



Revitalizing Old Thermal Power
Plants:
The Renewable Energy Renaissance

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THERMAL
6540 MW

HYDEL
147.20 MW

SOLAR
13.92 MW



**Water
Supply &
Irrigation**

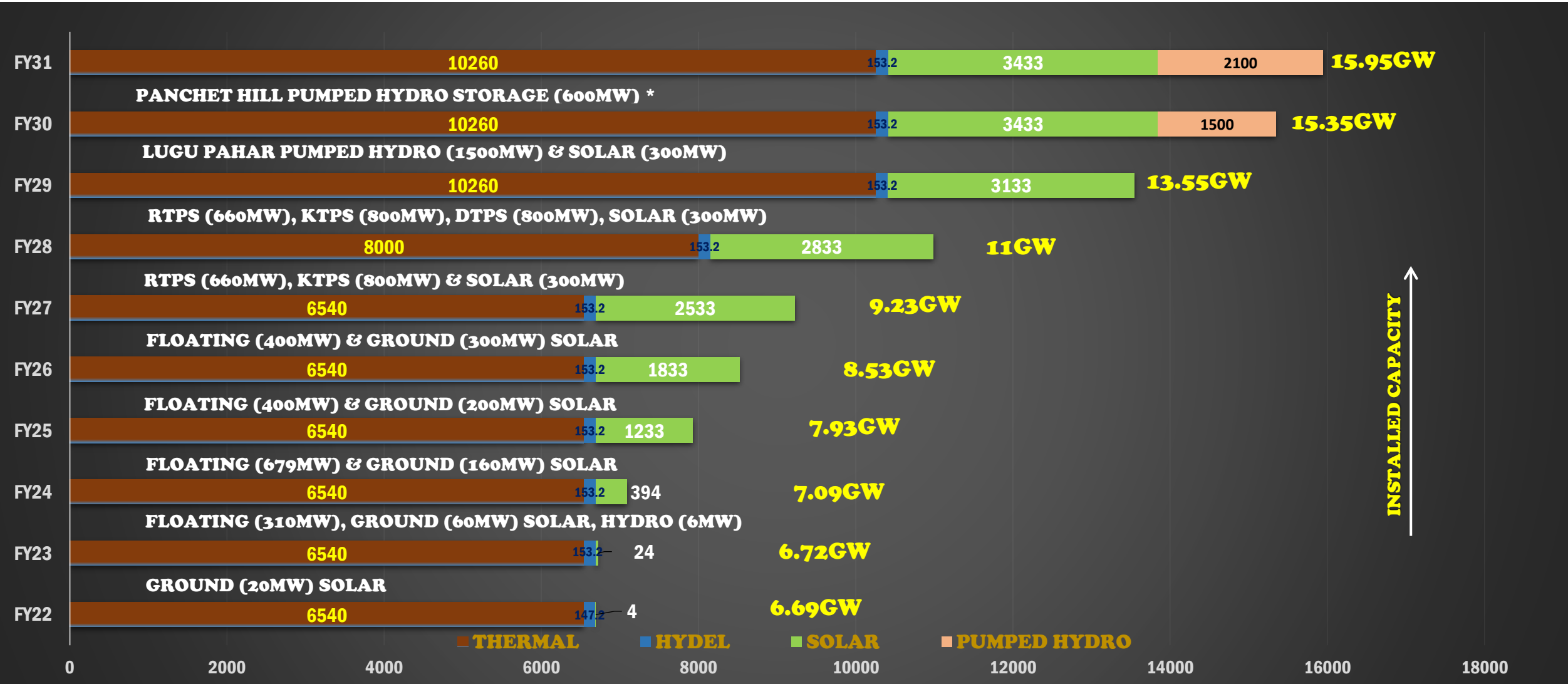
SUBSTATION
48

**Transmission
Line**
8633.65 CKm

**Soil
conservation
and
Afforestation**



CAPACITY ADDITION PROGRAM



* Subject to allocation of site by WB Govt. in FY23
 • RTPS: Supercritical, KTPS & DTPS: Ultra Supercritical Units

CLIMATE CHANGE & ITS IMPACT

- Human activity has caused the Earth to get warmer in the last 100 years.
- Climate change caused by our greenhouse gases is changing our weather patterns leading to rising temperatures and extremes of weather - both of which are damaging our natural environment.

AT SINKING AGAIN
WASHING AWAY
 17 people feared dead, over 100 washed away
 > Kadapa and Chittoor bore the brunt of the rain's fury
 7 NDRF teams deployed to lead search and rescue operations
 > Hill town of Tirumala cut off from rest of the state
15,000 pilgrims stranded in the hill town

12 persons washed away in Rajampet mandal
 9 bodies retrieved, search on for remaining 3
 30 persons in Rajampet mandal washed away, search on to trace them

Rail traffic in Kadapa, Chittoor, and other districts of AP is affected as floodwaters inundate the area.



Climate crisis: inevitable, expedited and irreversible

SCIENTIFIC TIMES
 NEWS FROM YEAR OF THE YEAR
 In China's debt
 African nations' risks in borrowing from Beijing

5C warmer by panel warns

Next decade 'hell'

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CODE RED FOR HUMANITY

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Next decade 'hell'

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 Brilliant puzzles pullout

Cyclone Fani wreaks havoc in Odisha, brings rain elsewhere

DEVASTATION Strongest summertime cyclone in decades kills 8; power supply, rail, air traffic cut off

HT Correspondent and Agencies

BHUBANESHWAR: Cyclone Fani roared through Odisha on Friday, packing wind speeds of up to 200 kph, bringing torrential rain, battering boats, uprooting trees and power pylons, disrupting electricity supplies, telecommunication, and air and train traffic, in a trail of havoc spread across wide swathes of the coastal state.

Yet, Odisha's redoubtable disaster management skills were again in evidence, with the number of deaths limited to eight in a state of 46 million after up to 1.2 million most vulnerable people were evacuated to safe areas and asked to stay indoors long before Fani, which means hood of the



WHY REPURPOSING

The background of the slide features a faded industrial scene. On the left, a yellow coal truck is parked on a dirt surface. In the center and right, two tall, grey smokestacks rise against a light blue sky with soft, white clouds. The overall image is semi-transparent, allowing the text to be clearly visible.

- **India's Energy Transition: Coal vs. Renewables**
- **Current Situation:**
 - **Coal Dominance:** 50-55% of installed capacity; >65% of electricity (MOP, 2020).
 - **Aging Coal Plants:** Low-capacity utilization, environmental issues, economically unviable (Forbes 2018).
- **Renewable Energy Targets:**
 - **500 GW** of RE capacity by 2022.
 - **50%** of generation from non-fossil fuels by 2030 (Shrimali 2020).
- **Trends:**
 - **Declining Utilization:** PLF dropped from 77.5% (2009) to 56.1% (2019) (MOP 2020).
 - **Reduced Coal Dependence:** Increased use of cheaper renewable sources (PWC 2019).
- **Economic & Environmental Impact:**
 - **Underutilized Plants:** Capacity factor fallen to below 60%, nearing 50%.
 - **Need for Decommissioning:** Economic and environmental concerns drive early retirement.
- **Opportunities:**
 - **Repurposing:** Potential value from stranded coal assets; exit strategy for utilities.

