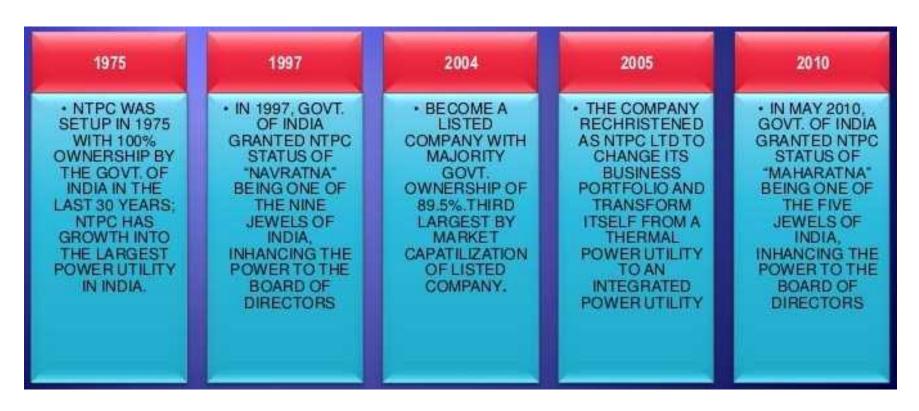
# NTPC UNCHAHAR

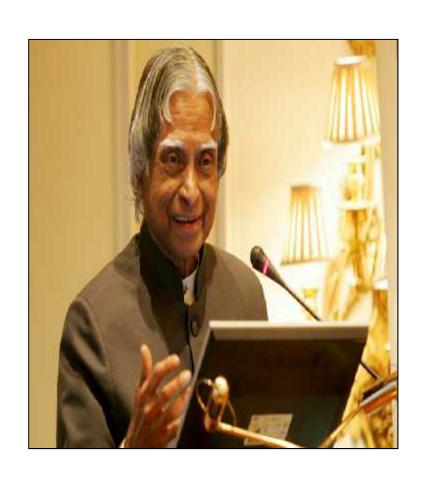


#### **EVOLUTION OF NTPC**



In a study carried out by Great Place to Work and The Economic Times, NTPC has been adjudged as the Best Company to work in the Public Sector category for the year 2016

# OPINION MAKER'S VIEW



"Unchahar Thermal Power Station was acquired by the NTPC LTD. from the Government of Uttar Pradesh. Performance was improved dramatically by using debottlenecking techniques............

These dramatic results have been obtained under ordinary or even oppressive circumstances, and despite the absence of recognition by the system."

(Extract from the book "INDIA 2020 – A Vision for the New Millennium" authored by the former President of India – Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.)

### Our Team & Achievements

| Team Members | P S Pandey   |
|--------------|--|
|              | Devesh Adhikari  |
|              | Ritesh Singh   |
| Achievements | (i) Runners up in Project Level<br>Professional Circle Conventions<br>2012-13, 2014-15, 2015-16  |
|              | (ii) Case study on "Air Preheaters<br>Reliability & Performance<br>enhancement" presented at 12 <sup>th</sup><br>Regional level PC, NTPC Tanda |
|              | (iii) Case study on "Reduction of Auxiliary<br>Power Consumption" presented at<br>14 <sup>th</sup> Regional level PC, NRHQ Lucknow             |
|              | (iv) Case study on "Minimize Boiler Forced<br>Outage & Draft Power" presented at<br>15 <sup>th</sup> Regional level PC, NTPC Rihand            |

# **LOCATION**

The site is located at a distance of approx. 3 km from Unchahar town on Allahabad-Raebarelli broad gauge section of Northern Railway. It is 35 km from Raebareli, 120 km from Lucknow and 90km from Allahabad on Lucknow-Allahabad Highway. Total land acquired so far is 2198 Acres.

# **MAJOR EVENTS**

- The foundation stone of the project was laid by Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister on 27-06-1981.
- Unit # 1 & 2 in stage-I were commissioned by UPRVUN on 21-11-88 & 22-03-89 respectively.
- NTPC took over the project w.e.f. 13-02-1992 at a cost of 925
   Crore.
- NTPC added unit # 3 & 4 in stage-II on 27-01-99 & 22-10-99 respectively.
- NTPC added unit # 5 as stage-III on 28-09-06.
- 10 MW of Solar Energy added on 31.03.2015

# SALIENT FEATURE

• **CAPACITY:** (1050 MW)

Installed Capacity stage-I : 2X210 MW

Installed Capacity stage-II : 2X210 MW

Installed Capacity stage-III : 1X210 MW

POWER EVACUATION: 220 kv Transmission lines

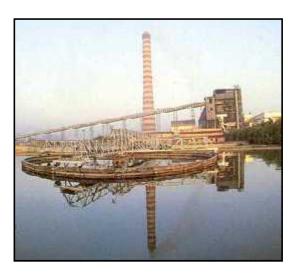
Unchahar-Raebareli line 1 & 2 (UPPCL)

Unchahar-Raebareli line 3 (PGCIL)

Unchahar-Fatehpur line 1 & 2 (UPPCL)

Unchahar-Kanpur line 1,2,3 & 4 (PGCIL)

# SALIENT FEATURE



### **WATER SOURCES:**

- i) Sharda Sahayak Canal (Main source)
- ii) Dalmau Pump Canal (During closure of **Sharda Sahayak Canal**)

