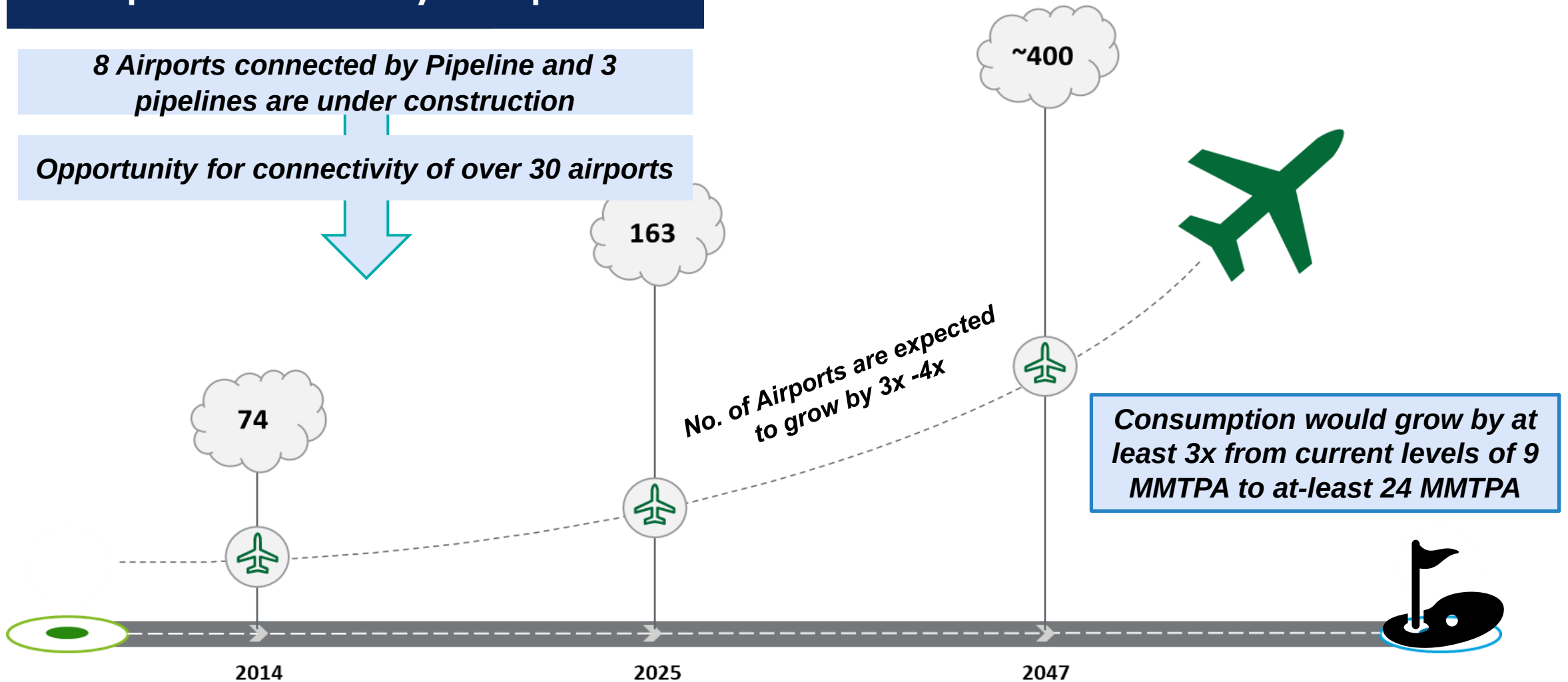
ATF Pipeline Infrastructure: Current Status and Future

As PNGRB is aiming to connect 31 major airports, the vision encompass to connect maximum airports via pipeline

Pipeline Connectivity to Airports

8 Airports connected by Pipeline and 3 pipelines are under construction

Opportunity for connectivity of over 30 airports



LPG Pipeline Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (1/2)

