

## Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India Pvt. Ltd., Narsapura



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## HONDA MOTOR COMPANY, GLOBAL OPERATIONS



**Mr. Soichiro Honda**  
(1906 – 1992)

**Honda Motor Co Was  
Founded In 1948**



**Honda operates in 150 countries**



**Automobiles**



**Motorcycles**



**Power  
Products**



**Robotics**



**Honda jet**



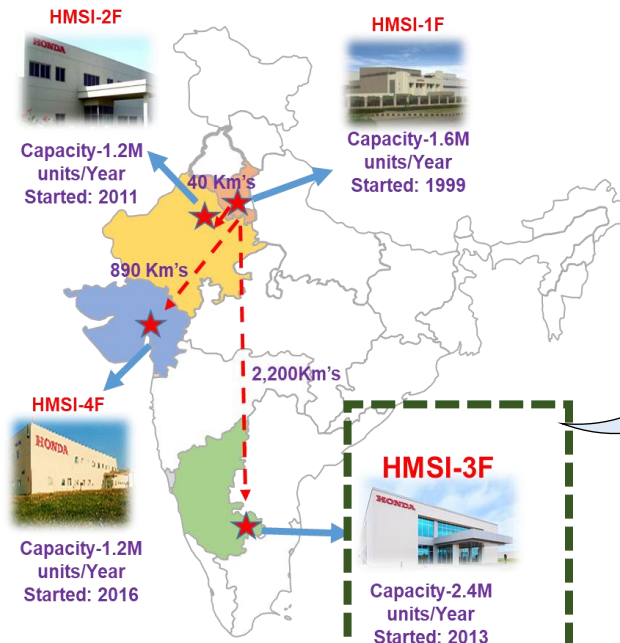
**Aero Engine**

## HONDA MOTORCYCLE AND SCOOTER INDIA

### OVERALL HMSI



**Total 4 Factories in India**  
**Capacity 6.4 mil units/year**  
**Associates 24,000 people**  
**Activa Sales 2.4 mil Units/year**



Land Area : 4,81,757 m<sup>2</sup>  
Built up Area : 2,65,706 m<sup>2</sup>  
Manpower : 7041  
Capacity : **2.4 Million**  
Models : Activa, SP125, Shine SP, Livo, Dio



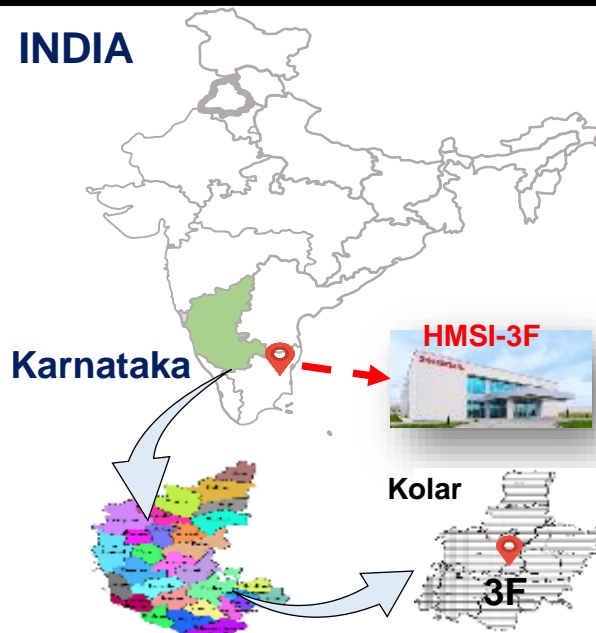
- Greenco Platinum Rated Company
- Received National Water Award from Ministry of Jal Shakti
- Received National Energy Conservation Award from BEE
- Received Greeneco Star Performer and Innovative Project Award

**Honda Narsapura is located in Kolar, Karnataka.**

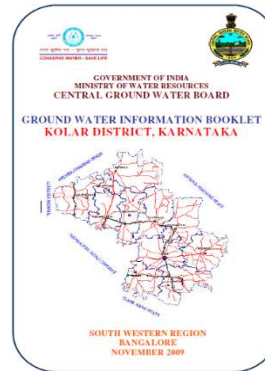
**It is Honda's largest factory globally with a capacity of 2.4 Million vehicles per year**

# **Best Practices in Recycling of Wastewater to maximize Rainwater Conservation**

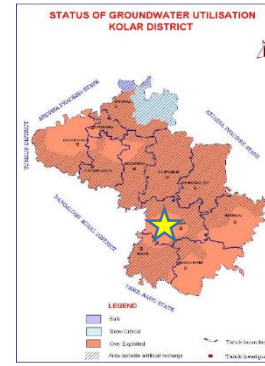




HMSI set up operations in 2013



Ground water Survey of Kolar region HMSI is situated in over exploited ground water region



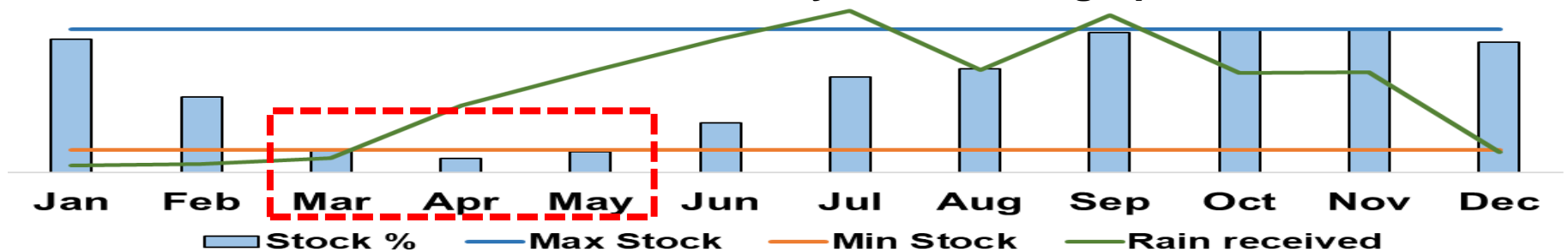
- ❖ Kolar is considered as a **OVER EXPLOITED ZONE** means highly depleted ground water table as shown in image 2
- ❖ Due to rapid utilization (urbanisation), recharging of ground water has diminished
- ❖ The scenario requires an alternative source to bridge the gap, which is available and is the purest form of water – Rain water
- ❖ Rain water will be an immediate source of water supply by, **“Catching water wherever it falls”**



Due to water unavailability, HMSI decided to install three rainwater tanks for meeting the factory's water demand. These tanks have a capacity of 80 Mill Litre.