#### **COAL:**

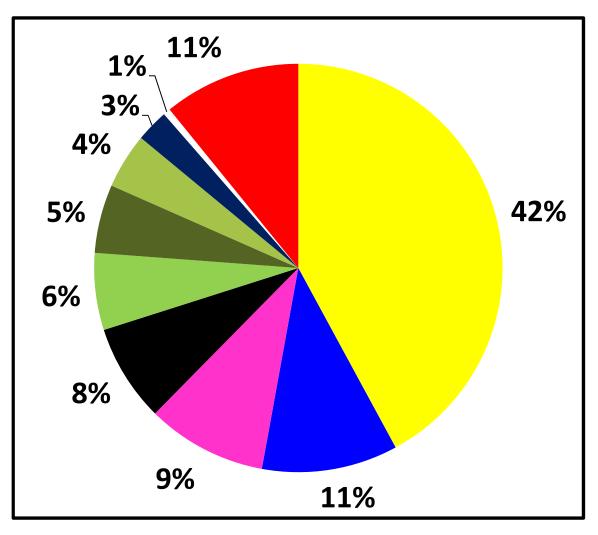
- **Requnt: 6.00 MMT per annum for 5x210MW.**
- Sources: i) Central Coalfield Ltd(CCL)
  - ii) Bharat Coking Coal Ltd(BCCL)
  - iii) Eastern Coalfield Ltd (ECL)
  - iv) Imported (as per allotment)
- **FSA** with CCL and BCCL



# LAND AT UNCHAHAR

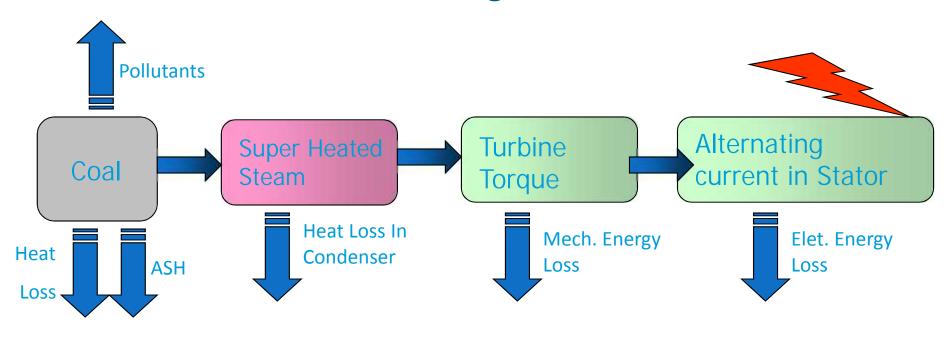
| Particulars               |   | Area<br>(Acres) |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Plant                     | : | 981             |
| Township                  | : | 254             |
| Area for Solar Plant      | : | 46              |
| Arkha Ash Dyke + Corridor | • | 673             |
| Umran Ash Dyke + Corridor | : | 244             |
| TOTAL                     | • | 2198            |

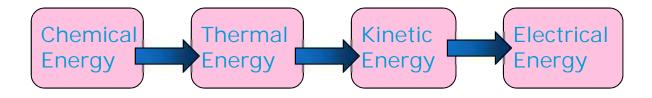
# **POWER ALLOCATION**



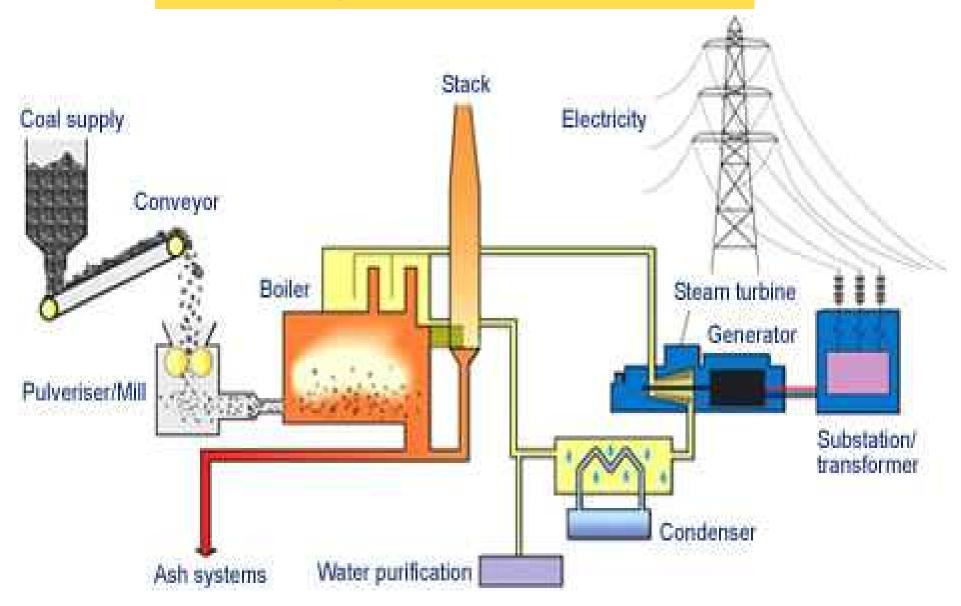
| STATE       | MW   |
|-------------|------|
| UP          | 442  |
| Punjab      | 113  |
| Delhi       | 100  |
| Rajasthan   | 81   |
| Uttrakhand  | 64   |
| J&K         | 57   |
| Haryana     | 46   |
| HP          | 27   |
| Chandigarh  | 6    |
| Unallocated | 114  |
| Total       | 1050 |

