

UNIT PROFILE:

The Pig Iron Plant at Amona has two Mini blast furnaces with working volume of 173 M³ each. The first Blast furnace was commissioned in March 1992 and the second in July 1994.

The basic function of a blast furnace is to remove the oxygen from the iron oxide (ore) and bring the temperature of the reduced iron to well above its melting point. This process is carried out by the countercurrent reaction between descending raw materials from top & ascending reducing gases from bottom

The raw materials namely iron ore and fluxes (limestone and dolomite) along with coke (reducing agent & fuel) are charged into the blast furnace from top.

The hot air is introduced through the openings called tuyeres located above hearth & this heated air burns coke charged from the furnace top to produce the heat required by the process and also generates reducing gases that preheat raw material and remove oxygen from the ore descending through the stack.

The molten metal and slag thus collected in hearth are tapped time to time. The liquid metal is collected in a refractory lined ladle and cast into small blocks called pigs in Pig Casting Machines. The different grades of pig iron are produced depending upon customers' requirements. The slag, a by-product generated during smelting of iron ore, is granulated & sold to cement manufacturers.

173 M³ Blast furnace



The company has been certified for Quality System ISO 9001(2000), Environment System ISO14001 (2004) and Occupational health and Safety system OHSAS 18001:1999

The company has its own Captive Power plant of 3 MW Capacity run on steam produced from waste heat boiler using blast Furnace Gas.

The total blast furnace gas (BFG) available from two blast furnaces, after self consumption (used for air preheating) can produce around 8 MW of power with heat rate of 3300 Kcal/ kwh.

Existing 3 Mw power plant which was installed in 1991 is of inefficient design by current standards and takes around 4700 Kcal/kwh. As a energy conservation measure company decided to scrap the existing power plant and go for efficient design higher capacity plant which can also make use of additional BFG available.

Accordingly a 30 Mw power plant has been installed by a third party who is using BFG as fuel along with coke oven waste heat produced from coke oven plant of Sesa-the parent company.

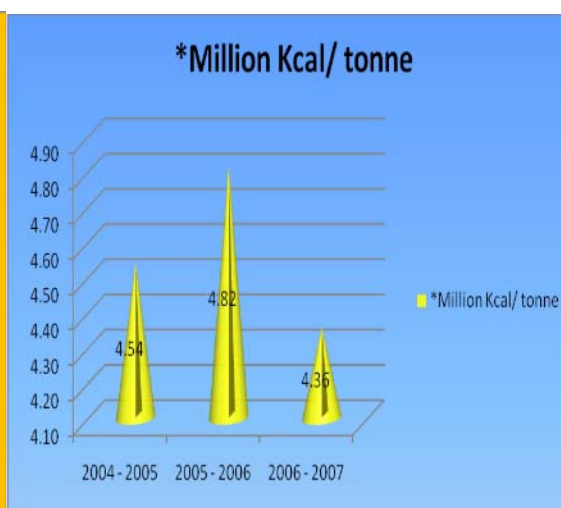
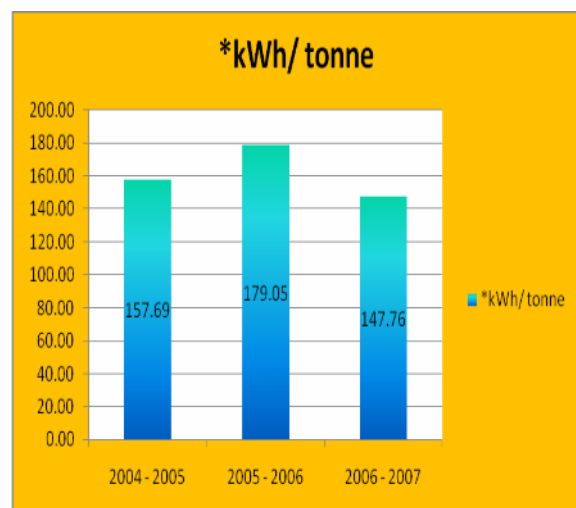
The Company also receives Grid supply from Govt. of Goa at 33KV. During non availability of grid supply and power plant, DG sets are operated. However from June 2007 ,power from GEPL plant is made available to Sesa as such grid and DG power will not be required/ will be used only during emergency.

Energy Consumption:

Description	Unit	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
Annual PIG Iron Production	MT	247393	207224	243337
Total Electrical Energy Consumption/annum	Lakhs KWH	390.16	371.04	359.55
Specific Energy Consumption - Electrical	KWH/MT	157.69	179.05	147.76
Total Thermal Energy Consumption/annum	Million Kcals	1123344	998683	1060839
Specific Energy Consumption - Thermal	M Kcals/MT	4.54	4.82	4.36
Total Energy Cost	Rs. In Lakhs	26716	15678	14864
Manufacturing cost	Rs in Lakhs	36179	24596	31234
Total Energy cost as % of manufacturing cost	%	73.85	61.49	47.59

Electrical Energy Consumption

Thermal Energy Consumption



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Energy Conservation Commitment, Policy and Set Up:



ENERGY POLICY

(SESA INDUSTRIES LTD)

Sesa Industries is committed to implement Energy Conservation measures judiciously in all its activities, ventures, products across the organization; in an eco-friendly manner.

