F. No. L-16022/9/2025-GP-I-Part (1) (E:57024)
Government of India
Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

Kartavya Bhawan-03, New Delhi
Dated:19th October, 2026

Subject: Clarification regarding Online Gas Chromatograph (GC) requirement under the CBG Pricing Framework of the GOBARdhan Scheme - reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Operational Guidelines of the Central Sector Scheme "GOBARdhan" issued vide Ministry's letter F. No. L-16022/9/2025-GP-I-Part (1) (E:57024) dated 15.09.2026 and the provisions relating to eligibility under the Administered CBG Price (ACP) framework under Component -II of the scheme.

2. Representations have been received from stakeholders regarding practical difficulties in the immediate procurement and commissioning of Online Gas Chromatographs (GCs)/Mass Spectrometers owing to extended supply timelines.

3. The matter have been examined and the competent authority has approved that, as a one-time and time-bound transitional arrangement, operational CBG plants which are otherwise eligible under the ACP framework and possess a functional Online Gas Analyser (GA) shall be eligible for consideration under the ACP mechanism upto 31.03.2027, subject to compliance with all other applicable provisions of the Pricing Framework and the conditions stipulated in the Operational Guidelines.

4. It is further clarified that with effect from 01.04.2027, installation and commissioning of the prescribed Online Gas Chromatograph (GC) or Mass Spectrometer shall be mandatory for continued eligibility under the ACP framework.

5. The Centre for High Technology (CHT), GAIL (India) Limited, Petroleum Planning & Analysis Cell (PPAC), Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs), and all other entities concerned with implementation, verification, monitoring and processing of applications under the ACP mechanism are requested to take necessary action in accordance with this clarification. Applications received during the aforementioned period may be processed accordingly.

6. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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To:

1. Executive Director, Centre for High Technology (CHT).
2. Chairman & Managing Director, GAIL (India) Limited.

3. Director General, Petroleum Planning & Analysis Cell (PPAC).
4. Chairperson/ Managing Directors of Oil Marketing Companies and authorized City Gas Distribution entities.

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