GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAND RECORDS AND SURVEYS AND JOINT LAND REFORMS COMMISSIONER, WEST BENGAL 35, GOPAL NAGAR ROAD, ALIPORE, KOLKATA 700027

Memo. No. 38(3)/192-155/C/22

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GAIL Pipeline Project

Dated, Alipore, the 31st January, 2023.

To Additional District Magistrate (LA) Howrah / Paschim Bardhaman and District Land & Land Reforms Officer (All)

Sub: Guidelines in the matter of mutation & conversion applications in the lands, earmarked for

Ref: Memo. No. : 1) 1237/L.A.(G) dated 08/02/2022 issued by ADM(LA), Howrah 2) 1192/LA/GAIL/2022 dated 20/12/2022 issued by ADM(LA), Paschim Bardhaman

Apropos subject & reference, there is no question of mutation of the acquired lands in favour of Requiring Body (GAIL) as only the right of use of lands is acquired under the P&MP Act, 1962. However, mutation on transfer from private individuals to others has to be disposed of on application normally, since in case of forthcoming GAIL Pipeline Project, the pipelines will be designed to be operated as per alignments through underground mechanism and naturally would not hamper the agricultural or allied to agricultural activities on the surface area.

In case of disposal of conversion applications, the provision of Section 9 of P&MP Act, 1962 have to be considered. In this regard, no conversion shall be entertained in case of the following matters :

i) construction of any building or, any other structure;

ii) construction or, excavation of any tank, well, reservoir or, dam;

iii) tree plantation (not herbs or shrubs)

Compliance of the above will take immediate effect.

Director of Land Records & Surveys and Joint Land Reforms Commissioner, West Bengal.