## Oil & Gas Pipelines Safety - Gujarat

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# Issues and Challenges



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#### Presentation Structure



Overview – Gujarat Context

Institutional Framework

Challenges

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## Oil & Gas Pipeline Network - Gujarat

- Gujarat currently has the most developed pipeline network in the country.
- Total length: 21,091 Km
  - Gas: 13,232 Km
  - Oil: 7,869 Km
- Pipeline Operators:
  - Adani,
    Gail (India),
    Cairn,
    Charotar Gas,
    GSPC,

- Gujarat Gas,
- · HPCL,
- IOCL,
- ONGC,

- GSPL,
- · Reliance,
- Sabarmati
  - Gas,
- Bharat -

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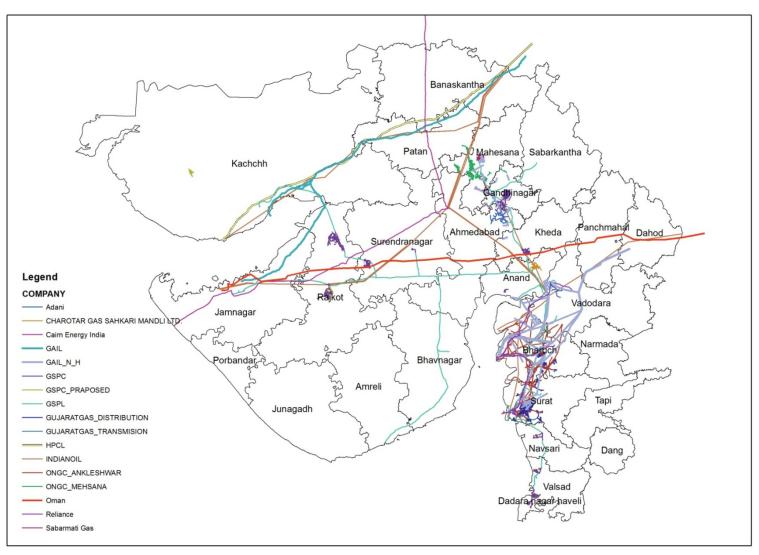
# Vulnerable Villages



Sr. No.	Nos. of Pipelines Passing through Villages	Nos. of Villages Affected
1	6	1
2	5	15
3	4	59
4	3	176
5	2	544
6	1	1723
	Total	2,518

### Pipeline Mapping





GSDMA has developed a comprehensive GIS application to map the pipeline network across the entire state

#### Institutional Framework



- The Petroleum and Minerals Pipelines (Acquisition of Right of Users Inland) Act, 1962
  - Central Government (MoPNG) through notification in official gazette defines the Right of User, OR
  - Any Competent Authority authorized by Central Government
- Petroleum Rule 2002
  - <u>Technical approval</u> (design, safety features, patrolling, additions and alterations, repairs and maintenance, etc.) for lying down the pipelines is the responsibility of <u>PESO</u>.
- Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board Act 2006-Section 11
- Safety in Offshore Operations Rules, 2008 6/25/14

#### Challenges



- Can the existing slew of pipelines be rationalized or are the powers of the PNRGB u/s 11 of the Act applicable to prospective pipelines?
- Where common carriers are not possible, can realignment of existing pipelines be mandated to reduce hazard and vulnerability?
- For new pipelines, common carriers or contract carriers can it be made mandatory to get prior clearance of GSDMA considering the Hazard Risk and Vulnerability Analysis(HRVA)
- Coordination mechanisms between various pipeline operators while laying pipelines
- Distance between pipelines-pipelines and critical infrastructure

#### Challenges

- Technical safety standards for lying pipelines under river bed, natural and man-made disaster vulnerable areas, etc.
- Soil erosion protection near river banks
- Role of SDMAs and other State Government authorities
- Role of District Administration
- Community awareness-the role of CSR

