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PAPER – 4: ENERGY PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT FOR EQUIPMENT AND UTILITY SYSTEMS

Date : 28.09.2025 Timings: 14:00-16:00 HRS Duration: 2 HRS Max. Marks: 100

General instructions:

- o Please check that this question paper contains **6** printed pages
- o Please check that this question paper contains **16** questions
- o The question paper is divided into three sections
- o All questions in all three sections are compulsory
- o All parts of a question should be answered in one place
- o Time management guidance: Section - I & II: 10 Minutes each, Section - III: 100 Minutes

Section - I: BRIEF QUESTIONS

Marks: 10 x 1 = 10

- (i) Answer all **Ten** questions
- (ii) Each question carries **One** mark

1.	Lower the TTD (Terminal Temperature Difference) and DCA (Drain Cooler Approach) for feedwater heaters, the higher will be the efficiency of the cycle.	True
2.	If wet steam is generated, the high Evaporation ratio indicates high efficiency of boiler.	False
3.	The only reason for installing condensate recovery systems is to reduce makeup water.	False
4.	The heat rate of a thermal power plant can be improved by decreasing the condenser cooling water temperature.	True
5.	In a cement rotary kiln, the highest heat loss occurs through clinker discharge.	False
6.	Evaporation ratio is based on actual performance data (steam output and fuel input) and does not depend on whether efficiency is expressed on GCV or NCV basis.	True
7.	Isentropic efficiency of a back-pressure turbine will be more if extraction temperature is higher than steam temperature at back-pressure condition.	False
8.	Profitability Index (PI) will be greater than 1 for projects with positive NPV, but its value varies with cash flow patterns and is not always higher for all positive NPV projects.	True
9.	In an integrated iron & steel plant, all the rolling mills consumes more energy compared to energy consumed for iron making.	False
10.	In indirect method of boiler efficiency calculations, blowdown losses are also considered.	False

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Section - II: SHORT NUMERICAL QUESTIONS

Marks: 2 x 5 = 10

- (i) Answer all the **Two** questions
- (ii) Each question carries **Five** marks

L-1	<p>During the assessment year 2024–25, one of the thermal power plants reported a gross heat rate of 2300 kCal/kWh and an auxiliary power consumption of 8%, while the baseline net heat rate was 2600 kCal/kWh.</p> <p>If the baseline generation is 5000 MU and considering that 1 kg of oil equivalent = 10,000 kCal and 1 e-Certificate = 1 ton of oil equivalent (TOE), calculate the reduction in net heat rate compared to the baseline and determine the expected number of e-Certificates.</p>																		
L-1 Ans	<p>Assessment Year Net Heat Rate = $2300 / (100-8) / 100$ = 2500 kCal/kWh</p> <p>Reduction in net heat rate = Baseline – Assessment year Net Heat Rate = 2600 – 2500 = 100 kCal/kWh</p> <p>Expected E-certs = $5000 \times 10^6 \times 100 / 10000 \times 1000$ = 50,000 e-Certificates</p>																		
L-2	<p>In a petrochemical industry, both the Low-Pressure (LP) boiler and the High-Pressure (HP) boiler operate with the same evaporation ratio of 14, using the same fuel oil. The operating details are provided below:</p> <table><tr><td>Particulars</td><td>LP Boiler</td><td>HP Boiler</td></tr><tr><td>Pressure</td><td>10 kg/cm²a</td><td>32 kg/cm²a</td></tr><tr><td>Temperature</td><td>Saturated steam</td><td>400 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Enthalpy of steam</td><td>665 kcal/kg</td><td>732 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td>Temperature of feed water</td><td>80 °C</td><td>105 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Evaporation Ratio</td><td>14</td><td>14</td></tr></table> <p>If the efficiency of the LP boiler is 80%, calculate the efficiency of the HP boiler.</p>	Particulars	LP Boiler	HP Boiler	Pressure	10 kg/cm ² a	32 kg/cm ² a	Temperature	Saturated steam	400 °C	Enthalpy of steam	665 kcal/kg	732 kcal/kg	Temperature of feed water	80 °C	105 °C	Evaporation Ratio	14	14
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L-2 Ans	<p>Effyⁿ = ER. (hg – hf) / GCV</p> <p>EffyL.Pⁿ¹ = 0.8 = $14 \times (665 - 80) / \text{GCV}$</p> <p>EffyH.Pⁿ² = $14 \times (732 - 105) / \text{GCV}$</p> <p>EffyH.Pⁿ² / EffyL.Pⁿ¹ = $(732 - 105)0.8 / (665 - 80) = 0.8574 = 85.74\%$</p> <p>Or</p> <p>EffyL.Pⁿ¹ = 0.8 = $14 \times (665 - 80) / \text{GCV}$</p> <p>GCV = $14 \times (665 - 80) / 0.8 = 10237.5 \text{ kcal/kg}$</p> <p>EffyH.Pⁿ² = $14 \times (732 - 105) / \text{GCV}$</p> <p>= $14 \times (732 - 105) / 10237.5 = 0.8574 = 85.74\%$</p>																		