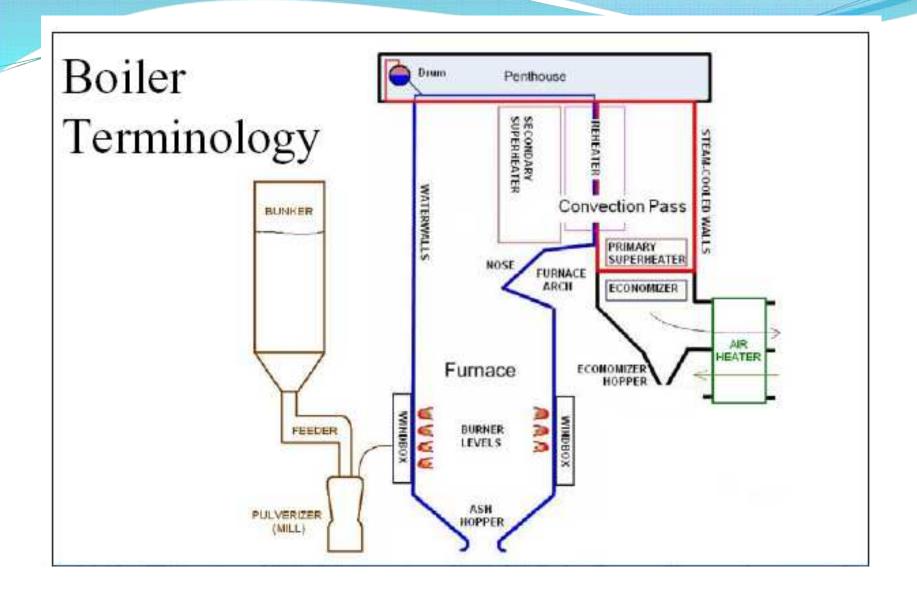
# Coal to Electricity ..... Basics





### **Power Generation Process**



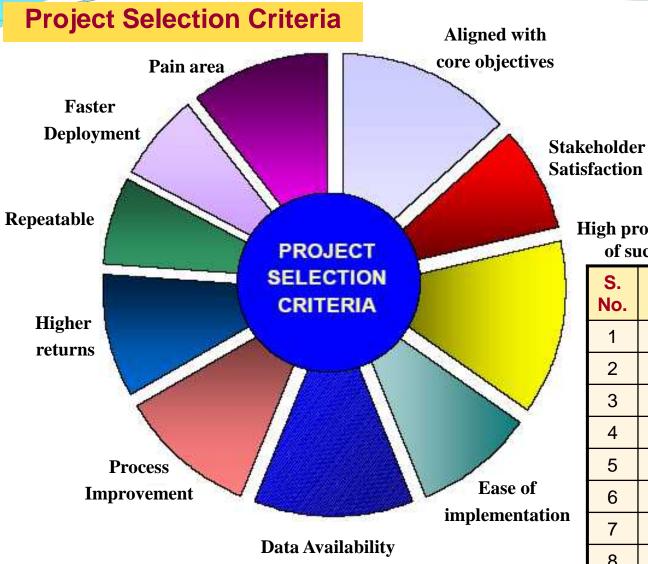


## **OBJECTIVE**

# "Minimize Boiler Forced Outage and draft power"

# Road map

- Introduction
- Reduction in Boiler Tube Leakage.
  - Process improvement during overhauling.
- Reduction in Draft Power.
  - Auxiliary power reduction .
- Saving & benefits.



**High probability** of success

| S.<br>No. | Criteria                     | Weight |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------|
| 1         | Aligned with core objectives | 10     |
| 2         | High probability of success  | 10     |
| 3         | Data Availability            | 8      |
| 4         | Pain area                    | 8      |
| 5         | Process Improvement          | 7      |
| 6         | Higher returns               | 8      |
| 7         | Repeatable                   | 6      |
| 8         | Faster Deployment            | 5      |
| 9         | Stakeholder Satisfaction     | 7      |
| 10        | Ease of implementation       | 6      |

# Major Areas of Boiler

- Boiler & Auxiliaries in Coal based Thermal Power Plant has three main sub-areas:
- Pressure Parts: In this area boiler tube leakage is main cause of forced outage which leads to unit shutdown and generation loss
- Rotary Parts: In rotary parts area draft power consumption increases auxiliary power consumption and it has to be minimized
- Milling System: Milling system responsible for efficient coal pulverisation and its availability is main concern to minimize forced outage

# Boiler performance factors

- Exit flue gas temp.
- Superheater / Reheater spray
- Excess Air in furnace
- Unburnt coal in Bottom ash / fly ash
- Aux. power consumed by Boiler auxiliaries
- Flue gas emission etc.
- Rated steam parameter (MS & HRH)