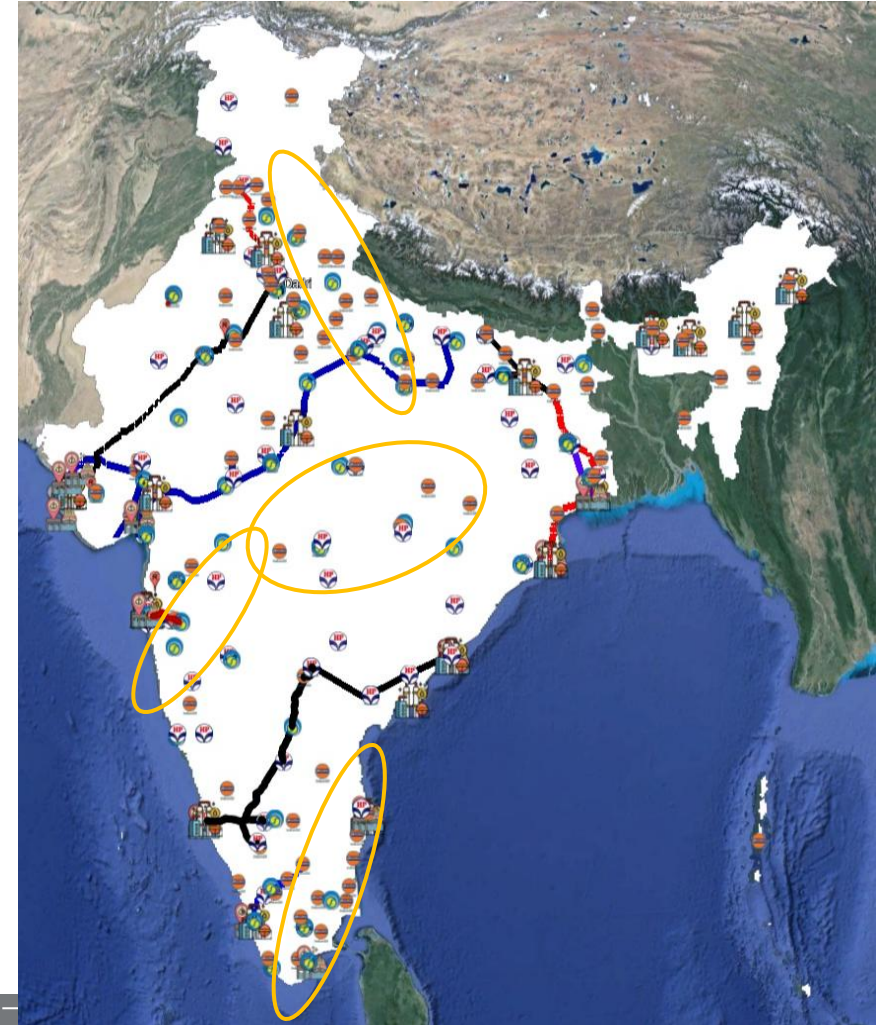
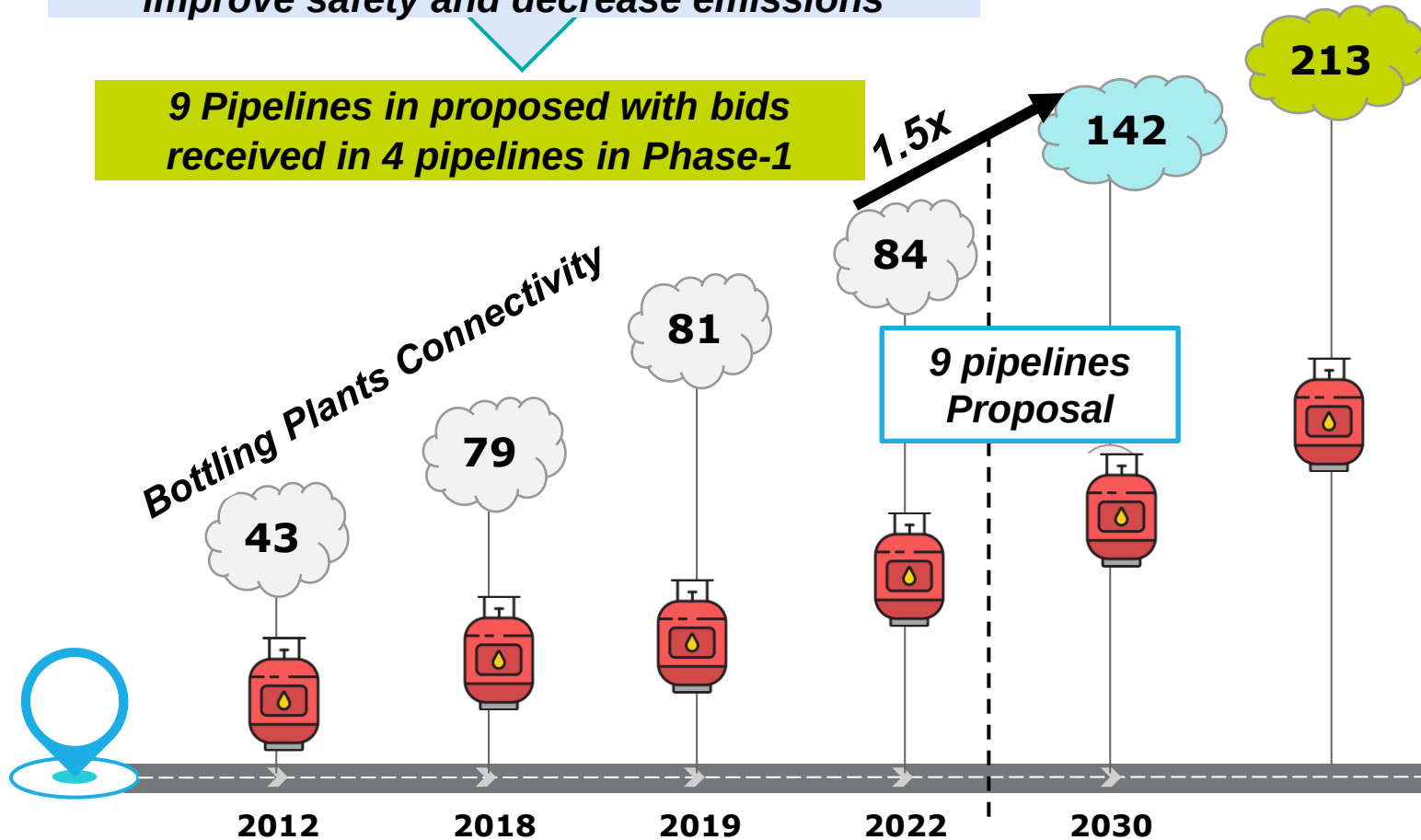
With the proposed LPG pipelines, the aim is to connect at least 65% of LPG bottling plants