We believe in continually striving to be the lowest specific energy consumer in our type of industry, without affecting quality & productivity.

This shall be achieved through;

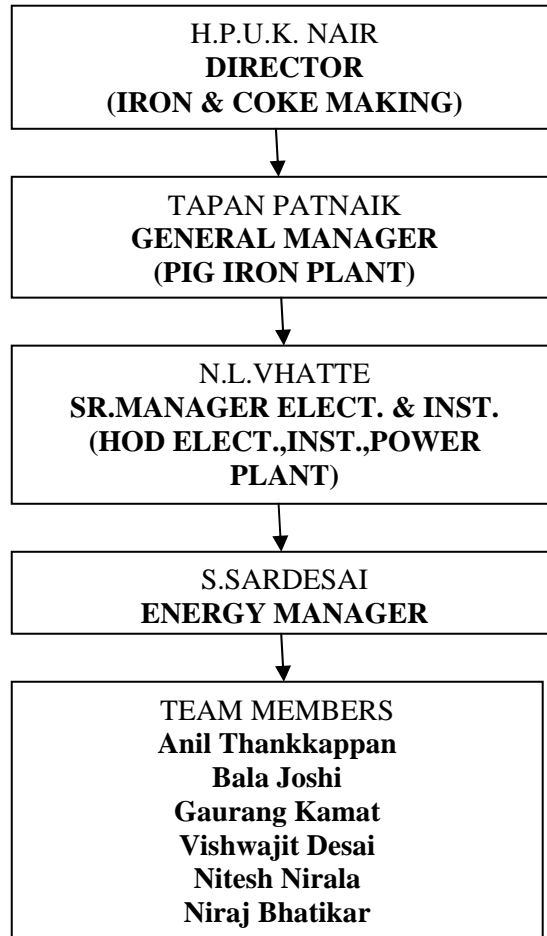
- 1) Establishing, monitoring and tracking of energy consumption data regularly with an aim, to reduce specific energy consumption.
- 2) Adopting and enforcing energy efficient technology /processes for all projects.
- 3) Providing training & enhancing awareness to our employees and suppliers in the areas of energy conservation.
- 4) Complying with all applicable Energy regulations enforced from time to time.
- 5) Replacing/redesigning old energy inefficient technology/equipment with the latest energy efficient technology/equipment with a view to improve efficiency and economics of the operation.
- 6) Carrying out regular Energy audits to identify and reduce energy wastage in all areas.

The management of SIL is committed to provide the resources and support required to ensure successful achievement of above policy.

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ENERGY CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENTS:

Year	Product	Kwh/ton	% Reduction over 04-05	MKcal/Ton	% Reduction over 04-05
2004-05	Pig Iron	157.69	-	4.54	-
2005-06	Pig Iron	179.05	-13.9% (Increase)	4.82	-6.16% (Increase)
2006-07	Pig Iron	147.76	6.5% (Decrease)	4.36	3.96 % (Decrease)

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Major projects implemented for Energy conservation during 2006-07

1) Variable Frequency Drives



The company has installed VFD's for main cooling pumps used for furnace cooling in the month of April 2006. Average Power consumed by cooling pumps after installation of VFD has reduced by approx 33%..

Total investments = Rs 12.0 lakhs
Total Savings in KWh = 6.72 lakhs/annum
Total Savings in Rs = 13.64 lakhs/annum

2) Hot Blast Stoves:



The company has installed hot blast stoves in place of Metallic Blast pre-heater for air preheating in both blast furnaces and achieved 960°C of blast temperature against the past level of 780°C ,

This has resulted in saving of 25 kg of coke per ton of hot metal.

Total investments = Rs 3000 lakhs
Total Savings = Rs 587 lakhs/annum.

