



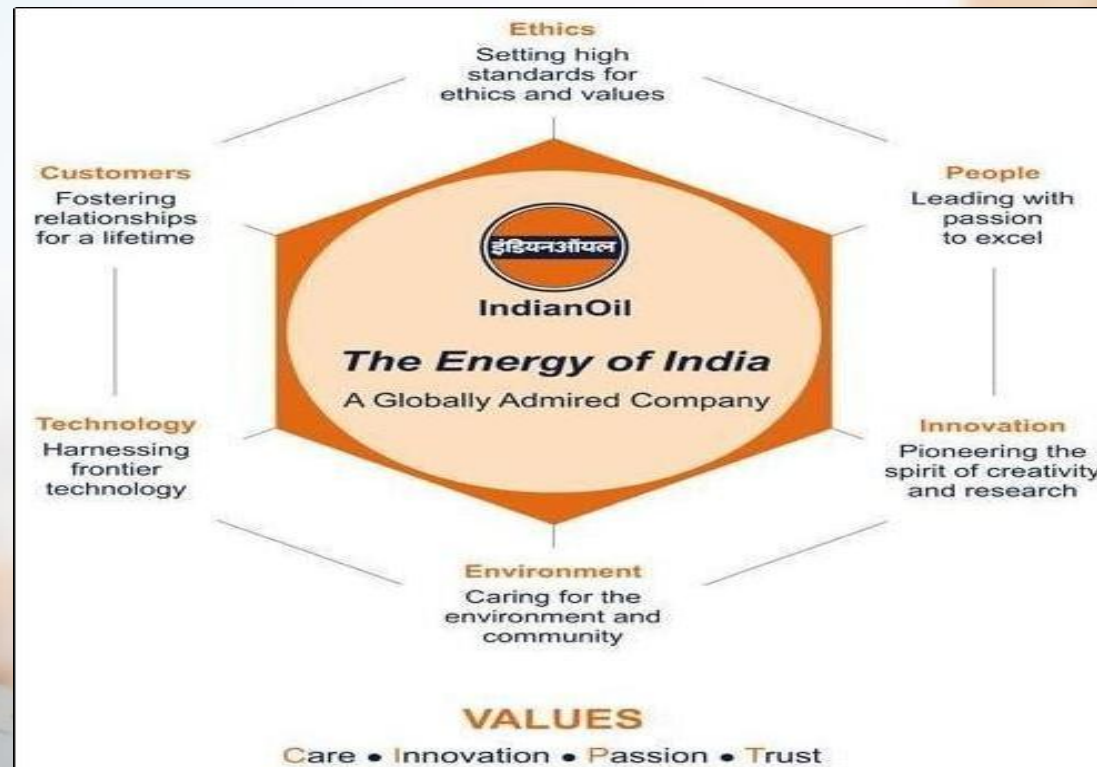
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INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LMTD SUMMER INTERNSHIP PRESENTATION (2023-24)

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ABOUT IOCL

- Indian Oil Corporation (Indian Oil) is India's largest commercial enterprise, with a salesturnover of Rs. 9,34,953 crore (USD 65,391 million) and profits of Rs. 19,106 crores (USD2,848 million) for the year 2022-23.
- With a corporate vision to be 'The Energy of India' and to become “A globally admired company”.



ABOUT MATHURA REFINERY

- **Mathura Refinery, was commissioned in 1982 with a capacity of 6.0 MMTPA to meet the demand of petroleum products in north western region of the country, which includes National Capital Region. Refinery is located along the Delhi-Agra National Highway about 154 KM away from Delhi.**