# Challenge: Rainwater stock is below minimum level in 3 summer months

## Rainwater self sufficiency data at design phase

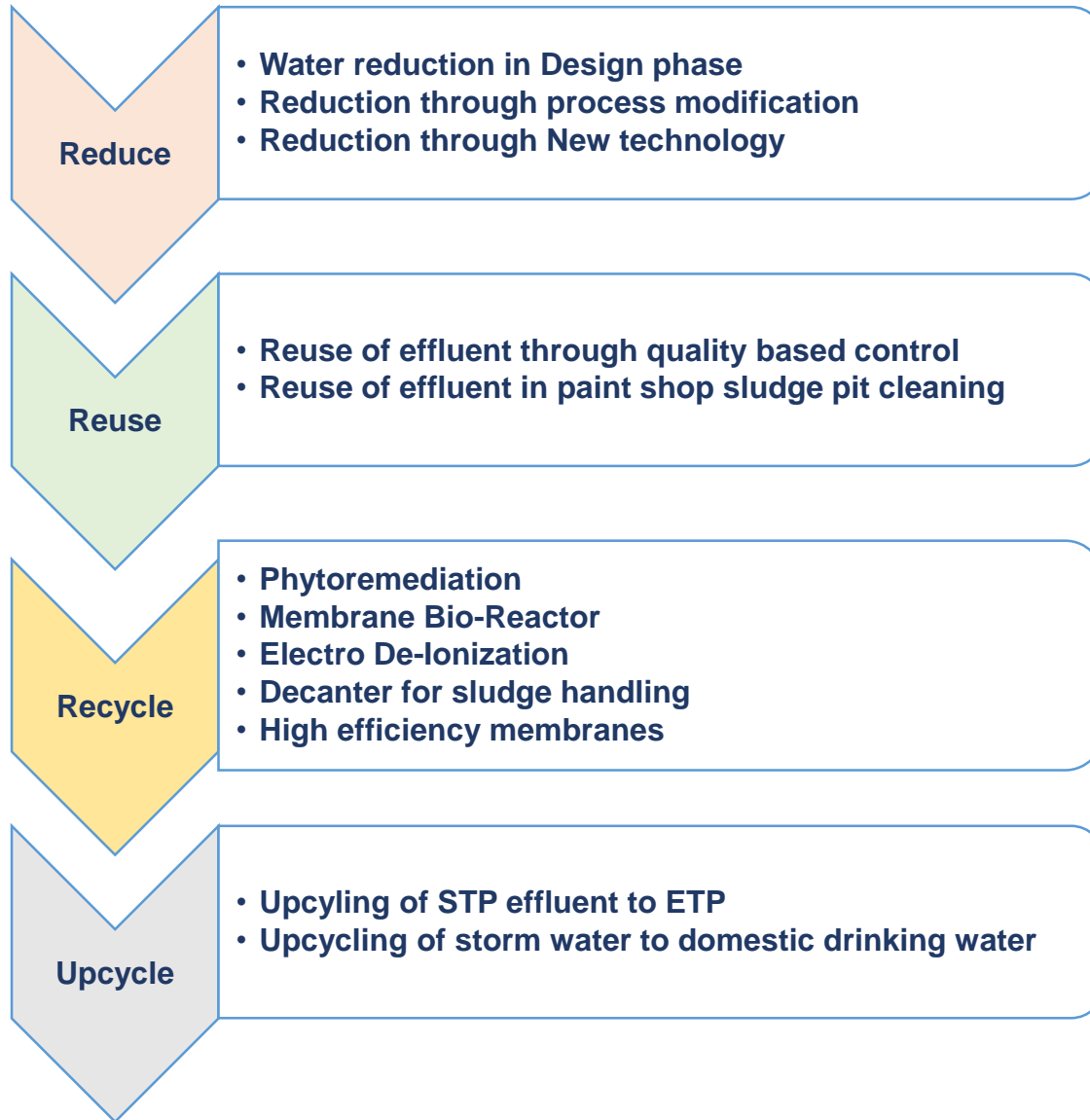


## Analysis: Options to ensure water self sufficiency for entire year

Idea	Pros	Cons	Judge
Water sourcing from borewells		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Very low groundwater table</li> <li>Very less water yield from borewells</li> <li>Legal liabilities to government</li> </ul>	X
Procurement through external source		Lack of external water supply during summer months	X
Construction of additional rainwater tanks	Rainwater stock availability throughout the year	No space inside the factory	X
Reduce, Reuse and Recycle approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rainwater stock availability throughout the year</li> <li>Water efficient technologies will ensure overall reduction in water risk of the factory in future</li> <li>Water efficient technologies will result in overall reduction in water and wastewater treatment cost</li> </ul>		O

## Solution: Rigorous approach towards Reduce, Reuse & Recycle through continuous PDCA

The trigger for Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Upcycle was the management decision to run the factory on 100% rainwater



### Contributing factors



Asia & Oceania Technology Meet



横展開

yoko ten kai

yoko = horizontal, lateral, sideways  
tenkai = develop, deploy, advance

Each aspect of the above strategy will be explained in detail

### Background

Due to geographical constraint, HMSI has built 3 rainwater tanks to store and use rainwater for application. HMSI Narsapura has adopted 4R principle to reduce freshwater consumption and implemented several changes in the conventional manufacturing practices through design changes as it was difficult to maintain with rainwater alone.

#### Shop floor Ventilation

**Before**

##### Water washers

Water consumption :  
**54,000**  
KL/Annum



**After**

##### Air Handling Unit

Water consumption :  
**0** KL/Annum



#### Compressed Air Requirement

**Before**

##### Centrifugal compressors with cooling tower

Water consumption :  
**2750**  
KL/Annum



**After**

##### Air cooled Compressor

Water consumption :  
**0** KL/Annum



#### Process Chilled Water Requirement

**Before**

##### Water cooled chillers

Water consumption :  
**20,625**  
KL/Annum



**After**

##### Air cooled chillers

Water consumption :  
**0** KL/Annum



#### Diesel Generator Cooling

**Before**

##### Water Cooled DG

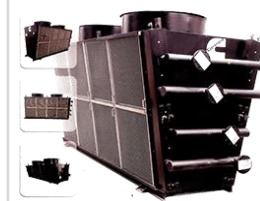
Water consumption :  
**550**  
KL/Annum



**After**

##### Air Cooled DG

Water consumption :  
**0** KL/Annum



116.87  
Lakhs/  
Annum



NA



NA

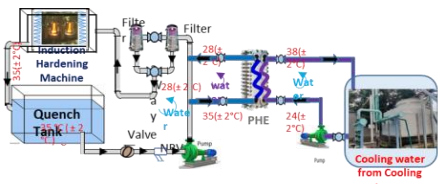
Considering the geographical constraints, several water reducing initiatives are adopted in design phase itself



