25th NATIONAL AWARD EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

INDIAN FARMERS FERTILISER COOPERATIVE LIMITED (IFFCO), AONLA-I UNIT

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IFFCO IN BRIEF





IFFCO VENTURES



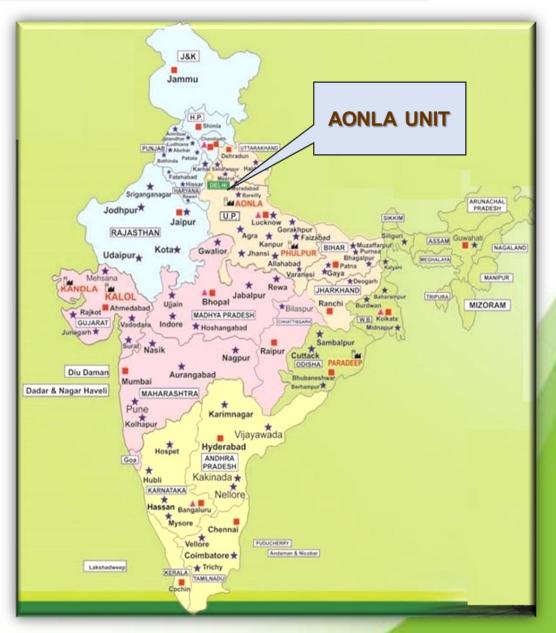


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IFFCO AONLA UNIT

IFFCO Aonla Unit, located in northern part of India, operates Two streams of Ammonia (capacity 1740 MTPD each) and Four streams of Urea (capacity 1515 MTPD each) and is based on Natural Gas as Raw Material.





