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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a copy of Press Release regarding **"Hon'ble CM, Kerala takes stock of Natural Gas Pipeline work; GAIL CMD apprises him about satisfactory progress on 91 km section and Contract for another 105 km section awarded today".**

The above is for your information and record please.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Press Release

Hon'ble CM, Kerala takes stock of Natural Gas Pipeline work

GAIL CMD apprises him about satisfactory progress on 91 km section

Contract for another 105 km section awarded today

Thiruvananthapuram, February 14, 2017: Shri B C Tripathi, CMD, GAIL (India) Limited met Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala Shri Pinarayi Vijayan to apprise him about the progress of work on the 440 km Kochi – Koottanad – Mangaluru Natural Gas pipeline project. GAIL Chairman also met Additional Chief Secretary and Director General of Police in separate meetings. He discussed the progress made in the project with the continuous support of the State Government, Administration, Police and the public at large and thanked them for their active engagement which has started yielding result at the ground level.

CMD , GAIL also intimated about the satisfactory laying activities on the 91 km Kochi – Koottanad section and *Panchanama* activities across the state wherein a substantial headway has been made during the last six to seven months which was possible due to the active support of the State Government.

Carrying forward the momentum, GAIL today awarded contract for pipeline laying work for another 105 km section from Perole-Kodalamuguru- Mangaluru section. As a result project will progress simultaneously from both the ends, i.e., Kochi and the Mangaluru side, so that the completion of the project is expeditiously completed.

Shri Tripathi informed that work on the 91 km Kochi – Koottanad section, which was awarded in September 2016, has been received positively by all stakeholders. He said that the pipeline would serve as a "Green Energy Corridor" for decades to come and enable City Gas Distribution companies and Gas based industries to come up in the state. As a result, environment friendly Piped Natural Gas (PNG) and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) would be supplied to households and vehicles.

GAIL is targeting to complete the Kochi – Koottanad – Mangaluru Pipeline by December 2018 as per directives of the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India. It is likely to give a major economic boost to the state by way of generating employment and various socio economic benefits.