Induction hardening elimination

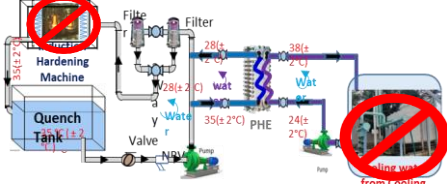
Before

Cooling tower requirement for induction hardening



After

Induction hardening eliminated due to material change



Water reduction:  
1350 KL/Annum

Weld Shop Leak Testing Machine

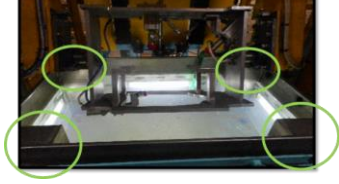
Before

Water consumption in leak testing machine



After

Water consumption in leak testing machine



Water reduction:  
143 KL/Annum

Handwash water requirement

Before

Handwash line without PRV



Water wastage due to high pressure

After

PRV in handwash line



20 No.s of PRV installed. Wastage reduced

Water reduction:  
5520 KL/Annum

Domestic Water requirement

Before

Taps for handwash



After

Sensor taps for handwash



Water reduction:  
2070 KL/Annum



9083  
KL/Annum



7.15  
Lakhs/  
Annum



19.80  
Lakhs



32  
Months

Process modification done wherever necessary to reduce water consumption

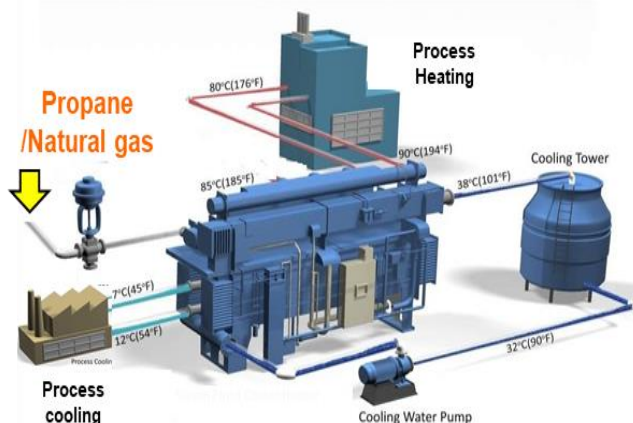


VAM works on the Vapour absorption refrigeration cycle

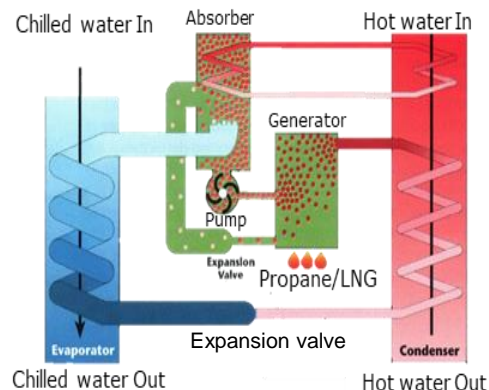
Previous generation VAM heater required a cooling tower for part of heat rejection

The current generation VAM heater doesn't require a cooling tower and rejects the heat into process water heating

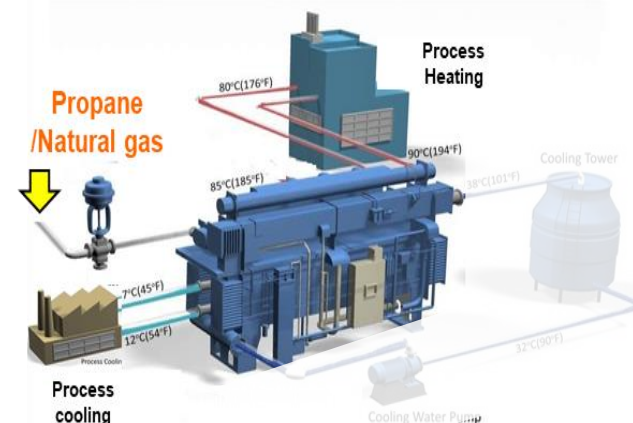
### Before



### Working principle



### Current



- ❖ Cooling tower is used in the old process
- ❖ In cooling tower water is evaporated to take the heat from the machine
- ❖ Fresh water required on daily basis for cooling tower top up
- ❖ The water consumption is ~ 60 KL/Day
- ❖ 3F is not having water source like underground water, Government water supply etc
- ❖ Due to unavailability of water this theme was not feasible in 3F



US Patent:  
23/09/2014



Indian Patent:  
25/09/2018



1650  
KL/Annum



163 Lakhs/  
Annum

- ❖ The latest technology machine operates without cooling tower
- ❖ Fresh water is not required on daily basis



Conventional system



New system

**New Generation patented VAM operates without cooling tower**  
**Eliminates the water & power required for cooling tower. Improves Process efficiency**

# HMSI 3F Milestone – 03 Reduction through New technology – Magnetic Module 08/24

## Background

Wherever water circulates as heating or cooling mechanism , build up of calcium carbonate , iron phosphate & various hydroxide forms a major maintenance headache endangering productivity & operational cost & increased risk of down time

### Situation Analysis



Phosphate process line forms phosphate scales resulting in major maintenance issue and damage of pipeline and equipment

### Challenge

#### Cleaning Frequency/ Yr

52

52

Raisers

HE

#### Water Consumption in KL

88

312

Raisers

HE

## Magnetic Module for Phosphate Bath

### Working Principle

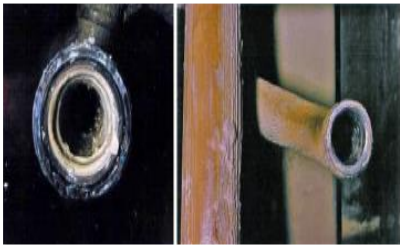
Magnetic module generates magnetic field and cause phosphate molecule to form crystalline structure with lower lattice energy.

Reduced covalent bond formations within crystal leads to smaller particle size.

Due to smaller in size, they remain suspended in the fluid and avoid scale formation



Magnetic Module



Spray rings & Nozzles remain open after MHD installation in the line

#### Cleaning Frequency

52

12

Raisers

HE

#### Water consumption

88

44

Raisers

HE

Before After

Before After

Before After



300  
KL/Annum



0.5Lakhs/  
Annum



00  
Lakhs



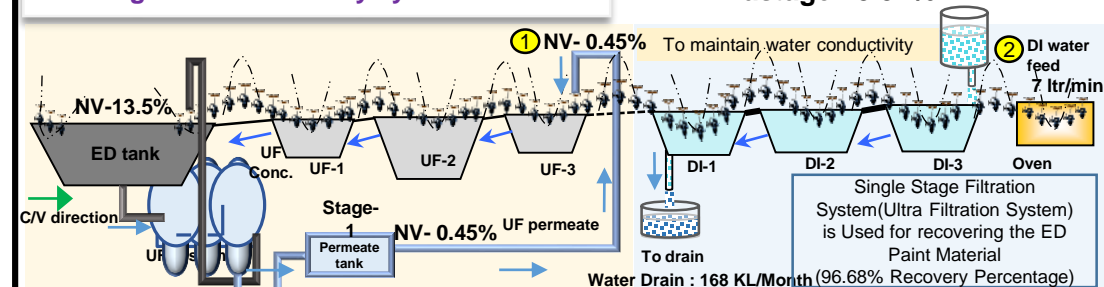
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Water consumption reduced by reducing cleaning frequency of Raisers and Heat Exchangers through installation of Magnetic module in phosphating process

### Present Condition

#### Existing Line ED recovery system

ED Wastage : 3.32%



#### Standards :-

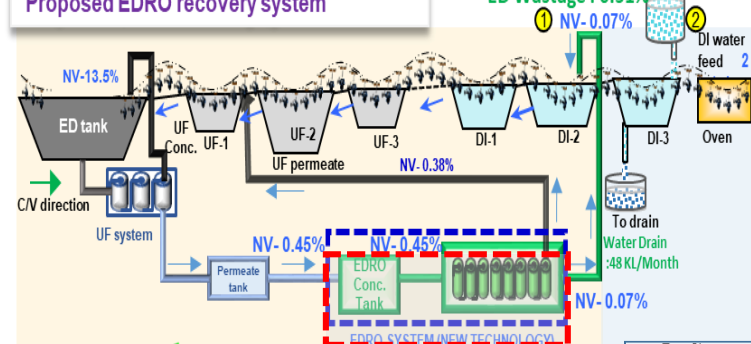
- ◆ Permeate NV < 0.45%
- ◆ ED paint recovery is 96.68%
- ◆ DI water consumption is 7 LPM

Lines	ED recovery calculation	DI water consumption
ACED Line 1	<b>Recovery ratio</b> $= (\text{Bath NV\%} - \text{UF3 NV\%}) / \text{Bath NV\%}$ $= (13.5 - 0.45\%) / 13.5\% = 96.68\%$	DI water Supply in DI-3 is 7 L/min Total DI Water Consumed=168 KL/Month
CED Line 1		
ACED Line 2		

### Proposal

#### Proposed EDRO recovery system

ED Wastage : 0.51%



#### Merits :-

- ◆ ED paint recover is 99.26% (+2.8%)
- ◆ DI water consumption will reduced by 70%.