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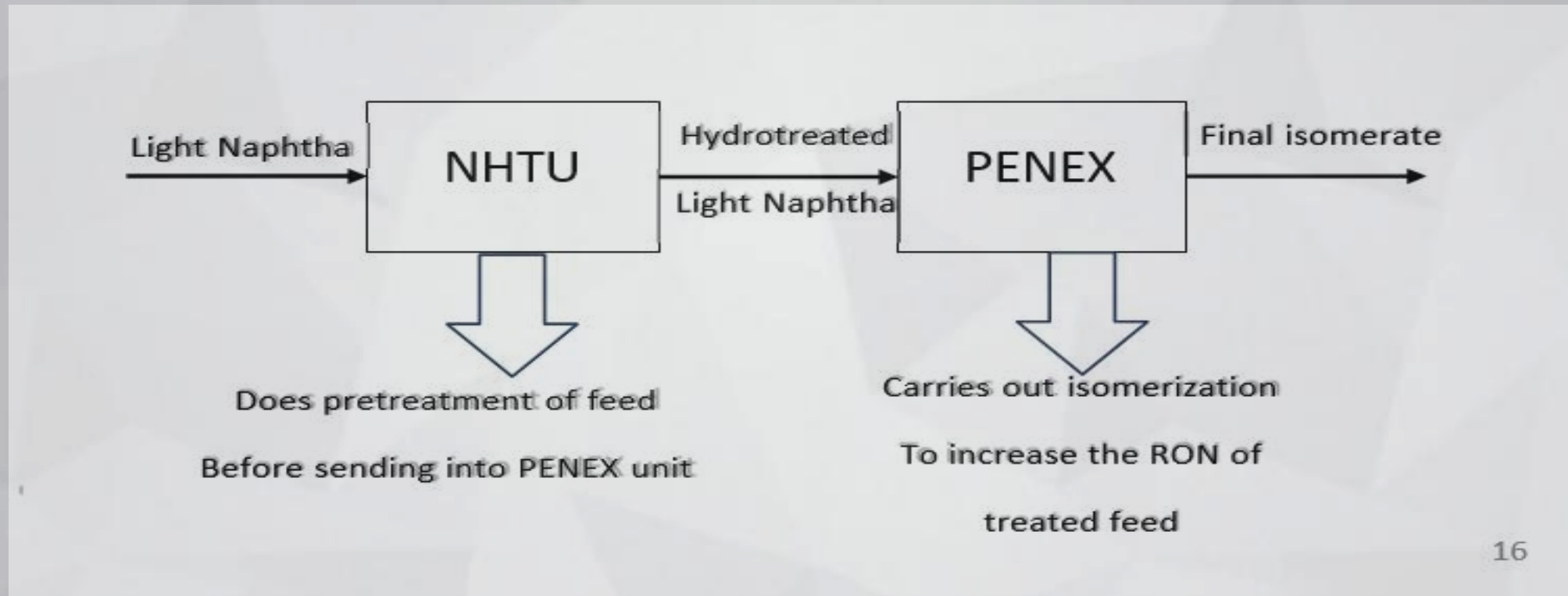
- **Its close proximity to the magnificent wonder Taj Mahal adds to extra responsibility towards a cleaner environment. For upgrading environmental standards, old Sulphur Recovery Units (SRU) were replaced with new Sulphur Recovery Units with 99.9 % recovery in the year 1999. Additional Sulphur Recovery Unit (4th SRU) was implemented as a hot standby and was commissioned by 2011.**

MOTOR SPIRIT QUALITY UNIT(MSQU)

- **OBJECTIVE:** To Upgrade the Naphtha by increasing its Octane Number to Higher Octane , Low Benzene
- **FEED:** The feed to the MSQU unit is Light Straight Run (LSR) naphtha with feed cut of C5-85 which majorly contains carbon chains of 5C and 6C (of which 4-5% is benzene) and sulfur content of about 400 ppm which is much more than BS-VI norms. Also the Research Octane Number (RON) of the feed LSR Naphtha is around (64-70) which has to be increased to around (84-86) with the help of isomerisation to meet RON conditions of BS-VI afterwards.
- **CATALYST:** Co-Mo for Hydrotreater Reactor
Pt for Penex Reactor
Ni based in Methanation
- **PROCESSES:** Naphtha Hydrotreating Unit
Penex/Isomerization Unit

- The feedstock that is Light Naphtha first enters into the NHTU and is pretreated before being sent into the PENEX unit for quality upgradation by increasing RON and removing benzene.
- The current capacity of the MSQU unit is 440 TMTPA
- **OPERATING CONDITION:** Temperature range :126-145°C