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Section - III: LONG NUMERICAL QUESTIONS

Marks: 4 x 20 = 80

- (i) Answer all the **Four** questions
- (ii) Each question carries **Twenty** marks

N-1	<p>A boiler is fired with 200 kg/hr of a hydrogen-enriched hydrocarbon fuel ($C_nH_m-H_2$) at atmospheric pressure and a temperature of 20 °C. The flue gas, leaving the boiler at atmospheric pressure and 300 °C, has the following dry composition by weight:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• $CO_2 = 12\%$• $O_2 = 3\%$• $N_2 = 85\%$ <p>Based on this information, determine:</p> <p>a) The main constituents of the fuel (carbon and hydrogen) 12 Marks</p> <p>b) The percentage composition of each constituent in the fuel 4 Marks</p> <p>c) The total mass flow rate (kg/hr) of the dry flue gas. 4 Marks</p>
N-1 Sol	<p>Assumptions (per 100 kg dry flue gas): Nitrogen -85 kg/hr, Oxygen – 3 kg/hr, CO_2 – 12 kg/hr Take air O_2 mass fraction = 0.23 and N_2 mass fraction = 0.77.</p> <p>Carbon in the fuel (from CO_2): $CO_2 \rightarrow C$:</p> $m_c = 12kg\ CO_2 \times \frac{12}{44} = \frac{144}{44} = \frac{36}{11}\ kg$ $m_c=36/11=3.2727\ kg/h\ of\ carbon/\ per\ 100\ kg/hr\ of\ flue\ gas$ <p>Actual air supplied: $Air\ mass = \frac{N_2}{N_2\ mass\ fraction\ in\ air} = \frac{85}{0.77} = 110.39\ kg/hr\ of\ air / 100\ kg/hr\ of\ flur\ gas$</p> <p>$O_2$ supplied with that air: $O_{2\supplied}=0.23 \times 110.39 =25.39\ kg/hr / 100\ kg/hr\ of\ flue\ gas$ O_2 consumed (used in combustion) = supplied – residual in flue gas $O_2^{consumed} = 25.39 - 3 = 22.39\ kg/hr /100\ kg/hr\ of\ flue\ gas$</p> <p>$O_2$ used to oxidize carbon (to form CO_2): Stoichiometry: $C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 \rightarrow mass\ factor = \frac{32}{12} = \frac{8}{3}$.</p> $O_2\ for\ C = \frac{8}{3} \times m_c = \frac{8}{3} \times \frac{36}{11} = \frac{288}{33} = 8.73\ kg/hr/100kg/hr\ of\ flue\ gas$ <p>O_2 available for hydrogen: $O_2\ for\ H = O_2^{consumed} - O_2\ for\ C$ $= 22.39 - 8.73 = 13.66\ kg/hr/100kg/hr\ of\ flue\ gas$</p> <p>Each kg H requires 8 kg O_2 to form H_2O, so H mass:</p> $m_H = \frac{13.66}{8} = 1.70779\ kg/hr$ <p>Fuel mass & composition (per 100 kg dry flue gas): Total fuel mass (C + H):</p> $m_{fuel} = m_c + m_H = 3.2727 + 1.70779 = 4.9805kg/hr$ <p>Mass fractions:</p> $\%C = \frac{3.2727}{4.9805} \times 100 = 65.732663\% (\approx 65.73\%)$ $\%H = \frac{1.7077}{4.9805} \times 100 = 34.267337\% (\approx 34.27\%)$ <p>If fuel flow = 200 kg/h: Carbon:</p> $m_c(200) = 200 \times 0.6573 = 131.465326\ kg/h$ $= 131.46\ kg/hr$ <p>Hydrogen:</p> $m_H(200) = 200 \times 0.3426 = 68.534674\ kg/h$