Efficiency

### Site Photos

#### ACED – Line 1,2,3



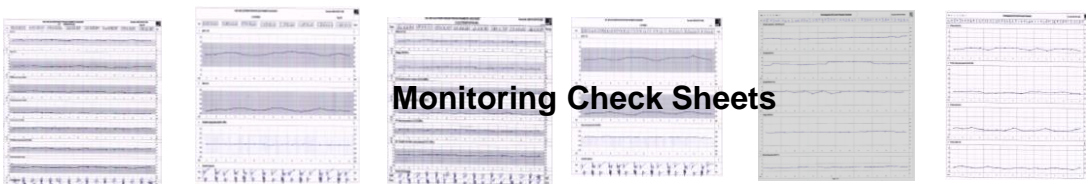
#### CED – Line 1,2,3



#### ACED – Line 4



#### Monitoring Check Sheets



### Benefits



1440  
KL/Annum



25.6 tons



12  
Tons/annum



46.4  
Lakh/annum



153  
Lakh



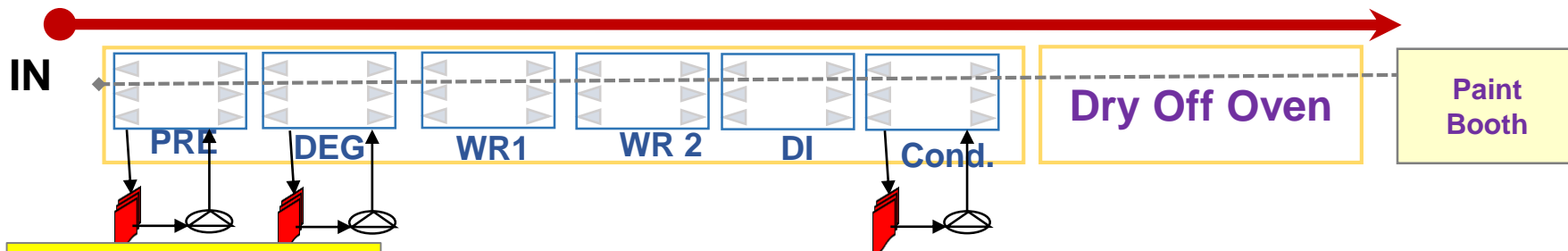
40  
Months

With this ED/RO water recovery has been improved in Electro Deposition process reducing water consumption and waste generation



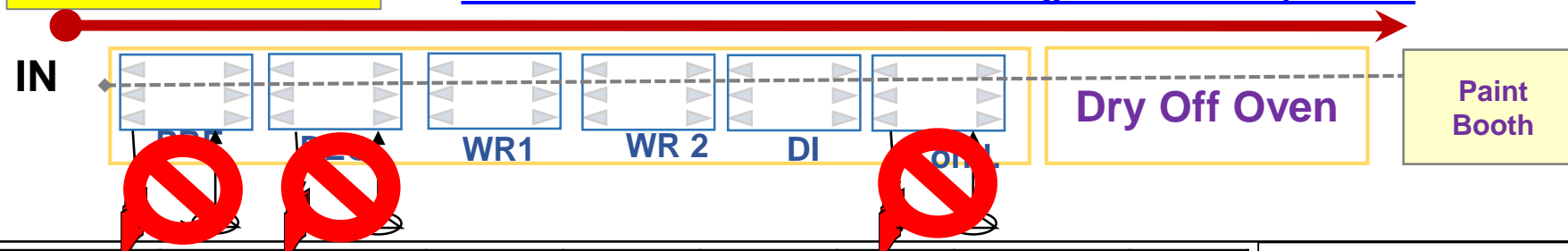
## Current ABS Process

ABS PT Line - With Hot water @ 45 ~ 55° ~ c



## Proposed ABS Process

ABS PT Line – with Zirconium coating @ Room Temperature



ABS PT Process	Stages	Pre Deg	Deg	WR 1	WR 2	WR 3	Conditioner	Oven
	Cy.Time (Sec)	32	49	16	16	16	16	900
Current	Temp	45 ~ 55	45 ~ 55	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	45 ~ 50	75 ° C
Proposed	Temp	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	30 (RT)	

- Elimination of Heating Process
- Heat Exchanger cleaning Elimination
- Steam Reduction



550  
KL/Annum



0.8Lakhs/  
Annum

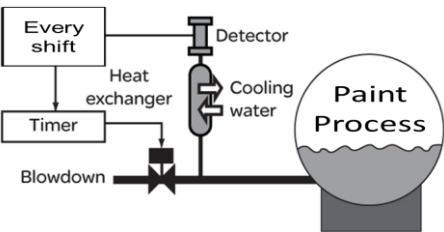
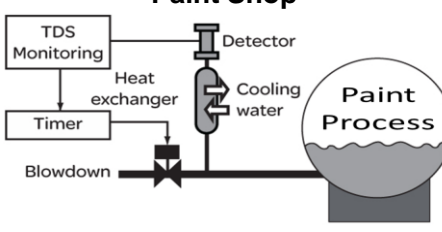
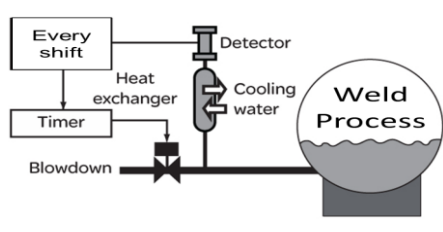
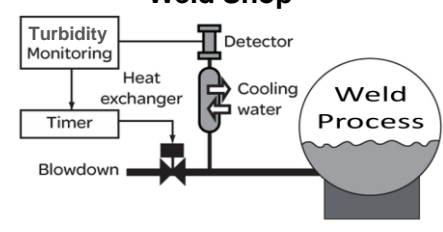
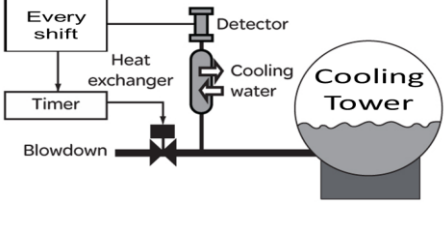
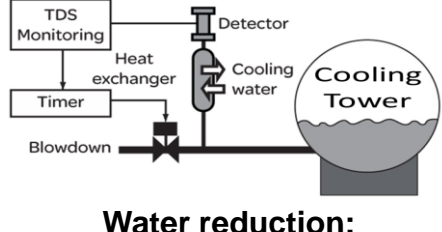