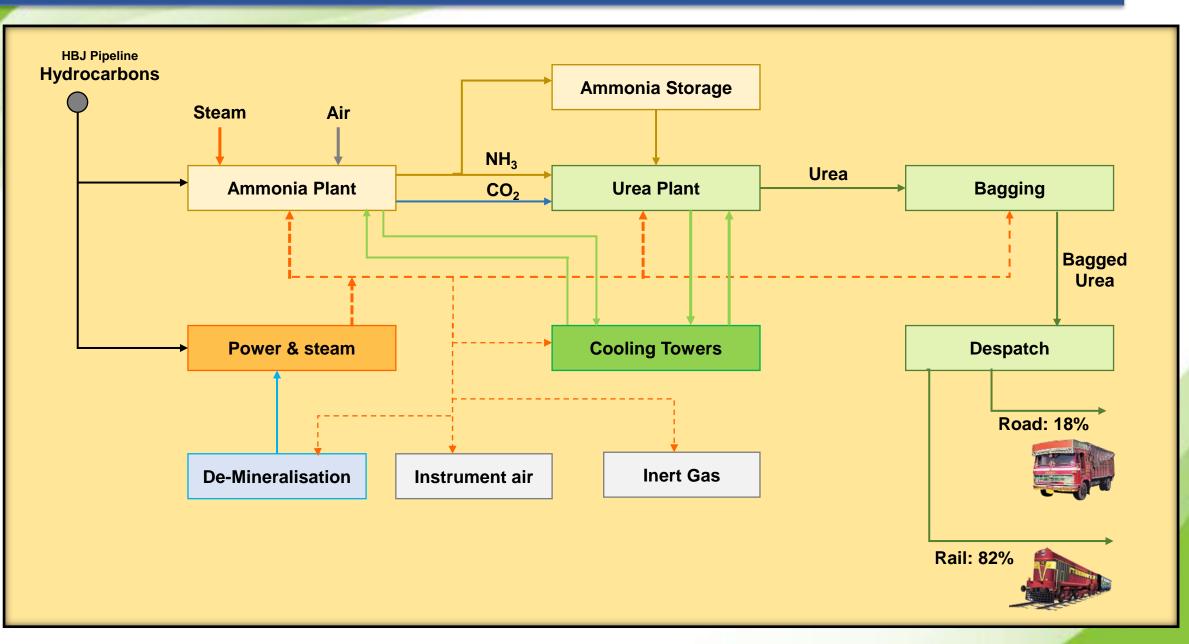
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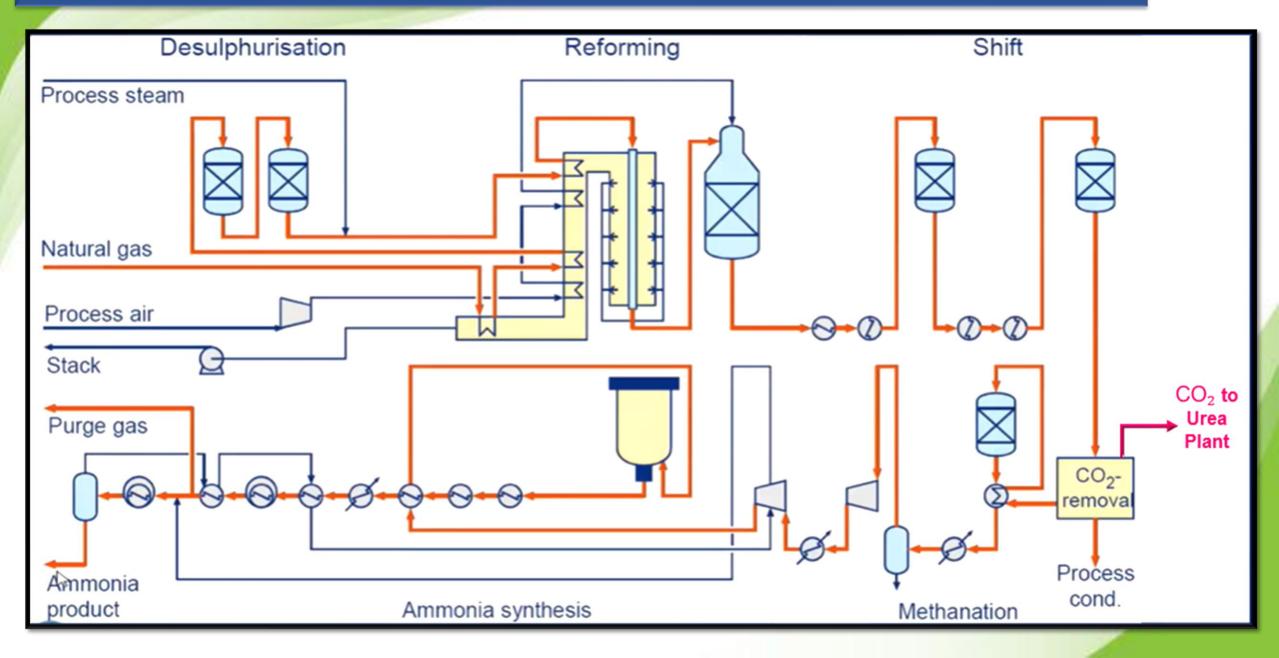
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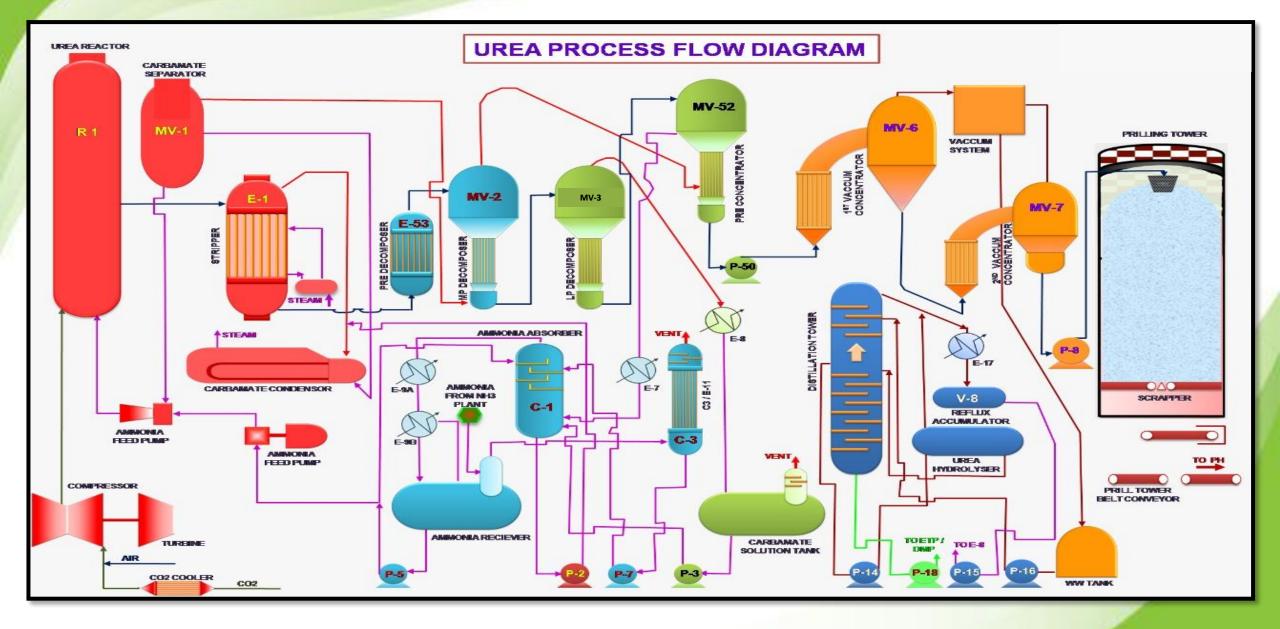
AMMONIA PLANT PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM





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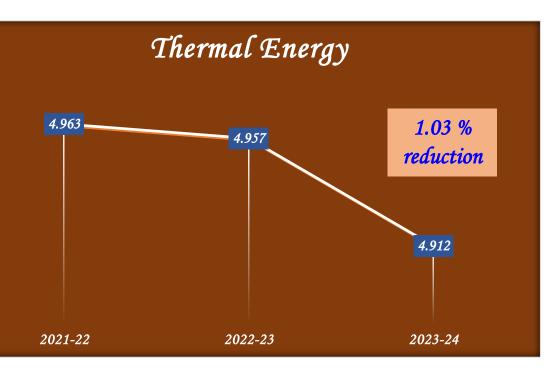