3) 30 MW Waste Heat recovery Power Plant

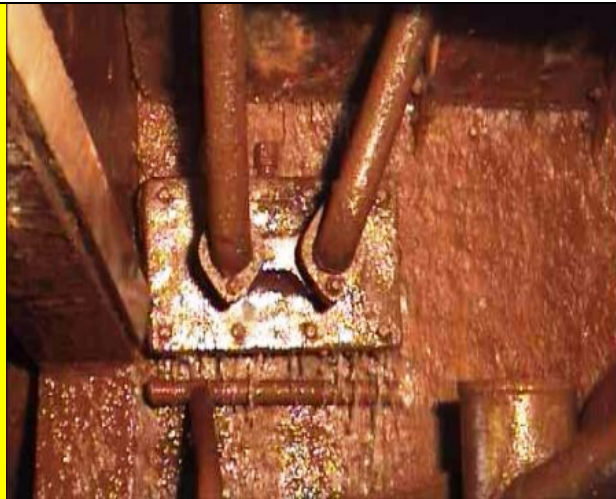


The company has made an agreement with Goa Energy private Ltd (GEPL- A Videocon group company) to set up a waste heat recovery Power Plant of 30 MW size where by Sesa will provide fuel (Blast furnace gas and Coke oven waste heat gas).

Total investments = Rs 11000 lakhs by GEPL
Revenue to GEPL Rs 2660 lakhs per annum
Savings to Sesa from free power
Rs 760 lakhs/annum.

Revenue to Sesa from sale of heat
Rs 484 lakhs/annum
Revenue to Sesa from sale of CERs
Rs 674 lakhs/annum
(1 CER= €10)

4. Cooling Plates For Blast Furnace:



Cooling plates were introduced in one of the Blast furnaces in the high temperature refractory zone along with provision of cooling tower for efficient cooling of the high temperature zone. This aims at increasing the furnace refractory life & thus enhances the furnace campaign life. Furnace relining interval will be extended from current 03 years to 05 years. Improved campaign life results in lower coke consumption. Also by improved campaign life the refractory consumption is reduced leading to conservation of resources and thereby energy to produce them. The savings will be reflected in the subsequent years of operation..

Total investments = Rs 230 lakhs

Total Savings = Rs 400 lakhs/Annum.

Other Major initiatives taken for energy conservation during the year 2006-07

- Insulation of Cold Blast Line of Blast Furnaces.
- Automation of charging system conveyers to stop Idle running
- Installation of Online Gas monitoring system, for monitoring power plant efficiency.
- Replacement of high wattage light fitting with low wattage energy efficient fitting in different areas
- Switching Off unnecessary lights in the plant area.
- Replacement of Pneumatic drain valves by 'No air loss drain valves 'in the compressor receiver drains.
- Installation of Humidity monitoring system for process improvement.
- Replacement of defective steam traps in process steam lines.
- Installation of Energy Efficient motor for Cooling Tower pumps of capacity 160 KW.

ENERGY CONSERVATION PLANS & TARGETS:

Sr No	Energy Conservation Measures(planned)	Approx. Investment (Rs.Lakhs)	Project Commencement & Completion Year
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1	Up gradation of existing Furnace oil fired Boiler to Blast Furnace gas fired Boiler.	130.0	2008 (Completion)
2	Turbo blowers to substitute the existing setup of 04 high pressure centrifugal fans. (To save on specific Power consumption)	500.0	April 2009
3	Variable frequency drive for Compressors.	8.0	October 2007
4	Poly V belts instead of V Belts.	0.5	November 2007
5	Air Preheater for combustion air of Hot Blast Stoves.	60.0	December 2007
6	Install VFD for Shell Cooling tower fan	1.0	November 2007
7	Install VFD for Slag drier ID Fan	2.0	February 2008
8	Increase capacity utilization of Slag drier	0.70	February 2008
9	Re- insulation of 3 MW turbine Main steam line	5.0	October 2007
10	Improving the performance of present Blowing system	2.0	October 2007
11	Optimizing the Voltage levels within the plant by reducing transformer tap setting	Nil	November 2007
12	Switching of excess lights by checking lux levels in Hot Blast stoves, street lighting, Dg House etc.	NIL	Completed
13	Replacement of Electromagnetic ballast with electronic ballast & CFLs in place of incandescent lamps.	0.30	In Progress

Environment Management System (EMS)

Enlightened organizations are actively achieving and demonstrating sound environmental performance by controlling the impacts of their activities, products or services on the environment, consistent with their environmental policy and objectives. This is necessary for sustainable development apart from meeting the requirement of increasingly stringent legislation, the development of economic policies and other measures to foster environmental protection, and increased concern expressed by interested parties about environmental matters.

At Sesa Industries as a matter of policy all those operations that are associated with significant environmental aspects consistent with our environmental policy, objectives and targets, are identified in order to ensure that they are carried out under specified conditions by establishing, implementing and maintaining documented procedure(s) to control situations where their absence could lead to deviation from the environmental policy, objectives and targets.

The organization identifies training needs associated with its environmental aspects and its environmental management system & provides training to meet these needs.

Environment:

Sesa Industries Ltd.- Pig Iron Plant division is adopting resource conservation practices and pollution reduction technologies. SIL is committed to comply with all the applicable legal & other statutory requirements. All the required consents & authorisations are obtained & renewed periodically.