LPG Pipeline Logistics Optimization

Proposal to connect ~58 bottling plants

Opportunity for reducing road movement and improve safety and decrease emissions

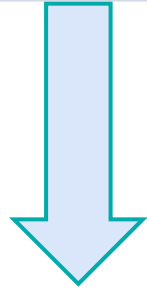
9 Pipelines in proposed with bids received in 4 pipelines in Phase-1



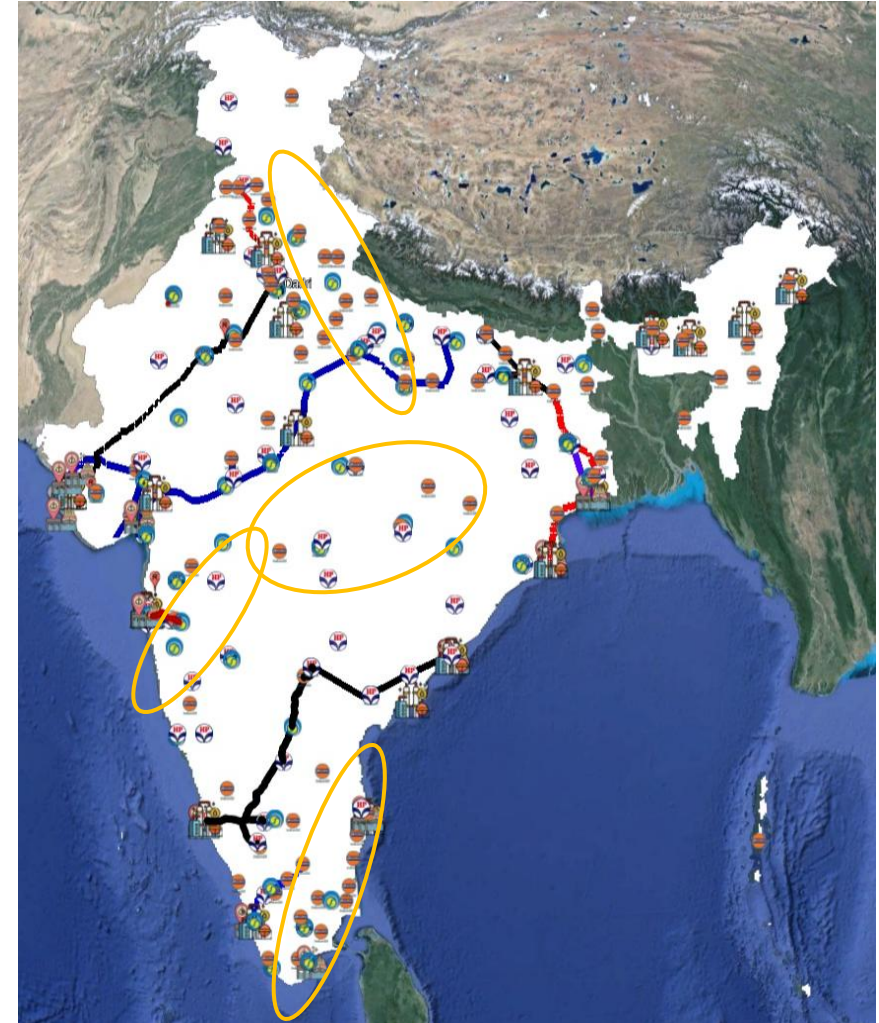
LPG Pipeline Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (2/2)