00  
Lakhs



NA

**Zirconium coating in Pre-treatment process results in lesser water requirement due to elimination of heat exchangers**

<p><b>Before</b></p> <p><b>Manual blowdown in Paint shop</b></p> 	<p><b>After</b></p> <p><b>Quality based blowdown in Paint Shop</b></p>  <p><b>Water reduction:</b> <b>1080 KL/Annum</b></p>	<p><b>Before</b></p> <p><b>Manual blowdown in Weld Shop</b></p> 	<p><b>After</b></p> <p><b>Quality based blowdown in Weld Shop</b></p>  <p><b>Water reduction:</b> <b>810 KL/Annum</b></p>
<p><b>Before</b></p> <p><b>Manual blowdown in Cooling Tower</b></p> 	<p><b>After</b></p> <p><b>Quality based blowdown in Cooling tower</b></p>  <p><b>Water reduction:</b> <b>540 KL/Annum</b></p>	<p><b>Before</b></p> <p><b>Water consumption in sludge pit cleaning</b></p>  <p>Sludge pits are cleaned once a quarter</p>	<p><b>After</b></p> <p><b>Sludge pit cleaning frequency reduction</b></p>  <p>Sludge pits are cleaned once a year with addition of proprietary chemicals</p> <p><b>Water reduction:</b> <b>2000 KL/Annum</b></p>
 <p><b>4430</b> <b>KL/Annum</b></p>	 <p><b>12.53</b> <b>Lakhs/</b> <b>Annum</b></p>	 <p><b>00</b> <b>Lakhs</b></p>	 <p><b>00</b> <b>Months</b></p>

Through water and effluent quality monitoring several areas of wastewater generation have been reduced

## **Milestone – 05 Recycling Initiatives**



## Background

Phytoremediation treatment is a novel technique using plants for sewage treatment  
As a trial we propose for 30KLD trial to observe performance and after success future 100% implementation

## Situation Analysis

- ❖ Sewage treatment is done using the following process:



- ❖ The effluent treatment system is similar at 1F, 2F and 4F

- ❖ Currently at 3F we are having two STP of capacity 250 KLD and 120 KLD for Line 1,2,3 and Line 4 respectively.

## Challenge

Skilled Manpower and high resource requirement

High Electrical energy requirement

High chemical consumption to treat the Sewage

1800 kg sludge generated every day

## Phytoremediation process for STP

- ❖ Green technology that uses plant systems for treatment
- ❖ Root system absorbs and accumulate water, nutrients and minerals.
- ❖ System uses very **little power**, **less manpower** & Is **self sustainable**

### Common Plant species used



Cyperus papyrus



Heliconia

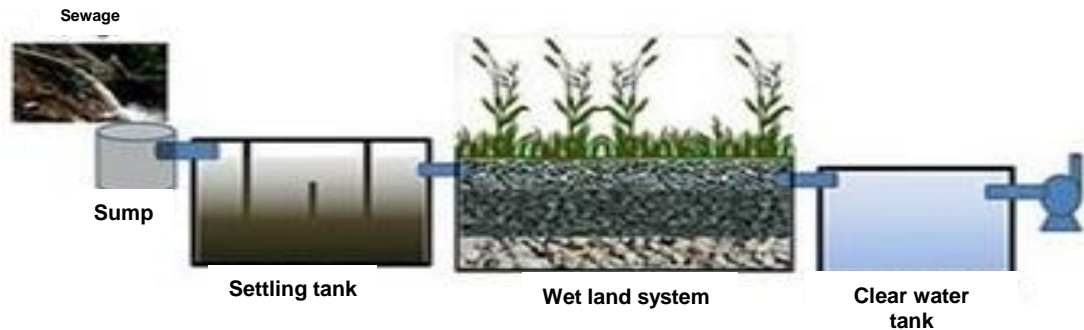


Typha



Alocasia

### Phytoremediation process



1890  
KL/Annum



2.83  
Lakhs/  
Annum



30  
Lakhs



120  
Months

**As the phytoremediation technology is new to HMSI, a 30 KLD pilot plant is installed**

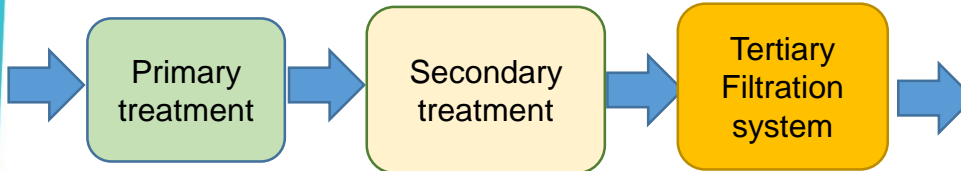
### Background

Membrane Bio Reactors are treatment processes, which integrate semi permeable membrane with a biological process. To reduce the footprint of Effluent Treatment Plants

### Before: Conventional Treatment Process



Effluent from Shop floor



Shop floor

### After: Membrane Bio Reactor



Effluent from Shop floor



Membrane Bioreactor



Shop floor



810  
KL/Annum



37  
Lakhs/  
Annum



25  
Lakhs



8  
Months

**Membrane Bio Reactor installation will improve recycling and reduce wastages compared to conventional treatment systems**

### Background

**In Paint process De-Ionized (DI) Water is required.**

- ❖ The RO permeate from ETP passes through mixed bed DM Plant to generate DI water for Paint process.
- ❖ System runs on manual operation.
- ❖ Weekly backwash required.
- ❖ Regeneration required twice in one month, resulting in chemical consumption and water wastage.

### Chemical Based DI process → Electro De-Ionization process

**Before**



- ❖ DM Plant has larger footprint.
- ❖ DM Plant requires two stage ion exchange and its backwash.
- ❖ Involves more operation and maintenance cost for chemical and regeneration
- ❖ Treatment cost per KL for DM plant Process is Rs 46/-

**After**



- ❖ System is compact and output is obtained with minimal operations
- ❖ Reduction in operation and maintenance cost
- ❖ Complete system runs through automation with SCADA
- ❖ Water saving (Elimination of backwash & Regenerations)



**820  
KL/Annum**



**8 Lakhs/  
Annum**



**24  
Lakhs**



**31  
Months**

**Electro De-Ionization system requires less backwash water and chemicals compared to chemical DM plant**



### Background

- ❖ In ETP & STP Primary and secondary system solid separation will takes place with coagulation and flocculation process.
- ❖ Filter press is using for sludge handling and removal
- ❖ System runs on manual operation.
- ❖ System cleaning required on daily basis thus resulting in water consumption



### Current



- ❖ Filter press unit is bulky ,requires larger area
- ❖ Lower hydraulic/Volumetric capacity per hrs-makes it semi batch type process
- ❖ Many moving parts requires regular maintenance and also consumable requirement is more
- ❖ Since system operated in manual mode and overall O&M cost is more



### Proposal



- ❖ System must be operate in continues with uniform feed flow rate
- ❖ Automatic operation
- ❖ Less moisture in sludge (10-15% reduction of moisture as compare to Filter press operation)
- ❖ Water saving (Elimination of cleaning of Filter cloths )