# Reduction in Boiler Tube Leakage

#### DEFINE

Reduction in Boiler Tube Leakage

#### CONTROL

Required maintenance works as per action plan in limited time frame/OH

#### **MEASURE**

Generation loss due to BTL in hours/MU

# DMAIC

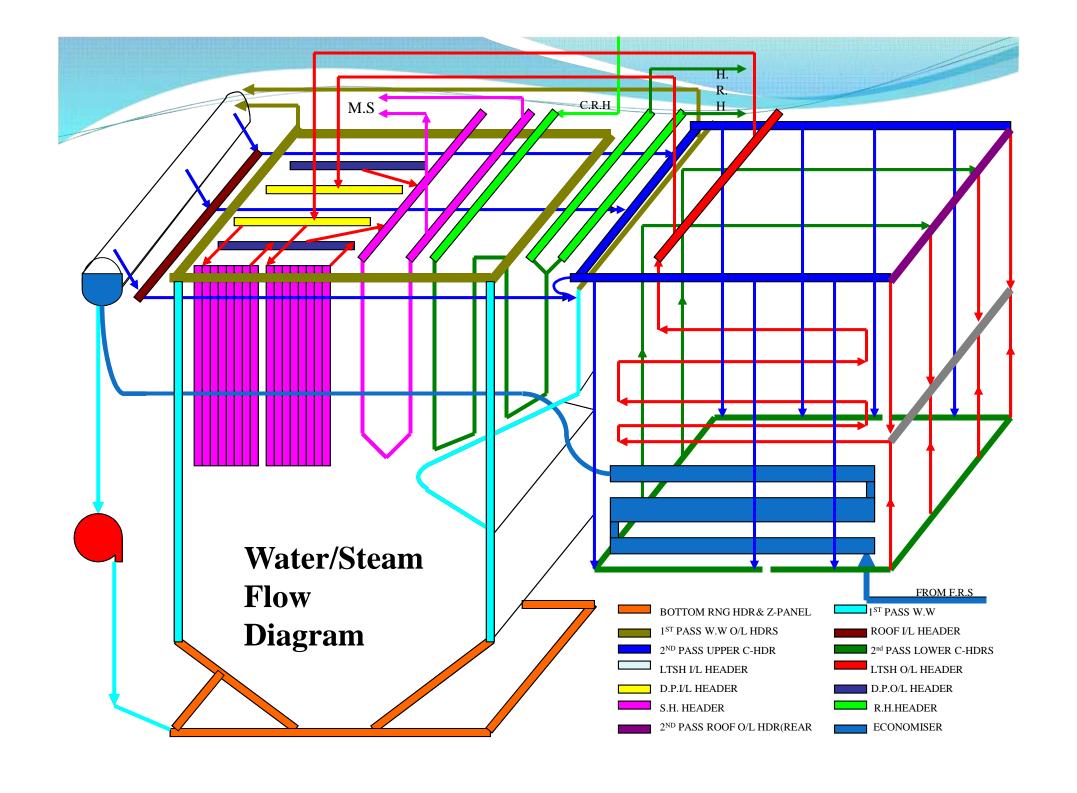
#### **I MPROVE**

Chalk out action plan in respective failure areas as per outage history

#### ANALYZ

Area wise and cause wise

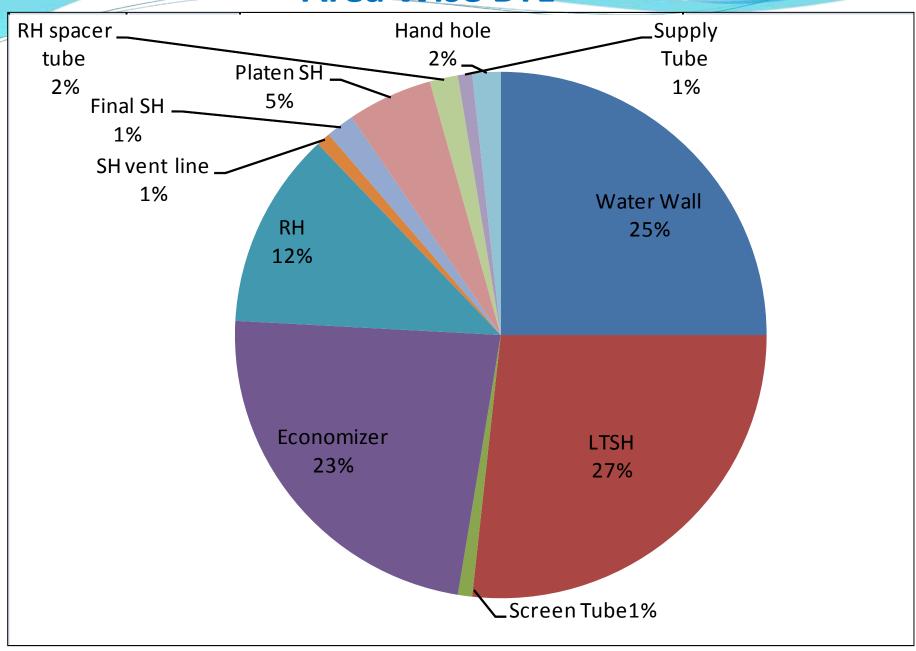
Analysis of past fifteen years history



### BTL Area Wise 2000-01 to 2015-2016

| Unit/<br>Area | ww | LTSH | Screen<br>Tube | Eco | RH | Pent<br>house | FSH | PSH | Supply<br>Tube/<br>spacer | Hand<br>Hole/<br>HDR<br>Plug | Total     |
|---------------|----|------|----------------|-----|----|---------------|-----|-----|---------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Unit-I        | 6  | 6    | 0              | 9   | 6  | 1             | 0   | 1   | 1                         | 2                            | <i>32</i> |
| Unit-II       | 2  | 2    | 1              | 5   | 4  | 0             | 0   | 1   | 1                         | 0                            | 16        |
| Unit-         | 9  | 8    | 0              | 5   | 1  | 0             | 1   | 1   | 0                         | 0                            | 25        |
| Unit-         | 9  | 7    | 0              | 5   | 1  | 0             | 1   | 2   | 1                         | 0                            | 26        |
| Unit-V        | 3  | 8    | 0              | 3   | 2  | 0             | 0   | 1   | 0                         | 0                            | 17        |
| Total         | 29 | 31   | 1              | 27  | 14 | 1             | 2   | 6   | 3                         | 2                            | 116       |