	<div><div>= 68.54 kg /hr</div><div>c) The total Mass Flow rate of Dry Flue gas in kg/hr: Carbon (C) = 131.46 kg/h Hydrogen (H) = 68.54 kg/h Mass of dry flue gas = Mass of wet flue gas – Mass of H2O = 200 + Actual Air – 9* 68.54 = Actual Air – 416.86 Actual Air = Ta +Ea Ta = (2.67 x131.46 + 8x68.54) / 23% = 3910 kg/hr Ea = E% x Ta E% = O2%/ (21% - O2%) O2%= 3/32 / (12/44 + 3/32 + 85/28) = 2.75% E% = 2.75% / (21%- 2.75%) = 15.07% Ea = 15.07% x 3910 kg/hr = 589.24 kg/hr Therefore, Actual Air = Ta +Ea = 3910 kg/hr + 589.24 kg /hr = 4499.24 kg/hr Mass of Dry flue gas = 4499.24 – 416.86 = 4082.38 kg/hr</div></div>																																										
N-2	<div><div><div>i) A small Topping Cycle Gas Turbine cogeneration plant has the following operating parameters. Estimate the power generation in kW and the steam supplied from the HRSG in TPH. The Energy Auditor has suggested that the HRSG exit flue gas temperature can be maintained at 95 °C by recovering more heat from the HRSG. If the HRSG exit flue gas temperature is maintained at 95 °C, estimate the additional steam generation and also the EUF with improved steam generation. The operating parameters are given below:<div>12 Marks</div><table><tr><th>Parameter</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td>Natural Gas Fuel Firing Rate</td><td>1500 Sm³/hr</td></tr><tr><td>Lower Heating Value (LHV)</td><td>9600 kcal/Sm³</td></tr><tr><td>Exhaust Gas Flow Rate</td><td>16.35 kg/s</td></tr><tr><td>Exhaust Gas Temperature</td><td>525 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Mean Specific Heat of Gas (Cp)</td><td>0.265 kcal/kg·°C</td></tr><tr><td>Specific Power Generation</td><td>3.044 kWh/Sm³</td></tr><tr><td>HRSG Inlet Temperature</td><td>520 °C</td></tr><tr><td>HRSG Exit Temperature</td><td>135 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Steam Pressure</td><td>10 kg/cm²</td></tr><tr><td>Saturated Steam Temperature</td><td>179 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Steam Enthalpy</td><td>663 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td>Feedwater Temperature</td><td>105 °C</td></tr><tr><td>HRSG Efficiency</td><td>79%</td></tr></table></div><div><div>ii) A coal-fired boiler operates with the following parameters.<div>8 Marks</div><table><tr><th>Parameter</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td>Hours of Operation</td><td>24 hours</td></tr><tr><td>Feed Water Temperature</td><td>145 °C</td></tr><tr><td>Steam Enthalpy</td><td>805 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td>GCV of Coal</td><td>4200 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td>Evaporation Ratio</td><td>5.7</td></tr><tr><td>Steam Flow Rate</td><td>265 TPH</td></tr></table></div></div></div></div>	Parameter	Value	Natural Gas Fuel Firing Rate	1500 Sm ³ /hr	Lower Heating Value (LHV)	9600 kcal/Sm ³	Exhaust Gas Flow Rate	16.35 kg/s	Exhaust Gas Temperature	525 °C	Mean Specific Heat of Gas (Cp)	0.265 kcal/kg·°C	Specific Power Generation	3.044 kWh/Sm ³	HRSG Inlet Temperature	520 °C	HRSG Exit Temperature	135 °C	Steam Pressure	10 kg/cm ²	Saturated Steam Temperature	179 °C	Steam Enthalpy	663 kcal/kg	Feedwater Temperature	105 °C	HRSG Efficiency	79%	Parameter	Value	Hours of Operation	24 hours	Feed Water Temperature	145 °C	Steam Enthalpy	805 kcal/kg	GCV of Coal	4200 kcal/kg	Evaporation Ratio	5.7	Steam Flow Rate	265 TPH