System Pressure: 33.5 kg/cm²

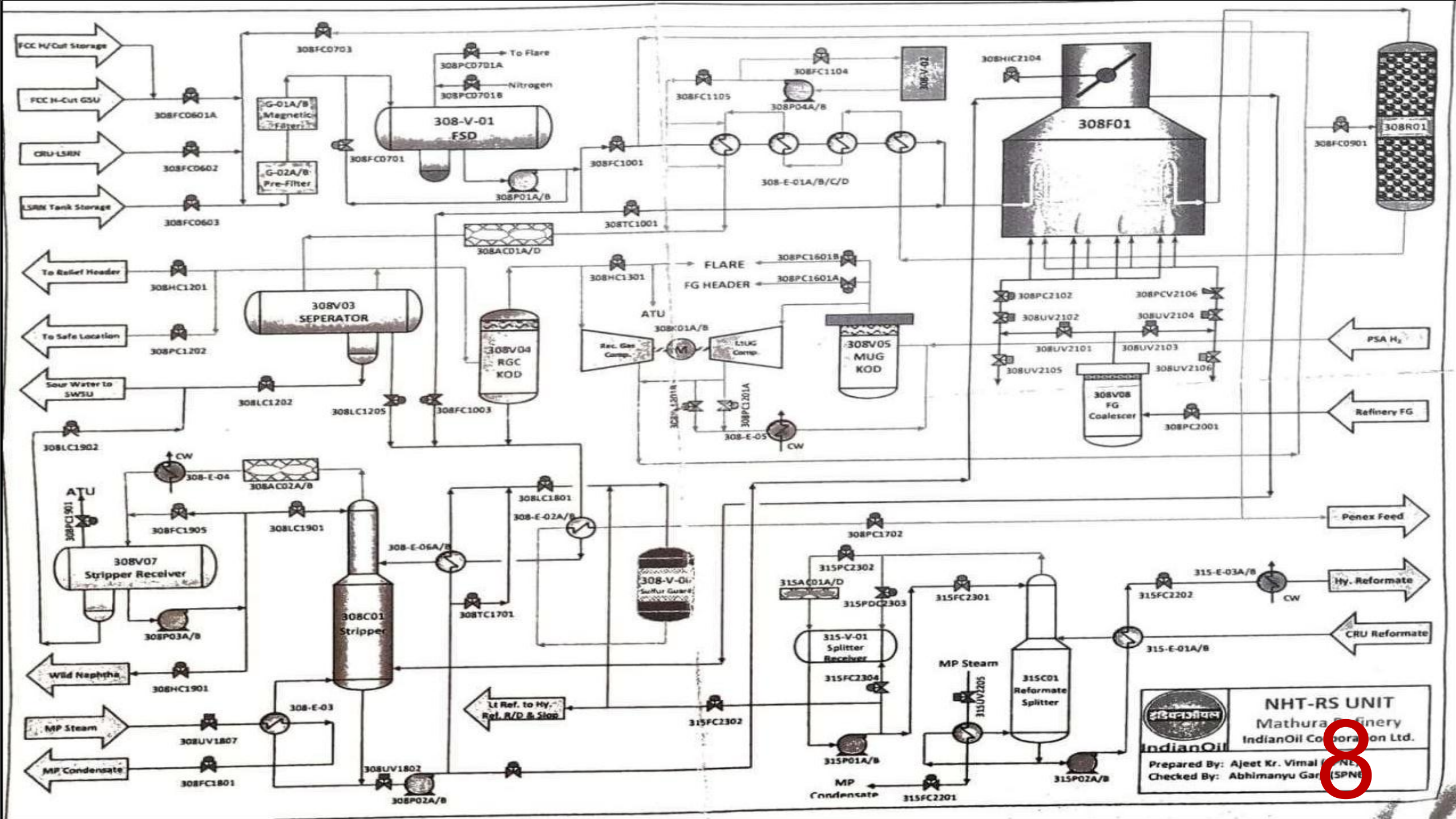


NAPHTHA HYDROTREATING UNIT (NHTU)