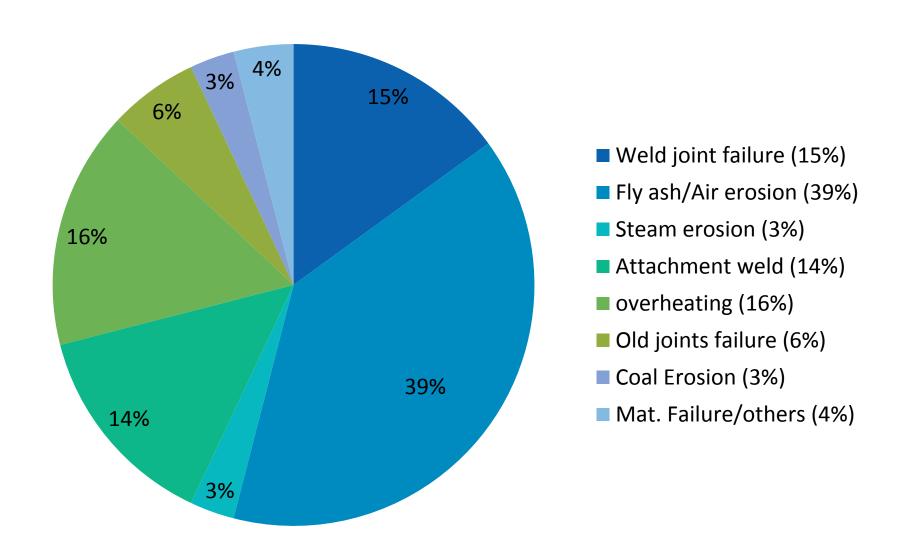
### **Area Wise BTL**



### BTL Cause Wise 2000-01 to 2015-16

| Unit/<br>Area | Weld<br>joint<br>failure | Fly<br>ash/Air<br>erosion | Steam<br>erosion | Attach<br>ment<br>weld | overhe<br>ating | Old<br>joints<br>failure | Coal<br>Erosi<br>on | Mat.<br>Failure/<br>others | Total |
|---------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------|
| Unit-I        | 7                        | 11                        | 2                | 2                      | 6               | -                        | 1                   | 3                          | 32    |
| Unit-II       | 3                        | 3                         | 1                | 1                      | 4               | 2                        | -                   | 2                          | 16    |
| Unit-III      | 8                        | 7                         | -                | 6                      | 2               | 1                        | 1                   | -                          | 25    |
| Unit-IV       | -                        | 12                        | 1                | 6                      | 4               | 3                        | -                   | 1                          | 26    |
| Unit-V        | -                        | 11                        | -                | 1                      | 3               | 1                        | 1                   |                            | 17    |
| Total         | 17                       | 45                        | 4                | 16                     | 19              | 7                        | 3                   | 5                          | 116   |

### **Cause Wise BTL**



### ANALYSIS OF FAILURE PRONE AREAS IN BOILER

| SI. NO | AREA       | PROBABLE CAUSES OF FAILURE   |
|--------|------------|--|
| 1.     | ECONOMISER | <ul> <li>FLY ASH EROSION.</li> <li>WELD JOINT FAILURE.</li> <li>MISALIGNMENT OF COILS</li> </ul>   |
| 2.     | LTSH       | <ul> <li>LACK OF TUBES INSPECTION.</li> <li>DAMAGE OF LOCKING CLAMPS.</li> <li>MISALIGNMENT OF CASSETTE BAFFLES.</li> </ul>                              |
| 3.     | WATER WALL | <ul> <li>➤ SECONDARY AIR EROSION IN BURNER         TRANSITION TUBES.     </li> <li>➤ WELD JOINT FAILURE.</li> <li>➤ STEAM EROSION IN SB AREA.</li> </ul> |

### PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

| SI.<br>No | AREA       | PROBABLE CAUSES OF FAILURE  |
|-----------|------------|---|
| 1.        | ECONOMISER | <ul> <li>MAPPING OF BOILER TUBES THICKNESS DURING EACH OH</li> <li>COIL LOWERING DECISION BASED ON PAST MAPPING</li> <li>USAGE OF MODERN T&amp;P FOR JOINTS</li> <li>PROPER ALIGNMENTS OF COILS</li> </ul>  |
| 2.        | LTSH       | <ul> <li>RESTORATION OF LOCKING AND CLAMPS DURING EACH</li> <li>OH</li> <li>COIL LOWERING DECISION BASED ON PAST MAPPING</li> <li>USAGE OF MODERN T&amp;P FOR JOINTS</li> <li>ALLIGNMENT AND LOCKING OF CASSETTE BAFFLES</li> </ul>                                     |
| 3.        | WATER WALL | <ul> <li>■ APPLICATION OF PLASTIC REFRACTORY.</li> <li>■ EROSION RESISTANT COATING IN EROSION PRONE AREA</li> <li>■ FIXING OF HALF TUBE SHIELDS IN SOOT BLOWER AREA</li> <li>■ TO ENSURE ALIGNMENT OF SOOT BLOWER SLEEVE</li> <li>■ FIN WELDING BY HP WELDER</li> </ul> |

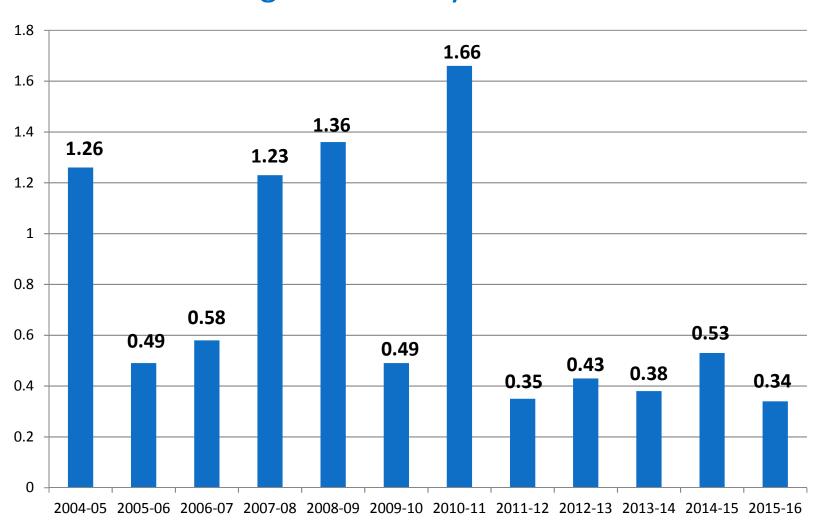
### ERECTION/OLD JOINTS RADIOGRAPHY

| YEAR    | Unit#1 | Unit#2 | Unit#3 | Unit#4 | Unit#5 |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2006-07 |        |        | 227    |        |        |
| 2007-08 |        | 1510   |        | 1070   |        |
| 2008-09 | 682    |        | 210    |        | 94     |
| 2009-10 |        | 563    | 1017   | 565    |        |
| 2010-11 |        |        |        |        | 785    |
| 2011-12 | 797    | 167    |        | 130    |        |
| 2012-13 |        |        | 186    |        |        |
| 2013-14 |        |        |        |        | 227    |
| 2014-15 |        | 244    | 225    |        |        |
| 2015-16 |        |        |        | 176    | 396    |
| TOTAL   | 1479   | 2484   | 1865   | 1765   | 1106   |

