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Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas

Room No. 201-A,

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New Delhi - 110001

**Sub: Issues being faced by contractors and Suppliers due to COVID 19  
Pandemic in your esteemed Ministry.**

Respected Sir,

**Builders Association of India (BAI)**, established in 1941, is the Apex Body of Indian Construction Industry having about 20,000 construction companies as its members with 200 Centres (Chapters) spread throughout the country. BAI acts as bridge between the Government and construction industry on the policy of the Government and contributes to economic development of the country. Quite a large number of our BAI members are associated with your esteemed Ministry.

Corona outbreak and the various restrictions imposed by the Government due the Pandemic have adversely affected the Petroleum industry contractors. It has caused severe hardships, cash crunch and financial loss to them. The Government has acknowledged this, and announced several measures to give partial relief to the contractors. One of the measures announced by the Government through Atmanirbhar Bharat is to release part of the Performance Bank Guarantee to the extent of completed work against contracts in progress.

In this context, we would like to bring to your notice that Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India has already issued an order, vide No. COVID-19/RoadMap/JS(H)/2020 dated 03.06.2020, for releasing the Performance Guarantee to the extent of completed works in similar situations. A copy of the order is forwarded for ready reference.

We kindly request the Ministry of Petroleum to consider a similar relief to the contractors of the Petroleum companies similar to that of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highway.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

**Mu. Moahan**  
President

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**Encl. As above**

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