Challenges and Opportunities in Repurposing Old Thermal Power Plants

- **Land Constraints:** Limited space for new renewable energy (RE) projects.
- **Environmental & Social Management:** Address impacts of new developments and manage social resistance to plant closures.
- **Transmission Constraints:** Existing infrastructure may not support new RE projects efficiently.
- **Grid Stability:** Ensuring stability as coal plants are replaced by intermittent RE sources.
- **Opportunities:**
- **Public-Private Partnerships (PPP):**
 - **Reduce CAPEX:** Lower capital expenditure through private investment.
 - **Debt Reduction:** Decrease overall debt for public utilities.
 - **Revenue Streams:** Create additional income sources.
- **Community Engagement:**
 - **Comprehensive Communication:** Develop extensive plans to involve local communities, staff, and labor.
 - **Address Sensitivities:** Consider the social impact of plant closures in local areas.
- **Benefits:**
- **Cost Savings:** Eliminate high operation and maintenance costs of old plants.
- **Financial Improvement:** Enhance the utility's financial position through efficient repurposing.

PHASES OF DEMOLITION OF OLD THERMAL POWER PLANTS

- The decommissioning process can be divided into three main stages:
- **Pre-Demolition Stage:**
 - **Shutdown:** Cease plant operations and modify power supply arrangements.
 - **Asset Management:** Valuate assets, transfer materials, and plan for manpower.
 - **Site Security:** Lock facilities and secure the premises.
 - **Costs:** Include employee expenses, station overheads, O&M costs post-retirement, and hazardous material remediation.
- **Demolition Stage:**
 - **Activities:** Safe demolition of chimneys, boilers, buildings, and other structures.
 - **Supervision:** Essential for safety and security.
 - **Costs:** Cover demolition, removal of scrap, and depend on plant size.
- **Post-Demolition Stage:**
 - **Remediation:** Environmental cleanup of ash disposal and coal storage areas.
 - **Site Restoration:** Prepare the site for future use.
 - **Expenditures:** Include environmental remediation and site preparation costs.

What we can Use in Old Utility Plants ?

- **Intake Pump House:** For water supply to plant and colony
- **Switchyard / Power Evacuation System:** Infrastructure for power distribution
- **Demineralization Plant:** Water treatment facility
- **Compressor House:** Compressed air systems
- **Emulsifier System:** Equipment for mixing applications
- **Telephone Exchange:** Communication systems
- **DM Storage Tanks:** 4 tanks for demineralized water storage
- **DG Set:** Diesel generator for backup power
- **Machine Shop Equipment:** Tools and machinery for various applications

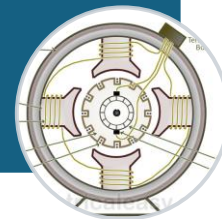


HOW TO REPURPOSE

- GREEN HYDROGEN



- SYNCON GENERATOR



- SOLAR & BESS



FIGURE ES.1: REPURPOSING BENEFITS (US\$, MILLION)

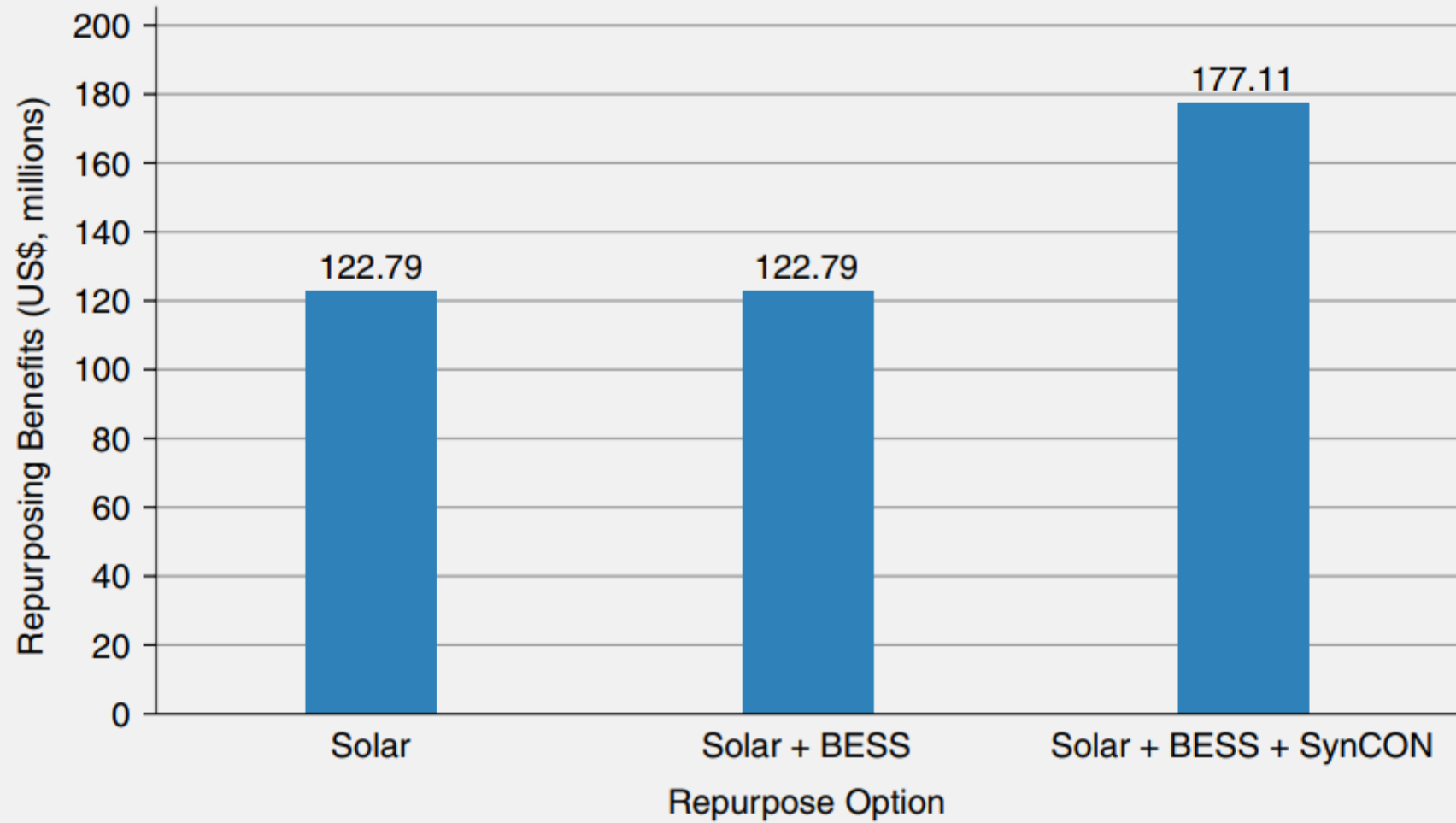
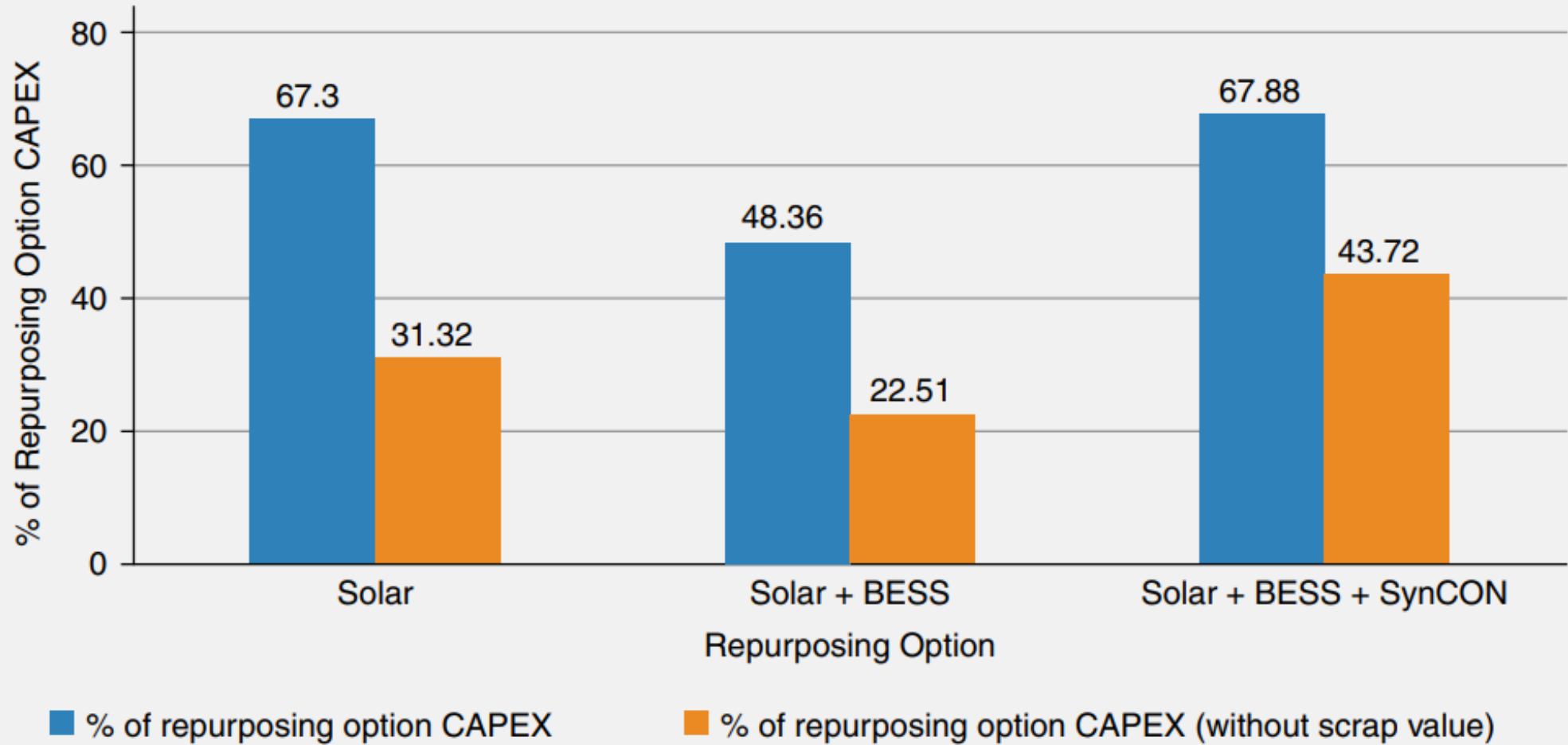