### NUMBER OF TUBE LEAKAGES

| YEAR    | TOTAL TUBE LEAKAGES |
|---------|---------------------|
| 2000-01 | 6                   |
| 2001-02 | 4                   |
| 2002-03 | 5                   |
| 2003-04 | 10                  |
| 2004-05 | 8                   |
| 2005-06 | 5                   |
| 2006-07 | 6                   |
| 2007-08 | 13                  |
| 2008-09 | 16                  |
| 2009-10 | 6                   |
| 2010-11 | 12                  |
| 2011-12 | 3                   |
| 2012-13 | 6                   |
| 2013-14 | 5                   |
| 2014-15 | 7                   |
| 2015-16 | 4                   |

### Percentage availability loss due to BTL



# Reduction in Draft Power

### **Auxiliary Power Consumption in Thermal Power Plant**

- Power plant produces electrical energy and also consumes a substantial amount of energy in the form of Auxiliary consumption required for various plant equipments and services.
- Energy conservation in Power Utility is achieved mainly by-
- 1) Operating the equipments at maximum efficiency.
- 2) Reduction of Auxiliary Power Consumption (APC)

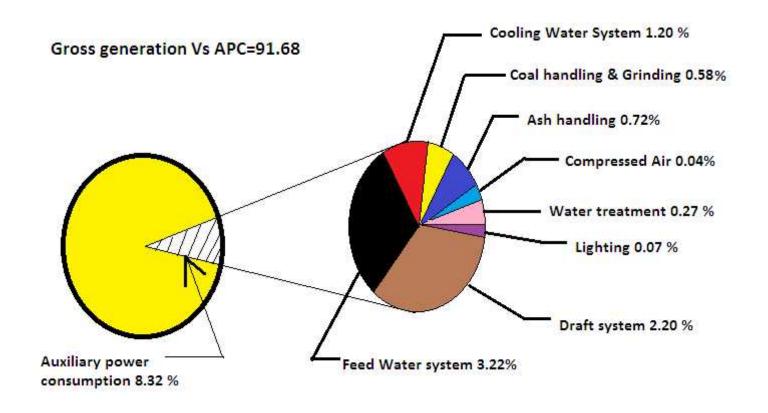
According to a study, if APC of a plant for is 8.17 % and this APC gets reduced only by 0.17 %, fresh capacity addition of about 120 MW can be achieved without any investment.

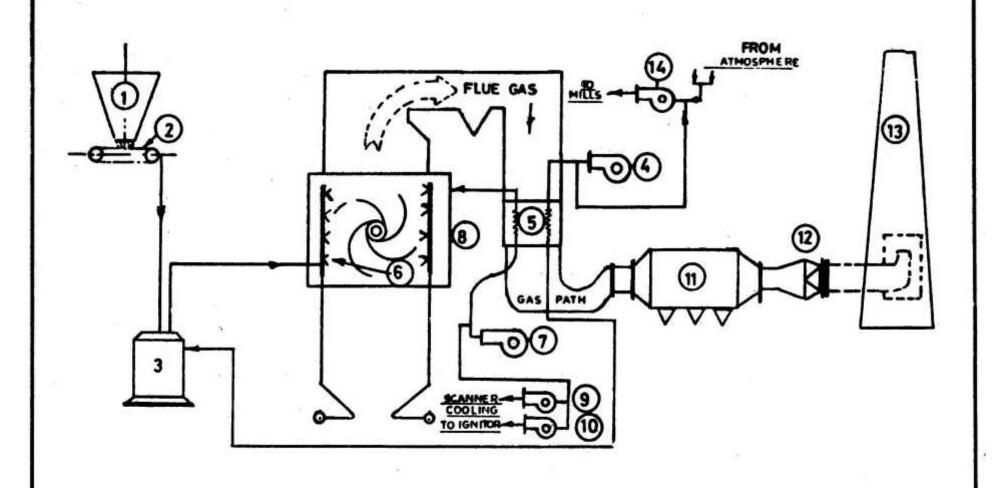
- The auxiliary power consumption plays a major role in enriching the energy efficiency of the thermal power plant. As per the norms APC should well within the 10%.
- As per CEA norms :-

| CAPACITY (IN MW) | APC In % |
|------------------|----------|
| 500              | 6.13     |
| 250              | 8.80     |
| 210              | 8.77     |
| 195-200          | 7.67     |
| 100-200          | 10.32    |
| < 100            | 10.31    |

- National Level APC :- 8.32 %
- Best APC is found at Sipat STPS of NTPC:- 5.04 %

### **Typical Breakup of APC in Thermal Power Plant**





- 1. COAL BUNKER
- 4. P.A. FAN
- F.D. FAN
- 10. IGNITOR FAN
- 13. CHIMNEY

- 2. FEEDER
- 5. AIR PREHEATER
- 8. WIND BOX
- 11. ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATOR
- 14. SEAL AIR FAN