- **OBJECTIVE** – To remove the sulfur and other impurities and to saturate the olefins in FCC portion offeed for PENEX unit
- **FEEDSTOCK** – Feed consists of Light SR Naphtha produced from high “S” imported crude or low “S” crude, FCC Gasoline Heart Cut.
- **PRODUCT:** The product is Hydro-Treated Naphtha, which is the feed for the PENEX-DIH Process unit.
- **REACTION MECHANISMS:** The Main purpose of the Naphtha Hydrotreating Process Unit is to "Clean-up" the light naphtha so that it is suitable as charge to the Penex Unit. Reactions that occur in the Naphtha Hydro Treating Unit are as follows.
- **Olefin Saturation:** Olefin saturation is almost as rapid as desulfurization and is highly exothermic. Most straight run naphthas contain only trace amounts of olefins, but cracked naphthas usually have high olefin concentrations. Processing high concentrations of olefins in NHTU must be approached with care because of the high exothermic heat of reaction associated with the saturation reaction.
- **Sulfur Removal:** Sulfur removal in the NHTU is relatively easy and for the best operation of a PENEX Unit, the Hydrotreated light naphtha sulfur content should be maintained below 0.1 ppm

sulfur or less in the light hydrotreated naphtha is common.

- Operating NHTU at too high a temperature for maximum sulfur removal is possible but recombination of hydrogen sulfide with small amounts of olefins or olefin intermediates can then result which produces mercaptans in the product. (mercaptans are the organic components of hydrocarbons with sulfur, they have bad smell and corrosive properties).
- **Nitrogen Removal:** Nitrogen removal is considerably more difficult than sulfur removal in NHTU. The rate of de-nitrification is only about one-fifth the rate of desulfurization.
- PENEX catalyst a maximum of 0.1 ppm nitrogen allowed. Cracked naphtha's are expected to contain higher nitrogen levels. Any organic nitrogen that does enter the Penex will cause permanent catalyst poisoning and will decompose to NH_3 , and react with the chloride to form ammonium chloride leads to permanent catalyst poisoning.
- These problems can be avoided or minimized by maximizing nitrogen removal in the NHTU.
- **Metal Removal:** Most metallic impurities are permanently deposited on the catalyst when removed from the naphtha.
- The catalyst loses activity for sulfur removal as higher metal loadings are reached. Some commonly detected components found on used hydrotreating iron, calcium, magnesium, phosphorous, lead, silicon, copper, and sodium. Removal of metals is essentially complete above temperatures of 315 °C



NHTU PFD EXPLANATION

- The purpose of Naphtha hydrotreater is to eliminate the impurities (such as sulphur, nitrogen, olefins, oxygen, water, and metals) from the feed that would otherwise affect the performance and lifetime of reformer/PENEX unit catalyst.
- This is achieved by the use of selected catalyst (nickel) and optimum operating condition except for water, which is eliminated in stripper.
- In this unit, the naphtha coming from the NSU is mixed with H_2 which comes from the reforming unit.
- This mixture is heated to $340^{\circ}C$ in the furnace and then passed to the hydrotreater reactor at a pressure of 22 kg/cm^2 .
- In the reactor, there are two beds of catalyst. In one bed, the unsaturated hydrocarbons are converted to saturated hydrocarbons and in the second bed impurities like N, S, and O are converted to NH_3 , H_2O and H_2S respectively.
- The effluent of the reactor is sent to stripper section to eliminate the light end, mainly the H_2S and moisture from the reformat feed.
- There is a reboiler attached to the bottom of the stripper, which maintains the heat requirement.
- The product of the stripper is either sent to PENEX Unit.

- After the Hydro-treatment of Naphtha in NHT Unit, the amount of contaminants such as Sulfur, Nitrogen, Fluorides, Metals and most importantly moisture are reduced up to large extent to avoid degradation of catalyst present in PENEX Unit i.e. Platinum
- Thus this hydrotreated light naphtha feed can now be sent to PENEX unit for isomerization to increase the RON of the feed to our desired value of MSQU unit that is 86-88 and to reduce the amount of benzene content by ringopening as a side reaction. Therefore, NEXT UP PENEX/ISOMERIZATION UNIT.