Air:

Ambient air quality is monitored at three ambient air stations, for SPM,, SO2, NOx, twice in a week and readings are displayed on the electronic board at factory main gate. Similarly Boiler Stack emission is monitored once in a month. Also the monthly ambient air quality and stack emission report are submitted to Goa State Pollution Control Board.

To reduce the fugitive dust emissions we have installed dust suppression system at raw material handling area.

Water:

Sesa Industries Ltd. - Pig Iron Plant appreciates the value of water and takes every possible effort to save & conserve this precious resource.

In the Pig Iron Plant water is used for Gas Cleaning Process, Furnace shell cooling, slag granulation process, dust suppression and housekeeping and domestic purpose. The water used in gas cleaning and slag granulation is collected and then treated separately in settling tanks and thickener and then reused in the same process. Water for shell cooling is reused after cooling it through cooling towers. No liquid effluent goes outside the factory premises. For monitoring the consumption of water, meters are installed at the inlets. The water for the process is brought from company's old exhausted mine pit 8 Km away where rain water harvesting is being done.

Wastes:

There are no solid or liquid wastes which are allowed to go out of plant. Solid wastes like sludge collected from gas cleaning system is reclaimed and sold to parent company for blending with iron ore. All water used in plant is recycled.

In process of Iron making, slag is generated and granulated using high pressure water jets and sold to Cement Plants as a raw material for producing high quality Cement

Occupational Health, & Safety

The company achieves its goals in an Eco-friendly manner and by maintaining highest possible standards of health & Safety in all its operations. Company has established, maintained and it continually improves the management systems for environment, occupational health & safety. Company adopts programmes for improvement in product quality, conservation of resources, prevention or reduction of pollution and safety risk exposure to company employees & interested parties.

Sesa Industries is the only merchant pig iron producer certified for Quality System ISO 9001:2000, Environment System ISO14001:2004 and Occupational health and Safety system OHSAS 18001:1999

Safety Activities:

In keeping with group philosophy of being the best in its class, Sesa industries actively promotes safe working practices at the work place.

Safety program is implemented through the workplace Safety Committee consisting of management and workmen's representative headed by General Manager of plant.

There are a set of Work Instructions for each department, which forms the guidelines to work safely. Also administrative controls such as providing induction training by the safety department and job specific safety training by the concerned department at regular intervals, is carried out. Safety sign boards at necessary locations with safety slogans in English and local language are displayed at conspicuous locations. Safety suggestion scheme is also implemented to take suggestions, feedback from the employees. Celebrations of National safety Week, National Fire Week, etc are carried out in the factory premises. Finally necessary PPE's are provided to all the personnel, working inside the plant, to take care of residual risks.

The company has the Work Permit System for ensuring safe working conditions. Every tool and tackle including power tools used inside the company premises is certified by authorized company engineers

Regular mock drills are carried out to check the response of employees in identified emergencies & training the employees for the same. Any shortfall during the mock drills is corrected & rectified.

Sesa Industries Ltd. Pig Iron Plant, has won the State safety Award for least man days lost in similar type of Industries for the year 2004, given by Green Triangle Society. The award was presented by The Chief Minister of Goa.

Regular Safety Audits are carried out by third party auditors like Bureau Veritas certification (BVC), National Safety Council (NSC), etc. & the recommendations are complied for continual improvement. Workplace monitoring for noise levels, illumination, temperature, dust (RSPM), is carried out regularly. If any deviation is observed, immediate corrective preventive actions are initiated and non-conformity is eliminated.

A Safety library has been made available on Intranet for the reference of the staff about safety problems & solutions where different national & international standards are available for reference.

Occupational Health Monitoring:

Pre-employment medical examination of the new recruits is done, to set a base line data for Occupational Health. This Pre-employment tests include Audiometry (to assess hearing capability), Lung function test (to assess respiratory system), eye tests (including vision & color blindness) along with blood tests.

Every 3 years Periodic Medical Examination is carried out for all the employees. For the personnel working in some critical areas Periodical Medical Examination is carried out annually.

In the Factory premises a well equipped Occupational Health Center and an Ambulance along with a Physician and a qualified nurse is available. Medical aid is given to all staff and workmen and their families.

At some places where noise levels are found to be more, access is restricted. People working in plant area are instructed to wear ear plugs when they are exposed to noise.

Also with regards to dust emissions, dust levels are measured at different locations in the plant regularly and corrective actions are taken. Ear plug, dust masks are provided free of cost to all employees including contractor employees. Dust suppression systems are provided at various working areas. Besides this road dust suppression is carried out regularly.

Medical tests for contract workmen also are carried out at plant dispensary whenever required. Company has formulated an alcohol policy. Nobody is allowed to work in the plant premises under the influence of alcohol.

Employees are encouraged to contact any health and safety committee member regarding their concerns in safety and health matters.