- 3. MILL
- 6. BURNER
- 9. SCANNER FAN
- 12. I.D. FAN

F ig No.-15 Arrangement Of Boiler Auxiliaries

### **Auxiliary Power Consumption at NTPC Unchahar**

#### NTPC/UNCHAHAR

#### STATION PERFORMANCE REPORT

FIN. YEAR: 2016- 2017

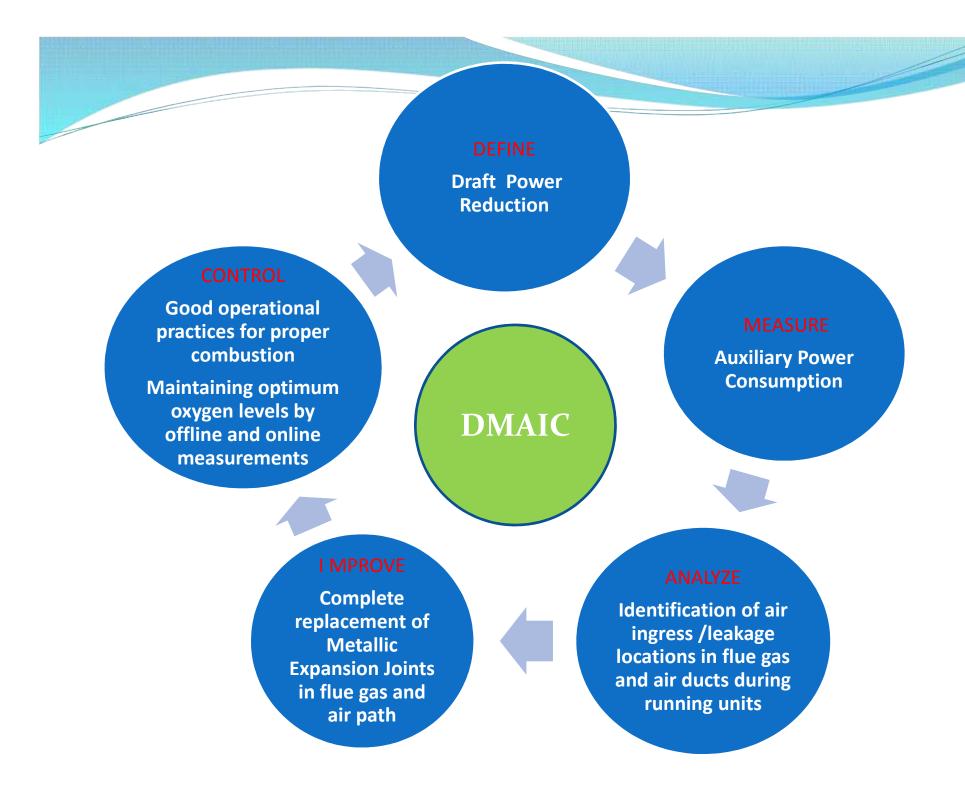
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# Factors affecting Auxiliary Power Consumption

- Unit Generation and Load Pattern
- Operational Efficiency of Plant Auxiliaries, Service Auxiliaries and their reliability.
- Unit & Equipment startups / shutdowns.
- Age of plant
- Coal Quality

#### **APC REDUCTION OPPORTUNITIES**

- System & Equipment efficiency.
  - ➤ Draft system APC reduction.
  - Tube Mill APC reduction.
  - ➤ Combustion efficiency.
  - ➤ Milling system efficiency & reliability.
  - ➤ Air Preheater leakages.
  - ➤On line monitoring of power consumption of various auxiliaries through PI server.
- Better O&M practices
- Energy audit and implementation of recommendations.
- Introduction of latest state of the art technologies on specific systems without waiting for R&M of the whole power plant.



# Causes of higher draft power

- MEJ in service since commissioning of units.
- Air ingress through expansion joints.
- Repairing is not effective.
- Mill hot air duct expansion joints leakage leading to high PA header pressure.

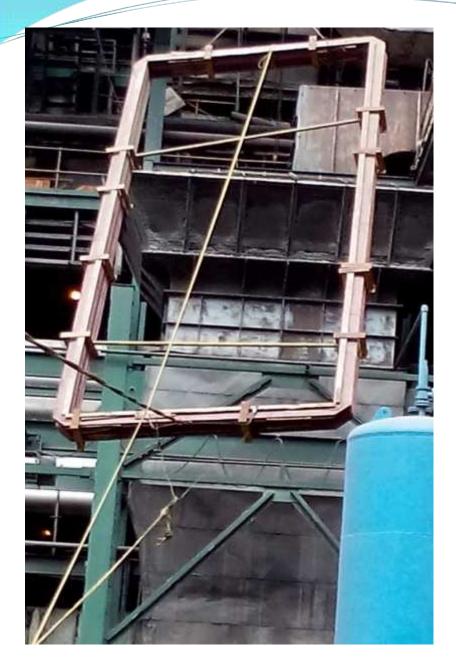
# Effects of higher draft power

- Restriction on unit loading.
- Higher Auxiliary Power Consumption.
- High APH Guide bearing temperature.

# MEJ REPLACEMENT IN ST-I UNITS

| SI No. | LOCATION   | UNIT-2 ( Sep-2014) | UNIT-1 ( Sep-2015) |
|--------|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1      | FLUE GAS PATH ,ECO OUTLET                            | 2                  | 2                  |
| 2      | FLUE GAS PATH ,APH INLET                             | 2                  | 2                  |
| 3      | FLUE GAS PATH (APH O/L-ESP I/L)                      | 7                  | 4                  |
| 4      | PRIMARY AIR PATH (HOT APH O/L)                       | 2                  | 2                  |
| 5      | PRIMARY AIR PATH APH-A/B<br>OUTLET TO PA COMMON DUCT | 4                  | NIL                |
| 6      | WINDBOX  | 18                 | NIL                |
| 7      | MILL HOT AIR DUCT (APH O/L TO MILL I/L)              | 16                 | 16                 |
|        | TOTAL  | 51                 | 26                 |