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	Calculate the Boiler Efficiency and Coal Consumption per hour. If the boiler efficiency is improved by 2% relative to the existing efficiency, then estimate the coal savings per day.
N-2 Ans	<p>a)</p> <p>Power Generation</p> <p>Power = Fuel rate × Specific power generation = 1500 × 3.044 = 4566 kW</p> <p>Steam Generation at Baseline (Exit 135 °C)</p> <p>Heat recovered = 4,744,101 kcal/hr</p> <p>Steam generated = 8502 kg/hr = 8.50 TPH</p> <p>Steam Generation at Improved Condition (Exit 95 °C)</p> <p>Heat recovered = 5,236,995 kcal/hr</p> <p>Steam generated = 9385 kg/hr = 9.39 TPH</p> <p>Additional steam = 9385 – 8502 = 883 kg/hr = 0.88 TPH</p> <p>Energy Utilization Factor (EUF)</p> <p>Fuel input = 16,744 kW</p> <p>Useful output = Power (4566) + Steam thermal (6086) = 10,652 kW</p> <p>EUF = 10,652 / 16,744 = 63.60 %</p> <p>b)</p> <p>Heat Output</p> <p>Net enthalpy gain = 805 – 145 = 660 kcal/kg</p> <p>Q_out = 265,000 × 660 = 174,900,000 kcal/hr</p> <p>Coal Consumption (from ER)</p> <p>Coal/hr = 265,000 ÷ 5.7 = 46,491.22807 kg/hr = 46.49 TPH</p> <p>Heat Input</p> <p>Q_in = 46,491.22807 × 4200 = 195,263,157.9 kcal/hr</p> <p>Boiler Efficiency</p> <p>$\eta = Q_{out} \div Q_{in} \times 100 = (174,900,000 \div 195,263,157.9) \times 100 = 89.57\%$</p> <p>Improved Efficiency (relative 2%)</p> <p>$\eta_{new} = 89.57 \times 1.02 = 91.36\%$</p> <p>New Coal Consumption</p> <p>Coal_new = Q_out ÷ (η_{new} × GCV)</p> <p>Coal_new = 174,900,000 ÷ (0.9136 × 4200) = 45,584.085 kg/hr = 45.58 TPH</p> <p>Coal Savings</p> <p>$\Delta\text{Coal/hr} = 46,491.228 - 45,584.085 = 907.143 \text{ kg/hr}$</p> <p>Daily Saving = 907.143 × 24 = 21,771.43 kg/day ≈ 21.77 TPD</p>
N-3	<p>A pharmaceutical manufacturing plant operates a central chilled water system that serves both cleanroom AHUs and a process cooling water loop for tablet coating machines. The process cooling water passes through a counterflow heat exchanger, entering at 20 °C and leaving at 14 °C with a flow rate of 166 m³/h. On the other side, the chilled water enters at 7 °C and leaves at 12 °C, with a flow rate of 200 m³/h. The heat exchanger has an overall heat transfer coefficient of 2.8 kW/m² °C.</p> <p>The chilled and condenser cooling water loops are each served by centrifugal pumps with operating efficiencies of 78 % and 80 %, respectively and with a head of 18 m. The cooling tower is fitted with an induced-draft axial fan delivering 28 m³/s of air at 42.83 mmWC total pressure, with a fan efficiency of 62 %. All pumps and the fan are driven by directly coupled three-phase induction motors with an efficiency of 92 %.</p> <p>The plant’s HVAC system operates for 300 days annually, running 18 hours per day, to handle an average cooling load of 850 kW with an ISEER value of 4.5.</p> <p>Calculate the following:</p>