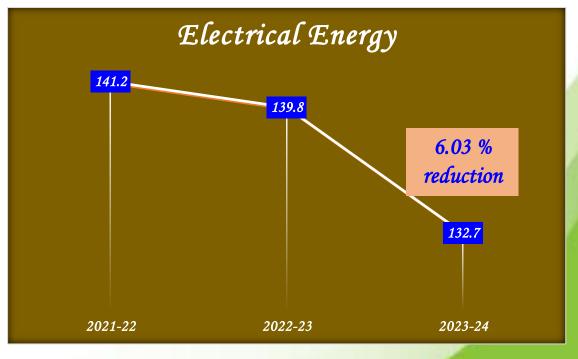


SPECIFIC ENERGY CONSUMPTION



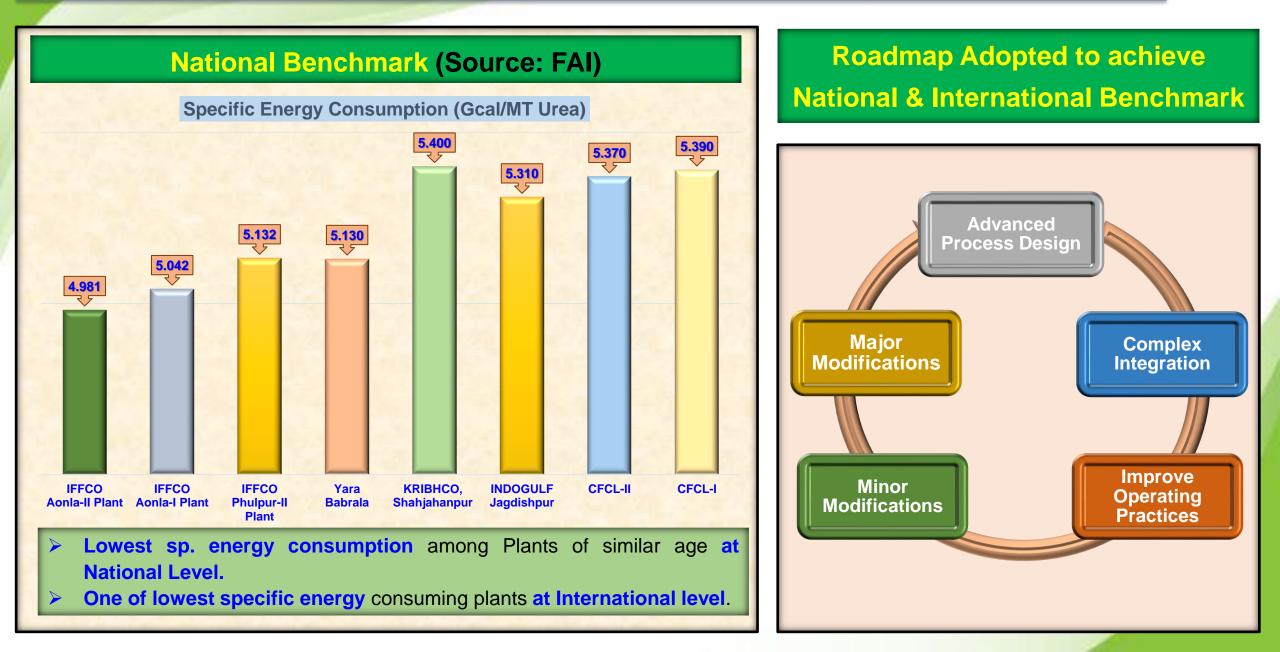
Particulars	Urea	Overall Energy	Thermal Energy		Electrical Energy	
	Production (Lakh MT)	Consumption (Gcal/MT Urea)	Gcal/MT Urea	% Reduction	Kwh/MT Urea	% Reduction
FY 2021-22	12.07	5.085	4.963	-	141.2	-
FY 2022-23	11.52	5.102	4.957	0.12 %	139.8	1.03 %
FY 2023-24	12.26	5.042	4.912	1.03 %	132.7	6.03 %





BENCHMARK & ROADMAP FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY





MAJOR ENCON PROJECT PLANNED IN FY 2024-25



Energy Saving Schemes	Annual Energy Saving
Provision of Power Plant VAM chilled water for AC system of Ammonia-I Plant Control Room	2316 Gcal
Provision of PAC VAM chilled water for AC system of Ammonia-I Plant Compressor House	478 Gcal
Provision of Power Plant VAM chilled water for AC system of Power Plant Control Room	826 Gcal
Installation of VFD for DM Water Pump in Raw Water Pump House Area	108 Gcal
Installation of VFD for Service Water Pump in Raw Water Pump House Area	49 Gcal
Installation of VFD for Cooling Tower Make-up Pump in Raw Water Pump House Area	189 Gcal
Installation of VFD for Drinking Water Pump in Raw Water Pump House Area	55 Gcal
Energy Efficiency Lighting fixtures	48 MWH