FIGURE ES.2: BENEFITS OF REPURPOSING (PERCENT OF REPURPOSING OPTION CAPEX)



Case Study of Repurposing of Old Thermal Plant of BTPS & CTPS

Financial Analysis

Sr No	Particulars	Renewable Energy Projects			BESS	Green Hydrogen Plant (MT)	
		BTPS Solar GM-1	BTPS Solar GM-2	BTPS Solar Rooftop		Without Banking	With Banking
1	Project Capacity (MW/MT)	1.96	2.77	2.15	100 MWh	30MT	30MT
2	Project Life Cycle (Years)	25	25	25	20	25	25
3	Project Capex (Investment)	90.09	127.32	96.02	2,593.96	9599.98	9599.98
	Debt	63.06	89.12	67.21	1,815.77	6,719.99	6719.986
	Equity	27.03	38.20	28.81	778.19	2,879.99	2879.994
4	Project Estimated Revenue	116.51	169.88	124.76	3,858.98	13,053.76	18,372.18
5	NPV of the Projects	26.42	42.56	28.74	1,265.02	3,453.78	8,772.20
6	Project IRR (Post Tax)	9.08%	9.65%	9.16%	9.79%	9.36%	13.97%
7	Equity IRR (Post Tax)	8.75%	10.08%	8.94%	22.61%	11.23%	29.60%
8	Project Payback Period	15.28	14.54	15.14	14.94	15.16	8.22
9	Desired Tariff Rate	3.80	3.80	3.80	7.80	400.00*	400.00*
10	LCOE without ROE	2.99	2.84	2.97	NA	360.05#	288.44#
11	LCOE with ROE	4.21	4.06	4.19	NA	398.45#	326.84#

* Net Selling Rate (Tariff)

Levelized Cost of Production

NA- Not Applicable

WHY GREEN HYDROGEN?

- **Global Position:** India ranks as the 3rd largest hydrogen consumer and producer, following China and the USA.
- **Future Demand:** Hydrogen demand in India is expected to increase by 2.5 to 3.5 times by 2040.
- **Energy Share:** Despite growth, hydrogen may account for less than 5% of India's total primary energy consumption by 2040.
- **Transportation Costs:** High transportation costs necessitate locating hydrogen production near demand centers and developing hydrogen hubs/valleys.
- **Market Opportunity:** Potential market size for clean hydrogen is ~\$27 billion/year by 2030 and ~\$40 billion/year by 2040.

Challenges:

- **Renewable Capacity:** 500 GW of renewable energy required to meet the 2030 target of 5 million tonnes per annum green hydrogen production (MNRE).
- **COP26 Commitment:** India aims for 500 GW of non-fossil fuel capacity by 2030, mainly replacing conventional power.
- **Economic Viability:** Green hydrogen may need fiscal incentives for demand growth; parity with conventional fuels expected by 2035 (~\$2/kg).



HYDROGEN PRODUCTION AND TYPES OF ELECTROLYSERS



Hydrogen basically produced through water electrolysis



Alkaline electrolysis: 25%-35% wt. KOH is used as electrolyte, running at temperature between 40-90 degree C. The materials based on Ni or steel based electrodes are used.



Polymer electrolyte membrane (PEM) electrolysis: The acidic condition is provided by per flurosulphonic acid (PFSA) membrane. Metals based on iridium and platinum are used. The ions are passed through membrane.



Solid oxide electrolysis: Can operate at high temperature between 700-1000 degree C. The O^{2-} is transported across dense ionic conductor consisting of ZrO_2 doped with Y_2O_3 .