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LP Heater 1	92.5	-0.23	93.07	64.2	47.2	13.7	63.6	12.6	2.88	4.8
LP Heater 2	140	0.49	111.23	70.4	-	-	105	11.5	2.95	4.95
LP Heater 3	209	1.97	132.9	110	-	-	130	10.4	2.95	4.95
HP Heater 5	416	17.4	207.33	171	170	202	210	199	0	5
HP Heater 6	335	43	254.94	212	-	-	255	197	0.1	5

Neglect temperature loss in the feedwater line between heaters and calculate the following:

- a. Calculate the Turbine Heat Rate and the Unit Heat Rate. 8 Marks
- b. Determine the loss or gain in the Turbine Heat Rate due to deviations of the TTD (Terminal Temperature Difference) and DCA (Drain Cooler Approach) of the LP/HP Heater systems from their design values. 12 Marks

Consider the following criteria:

- For every 0.56°C increase or decrease in TTD from the design value, the Heat Rate will increase or decrease by 0.014%.
- For every 0.56°C increase or decrease in DCA from the design value, the Heat Rate will increase or decrease by 0.005%.

N-4

(A)

Ans

Turbine Heat Rate:
Turbine: HR: {(1561000 X (806.47-246))+ (1413000 X (844.27 – 730.714))}/ (501700)
= 2063.72kCal/kWh
Unit Heat Rate:
= 2063.72 / 88%
= 2345.131 kCal/kWh

From the Above data, the following heater data can be inferred

Heater Ref.	Feed water In-let Temp °C	Feed water In-let Temp °C	Steam Inlet temp °C	Inlet steam Saturation Temp °C	Drain temp °C
LP Heater -1	47.2	63.6	92.5	93.07	64.2
LP Heater-2	63.6	105	140	111.23	70.4
LP Heater -3	105	130	209	132.9	110
HP heater-5	170	210	416	207.33	171
HP Heater -6	210	255	335	254.94	212

So

TTD (Terminal Temperature Difference) = Inlet Steam Saturation Temp °C – Feed Outlet Temp °C

DCA (Drain Cooler Approach) = Drain temperature °C – Feed Water Inlet Temperature °C

Heater Ref.	TTD °C (Design)	DCA °C (Design)	TTD °C (Calculated)	DCA °C (Calculated)
LP Heater -1	2.88	4.8	29.47	17
LP Heater-2	2.95	4.95	6.23	6.8
LP Heater -3	2.95	4.95	2.9	5
HP heater-5	0	5	-2.67	1
HP Heater -6	0.1	5	-0.06	2

Difference Between design values and Operating values of TTD and DCA of Heaters.

Heater Ref.	TTD _{Operating} – TTD _{Design}	DCA _{Operating} – DCA _{Design}
LP Heater -1	26.59	12.2
LP Heater-2	3.28	1.85
LP Heater -3	-0.05	0.05
HP heater-5	-2.67	-4
HP Heater -6	-0.16	-3
Total Difference	26.66	7.1

Change in Heat rate because of deviation in TTD =
(Net Change in TTD for All heaters X 0.014%/0.56°C)
Since given, for every 0.56°C change in TTD HR will increase by 0.014%
So Increase in HR because of TTD deviation= 26.66°C X 0.014 / 0.56 = 0.67475 %