ENCON PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN LAST 3 YEARS



Year	Energy Saving Projects	No of ENCON Projects	Investment (Rs. Million)	Electrical Savings (MWH)	Thermal Savings (Million Kcal)	Savings (Rs. Million)	Payback Period (in years)
FY 2021-22	Thermal Saving	1	1.7	-	889	4.1	5 months
	Electrical Saving	11	4.2	299	-	2.3	1.8
FY 2022-23	Thermal Saving	15	226.3	-	114325	861.1	4 months
	Electrical Saving	5	1.5	121	-	1.0	1.6
FY 2023-24	Thermal Saving	4	10.1	-	26000	146.4	1 month
	Electrical Saving	3	1.1	54	-	0.79	1.4

MAJOR ENCON PROJECTS (FY 2023-24)



Schemes	Annual Thermal Energy Saving (Gcal)	Annual Electrical Energy Saving (MWH)	Annual Monetary Saving (Rs. Milions)	Investment (Rs. Millions)	Payback Period (Years)
Use of C-3 offgas of Urea-I Plant as fuel in the burners of HRSGs in Power Plant	21780	-	122.6	4.1	1 month
Replacement of fans of Ammonia-I Cooling Towers by Encon Make Hollow Type FRP Fans (6 nos. fans)	3065	-	17.3	5.5	4 months
Provision of an interconnection line between P-21 discharge line of 11 & 21 Unit in Urea-I Plant	204	-	1.2	0.4	5 months
Provision of additional LS steam line to Pre-decomposer in 11 & 21 Unit of Urea-I Plant	950	-	5.4	0.1	1 month
Energy Efficient Lighting Fixtures	-	54	0.8	1.1	1.4

MAJOR ENCON PROJECTS (FY 2022-23)



Schemes	Annual Thermal Energy Saving (Gcal)	Annual Electrical Energy Saving (MWH)	Annual Monetary Saving (Rs. Milions)	Investment (Rs. Millions)	Payback Period (Years)
Provision of running Inlet Guide Vane of GTGs in Auto Mode in place of Manual Mode in Power Plant	5337	-	40.2	NIL	NIL
Recovery of Fire water used in IG and Compressor house during shutdown of Ammonia-I Cooling Tower	233	_	1.8	4.0	2.2
 Minimizing use of VAM Machines in Power Plant for suction air cooling of Gas Turbines through following ways: a) Stoppage of VAM Machines of GT operating at Low Load b) Opening of interconnection i/v of VAM Chilled Water of both GTGs c) Running only one VAM Machine and stopping other VAM Machines 	12038	-	90.7	NIL	NIL
Replacement of fans of Urea-I Cooling Towers by Hollow Type FRP Fans	3065	-	23.1	4.5	3 months

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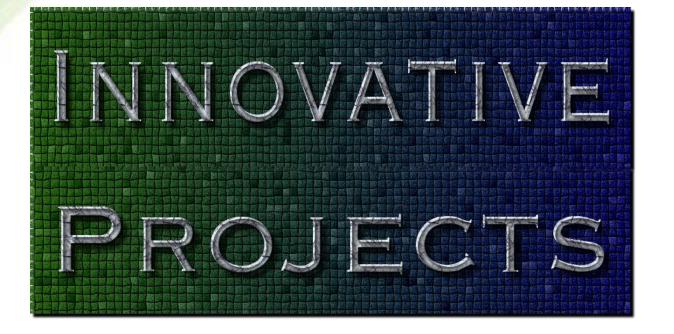


Schemes	Annual Thermal Energy Saving (Gcal)	Annual Electrical Energy Saving (MWH)	Annual Monetary Saving (Rs. Milions)	Investment (Rs. Millions)	Payback Period (Years)
New Plate Type Heat Exchangers (E2110, E-2109 & E-2101N) to increase CO2 generation in CDR Unit	9900	-	74.6	12.0	2 months
Provision of CW supply to Aonla-I Centrifugal Air Compressor from Urea-I underground CW headers	885	-	6.7	1.7	3 months
Increasing Ammonia Preheater heat duty by mixing wastewater recycle to MV-3 offgas at the downstream of Ammonia Preheater in Urea-I Plant	2376	-	17.9	NIL	NIL
Running one pump in place of two pumps of Distillation Tower Feed Pumps by changing impeller of pump by larger size	324	-	2.4	NIL	NIL
Replacement of Tube Bundle of 1st Stage Intercooler (E-1451) of Refrigration Compressor in Ammonia-I Plant	513	-	3.9	2.44	8 months

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hemes		Annual	Annual	Annual	Investment	Payback

