

## One day Workshop on “Capacity Building of Accredited Third Party Inspection Agencies” organized at PNGRB on 13.02.2015

Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board conducted one day workshop on “Capacity Building of Accredited Third Party Inspection Agencies” at PNGRB on 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2015. The workshop was attended by all the nine accredited TPIAs. While inaugurating the workshop, Shri K K Jha, Member (KKJ), PNGRB highlighted that this workshop is organised to enhance the capabilities of TPIAs for carrying out conformity assessment of City Gas Distribution networks and Natural Gas Pipelines in accordance with PNGRB T4S Regulations. He stressed upon the need for conducting conformity assessment with utmost care to ensure the maintenance of highest standards of safety at these installations. He cautioned that any slackness in quality of audit would attract serious action by Board.

The technical sessions were divided in two parts i.e. CGD networks and Natural Gas Pipelines. The TPIAs made presentations on various provisions of PNGRB T4S Regulations, its compliance requirement and process of verification. The technical sessions were highly interactive and participative. The TPIAs put forward many suggestions to further improve quality of assessment. The process of upgrading the checklists for more comprehensive assessment has also been initiated as an outcome of the workshop. The TPIAs expressed gratitude to PNGRB for organizing this very educative, interactive and learning program as well as guidance for conducting the assessments.

The valedictory session was chaired by Shri S Krishnan, Chairperson and was attended by Shri K K Jha, Member (KKJ) and Shri Upamanyu Chatterjee, Secretary.



In his valedictory address, Shri S Krishnan, Chairperson PNGRB stressed upon the competency building of the TPIAs through training, hand holding of new personnel to carry out the audits with utmost precision conforming to T4S Regulations. He advised the TPIAs to emphasize more on the physical verification process, standard operating procedures, etc. rather than focusing exclusively on documentation and records.