	<p>Change in Heat rate because of deviation in DCA = (Net Change in DCA for All heaters X 0.005%/0.56°C) Since given, for every 0.56°C change in TTD HR will increase by 0.005% So Increase in HR because of DCA deviation $7.1 \times 0.005 / 0.56 = 0.064 \%$</p> <p>Total % Increase in Turbine HR because of deviation in operation of TTD and DCA of Heaters from Design Values = 0.7381 %. $= 0.7381 \times 2063.72 = 15.23 \text{ kCal/kWh}$</p>																													
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N-4 (B)	<p>A DRI-route steel plant operates a DRI unit and a Steel Melting Shop (SMS). The plant also has a coal-based captive power plant (CPP). Any shortfall in electrical energy is met by imported grid power. On average, the plant imports 1,20,000 kWh/day and the operational parameters are given below:</p> <table><tr><th>Description</th><th>Parameter</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td rowspan="5">DRI Unit</td><td>Rated capacity</td><td>500 TPD</td></tr><tr><td>Capacity utilization</td><td>70%</td></tr><tr><td>Specific coal consumption</td><td>1.25 t coal / t sponge iron</td></tr><tr><td>Specific power consumption</td><td>95 kWh / t sponge iron</td></tr><tr><td>Coal GCV</td><td>5000 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">SMS</td><td>Yield</td><td>87%</td></tr><tr><td>Specific power consumption</td><td>830 kWh / t liquid steel</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="3">CPP</td><td>Gross efficiency</td><td>27%</td></tr><tr><td>Auxiliary power consumption</td><td>8% of gross generation</td></tr><tr><td>Coal GCV</td><td>5000 kcal/kg</td></tr><tr><td>Grid</td><td>Grid electricity heat rate</td><td>2700 kCal/ kWh</td></tr></table> <p>Calculate the following:</p> <p>a) The daily production of sponge iron and liquid steel in TPD. (2 marks)</p> <p>b) DRI coal consumption in TPD and its thermal input in Million kcal/day. (2marks)</p> <p>c) Total daily electrical energy demand of DRI and SMS in kWh/day. (3 marks)</p> <p>d) The CPP gross generation in kWh/day, CPP heat rate in kCal/kWh, CPP thermal input in Million kcal/day and the CPP coal consumption in TPD. (6 marks)</p> <p>e) The overall specific energy consumption (SEC) in Million kcal per tonne of liquid steel. (4 marks)</p> <p>f) Compare your SEC with a benchmark of 6.5 Million kcal/t of liquid steel, and comment briefly on performance. (3 marks)</p>	Description	Parameter	Value	DRI Unit	Rated capacity	500 TPD	Capacity utilization	70%	Specific coal consumption	1.25 t coal / t sponge iron	Specific power consumption	95 kWh / t sponge iron	Coal GCV	5000 kcal/kg	SMS	Yield	87%	Specific power consumption	830 kWh / t liquid steel	CPP	Gross efficiency	27%	Auxiliary power consumption	8% of gross generation	Coal GCV	5000 kcal/kg	Grid	Grid electricity heat rate	2700 kCal/ kWh
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N-4 (B) Ans	<p>1) Daily Production Sponge iron = $500 \times 70\% = 350 \text{ TPD}$ Liquid steel = $350 \times 0.87 = 304.5 \text{ TPD}$</p> <p>2) DRI Coal & Heat Input Coal = $1.25 \times 350 = 437.5 \text{ TPD}$ Thermal input = $437.5 \times 5,000 \times 1000 = 2,187.5 \text{ Million kcal/day}$</p> <p>3) Electrical Demand DRI = $95 \times 350 = 33,250 \text{ kWh/day}$ SMS = $830 \times 304.5 = 252,735 \text{ kWh/day}$ Total = $285,985 \text{ kWh/day}$</p> <p>4) CPP Generation & Coal CPP net = $285,985 - 120,000 = 165,985 \text{ kWh/day}$ CPP gross = $165,985 / 0.92 = 180,418.5 \text{ kWh/day}$ Heat rate = $860 / 0.27 = 3,185.2 \text{ kcal/kWh}$ Thermal input = $180,418.5 \times 3,185.2 = 574.67 \text{ Million kcal/day}$ CPP coal = $574.67 \times 10^6 / 5000 = 114.93 \text{ TPD}$</p> <p>5) Overall SEC Total heat input = Thermal input to DRI + Thermal input to CPP + Thermal Input of Import Imported electricity thermal eq. = $120,000 \times 2700 = 324.0 \text{ Million kcal/day}$ Total heat input = $2,187.5 + 574.67 + 324.0 = 3,086.17 \text{ Million kcal/day}$ SEC = $3,086.17 / 304.5 = 10.14 \text{ Million kcal/t}$</p> <p>6) Benchmark Comparison & Comment</p>																													

