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PRESS RELEASE

PNGRB to hold virtual Road Show in India for 11th City Gas Distribution (CGD) Bidding Round

Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) is organizing a virtual road show on 3rd December, 2021 for promoting 11th City Gas Distribution (CGD) Bidding Round.

PNGRB is the nodal agency for facilitating economic activities in natural gas distribution with an objective to promote competitive markets, create infrastructure and increase share of natural gas in country's energy mix. Earlier, PNGRB has successfully concluded 9th and 10th CGD Bidding Round for selection of authorized entities for development of CGD networks in their Geographical Areas (GAs). The concluded 9th and 10th bidding round for 136 GAs covering 298 districts in 23 states/ UT was a huge success attracting interest from investors in all offered GAs.

The virtual road show on 3rd December, 2021 is the last in the series of road shows organized by PNGRB before the deadline for bid submissions on 15th December, 2021. Prior to this, one international Investor's Meet was also held at Dubai on 20th November, 2021 which entailed great response from all the stakeholders. The virtual road show is expected to be attended by senior government officials, investors from the oil and gas sector, Sectoral experts, academia, trade associations, bankers etc.

In the 9th and 10th CGD bidding round all the GA's offered were awarded by PNGRB and similar expectations can be attributed to 11th CGD bidding round. Regarding the three states under discussion in this roadshow, namely Madhya Pradesh, Assam and Tripura, the salient facts pertaining to this round and the status post conclusion are as below:

18 GAs covering 25 districts have been authorized in Madhya Pradesh for development of CGD networks for supply of natural gas to domestic households, CNG vehicles, commercial and industrial establishments. Further, 7 GAs covering 27 districts namely Agar Malwa, Neemuch, Mandsaur, Burhanpur, Khandwa, Khargone, Harda, Tikamgarh, Niwari, Chattarpur, Panna, Betul, Chhindwara, Seoni, Balaghat, Damoh, Jabalpur, Katni, Mandla,

Umariya, Dindori, Hoshangabad, Narsinghpur, Sagar, Vidisha, Alirajpur and Barwani have been offered in the 11th CGD Bidding Round. After the authorization, 100% of Madhya Pradesh's population and 100% of its geographical area would be covered for development of CGD network.

3 GAs covering 11 districts have been authorized in Assam for development of CGD networks for supply of natural gas to domestic households, CNG vehicles, commercial and industrial establishments. Further, 4 GAs covering 18 districts namely Nagaon, Morigaon, Hojai, Karbi Anglong, West Karbi Anglong, Lakhimpur, Dhemaji, Darrang, Udalgiri, Sonitpur, Biswanath Chariali, Kokrajhar, Dhubri, Baksa, Barpeta, Bongaigaon, Chirang and Nalbari have been offered in the 11th CGD Bidding Round. After the authorization, 94% of Assam's population and 90% of its geographical area would be covered for development of CGD network.

3 GAs covering 2 districts of Tripura have been authorized for development of CGD networks for supply of natural gas to domestic households, CNG vehicles, commercial and industrial establishments. Further, 2 GAs covering 6 districts namely South Tripura, Sepahijala, Dhalai, North Tripura, Unakoti and Khowai have been offered in the 11th CGD Bidding Round. After the authorization, 100% of Tripura's population and 100% of its geographical area would be covered for development of CGD network.

This is a big initiative towards providing clean energy and will lead to employment generation to the people of Madhya Pradesh, Assam and Tripura and other States and UTs. After the completion of authorization of all the 65 GA's covering 208 districts countrywide in the 11th CGD round, 96% of India's population and 86% of India's area would have access to CGD network.