Bids received for 4 pipelines

S.NO.	Regulation
1	<i>Cherlapally – Nagpur Pipeline (CNPL)</i>
2	<i>Shikrapur – Hubli – Goa Pipeline (SHGPL)</i>
3	<i>Paradip – Raipur Pipeline (PRPL)</i>
4	<i>Jhansi – Sitarganj Pipeline (JSPL)</i>

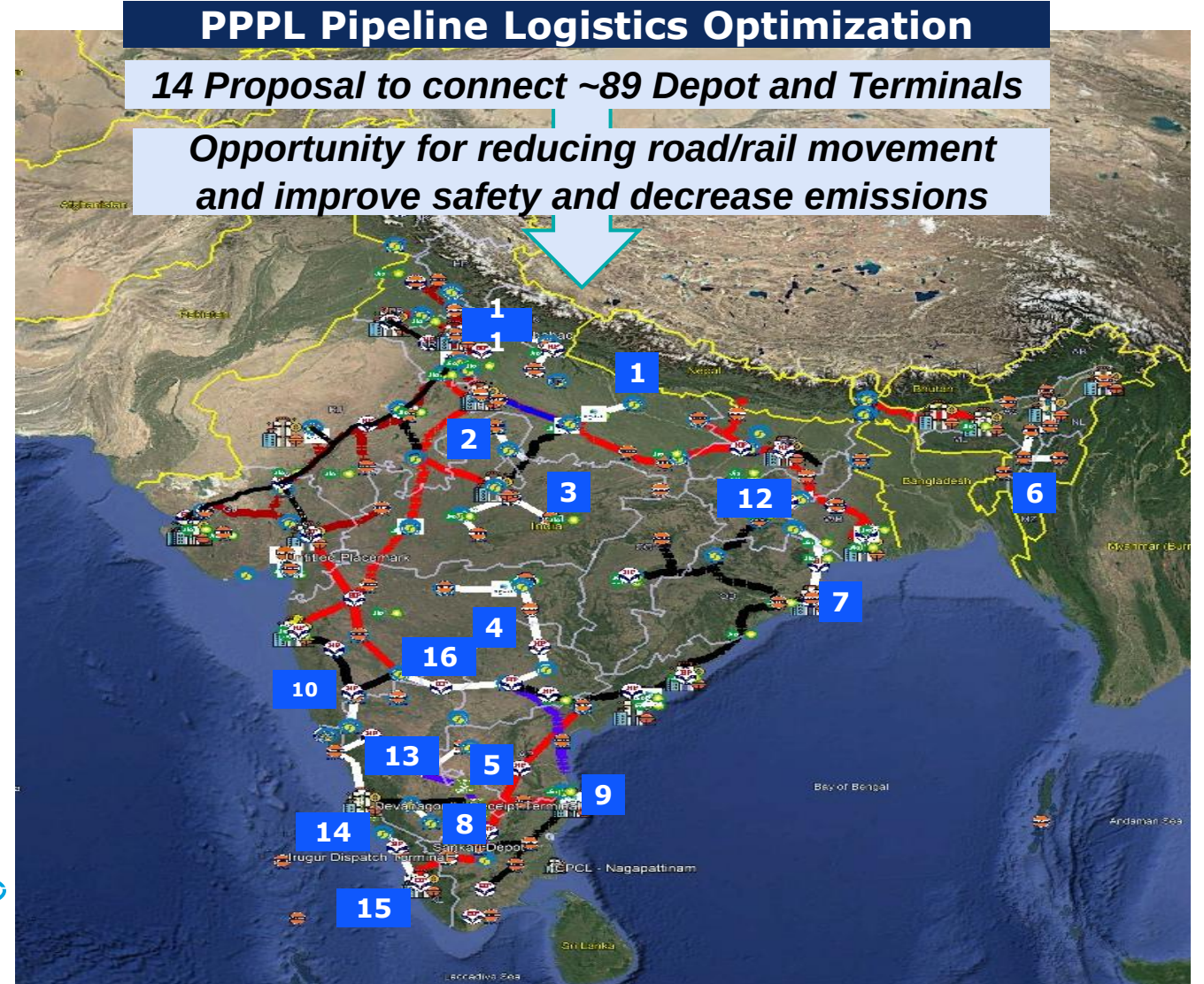
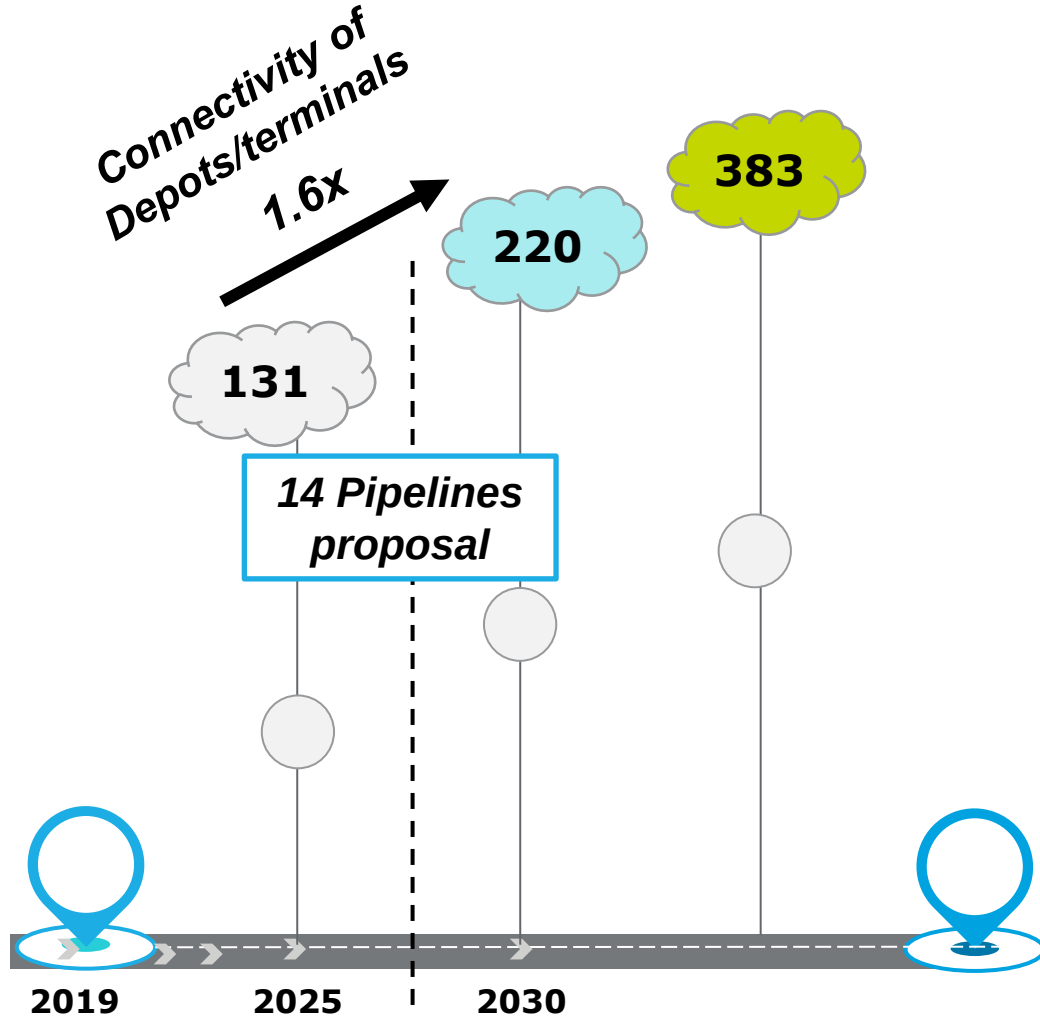