Schemes	Annual Thermal Energy Saving (Gcal)	Annual Electrical Energy Saving (MWH)	Annual Monetary Saving (Rs. Milions)	Investment (Rs. Millions)	Payback Period (Years)	
Replacement of 1st Stage Intercooler of Process Air Compressor in Ammonia-I Plant	513	-	3.9	5.0	1.3	
Replacement of Target tiles with Jumbo tiles in Secondary Reformer in Ammonia-I Plant	475	-	3.6	8.0	2.2	
Dry ice blasting of Catalyst Tube & Convection Coils, Catalyst Replacement and Cleaning of Combustion Air Preheater of Primary Reformer in Ammonia-I Plant	71280	-	536.9	53.3	2 months	
Energy Efficient Lighting Fixtures	-	121	1.0	1.5	1.6	
MAJOR ENCON PROJECTS (FY 2021-22)						
Replacement of solid FRP CT fan (2 Nos.) with ENCON make energy efficient hollow FRP fans for Ammonia-I Cooling Tower	889	-	4.1	1.7	5 months	
Energy Efficient Lighting Fixture	-	299	2.3	4.2	1.8	





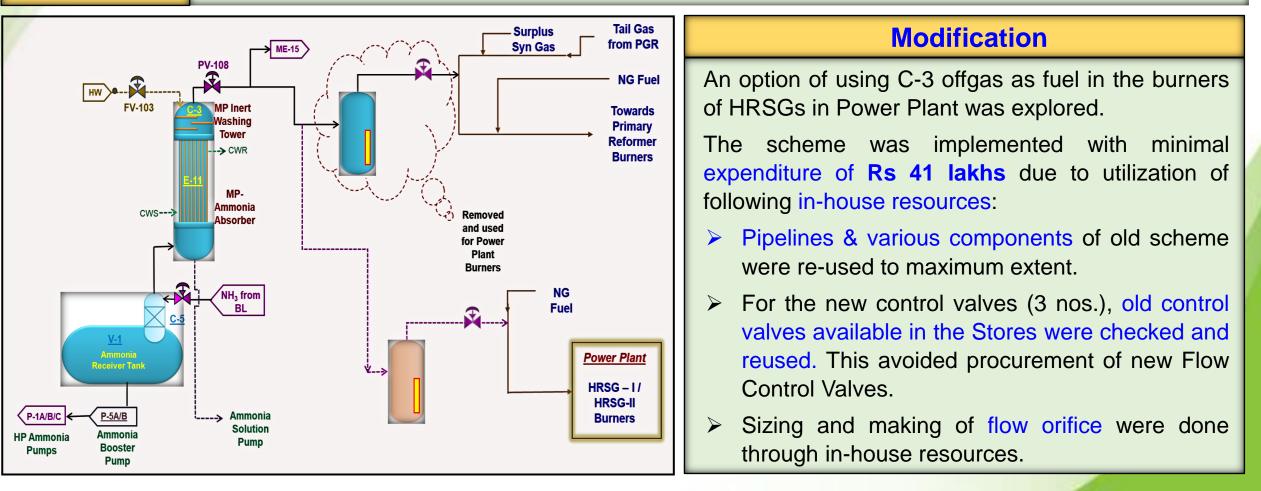


USE OF C-3 OFFGAS AS FUEL IN HRSG BURNERS



Problem Faced with Original System

- C-3 offgas contains combustible components and can be used as fuel. To maintain, pressure of MP section in Urea-I Plant, the gas was vented.
- Earlier a scheme was implemented to use C-3 offgas as fuel in the burners of Primary Reformer of Ammonia-I plant. But the scheme was removed due to the operational issues faced like increased pressure of burners, NOx formation (adverse effect on KS-1 solvent).



USE OF C-3 OFFGAS AS FUEL IN HRSG BURNERS



Improvement in Process Parameters					
Particulars	Units	Before	After		
Urea-I Plant					
Ammonia content in C-3 offgas	%	5	0.5		
NG added at u/s of MP Condenser (E-7) to avoid C-2 gas to fall in the explosive zone	NM3/hr	0	80x2 = 160		
C-3 offgas from Urea-I to burners of HRSG-I & II of Power Plant	NM3/hr	1500	1660		
Power Plant					
Total NG fuel to HRSGs (Keeping same power & steam generations)	NM3/hr	5000	4590		
Energy Saving					
Ammonia saving in Urea-I plant	MTPD	1.	2		
Net NG fuel saving in Complex	NM3/hr	250			
	Gcal/hr	2.2	23		

Tangible Benefits

- > Ammonia recovered: **1.2 MTPD**.
- Energy Saving: 2.23 Gcal/hr (0.017 Gcal/MT Urea).
- > Annual monetary benefit **Rs 11.5 Crores**.
- Payback Period: Less than 1 month (Investment Cost: Rs 41 lakhs)

Replication Potential

The scheme resulted in **significant energy** and Annual monetary saving.

Replicability of such scheme in other plants depends on the factors like:

- Availability of such offgas as waste
- Compatibility of burners to combust offgas efficient without compromising with any operational issue.

