



GAIL Awareness Program for Borewell Operators & Associated Parties

FIELD	DETAILS
Event Name	Awareness Session : Natural Gas Pipeline Safety & ROU Protection
Event Date	16/02/2026
Duration of the Event	3.5 hours
Event Venue	Hotel Gazala, Palakkad
Conducted / Organised by	GAIL (India) Ltd. and DDMA, Palakkad
Details of the Event	<p>GAIL (India) Limited conducted a Natural Gas Pipeline Safety & ROU Protection Awareness Program Borewell Operators & Associated Parties. The program aimed to enhance awareness of GAIL's natural gas pipeline in the district, covering 95 km and passing through forty one villages across three taluks, with five Sectionalizing Valve (SV) stations at Pallur, Vaniyamkulam, Lakkidi Perur, Mundur and Malampuzha & two Intermediate Pigging (IP) Stations located at Kootanad & Walayar to ensure real-time pressure monitoring and emergency isolation.</p> <p>The sessions covered GAIL's operations, the Petroleum & Mineral Pipelines Act, 1962, safety restrictions within the Right of User (RoU), design and operational safeguards, and the Emergency Response & Disaster Management Plan (ERDMP). Emphasis was placed on routine monitoring, cathodic protection, SCADA surveillance, and aerial patrolling, along with community awareness of early warning signs such as gas odor, hissing sounds, or vegetation damage.</p> <p>Emergency preparedness and communication procedures were discussed in detail, including mock drills, coordination with district authorities, and the availability of 24x7 control rooms and toll-free emergency numbers.</p>
Total Number of Participants	59
Number of Females	03
Number of Males	56



Number of Others (Non-binary / Transgender)	00
Number of Children (below 18 years)	00
Role Played by the Officer(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Lekha Chacko (District Hazard Analyst) – Coordination. P Sassendranathan, DGM ; Devananthan , Senior Manager; Vinu Priya, Senior Officer GAIL Officials – Technical experts
Output from the Event	The program strengthened inter-departmental coordination, improved awareness of legal and safety aspects, and enhanced the district's preparedness to respond effectively to any pipeline-related emergency.
Sendai Framework Priority Addressed	SF1, SF2, SF3, SF4
PM's 10-Point Agenda – Point Number(s)	PM1, PM3, PM5, PM7, PM8, PM9
SDG Goal(s) Aligned	SDG7, SDG9, SDG11, SDG13, SDG17
Photo/Video/Media Links	