	<p>Benchmark = 6.5 Million kcal/t; Actual = 10.14 Million kcal/t (~56% higher) Comments: Need reduction in DRI coal use, improved SMS SPC, better CPP efficiency, adoption of WHR, and auxiliary load reduction.</p>																																								
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N-4 (C) Ans	<p>a) Steam and Coal Required for the Coal-Fired Boiler</p> <p>Dry cloth mass: $m_{dry} = 1,250 \times (1 - 0.06) = 1,175 \text{ kg/h}$</p> <p>Wet inlet mass and moisture evaporated: $m_{inlet} = 1,175 / 0.35 = 3,357 \text{ kg/h}$ Moisture evaporated = $3,357 - 1,250 = 2,107 \text{ kg/h}$</p> <p>Heat required to evaporate moisture: $Q_{evap} = 2,107 \times [540 + (78 - 32)]$ $= 2,107 \times 586 = 12,34,702 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>Heat input to stenter (48% efficiency): $Q_{stenter} = 12,34,702 / 0.48 = 25,72,296 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>Steam required: $h_{steam} = 0.95 \times 477 + 184 = 637.15 \text{ kcal/kg}$ Also condensate leaves at 87°C = 87 kCal/kg Required Steam = $2,567,490 / (637.15 - 87) = 4675 \text{ kg/h}$</p>																																								