730  
KL/Annum



8 Lakhs/  
Annum



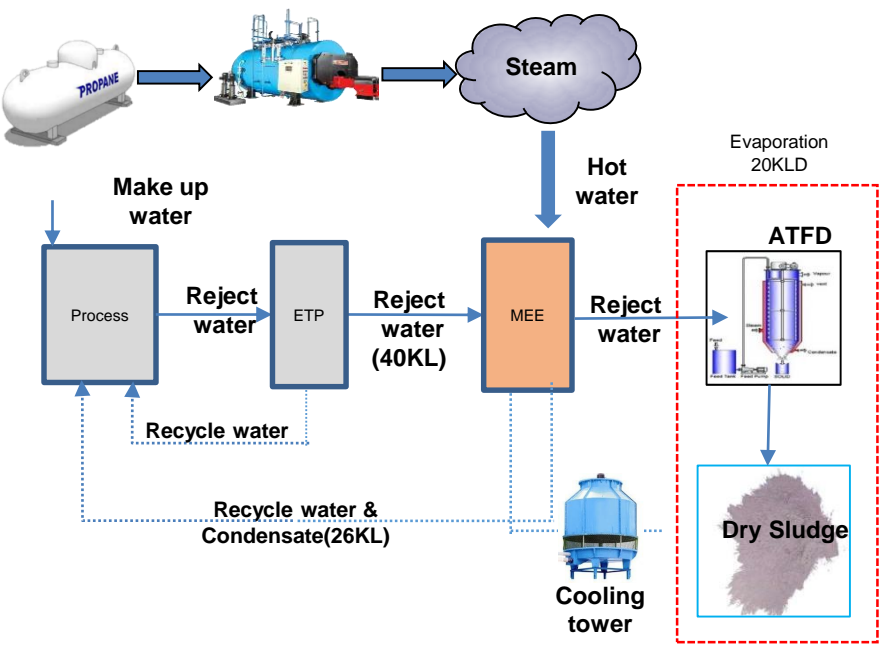
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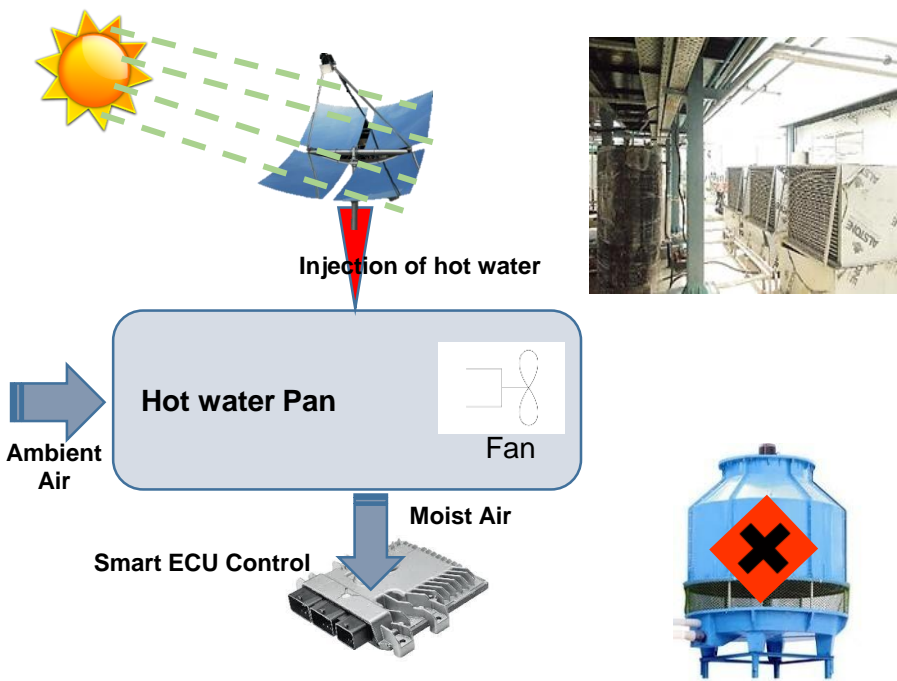
30  
Months

**Decanter system results in better water recovery in comparison to filter press due and results in lesser moisture in sludge thereby also reducing hazardous waste.**

Before



After



1100 KL/Annum

55 Lakhs

30 Lakhs

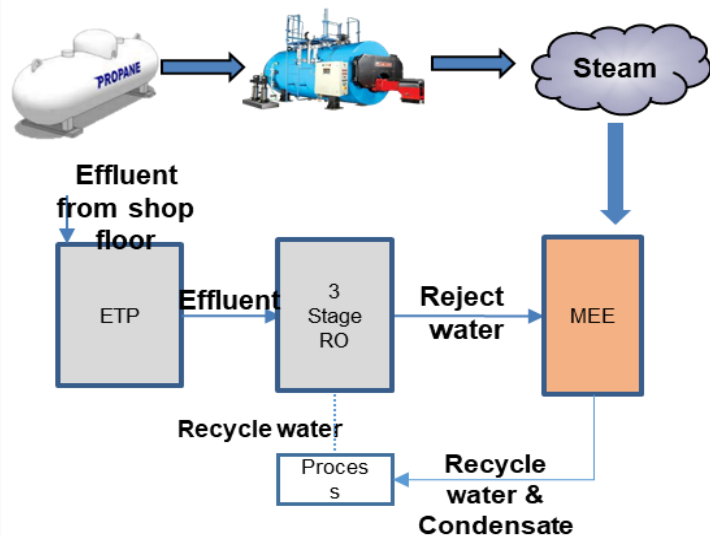
07 Months

Water consumption reduction through eliminating usage of steam for sludge drying

### Background

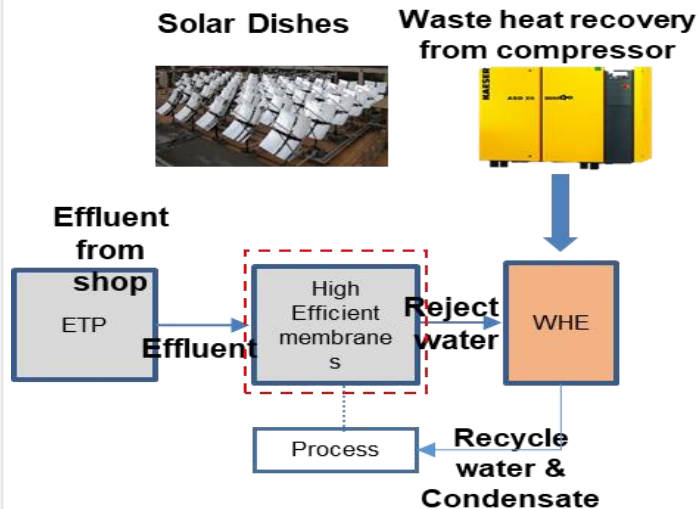
- ❖ In ETP 3 stage RO system is used to treat effluent. These systems are manually operated and have low recovery rate.
- ❖ In STP, cross flow membranes are being used which is having a very less permeate recovery rate.
- ❖ Increase in water consumption due to the use of less permeate recovery systems in ETP & STP

### Highly efficient Disc & Plate type membrane in ETP and Membrane Distillation



#### Disadvantages of conventional system

- Cannot operate at higher pressure
- TDS of feed should be lower
- Completely manual control
- Less permeate recovery rate