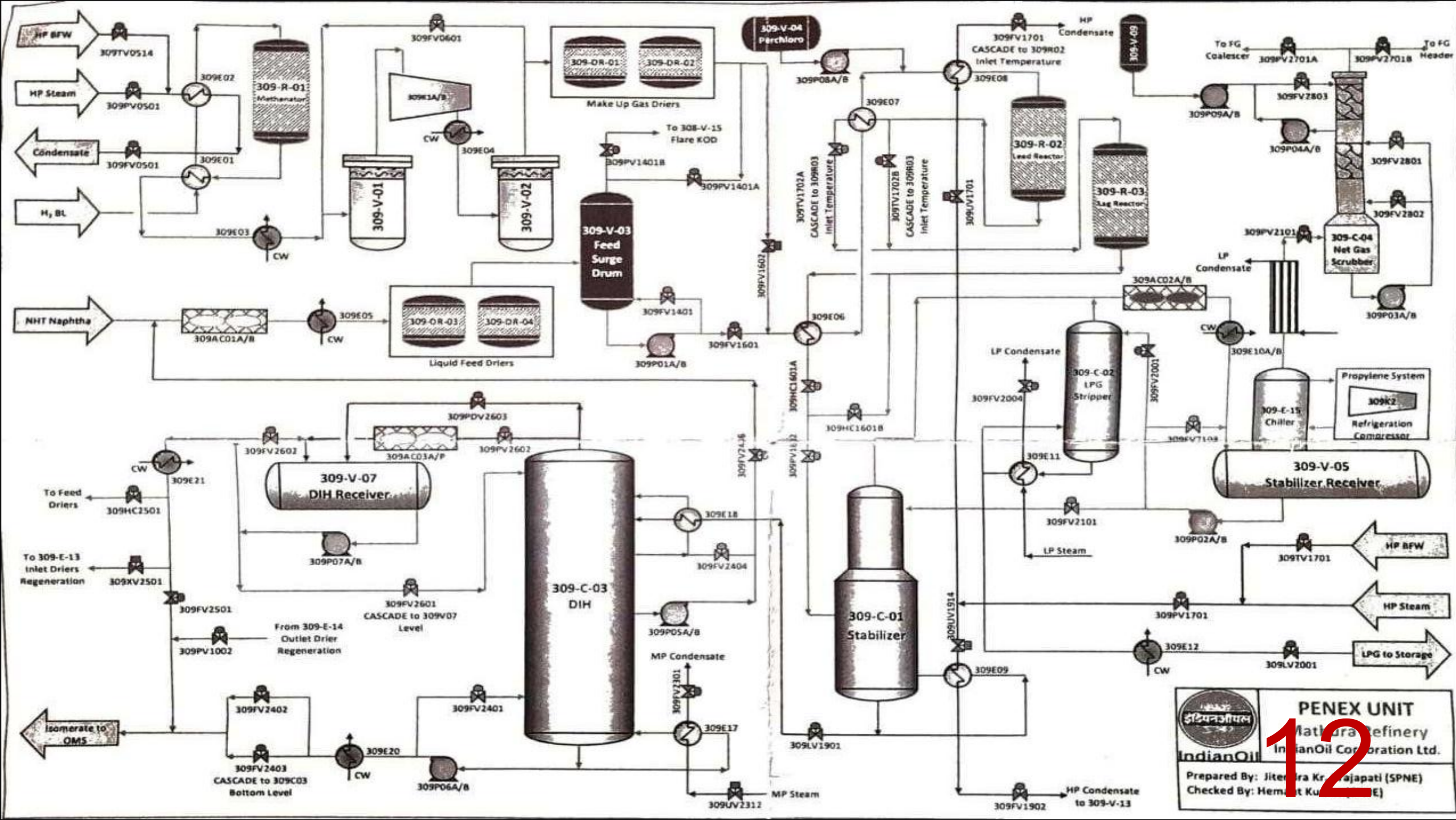
PENEX / ISOMERIZATION UNIT

- PENEX unit is used for converting low octane straight run naphtha (64-70) to high octane naphtha(84-86). Octane number is boosted by isomerization of n-paraffin to iso-paraffin in the presence of HCL and Pt-AlCl₃ catalyst.
- Other side reaction also takes place such as benzene saturation to cyclo-hexane, cyclo-paraffins ring opening and isomerization and cracking on some amount send to LPG storage.