INSTALLATION OF E-2109 & E-2110 AND E-2101(N)



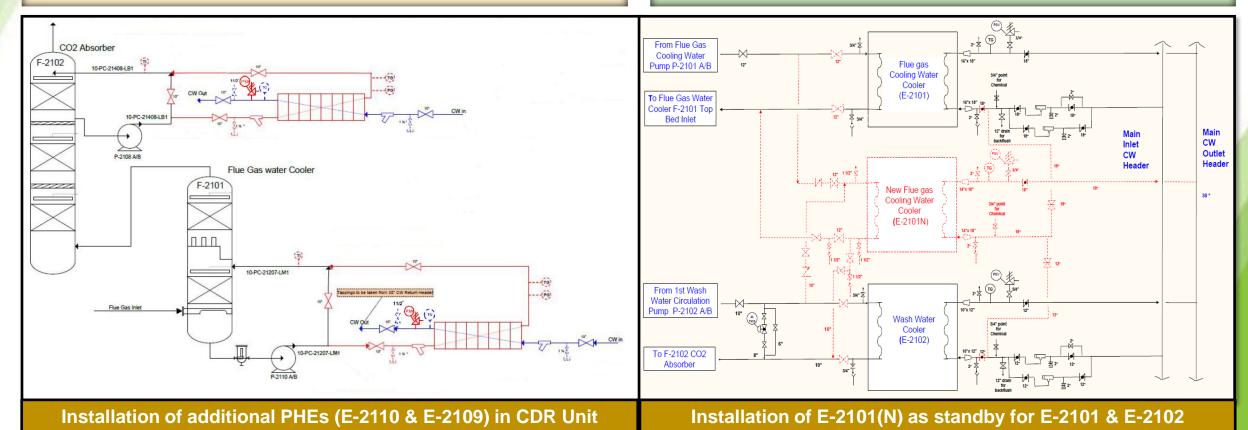
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Modification:

- E-2110 installed for cooling of circulating water of bottom bed of Flue Gas Cooler (F-2101)
- E-2109 installed for cooling of circulating water of top bed of CO2 Absorber (F-2102)

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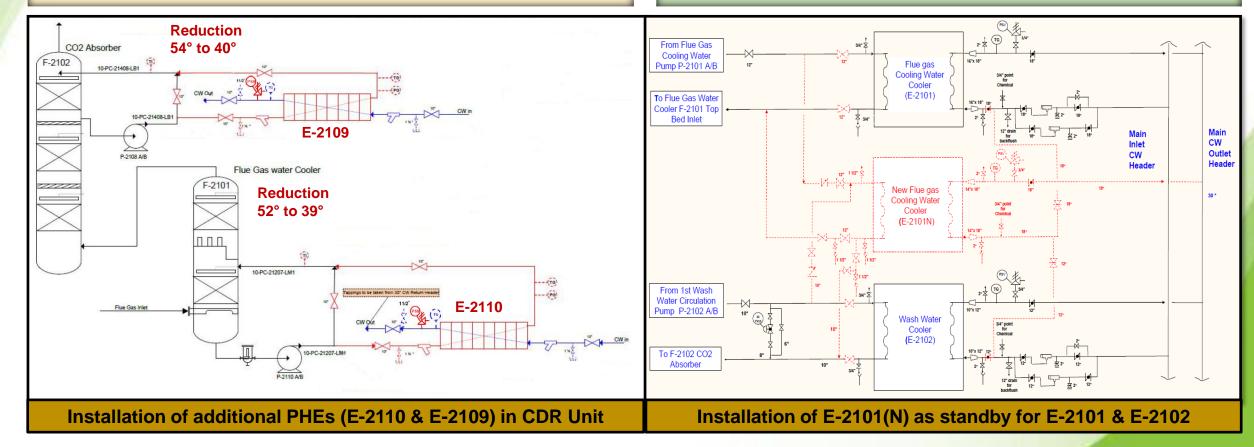
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Benefits Achieved

Particulars	Benefits
F-2101 top temp.	Decreased from 52 degC to 39 degC
F-2102 top temp.	Decreased from 54 degC to 40 degC
Increase in CO2 generation capacity in CDR Unit	Increased by 1000 NM3/hr . Now, CO2 generation of 12500 NM3/hr can be achieved (design capacity 9952 NM3/hr).
Margin in Flue Gas Blower	Due to reduction of F-2101 flue gas top temperature, there is no limitation upto 12500 NM3/hr CO2 generation.
KS-1 loss from CO2 Absorber	KS-1 loss reduced by 0.07 kg/MT pure CO2 (KS-1 Cost: 445 Rs./kg)
Energy saving (0.009 Gcal/MT Complex Urea)	1.25 Gcal/hr (Total energy saving is 2.5 Gcal/hr for Aonla-I & Aonla-II Units)
Monetary Benefit	Rs 7.46 Crores
Payback period	2 months (Investment Cost: Rs 1.2 Cr)

Innovativeness of Scheme

- Fouling of E-2101 & E-2102 is faced in all CDR Units. The irony is that no standby is provided. Here, the innovativeness is the provision of common standby PHE for E-2101 & E-2102. By this way, throughout the year E-2101 & E-2102 will remain in cleaned condition.
- Due to design limitation, further CO2 generation was not possible without major revamp in CDR Unit. However, the root cause analysis indicated that the capacity can be increased only by installing E-2110 for cooling of recirculating water of bottom bed of F-2101 and E-2109 for cooling of top bed of F-2102.