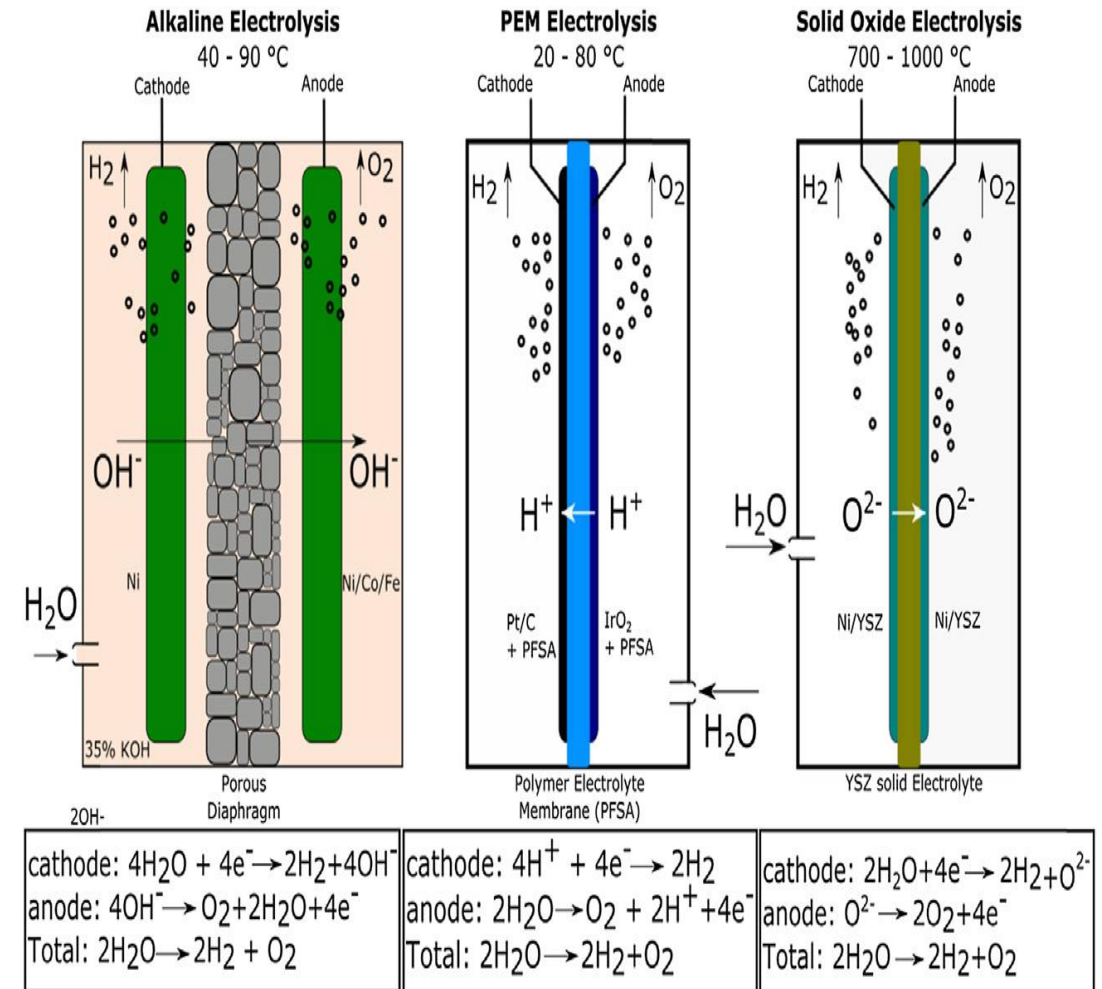
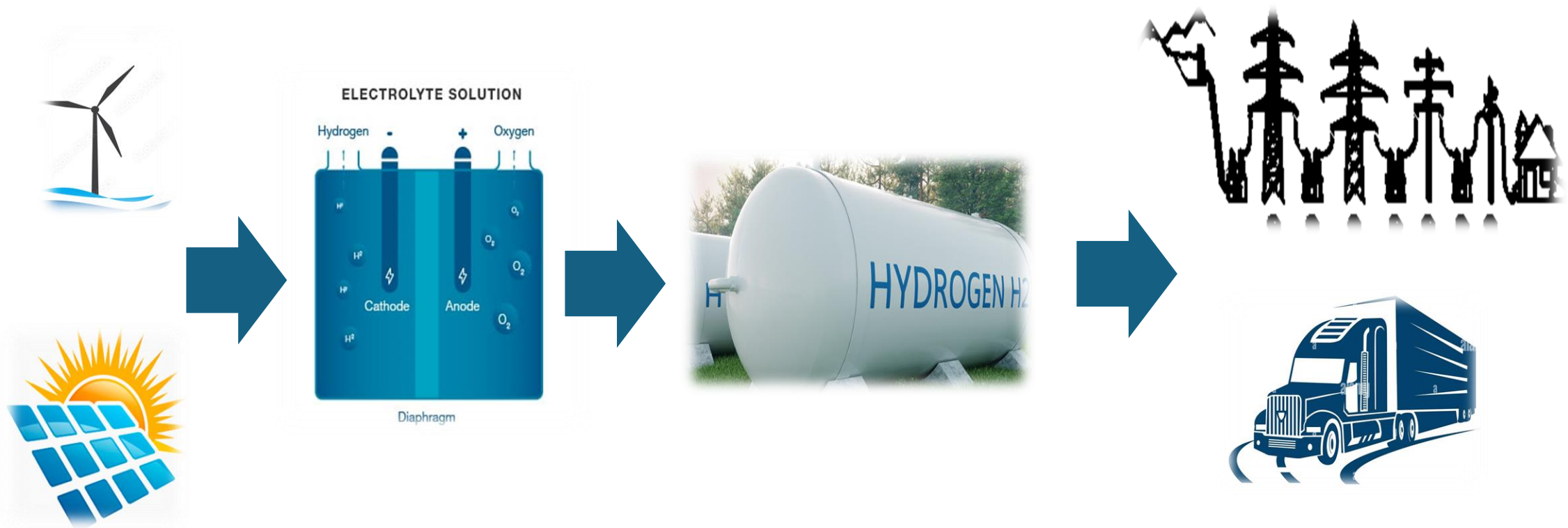