These 4 pipelines would connect ~26 bottling plants



PPPL Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (1/2)

With the proposed PPPL pipelines, the aim is to connect at least 89 additional depot and terminals



PPPL Infrastructure: Current Status and Future (2/2)

3 Pipelines under PCD

3 Pipelines under PCD

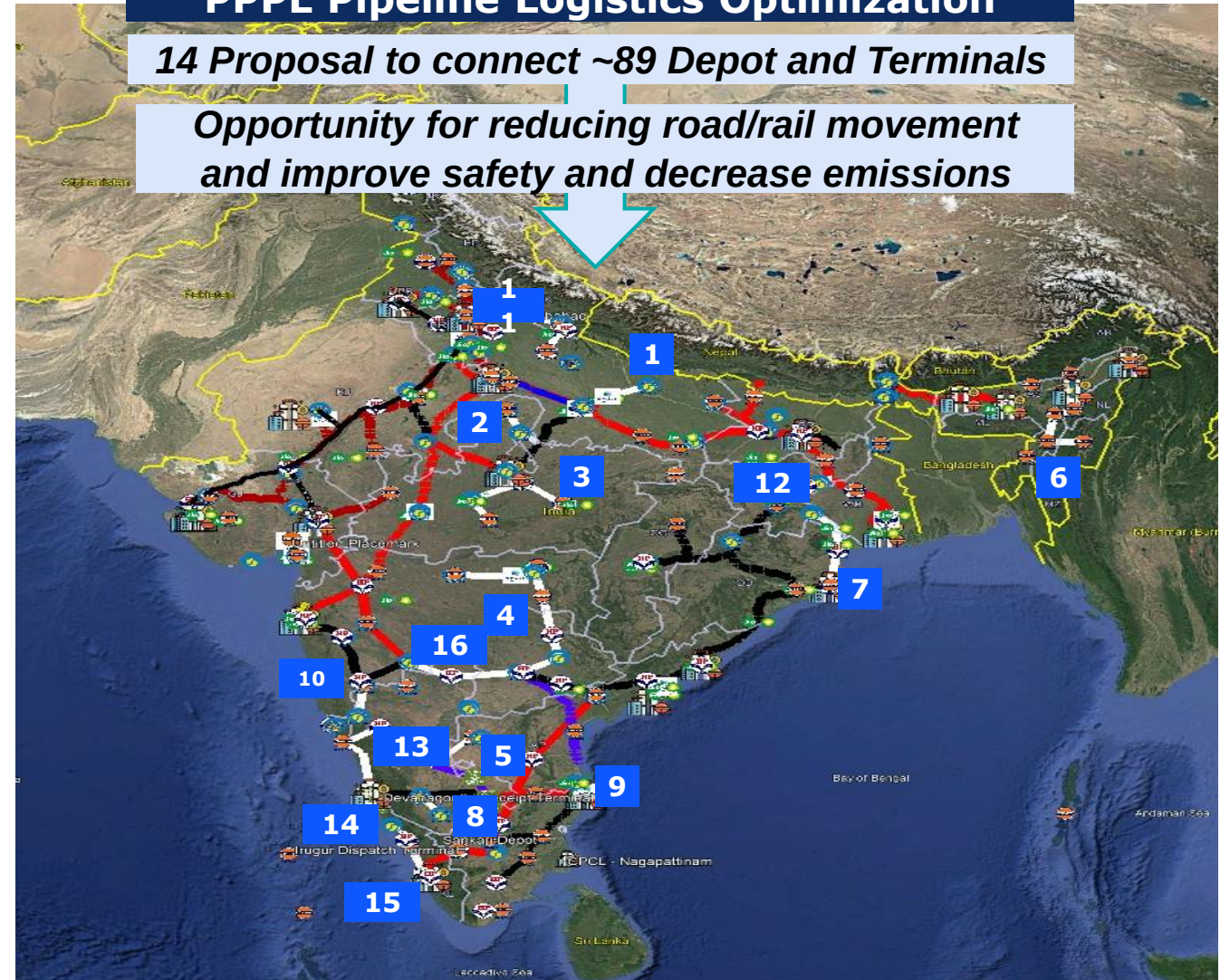
S.NO.	Regulation
1	MRPL – Hubballi - Goa
2	Hyderabad – Nagpur
3	Bina – Jabalpur – Itarsi