#### Lifting of Eco Outlet (Style-7) and APH Inlet(Style-5) MEJ



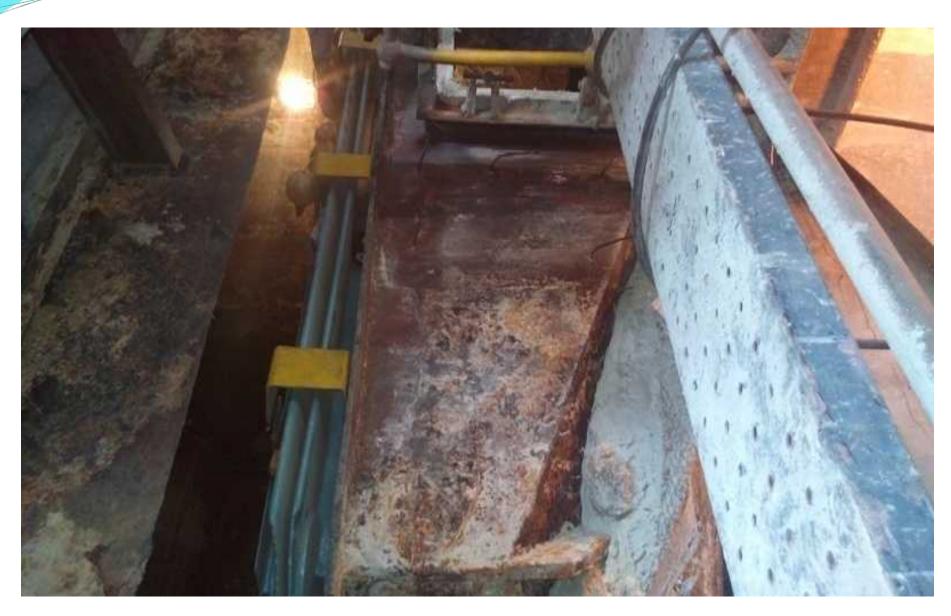


# Cutting ,Locking and Edge preparation





# Primary Hot Air APH Outlet MEJ Replacement



# Mill inlet Metallic Expansion Joint (Style 3 & 4)





#### APH Outlet to ESP Inlet after APH Hopper MEJ Replaced





#### DRAFT POWER REDUCTION IN UNIT-2

| DESCRIPTION   | PRE O/H | POST O/H | GAIN |
|---------------|---------|----------|------|
| FD FAN-A (KW) | 228     | 274      | -46  |
| FD FAN-B (KW) | 274     | 301      | -27  |
| ID FAN-A (KW) | 1289    | 941      | 348  |
| ID FAN-B (KW) | 1216    | 887      | 329  |
| PA FAN-A (KW) | 1005    | 960      | 45   |
| PA FAN-B (KW) | 1024    | 969      | 55   |
| DRAFT POWER   | 5038    | 4334     | 704  |
| GAIN (KW)     | 704     |          |      |

## DRAFT POWER REDUCTION IN UNIT-1

| DESCRIPTION   | PRE O/H<br>(28.08.2015) | POST O/H<br>(21.11.2015) | GAIN |
|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| LOAD          | 221 MW                  | 220 MW                   |      |
| AIR FLOW      | 800                     | 844                      |      |
| FD FAN-A (KW) | 199                     | 230                      | -31  |
| FD FAN-B (KW) | 176                     | 193                      | -17  |
| ID FAN-A (KW) | 1491                    | 1185                     | 306  |
| ID FAN-B (KW) | 1328                    | 1141                     | 187  |
| PA FAN-A (KW) | 1205                    | 1130                     | 75   |
| PA FAN-B (KW) | 1210                    | 1109                     | 101  |
| DRAFT POWER   | 5609                    | 4988                     | 621  |
| GAIN (KW)     | 621                     |                          |      |

# Payback

| DESCRIPTION                        | Unit-2                         | Unit-1                         |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Reduction in Draft Power           | 700 KW                         | 621 KW                         |
| Selling Price of Electricity       | ₹3.70                          | ₹3.70                          |
| Saving due to APC<br>Reduction/Day | 700 x 24 x 3.70<br>= ₹ 62160/- | 621 x 24 x 3.70<br>= ₹ 55144/- |
| Total Saving /Day                  | ₹62160/-                       | ₹55144/-                       |
| Saving per annum<br>(@90% PLF)     | ₹ 2.04 Crore                   | ₹1.81 Crore                    |
| Material Cost                      | ₹34 Lacs                       | ₹17 Lacs                       |
| Service Cost                       | ₹30 Lacs                       | ₹39 Lacs                       |
| Payback Period                     | 0.313 Years<br>(3.7 Months)    | 0.309 years<br>(3.7 months)    |

### Saving/ Benefits by Reduction in BTL

- Average Unit Outage duration due to single BTL is 24 Hrs.(Approx.)
- Generation Loss in MU= 0.21\*24 MU = 5.04 MU
- Average Cost /Unit= ₹ 3.70
- Net loss due to 24 Hrs Generation loss: ₹ 3.70\*5.04\*1000000 = ₹ 186 Lac = ₹ 1.86 Cr (Approx)
- Average number of BTL during last 5 years=6.6
- Number of BTL in FY 2015-16 =4
- *Net Saving =2.6\*1.86*

= ₹ 4.83 Cr in 2015-16

# Intangible Gains

- Reliability of Boiler & Auxiliaries improved resulting in one of the highest DC among all NTPC stations in 2015-16
- Availability of Boiler increased
- ID Fan Loading reduced from 135-140 Amps. pre overhauling to 95-100 Amps. post overhauling
- PA Fan loading reduced
- Proper combustion of Coal in Furnace
- No restriction on Unit loading.
- Availability of Milling system increased



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#### LETTER OF APPRECIATION

(as a team member)

Date: 07.11.2015

Shri Ritesh singh, (Emp No-008502)

Shri P.S Pandey (Emp no-058549)

Shri Devesh Adhikari (Emp no- 0101043)

The following work done by your team is noteworthy.

Unit-5 zero BTL first time since commissioning in 2007. Unit-5 overnauling was done in April-2015. Unit-5 recorded Zero BTL in year 2015-16. Unit-1 flue gas duct including Economizer outlet metallic expansion joints replaced first time since commissioning in year 1988. This major work leads to a appreciable draft power saving of 650 KW per day. Stage-1 mill RJ bearing consumption reduced drastically by improving maintenance practices. New practices involve, removal of worn out grinding roll by hydraulic jack instead of heating and regular servicing of RJ assembly.

I sincerely appreciate the good work done by you. I hope that you will continue to put in your sincere efforts in future also and spread the culture of team work amongst others.

With best wishes,

(SANJEEV KUMAR SHARMA)

ADD GENERAL MANAGER (BMD)

To

Name : Shri Ritesh singh, Sr Manager

Shri P.S Pandey. Dy Manager.

Shri Devesh Adhikari. Dy Manager.

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