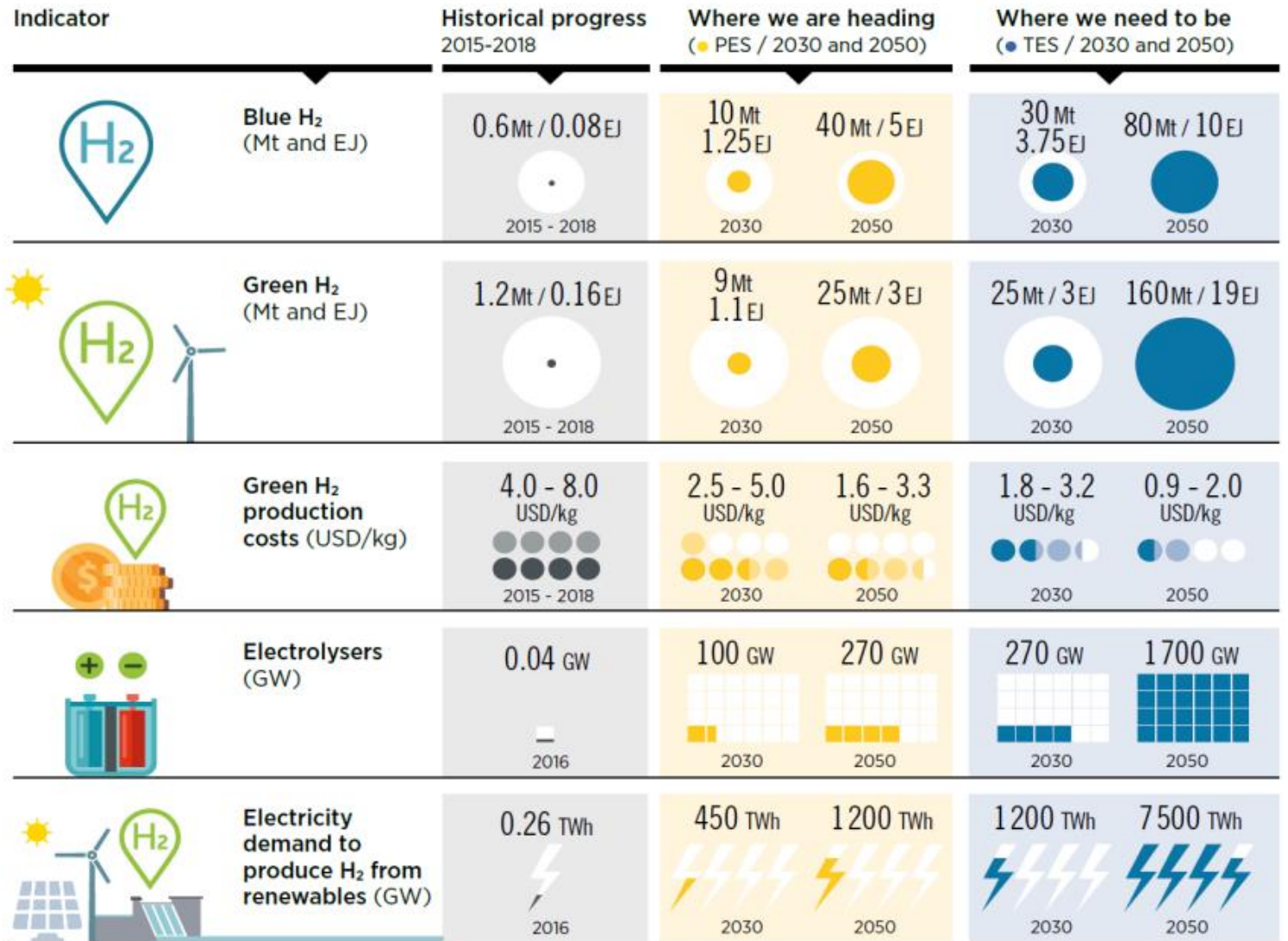
Fig.: Different types of electrolysis



Green Hydrogen and the process of Integration with Renewable sources of Energy

Timeline of the Green Hydrogen

Source:-IRNEA First Meeting of the Collaborative Framework on Green Hydrogen



Case Study of Repurposing of Old Thermal Plant of BTPS & CTPS With Green Hydrogen

Green Hydrogen generation is feasible as BTPS and CTPS as there is existing steel and fertilizer plant are available nearby. The existing water supply and its related auxiliaries shall be used for the proposed Green Hydrogen plant. The export and infrastructures facility need to be developed.

Captive Consumption:

- **BTPS/CTPS Thermal Stations:** Utilize green hydrogen for internal use.

Fertilizer Plants:

- **Sindri & Barauni Fertilizer Plants:** Require 1,300 MT/day of hydrogen for ammonia (2,200 MT/day) and urea (3,850 MT/day) production.

Steel Industry:

- **Bokaro Steel Plant:** 5.6 million tons steel production (blast furnace) does not use hydrogen, but hydrogen is needed for the Cold Rolling Mill complex; existing hydrogen can be replaced by green hydrogen.

Refineries:

- **IOCL Barauni Refinery:** Potential customer for hydrogen, particularly for desulfurization processes, though refineries have their own hydrogen production programs.

Indian Railways:

- **Potential Market:** Explore opportunities for supplying green hydrogen for railway operations.

BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS

BESS?

Stores electrical energy in batteries for later use, enhancing grid stability and integrating renewables.

Applications:

- **Grid Stabilization**
- **Renewable Integration**
- **Peak Shaving**
- **Backup Power**

Key Components:

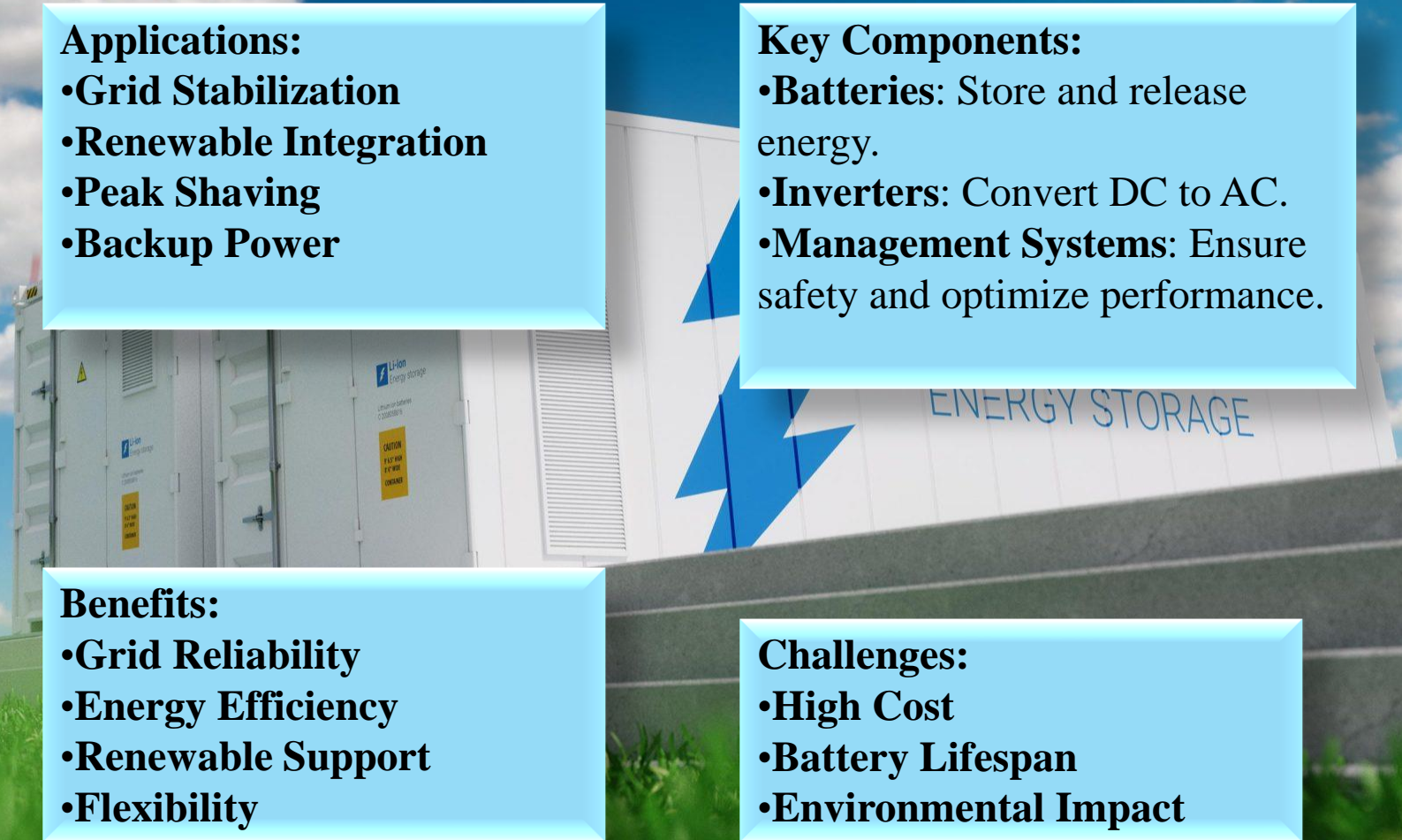
- **Batteries:** Store and release energy.
- **Inverters:** Convert DC to AC.
- **Management Systems:** Ensure safety and optimize performance.

