

To

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Subject: Extension of time period for completion of Kochi Coimbatore Erode Salem (KCESPL) authorized to Kochi Salem Pipeline Private Limited (KSPPL).

This is with reference to your letter dated 04.05.2026, seeking an extension of the completion schedule on the above subject matter.

2. Consortium of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) was granted Authorization under Regulation 5 of the PNGRB (Authorizing Entities to Lay, Build, Operate or Expand Petroleum and Petroleum Products Pipelines) Regulations, 2010 (PPPL Authorization Regulations), for laying, building, operating, or expanding the Kochi-Coimbatore-Erode-Salem LPG Pipeline (KCESPL) vide letter dated 26.02.2014. The said authorization was subsequently amended in favour of Kochi Salem Pipeline Private Limited (KSPPL) vide letter dated 02.08.2016. This authorization stipulated a completion period of thirty-six months from the date of authorization.

3. Board has noted that despite grant of multiple extensions, the project has not achieved full physical completion, resulting in delay of intended benefits to consumers. In the present times of LPG crisis, the delay in this pipeline has deprived the nation of efficient supply of LPG to bottling plants/consumers. KSPPL has failed to meet assurances given repeatedly to the PNGBB on completion timelines. The Board has viewed this seriously.

4. In view of your submissions, the Board has thoroughly considered your request and taking into account the public interest and overall development of the sector, has accorded the approval for extension of completion schedule for laying, building, operating, or expanding of KCESL Project upto 31.12.2026 (Sixth Extension).

5. No further extension shall be considered beyond 31.12.2026 failing which appropriate action may be initiated in accordance with the relevant regulations.

6. All other terms and conditions of the authorization shall remain the same.

7. The receipt of this letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,



(Anjan Kumar Mishra)
Secretary