



पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस विनियामक बोर्ड

Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board

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PNGRB

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ORDER

Subject: Constitution of a high-level expert Committee to review the extant Safety Framework and recommend a way forward to ensure unified & comprehensive Safety and Integrity Framework for the Indian Oil and Gas sector

As per section 11(i) of the PNGRB Act, 2006 the functions of the Board include "lay down, by regulations, the technical standards and specifications including safety standards in activities relating to petroleum, petroleum products, and natural gas, including the construction and operation of pipeline and infrastructure projects related to downstream petroleum and natural gas sector".

2. PNGRB desires to effectively implement the mandate provided as per section 11(i) of the PNGRB Act, 2006 and ensure compliance to various regulations for safety and integrity of Oil and Gas Sector in the country.

3. With a view to obtain guidance from industry and experts, it has been decided to constitute a committee consisting of the following members: -

Sr. No	Name	Designation and Organisation	Position
1	Shri M B Lal	Former CMD- HPCL	Chairman
2	Shri Mukesh Rohatgi	Former CMD- EIL	Member
3	Shri K K Jha	Former Member- PNGRB & Former Director (Pipeline)- IOCL	Member
4	Shri R D Goyal	Former Director (Project)- GAIL	Member
5	Shri Hirak Dutta	Former ED - OISD	Member
6	Shri Anil Kumar Garg	Joint Advisor (Technical) -PNGRB	Convener

4. The Committee will review the present technical/safety framework in the Petroleum and Gas sector of the Country as per the following terms of reference: -

- a. To examine regulatory regime, its modalities and domain of PNGRB to ensure safety and integrity of assets in the country's downstream Oil and Gas sector as mandated under PNGRB Act, 2006.
- b. To review the technical and safety framework with respect to system and procedures for the following:
 - i) formulation/amendments of technical and safety standards,
 - ii) the effective compliance of these standards,
 - iii) investigation of incidents,
 - iv) fixation of responsibility for incidents and
 - v) effective Emergency Response and Disaster Management Plan (ERDMP), etc.

- c. To explore inclusion of regulatory provisions related to energy efficiency and environmental parameters in T4S Regulations of PNGRB. Also to explore and recommend inclusion of Petrochemical Plants in PNGRB's domain.
5. The Committee will seek views of the Oil and Gas sector experts from related fields on the above areas of Board's mandate. The Chairman, if desires, may call (for meeting) any eminent expert to take opinion on any specific topic/issue and honorarium will be admissible to the eminent expert.
6. Honorarium of Rs. 35000/- for the Chairman, Rs. 25,000/- for each member and Rs. 20,000/- for each eminent expert will be admissible for attending any meeting. For outside meetings, they will be entitled to the same entitlements as they were drawing before their superannuation in respective CPSEs.
7. The Committee will submit its final report within three months from date of this order.
8. This has been issued with the approval of the competent authority.

Vandana Sharma
(Vandana Sharma)
Secretary

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