Benefits:

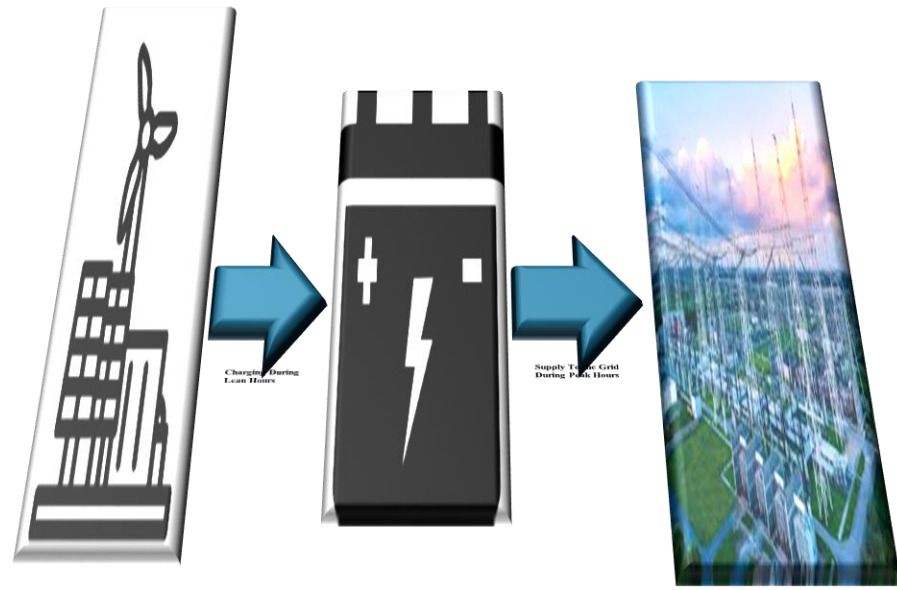
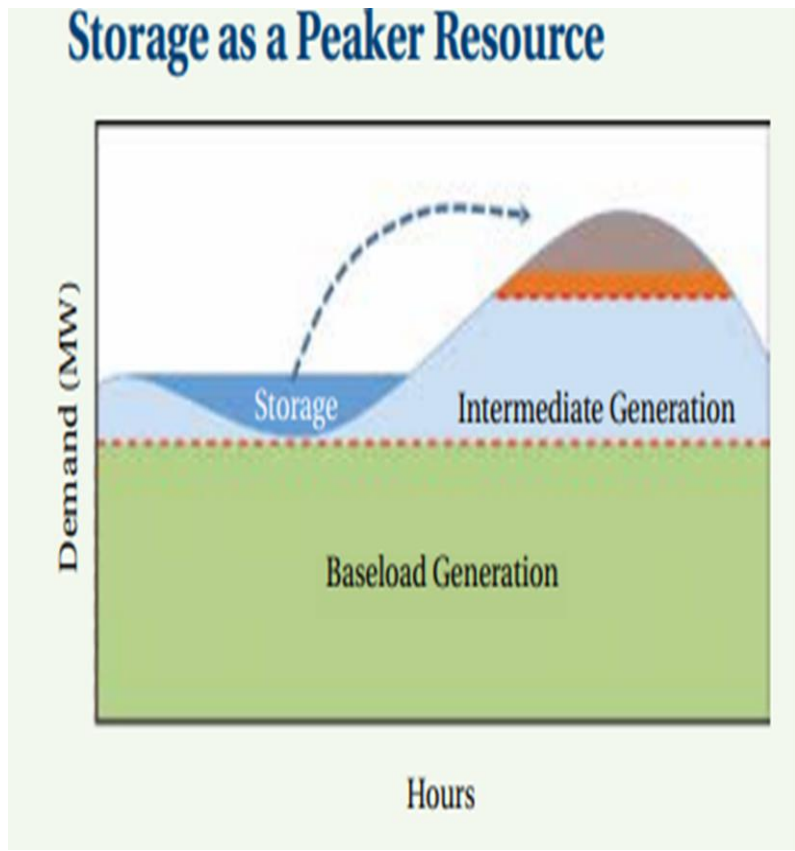
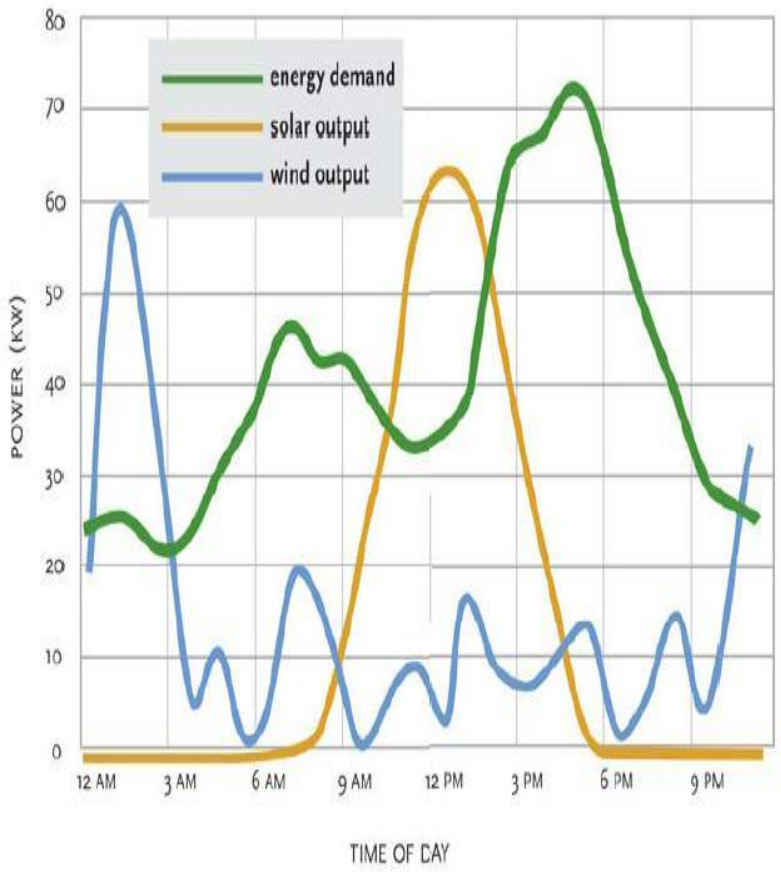
- **Grid Reliability**
- **Energy Efficiency**
- **Renewable Support**
- **Flexibility**

Challenges:

- **High Cost**
- **Battery Lifespan**
- **Environmental Impact**



NEED OF ENERGY STORAGE



Advanced Lead Acid/ Ultra Battery



Performance measure	Cycle Life	Energy Efficiency (%)
Market leader	1,200	80
Best in class	2,000	85

Sodium based Battery – NAS



Performance measure	Cycle Life	Energy Efficiency (%)
Market leader	4,000	70
Best in class	6,000	85

Li-Ion Battery Technology



Performance measure	Cycle Life	Energy Efficiency (%)
Market leader	2,000	90
Best in class	10,000	95