Replication Potential

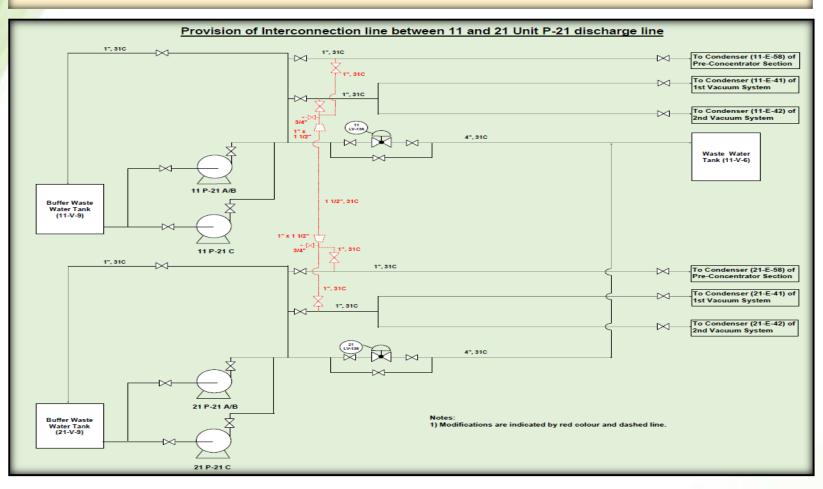
Plants based on MHI technology face similar issues. They can be benefited by imitating the innovating schemes implemented in IFFCO Aonla Unit.

CONNECTION OF P-21 DISCHARGE OF 11 & 21 UNITS



Original System:

- Earlier, Two nos. small size V-6 Feed Pumps (P-21A/B) per Unit for the transfer of Waste water from Vacuum Section to Waste Water Section.
- Later, Large capacity pump (P-21C) installed for flushing of Condensers.
- Presently, in both 11 & 21 Units, large size pumps are run for both purpose.



Modification:

- Interconnection line between discharge lines of P-21 pumps of both Units.
- One Unit runs large pump (P-21C) for condenser flushing and wastewater transfer and other Unit runs small pump (P-21A/B) for wastewater transfer.

Benefits:

- Innovative interconnection of pumps led to Electrical power saving of 12 kwh on hourly basis.
- Resulted in Annual Monetary saving of Rs 12 lakhs (Investment: Rs 4 lakhs).
- Interconnection line introduces a layer of operational flexibility.

Replication Potential:

This process improvement has the potential to be replicated in similar plants that utilize parallel wastewater handling systems.

UTILISATION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES



Year	Technology (Electrical)	Type of Energy	Onsite/ Offsite	Installed Capacity (MW)	Generation (million kWh)	% of total Electrical power requirement
2021-22	Roof Top Solar panel	Solar Energy	Onsite	0.916	1.069	0.63
2022-23	Roof Top Solar panel	Solar Energy	Onsite	0.941	1.109	0.66
2023-24	Roof Top Solar panel	Solar Energy	Onsite	0.981	1.121	0.69

Year	Capacity addition (Aonla Complex) (MW)	Investment made, Rs. Lakhs
2021-22	-	-
2022-23	0.050	31.2
2023-24	0.080	49.7





CO2 Emission from Aonla-I Unit

Year	CO2 Emission, MT	Emission Intensity, MT/MT Urea
2021-22	473673	0.39
2022-23	464587	0.40
2023-24	474998	0.39

The calculated CO2 emission is based on NG fuel consumption in Ammonia-I and Captive Power Plant. It also considers the emission due to consumption of Purchased Power from UPPCL.

Various Steps taken for GHG Emission Reduction through Waste Heat Utilization

- CO2 Recovery Unit (CDR) (Capacity: 450 MTPD) installed in year 2006, contributes significantly to reduce GHG emission. For FY 2023-24, GHG reduction due to CDR Unit is 183967 MTPA.
- Purge gas from Ammonia-I plant is sent to PGR Unit to recover hydrogen from it and to send back for usage in 1st suction of Syn Gas Compressor. The tail gas is used as fuel in Primary Reformer Burners which in turn saves NG fuel. For FY 2023-24, GHG reduction due to use of Ammonia-I purge gas in PGR Unit is 29045 MTPA.

GHG EMISSION REDUCTION: WASTE HEAT UTILIZATION

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- Earlier, overhead vapour of LP Condensate Stripper in Ammonia Plant was condensed in a condenser cooled by cooling water. DM Water Heater has been installed to utilize the waste heat of overhead vapour. For FY 2023-24, GHG reduction due to the scheme is 17829 MTPA.
- By-Cast Type Combustion Air Preheater has been replaced with Plate Type Combustion Air Preheater to recover more heat from flue gas in the convection section of Primary Reformer. For FY 2023-24, GHG reduction due to the scheme is 4214 MTPA.
- Earlier, C-3 offgas from MP section was vented as waste gas in Urea-I Plant. A scheme has been implemented to use this waste gas as fuel in HRSGs of Power Plant. For FY 2023-24, GHG reduction due to the scheme is 4098 MTPA.