High efficiency RO



Waste Heat Evaporator



730  
KL/Annum



8 Lakhs/  
Annum



24  
Lakhs



30  
Months

**Highly efficient disc and plate membranes & WHE are installed to reduce water consumption**



### PREVIOUS METHOD:



TREATED  
WATER



### PRESENT METHOD:



TREATED  
WATER

ETP



GARDEN



ZLD



P  
R  
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TOILET



5520  
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13.8  
Lakhs/  
Annum



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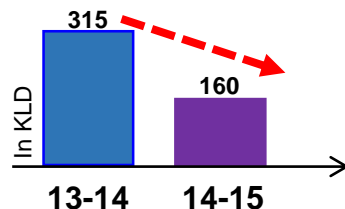


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**STP water up scaled to use as industrial water and 5540 KL/Annum water savings achieved.**

### Before process :

Bore well yield trend in KLD



From 2<sup>nd</sup> year onwards, borewell yield started to reduce



It was proposed to utilize the water collected in open water tank

High Turbidity + Colour + Odour + Silica



Surface water Sample

### After process :



Open water tank



Upgraded Treatment facility



Treated surface water Sample



Water for domestic purpose



24 Lakhs/Annum

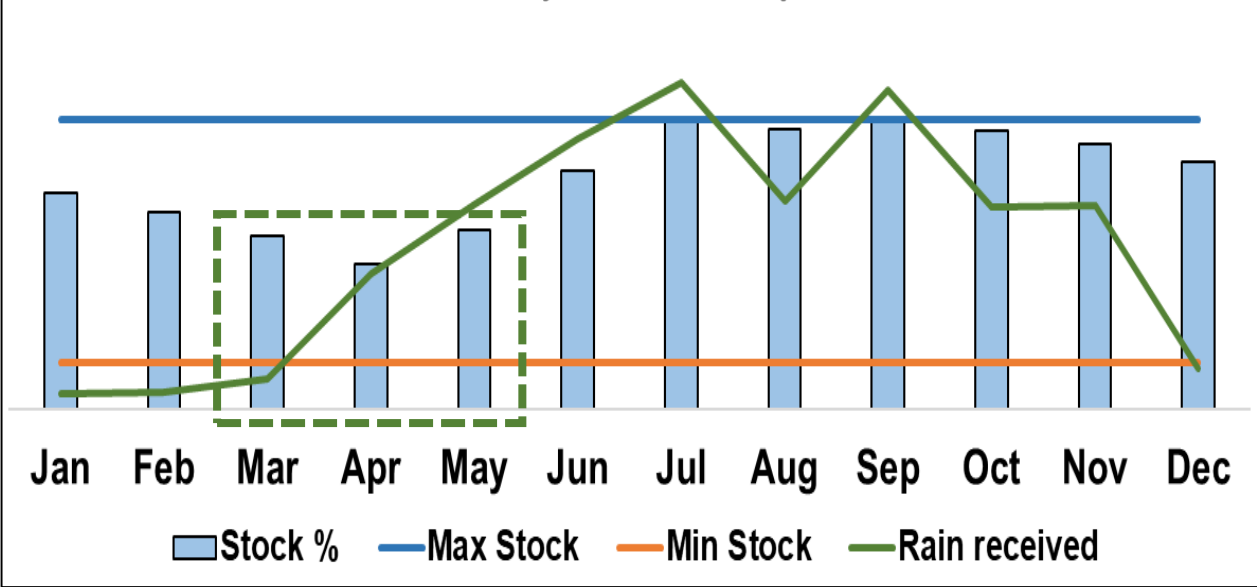


00 Lakhs



Rainwater treatment plant upgraded to treat surface water runoff.

Rainwater self sufficiency data after implementation of 4R



With 4R, Rainwater stock is sufficient for meeting the annual factory water requirement

Tangible Benefits:



save water  
All initiatives:  
145788  
KL/Annum



621.45  
Lakhs/  
Annum



1101.25  
Lakhs



20  
Months

Intangible Benefits:



100% of sewage  
and Effluent is  
recycled

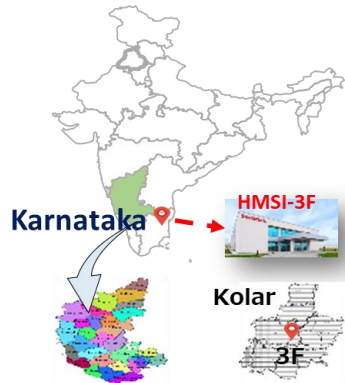


90% of the  
process water is  
recycled water



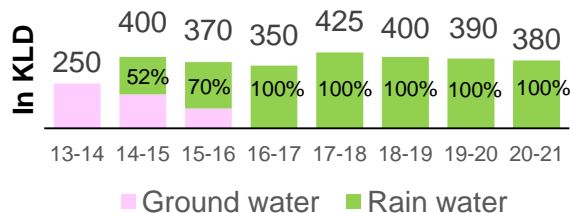
In addition to ensuring 100% self sufficiency, the above projects has also resulted in considerable cost and resource savings also



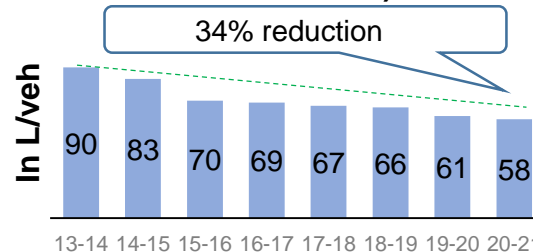


- ❖ Kolar is situated in an area of acute water scarcity
- ❖ 100% factory operation by Rainwater storage and re-utilization
- ❖ Three Rainwater tanks with capacity of 80 Mill. Ltr capable to meet 6 months water requirement
- ❖ Zero Liquid discharge factory

**Rainwater usage trend (2013-14 to 2020-21)**



**Water consumption trend (2013-14 to 2020-21)**

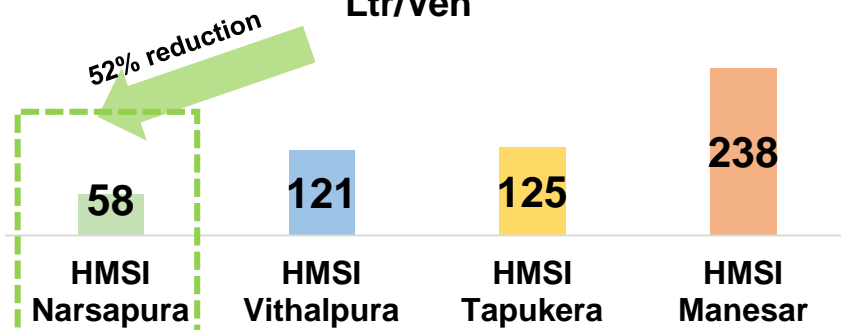


**100% Production activity done by storage and usage of rainwater**  
**We are the lowest specific water consuming among Asian Genpos**