Flow Battery Technology

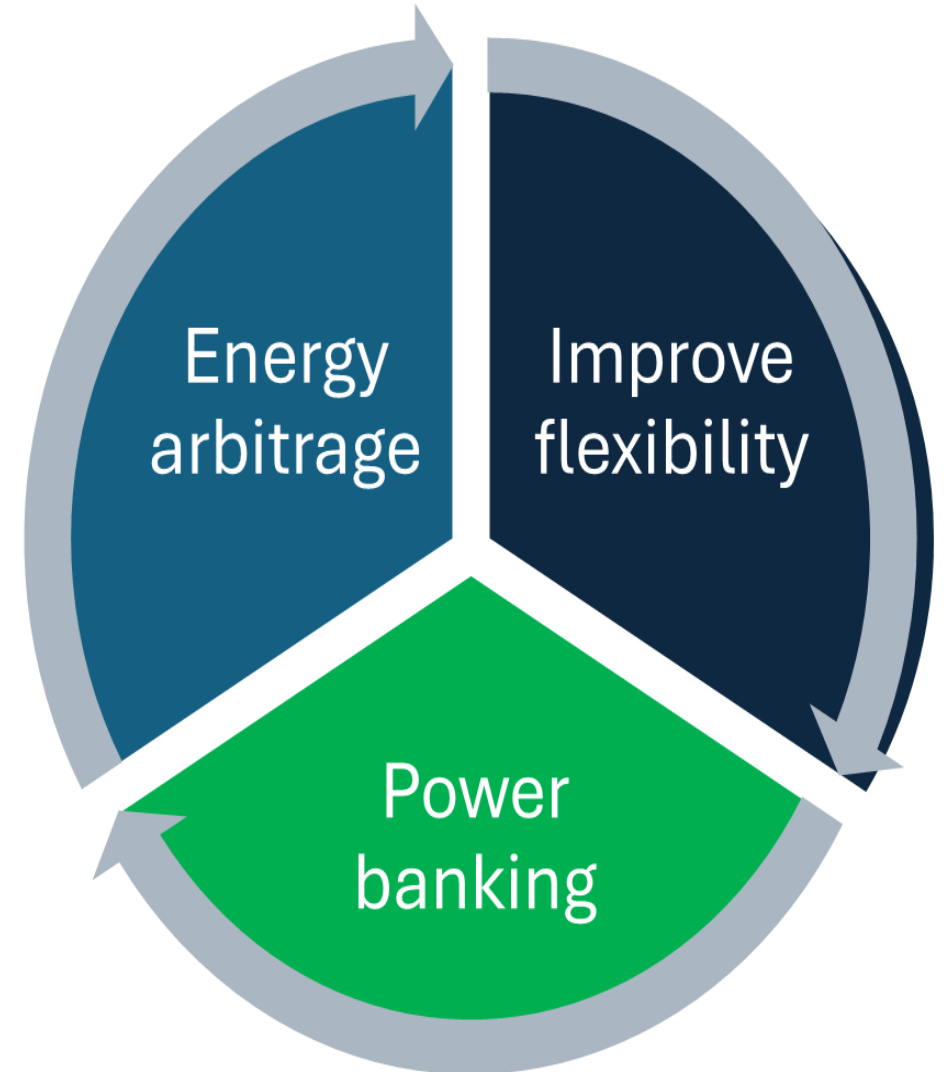


Performance measure	Cycle Life	Energy Efficiency (%)
Market leader	5,000	60
Best in class	10,000+	70

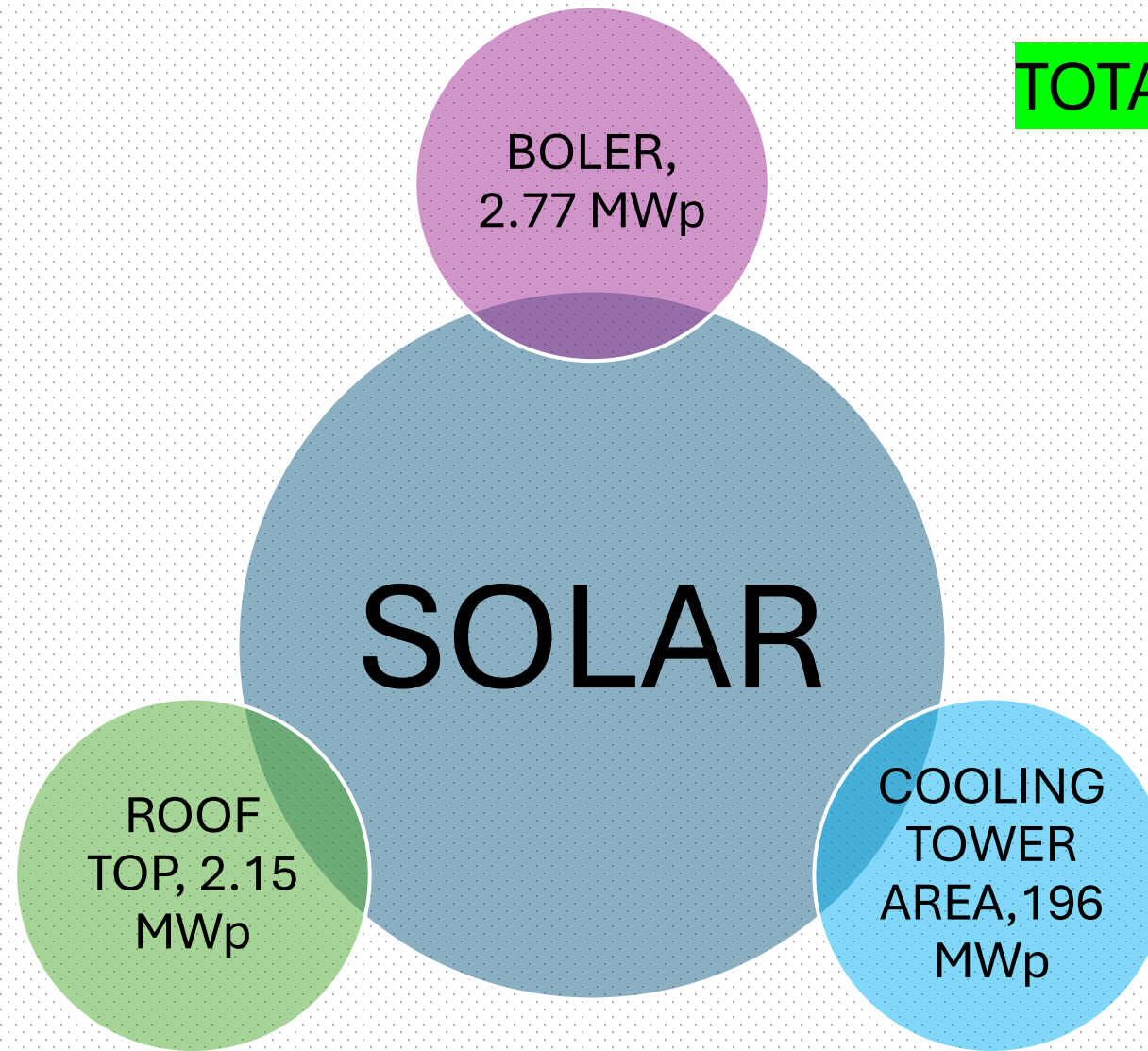
MAJOR BATTERY STORAGE TECHNOLOGIES

BESS TYPICAL CASE STUDY

- ❖ Estimated energy price for charging: 3.00 INR per KWH or less.
- ❖ Estimated selling price during morning / evening peak: 7.8 INR per KWH or higher.
- ❖ Proposed BESS can also support 500 MW BTPS generator in improving flexibility.
- ❖ Technical minimum of 500 MW generator @55%: 275 MW.
- ❖ Upper and Lower limits will be extended by 100 MW respectively – New Technical minimum can be 35%.
- ❖ Existing ramp rate: 50 MW / 15 min.
- ❖ Revised ramp rate: 50+100 MW / 15 min. with limit of 100 MWh /80 MWh for charging and discharging.