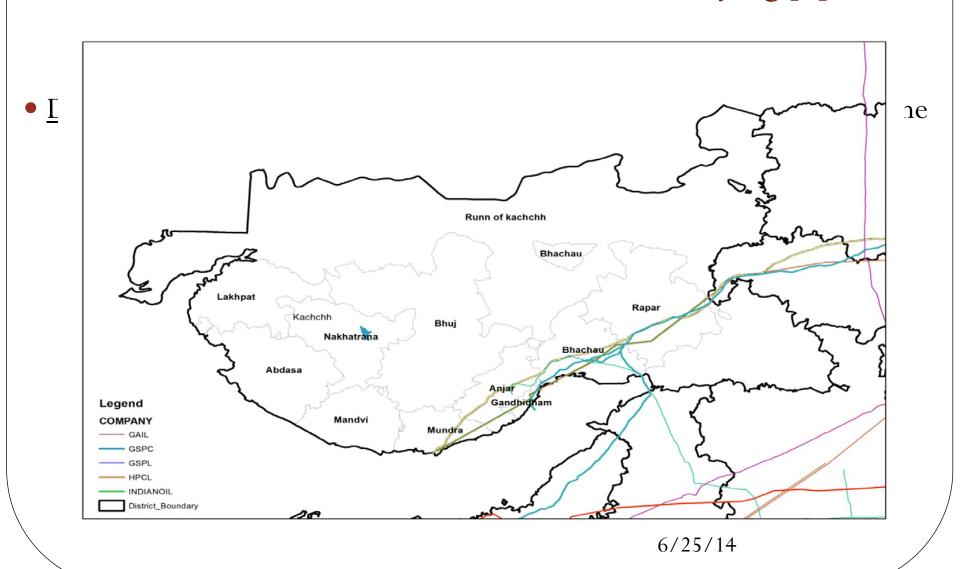


# Suggestions

## Suggestion - 1



• HRVA of the area must be considered before lying pipelines

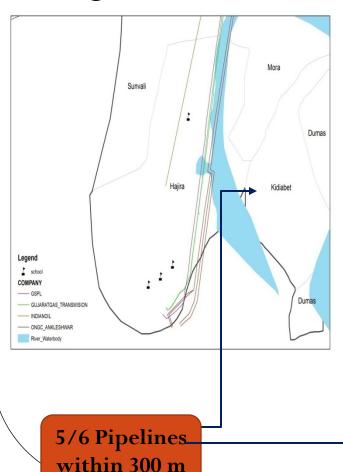


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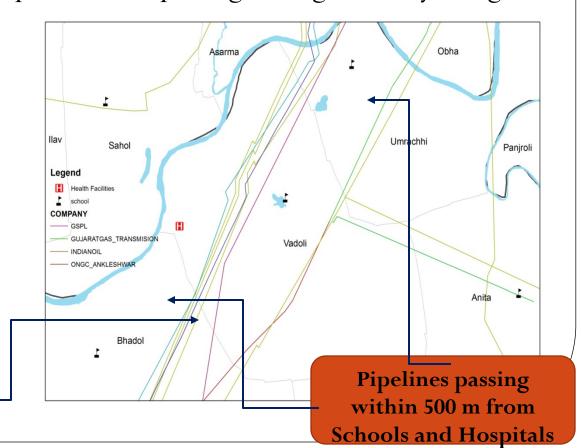


• Minimum distance <u>between pipelines</u> and <u>from critical</u> <u>infrastructures</u> (school, hospitals, etc.) must be recognized

#### Village- Hazira



**Village: Vadoli** – 9 pipelines of 6 different operators are passing through/nearby village



- is of the opinion that the standards for the prevention of disaster or
- Prior noting at the PalM down yet such gives rule of such standards"

  pointed in the point of the such action as may be necessary to secure compliance of such standards"
  - DM Act 2003 Section 29

Each factory, private and public sector entity shall assist state government to take all necessary steps for disaster management"

- DM Act 2005 Section XXIII
  - "Examine the construction in any area in the district and, if it 6/25/14 is of the opinion that the standards for the prevention of disaster or

- The initial notification of an incident/accident to SDMA and DEOC must be done by the occupier/ owner of the pipeline or by contractor. This should be mandatory.
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#### Suggestion - 5

• Checking the qualitative output of TPAs. Some of the Reports show that TPAs do not want to "upset" the Operators for obvious reasons

## Thank You...



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