**These 4 pipelines would connect
~26 Terminals and Depots**

PPPL Pipeline Logistics Optimization

14 Proposal to connect ~89 Depot and Terminals

**Opportunity for reducing road/rail movement
and improve safety and decrease emissions**



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LNG

LNG Terminal storage registration

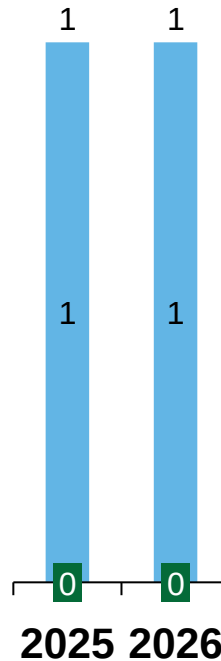


Current Status of LNG Infrastructure

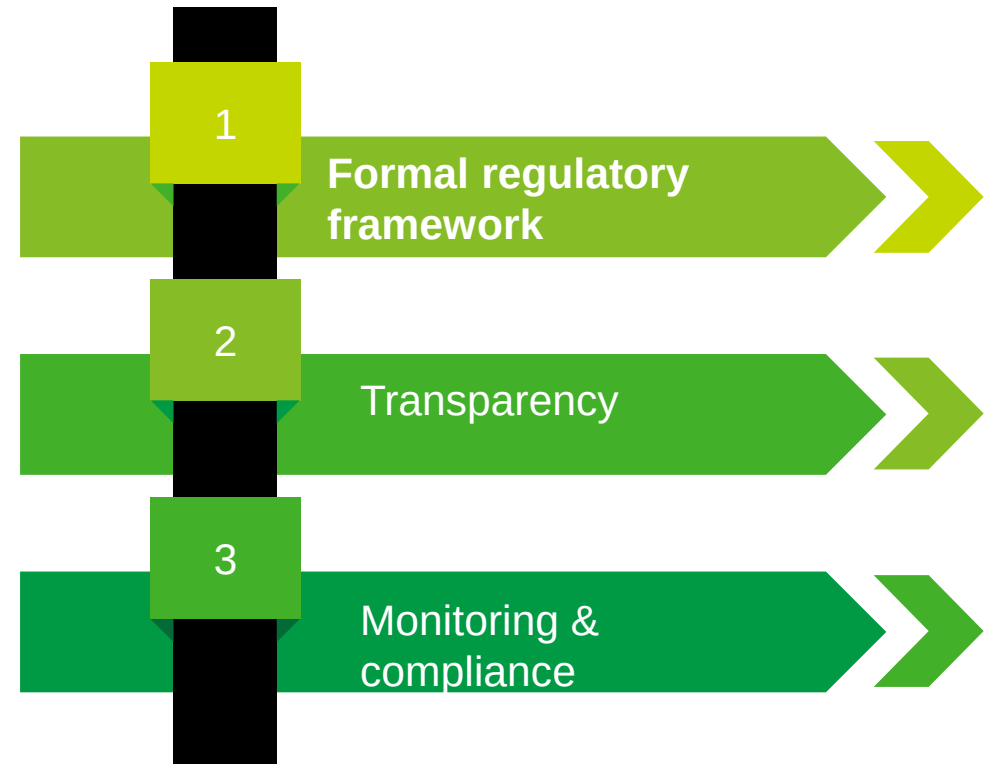
With the notification of the LNG Terminal Registration Regulations, two terminals have been issued Letters Acceptance so far

Terminal	Capacity in MMTPA	Operator	Status
Dahej	22.5	PLL	
Hazira	5.2	Shell	LOA granted
Dabhol	5	KLL	LOA granted
Kochi	5	PLL	
Ennore	5	IOCL	
Dhamra	5	Adani Total	
Mundra	5	GSPC	

Letter of Acceptance
Registration



Objective of LNG Terminal Regulation



Status

- 2 LNG terminals have been granted letter of acceptance.
- Other Terminal operators have been advised to comply with the regulations

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Challenges and Opportunities

What are the concerns and opportunities?



HLEC Recommendations: Transmission (1/2)

HLEC committee was formed in 2024 by PNGRB to provide recommendations into issues related to promoting competition and level playing field in gas transmission and distribution business

I

Mandating Legal Separation of Marketing and Transportation to Ensure Fair Competition in India's Natural Gas Sector

II

Establishing an Independent System Operator (ISO) to Ensure Neutral and Equitable Access to Gas Transportation Infrastructure

III

Revamping Bidding Criteria to Promote Transparency, Competition, and Sustainable Infrastructure Development

IV

Other Suggestions included amendment in Access Code, GTA standardization, compliance to Affiliate code etc.

HLEC Recommendations: Distribution (2/2)

HLEC committee was formed by PNGRB to provide recommendations into issues related to promoting competition and level playing field in gas transmission and distribution business



Exclusivity from Purview of common or contract carrier

- Access only for technically & financially qualified entities
- Safeguards to address cherry-picking risks post exclusivity via obligations
- Gradual increase in open access



Infrastructure Exclusivity

- Performance based exclusivity extensions
- Link extension to delivery on connections, infrastructure rollout, and common/carrier access



Monitoring and Enforcement

- Credible third-party agencies for the monitoring
- Imposing penalties, cancellation or rebid of GAs in case of serious non-compliance

Challenges & Opportunities

There have been lack of participation and industry consensus on new pipeline proposals initiated by PNGRB