SOLAR PV OPPORTUNITY ANALYSIS



TOTAL 6.88 MWp



BOILER AREA, 19560 SQM



COOLING TOWER AREA, 45659 SQM

OLD GENERATORS AS SYNCON



A synchronous condenser (also called a synchronous capacitor or synchronous compensator) is a DC-excited synchronous machine (large rotating generators) whose shaft is not attached to any driving equipment.



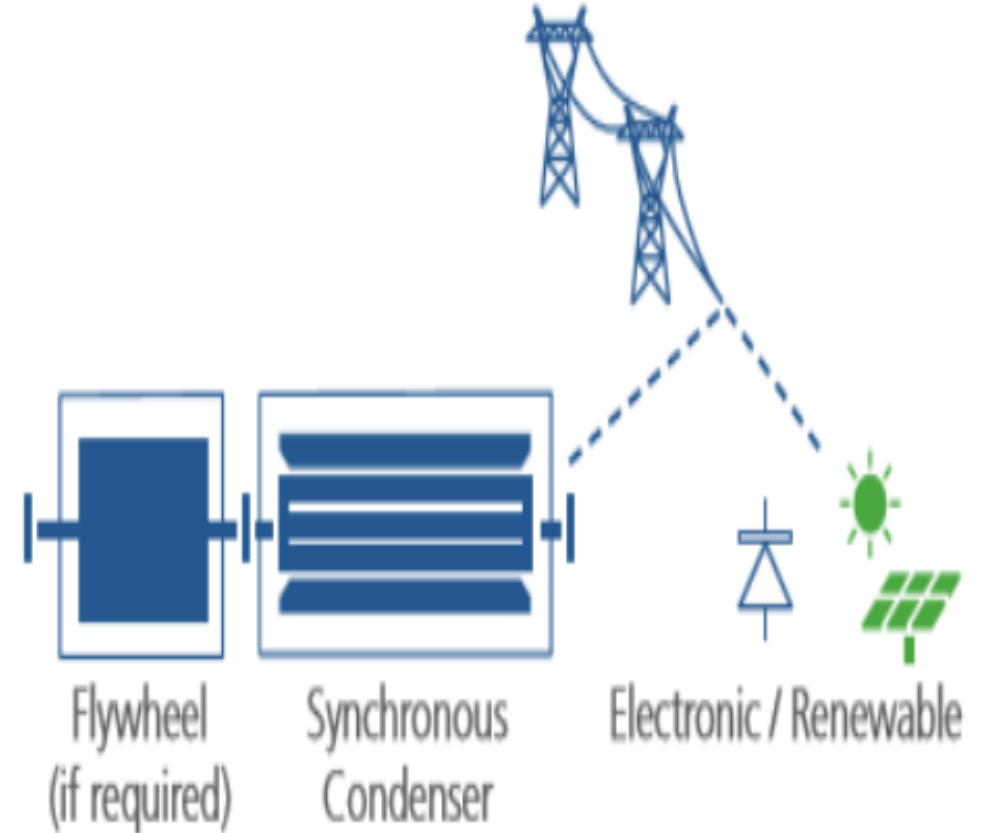
By providing grid services without burning fossil fuels we can enable more & more & more renewable energy sources like wind & solar to come to the grid & keeping the grid stable, Secure & at the correct frequency.

Stator and rotor with solid integral pole tips

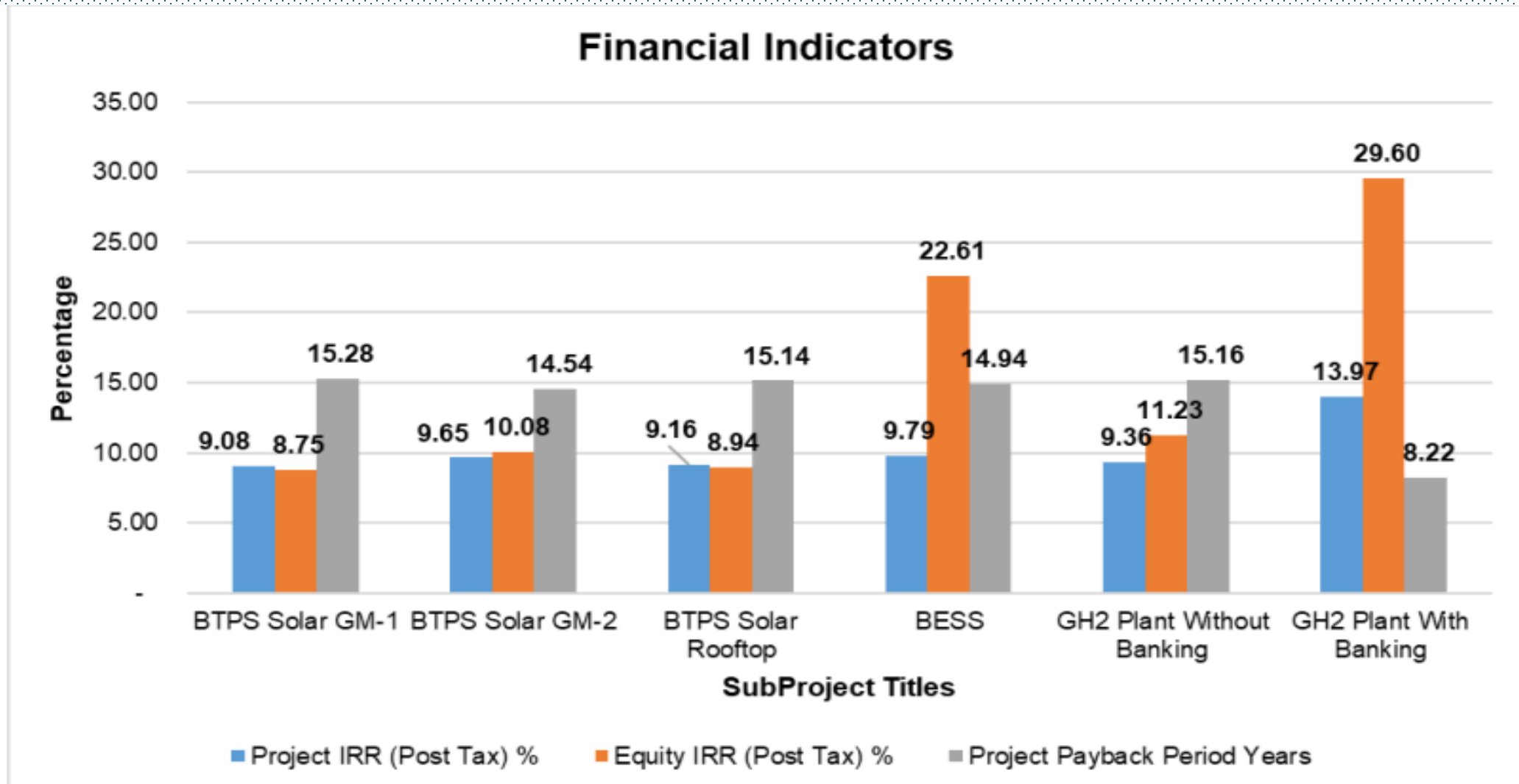
Cooling system (hydrogen, air or water)

Excitation system & Step-up transformer and auxiliary transformer.

Lubrication oil supply



FINANCIAL PARAMETER AND FEASIBILITY





THANK YOU