	<p>Boiler output required (5% distribution loss): $Q_{\text{boiler_out}} = 25,72,296 / 0.95 = 27,07,680 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>Boiler heat input (72% efficiency): $Q_{\text{boiler_in}} = 27,07,680 / 0.72 = 37,60,666 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>Coal required: $\text{Coal} = 37,60,666 / 4,200 = 895.4 \text{ kg/h} = 0.895 \text{ t/h}$</p> <p>Coal cost per hour: $\text{Cost} = 0.895 \times 7,000 = \text{Rs. } 6265 \text{ Rs/hr}$</p> <p>b) Biomass Required & Cost per Hour – Thermic Fluid Heater (7% Loss) Heater output required (7% distribution loss): $Q_{\text{heater_out}} = 25,72,296 / 0.93 = 2,765,909.677419355 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>TFH thermal input (70% efficiency): $Q_{\text{TFH_in}} = 2,765,909.677419355 / 0.70 = 3,951,299.539170507 \text{ kcal/h}$</p> <p>Biomass required: $\text{Biomass} = 3,951,299.539170507 / 3,800 \approx 1,039.289352409603 \text{ kg/h} = 1.039 \text{ t/h}$</p> <p>Biomass cost per hour: $\text{Cost} = 1.039 \times 4,000 = \text{Rs. } 4157 \text{ Rs/hr}$</p> <p>c) Annual Fuel Cost Savings Hourly Fuel Saving: $\text{Saving} = 6265 - 4157 = \text{Rs. } 2108 \text{ Rs/hr}$</p> <p>Annual Saving (7,200 h/year): $\text{Annual Saving} = 2108 \times 7,200 = \text{Rs. } 1,51,77,600 \approx \text{Rs. } 1.51 \text{ crore/year}$</p>																														
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N-4 (D)	<p>A 10,000 TPD cement plant purchases power from the grid, operates an 18 MW Captive Power Plant (CPP) and also has a Waste Heat Recovery (WHR) system with a 9 MW turbine. Electricity is used for cement production and also supplied to the colony and other utilities. The plant also exports excess energy to the grid. The annual energy and production data are given below:</p> <table><tr><th>Parameter</th><th>Value</th></tr><tr><td>Annual operating hours</td><td>8,300 hrs</td></tr><tr><td>Energy imported</td><td>60,210,000 kWh</td></tr><tr><td>Energy exported</td><td>3,150,000 kWh</td></tr><tr><td>Energy supplied to colony & others</td><td>3,500,000 kWh</td></tr><tr><td>CPP average generation</td><td>18 MW</td></tr><tr><td>CPP heat rate</td><td>3100 kcal/kWh</td></tr><tr><td>WHR turbine average generation</td><td>9 MW</td></tr><tr><td>WHR turbine heat rate</td><td>3600 kcal/kWh</td></tr><tr><td>Indian coal consumption</td><td>96,000 MT (GCV 4500 kcal/kg)</td></tr><tr><td>Pet coke consumption</td><td>80,000 MT (GCV 7500 kcal/kg)</td></tr><tr><td>Imported coal consumption</td><td>198,000 MT (GCV 7200 kcal/kg)</td></tr><tr><td>Biomass consumption</td><td>10,000 MT (GCV 2850 kcal/kg)</td></tr><tr><td>Clinker produced</td><td>2,700,000 MT</td></tr><tr><td>Clinker-to-cement ratio</td><td>1.375</td></tr></table> <p>Calculate the following:</p> <p>a) Specific Electrical Energy Consumption (SEEC) in kWh/ton of cement. (8 Marks)</p> <p>b) Estimate the Specific Thermal Energy Consumption (STEC) in kcal/kg of clinker (7 Marks)</p> <p>c) If the CPP is operated using only Indian coal and Imported coal, calculate the coal blending ratio by weight required to achieve a blended coal GCV of 6000 kcal/kg. (5 Marks)</p>	Parameter	Value	Annual operating hours	8,300 hrs	Energy imported	60,210,000 kWh	Energy exported	3,150,000 kWh	Energy supplied to colony & others	3,500,000 kWh	CPP average generation	18 MW	CPP heat rate	3100 kcal/kWh	WHR turbine average generation	9 MW	WHR turbine heat rate	3600 kcal/kWh	Indian coal consumption	96,000 MT (GCV 4500 kcal/kg)	Pet coke consumption	80,000 MT (GCV 7500 kcal/kg)	Imported coal consumption	198,000 MT (GCV 7200 kcal/kg)	Biomass consumption	10,000 MT (GCV 2850 kcal/kg)	Clinker produced	2,700,000 MT	Clinker-to-cement ratio	1.375
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Sol	<p>CPP generation = $18 \times 8300 \times 1000 = 149,400,000 \text{ kWh}$ WHR generation = $9 \times 8300 \times 1000 = 74,700,000 \text{ kWh}$ Grid import = $60,210,000 \text{ kWh}$ Total Input = $284,310,000 \text{ kWh}$ Deductions Export to grid = $3,150,000 \text{ kWh}$ Colony & others = $3,500,000 \text{ kWh}$ Net for cement production = $284,310,000 - 3,150,000 - 3,500,000 = 277,660,000 \text{ kWh}$ Cement Production Clinker produced = $2,700,000 \text{ MT}$ Cement produced = $2,700,000 \times 1.375 = 3,712,500 \text{ MT}$ SEEC SEEC = $277,660,000 \div 3,712,500 = 74.7 \text{ kWh/ton cement}$ Specific Thermal Energy Consumption (STEC) - 7 Marks Fuel Heat Input Indian coal = $96,000 \times 4500 = 432 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ Pet coke = $80,000 \times 7500 = 600 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ Imported coal = $198,000 \times 7200 = 1425.6 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ Biomass = $10,000 \times 2850 = 28.5 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ Total Heat Input = $2486.1 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ Heat to Kiln As per PAT convention (no CPP deduction applied) Heat to kiln = $2486.1 \times 10^9 \text{ kcal}$ STEC Clinker produced = $2,700,000 \text{ MT} = 2,700,000,000 \text{ kg}$ STEC = $2486.1 \times 10^9 \div 2,700,000,000 = 920.04 \text{ kcal/kg clinker}$ Coal Blending Ratio Define ratio Let x = fraction of Indian coal, (1-x) = fraction of Imported coal Equation $6000 = 4500x + 7200(1-x)$ $6000 = 4500x + 7200 - 7200x$ $6000 = 7200 - 2700x$ $2700x = 1200$ $x = 0.444 \text{ (44.4\%)}$ Ratio Indian coal = 44.4%, Imported coal = 55.6% Coal Blending Ratio = 44 : 56</p>
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