JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

The Subject Pipeline is a part of Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga Natural Gas pipeline project for providing clean and efficient gas to Domestic, Commercial and Industrial Establishment in and around Bokaro district.

GAIL (India) Ltd. has been authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulation Board to setup Tie-in Connectivity of ONGC Bokaro CBM Block into JHBDPL (mainline) network in State of Jharkhand for laying 12" dia. Natural gas pipeline along with OFC. The Pipeline route has been fixed considering technical and economic feasibility of the project by GAIL (India) Ltd. Since the proposed pipeline will be crossing forest in Bokaro District of Jharkhand along the route and as this is the most feasible route to connect the start and termination points of the proposed route, crossing of the forest area is unavoidable. This will be provide clean fuel to this establishment and will significantly reduce pollution in Bokaro district

The route selection for connecting source and demand location has been done before considering following points:

- Optimum distance between source of supply and consumer location (demand points)
- Avoidance of Wildlife Sanctuaries, Reserved Forest, Mining area and Defence establishment to the best possible.
- Safety of people and Environment.
- Easy access to route during construction and operation.

In view of above, the proposed pipeline route is the most optimized route from social, environmental and economic point of view as the successful commissioning of said pipeline will lead connectivity between source and consumer location. It will also benefit industrial and commercial units by ensuring the uninterrupted supply of natural gas.

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