Likewise, continual energy saving efforts are taken to reduce energy consumption of Unit which in turn reduces GHG emissions from Stacks. This include brainstorming sessions to identify and target energy loss area for improving energy efficiency of the Unit.



ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Daily Monitoring System: Plants key process parameters, production & specific consumption of various inputs are reviewed in Daily Production Meeting on daily basis to monitor the energy performance of the Unit. Plant problems are identified on daily basis and brainstorming activities are carried out to mitigate those problems.

The meeting is chaired by Unit Head.

- Energy Conservation Cell: A Core Energy Conservation Cell and plant wise Energy Conservation Sub-cells are already existing with representatives from different departments/sections related to the plant. The role of the energy conservation cells include monitoring of energy consumption, identification of areas and coordination of various activities for energy conservation.
- Budget Allocation: Knowing the importance of energy saving in the profitability of Unit, the top management is very supportive for energy conservation schemes. Schemes are assessed based on their cost benefit analysis and accordingly budget is allocated for these schemes under Energy Conservation head.
- Energy efficiency awareness training program : Periodically classes are being conducted for plant personnel to aware them about efficient use of energy as well as to reduce the energy losses.

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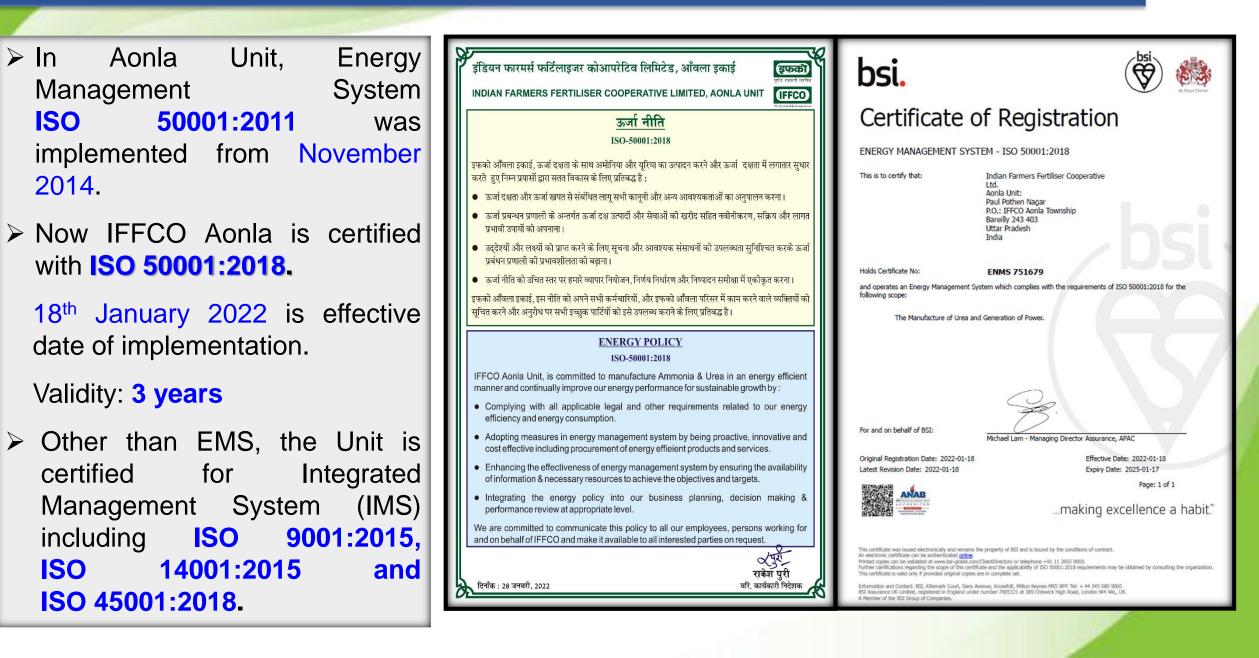
Employees Involvement through "Employees Suggestion Schemes":

- Energy saving ideas are received through involvement of Workmen and Officers category. Schemes are assessed for the economical and operational feasibility.
- ✓ Best Suggestions are adjudged for awards on Award Ceremony during 15th August and 26th January Celebration each year.
- ✓ Best Suggestions are selected for National Level Summit organised by INSSAN (Indian National Suggestion Scheme Association).
- ✓ Inter-Unit Creativity Meet is organised to share the values suggestions which resulted in remarkable tangible & intangible benefits.
- ✓ Total tangible savings of Rs 11.0 Cr and Rs 34 Cr were realized for 2022-23 & 2023-24 respectively.



- Learning from Award Programs: Award Program is a knowledge sharing platform:
 - \checkmark To know about the ideas adopted by other companies
 - ✓ Gives a thrust for more energy conservation as well as improved plant operation.





AWARDS RECEIVED IN RECENT YEARS





Top Performer DC of PAT Cycle-II (Winner)

State Energy Conservation Award-2021 (2nd Prize)

NECA-2020 (2nd Prize)