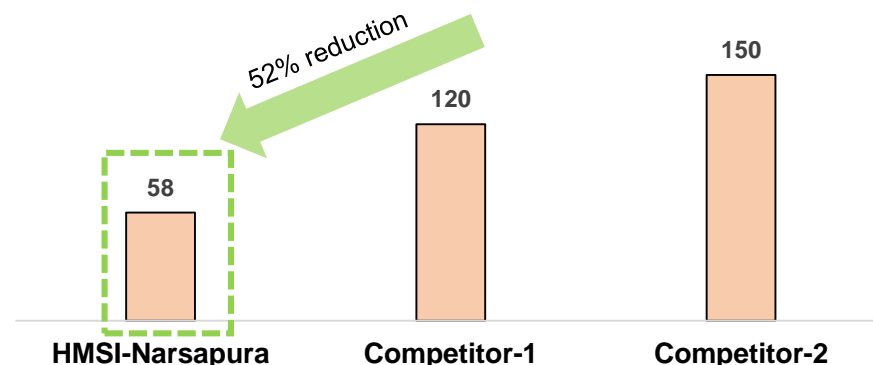


### Benchmarking

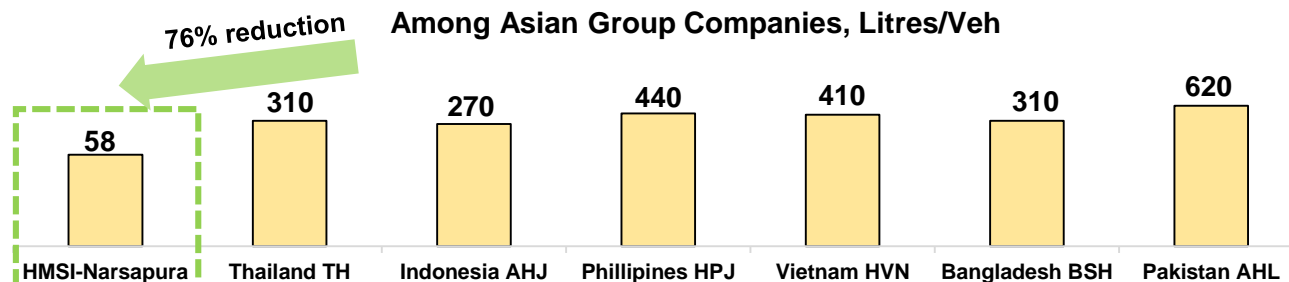
Among Group Companies in India, Ltr/Veh



Among Competitors in India



Among Asian Group Companies, Litres/Veh



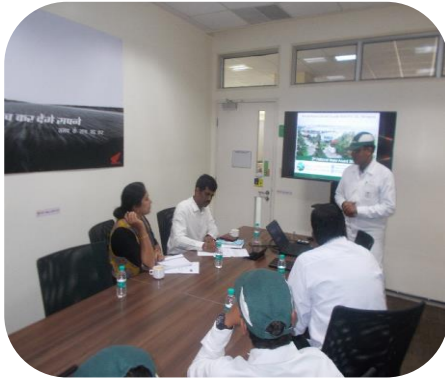
HMSI-Narsapura is the lowest water consuming factory in India and Asia region

### Uniqueness

- One of the first industries in the country to meet 100% requirement through only rainwater.
- India's lowest specific water consumption achieved due to benchmark recycling practices.
- 100% recycling of domestic sewage and process effluent.
- Net water positive factory within the fence.
- 90% Rainwater is utilized for domestic application only.
- Sustained reduction in specific water consumption even during COVID and production variation.
- Increase in water self-sufficiency from 92 days to 187 days due to conservation initiatives.

**Benchmark performance in water consumption and rainwater harvesting**

## Sharing to Govt Stakeholders



Information sharing to Senior Scientists, CGWB

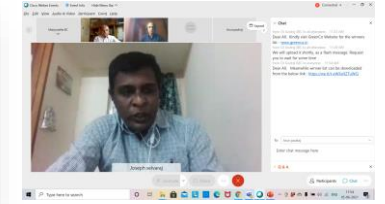


Information sharing to Member Secretary, KSPCB

## Sharing to external agencies & industries



Industrial delegates visit through Greenco Mission



Sharing of best practices through virtual forums

## Associate Capacity building

### Water Conservation Week Celebration

#### PURPOSE OF WATER WEEK CELEBRATION

1. To create awareness among associates and suppliers about water conservation.
2. To create awareness about conserving water for future generation through water harvesting methods.

Sl.No	Activity
1	Banner display on all gates and factory entrance
2	Poster Competition - Associate
3	Poster Competition - Family
4	Slogan Competition - Kannada
5	Slogan Competition - English
6	Commitment to Water Conservation by signing on banner
7	Quiz Competition
8	Training by KSPCB Official
9	Training on Water Conservation by Water Gandhi



Total 447 participants in Water week activities in 2021

### Environment Week Celebration

#### PURPOSE OF ENVIRONMENT WEEK CELEBRATION

1. To create awareness among associates and suppliers about Environment.
2. To create awareness about protecting Environment for future generation.

Sl.No	Activity
1	Banner display on all gates and factory entrance
2	Poster Competition - Associate
3	Poster Competition - Family
4	Slogan Competition - Kannada
5	Slogan Competition - English
6	Commitment to Water Conservation by signing on banner
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Total 390 participants in Environment week activities in 2021



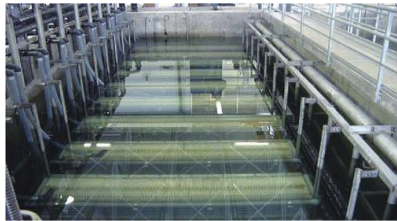
Training by KSPCB regional officer and External agency to associates



Awareness mailer and poster display regarding water conservation

**Our best practices are shared to our stakeholders, external agencies, industries and our associates for capacity building**

## Replication of MBR



Industry	Sharing of practices
HMSI Group companies	●
Other Honda Genpos	●
Other industries	●
Other forums	●
HMSI suppliers	●

Industry	Replication Potential	Actual
HMSI Group companies	●	●
Asia & Oceania Honda Genpos	●	
Other industries with ETP	●	●

Major applicable areas:

- Automobile industry
- STP's
- ETP's
- Pharma industry

## Replication of EDI



Industry	Replication Potential	Actual
HMSI Group companies	●	●
Asia & Oceania Honda Genpos	●	●
Other industries with ETP	●	●

Industry	Sharing of practices
HMSI Group companies	●
Other Honda Genpos	●
Other industries	●
Other forums	●
HMSI suppliers	●



Major applicable areas:

- Automobile industry
- STP's
- ETP's

## Replication of Decanter



Industry	Sharing of practices
HMSI Group companies	●
Other Honda Genpos	●
Other industries	●
Other forums	●
HMSI suppliers	●

Industry	Replication Potential	Actual
HMSI Group companies	●	
Asia & Oceania Honda Genpos	●	●
Other industries with ETP	●	



## Replication of Phytoremediation



Industry	Sharing of practices
HMSI Group companies	●
Other Honda Genpos	●
Other industries	●
Other forums	●
HMSI suppliers	●

Industry	Replication Potential	Actual
HMSI Group companies	●	
Asia & Oceania Honda Genpos	●	●
Other industries with ETP	●	●



**Our initiatives MBR, EDI, Decanter and Phytoremediation are well appreciated and replicated in several industries including Honda group companies**



Let's make a better tomorrow for our Future Generation.....



THANK YOU

*It is in our hand to protect our beautiful earth*