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कार्यक्रम 15022(13)/234/2019-पी-एनजी-डीIV (पी-32114).—भारत सरकार प्राकृतिक गैस का खुला संचालन बढ़ाने, गैस आधारित अर्थव्यवस्था की दिशा में आगे बढ़ने, गैस का बाजार मूल्य निर्धारित करने की प्रक्रिया में अवैध करनेवाले कारोबारी उद्देश्यों के प्रति प्रत्यक्ष उपेक्षा करने के लिए निम्नलिखित प्राकृतिक गैस विपणन सुधारों को एकत्र किया गया है:

1. संविधानांस्वरूप प्रक्रिया के अनुसार इ-वोली के माध्यम से प्राकृतिक गैस के प्रति वातावरण से प्रभावित नहीं होने के लिए विद्युत या पारदी से प्रदान किये जा रहे संचालन तथा अन्य वित्तीय इकाइयों के माध्यम से प्रदान किए जा रहे संचालन को प्रतिपादित किया जा रहा है।

i) संविधानांस्वरूप प्रक्रिया के अनुसार विद्युत या पारदी से प्रदान किये जा रहे संचालन तथा अन्य वित्तीय इकाइयों के माध्यम से प्रदान किए जा रहे संचालन को प्रतिपादित किया जा रहा है।

ii) इन्हें वित्तीय नियंत्रण महानिदेशालय (डीजीएच) द्वारा रखा गया पैनल द्वारा चयनित वित्तीय इकाइयों के माध्यम से आयोजित की जाएगी। डीजीएच एक व्यवस्था और प्रारंभिक प्रक्रिया का पालन करने वाले पैनल के लिए एंजेलिस्यों का चयन करेगा।
2. The Contractor may sell the natural gas through e-bidding as per provisions of Contracts which require market price discovery through transparent means. The Contractor will adopt the following procedure for discovery of market price of domestically produced natural gas through e-bidding:

MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 15th October, 2020

Subject: Natural Gas Marketing Reforms

Expl-15022(13)/234/2019-ONG-DV (P-32114).—With the objective of increasing domestic production of natural gas, to move towards gas based economy, bring uniformity in the process of discovery of market prices of gas, and to promote Ease of Doing Business, the Government of India hereby notifies following Natural Gas Marketing Reforms:

1. The Contractor may sell the natural gas through e-bidding as per provisions of Contracts which require market price discovery through transparent means. The Contractor will adopt the following procedure for discovery of market price of domestically produced natural gas through e-bidding:
i) The Contractor shall get the bids invited through an electronic bidding portal to discover market price by following a transparent and competitive bidding process notified by Government.

ii) The bidding will be conducted through an independent agency selected from a panel maintained by Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH). The DGH will shortlist the agencies for the panel by following an open and transparent procedure.

2. The definition of ‘Arms Length Sale’ in all Contracts shall be replaced as follows:

“Arm’s Length Sales” shall mean, for the purpose of this Contract, the sales of Petroleum carried out between buyer and seller parties, not being the same legal entity, following a transparent and competitive bidding process according to procedures as prescribed by Government. The sale to the Contractor or it’s constituents will not be considered as Arms Length Sale”.

As a result, all contracts stand amended to that extent.

3. Sale to Affiliates will be allowed if Affiliates participate in the open competitive process prescribed in para 1. However, the Contractor or it’s constituents shall not be eligible to participate in the bidding process. Therefore, seller and buyer will not be the same entity. Further, the bidding process will not be valid if only affiliate(s) of the Contractor or its constituents are the participant(s) in the bidding process, and there are no bidders other than the affiliate(s) of the Contractor or its constituents. In such a situation, rebidding will have to be done. With this change, the para 1 of Notification dated 11th April, 2017 on Early Monetization of CBM, regarding process of sale, will stand amended.

4. Marketing freedom is granted for natural gas produced from Field Development Plans (FDPs) which were approved before 28th February 2019 pertaining to Production Sharing Contracts (PSCs), where Contractor has pricing freedom but market freedom is restricted. The market price of such gas shall be discovered through the process as proposed in para 1.

5. This policy will not apply to those contracts/PSCs where Contractor is required to get the formula or basis of sale approved from the Government or the Contractor is required to sell the gas as per the specific conditions of the contract.

6. In case of any further clarification or interpretation of the above amendment is required, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas is authorized to do with the approval of the Minister.

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