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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a copy of Press Release regarding “GAIL awards major contracts for Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga”

The above is for your information and record please.

Thanking you,  
Yours faithfully,

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# GAIL (India) Limited

## Press Release

**New Delhi, 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2017:** GAIL (India) Limited has placed line pipe orders for approx. 400 Km for pipeline connectivity from Dobhi (in Bihar) to Durgapur (in West Bengal). With these awards, major contracts of the Jagdishpur-Haldia & Bokaro-Dhamra Natural Gas Pipeline (JHBDPL) project, i.e. pipe supply orders for 2100 Km and pipeline laying orders for 1700 Km have been finalized.

The prestigious 2655 Km long JHBDPL project, also known as the 'Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga' project was inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in July'2015. The project is progressing in full swing. GAIL till date has committed over Rs 6500 crores for the project which will pass through the state of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Odisha.

The project will usher Industrial development in East India by supplying environmentally clean Natural Gas to Fertilizer & Power plant, Refineries, Steel plants and other Industries. Further, the arrival of the *Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga* will provide direct and indirect employment to thousands of people.

The project will also provide clean energy to households and transportation in the cities en-route the pipeline. The City gas Network laying activity in Varanasi & Bhubaneswar has already commenced and activities in other cities namely Patna, Ranchi, Jamshedpur, Cuttack & Kolkata will start by next month. The pilot project in Bhubaneswar for providing PNG & CNG has already been inaugurated in Oct 2017 & Dec 2017 respectively , by Hon'ble Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Shri B. C. Tripathi, CMD, GAIL (India) Ltd. said that "GAIL is committed to complete the prestigious *Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga* project well within scheduled time and cost. Construction works for another prestigious pipeline project, which is also part of National Gas Grid, Kochi Kottanad Mangalore project in Kerala and Karnataka state has also gained momentum. I have reviewed the project activities in Kochi last week and I am confident that the pipeline will be completed well before the scheduled completion of Feb 2019."

CMD, GAIL (India) Ltd , further added that " Major contracts for both the projects have been awarded which will contribute to the Make in India initiative of Government of India and provide huge employment opportunities in the pipeline project and City Gas Distribution networks. GAIL will be spending its committed project Capex for the current Financial year which will enhanced by more than 50% to around Rs 6000 crores in the next fiscal year largely for the 4000 kms of pipe line and City Gas projects it is presently executing."