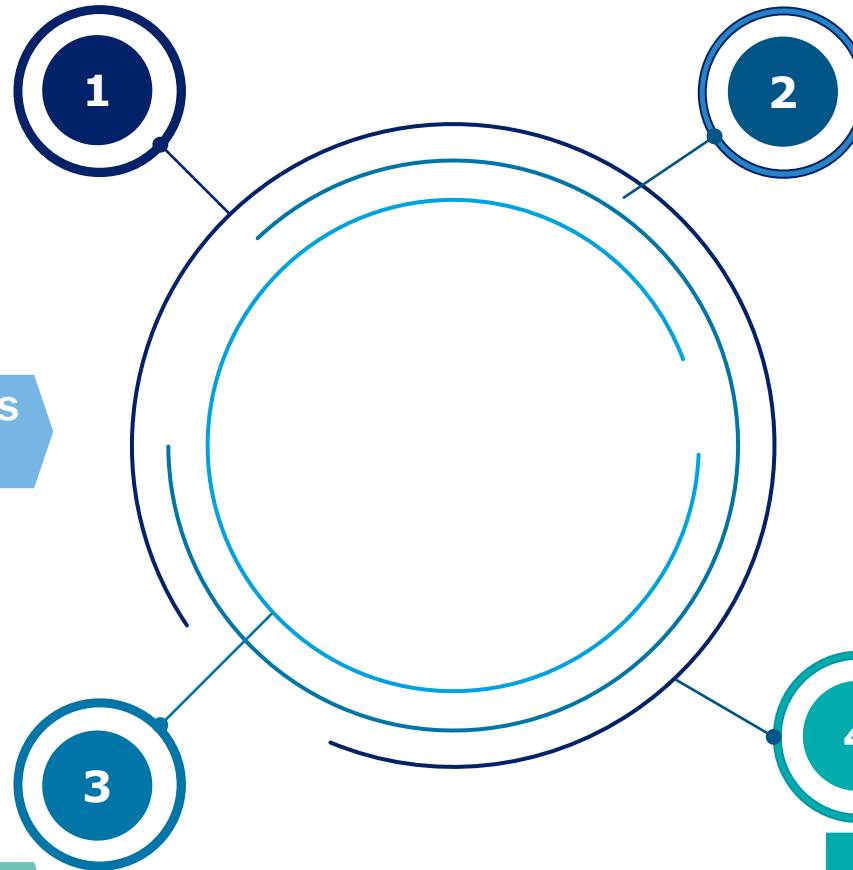
Participation in Bidding process

Reduced participation in bidding of new pipeline proposal

Consortium Led bidding of projects
Pre-Bid Query resolution

Meeting MWP Targets

Opportunity in CGD



Lack of consensus on New Pipeline proposals

Industrial interactions on Sou-moto have been observed to have reduced consensus

Opportunity in connectivity proposals/modal shift

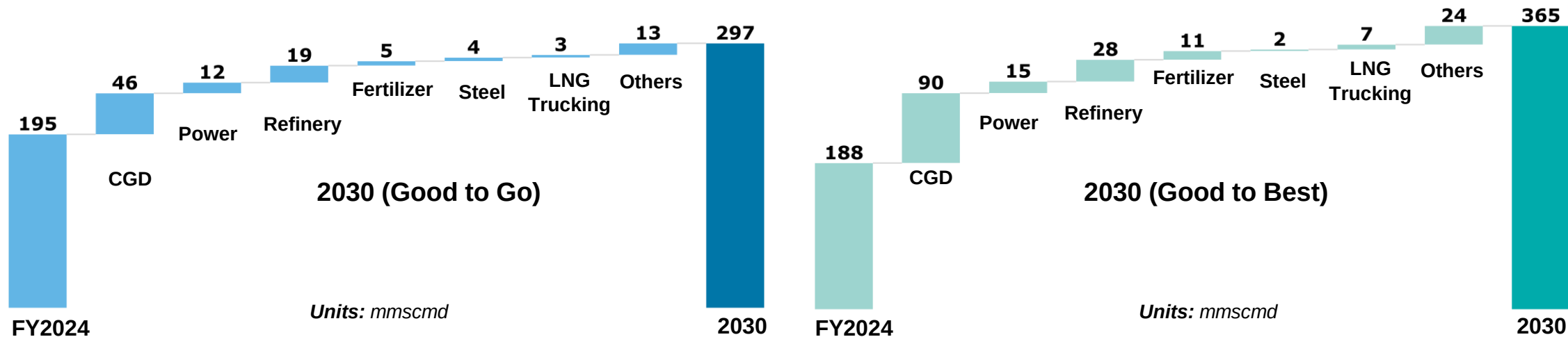
Pipeline Connectivity to Depots/Terminals/Bottling plants

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NGPL Infrastructure : Natural Gas Projections 2030 vs 2040 (2/3)

Future Natural gas projections in the Good to Go and Good to Best scenario



NG Sectoral Consumption (mmscmd)		FY2025	2030 (Good to Go)	2030 (Good to Best)
👍	CGD	41	87	127
👍	Refinery & Petrochemicals	25	44	51
👍	Fertilizers	56	65	69
	Power	24	36	40
	Steel	4	4	5
👍	LNG Applications	1	4	7
👍	Others (Misc/Mfg/LPG shr.)	44	57	66
	Total (mmscmd)	195	297	365