- **CATALYST:** Pt catalyst with constant perchloro dosing to provide acidic medium.
PERCHOLOROFORMULA – C_2Cl_4 (PERCHLORO ETHYLENE).

PROCESS FLOW DESCRIPTION PENEX/ISOMERIZATION UNIT

- There are two fixed bed reactor , which convert normal C_5 and C_6 paraffin to isomers for increasing the octane number.
- Low octane methyl pentanes and unconverted n-hexane are recycled back.
- A stabilizer is used for removing light ends from the reactor effluent, before sending it to the deisohexaniser.
- Deisohexaniser Tower: For recovering and recycling the low octane numbers methyl pentanes and the unconverted n-hexane from the reactor effluent.
- The stabilizer reflux drum vent gas contains H_2 and chloride which are removed by neutralization with caustic soda in caustic scrubber.
- Dryers are used to dry the H_2O so that water is not present there as it the deactivator of catalyst.
- C_2Cl_4 is a activator of isomerisation catalyst.



- LPG, H₂, HCl are stripped and sent to scrubber mainly to reduce C₄ contents so C₅ concentration increases.
- Light isomerate is used as regenerate for dryers.
- The two isomerate products from the deisohexaniser are the light isomerate and heavy isomerate. The heavy isomerate is required to be cooled before storage.
- **TRANSPORT OF LIGHT ISOMERATE TO MS POOL**
- The light isomerate that is obtained from the MSQU unit having RON of 86-88 is now sent to motor-spirit pool for blending with other high RON products such as reformates from CCRU, desulfurized FCCU gasoline from Prime-G to get our desired min. RON of 91 and which can now be sent from the refinery for consumption in the market. And some amount of LPG produced is sent to LPG Storage section of refinery.

FIRE AND SAFETY TRAINING

- The products obtained from the refinery are highly inflammable and associated processing's are extremely dangerous and fire hazardous. So, fire and safety provides training teaches people to how to be safe while doing the refinery work and how to avoid serious accidents or mishaps.
- **Triangle of fire-** For a fire to catch, air heat and fumes are needed. If we cut the supply of anyone of these then the fire can be avoided.
- **Types of Hazards-**
- **Fire hazards-** In any case of fire explosion, fire alarms should be raised as soon as possible and people should meet the nearest assembly point. In case of oil based fire, cold water should be supplied to the burning system so that the temperature does not exceed a maximum permissible value. In Barauni Refinery, Auto foam system has been installed to extinguish fire.

- **Chemical and explosion hazards-** For example, toxic gas emission, acid spillage, corrosive chemical spillage etc. So, different kind of detectors are used like DSI (ionized smoke detector), DSO (Optical smoke detector), DGT (toxic gas detector), DGH (hydrogen gas detector) etc.

Safety measure that must be taken:

- A worker must use personal protecting equipments (PPE) inside the refinery. PPE includes safety helmet, safety shoes (to protect from electrical hazard), safety goggles, ear plugs, hand gloves hand gloves, nose mask, safety belt and Nomex (full body covering clothing for special cases).
- Mobile phones or any electronic devices should not be carried inside refinery. Without having proper knowledge, nothing should be touched to bring about any change.
- Self-controlled breathing apparatus (SCBA) should be used in any case of toxic gas (like SO₂, NH₃, CO₂ and H₂S) emission. Safety belt and rail guards, along with proper ladder (at 75°) and staircase, must be

- Self-controlled breathing apparatus (SCBA) should be used in any case of toxic gas (like SO₂, NH₃, CO₂ and H₂S) emission. Safety belt and rail guards, along with proper ladder (at 75°) and staircase, must be used when climbing above 2 meters.
- Full proof guarding of the motors and pumps and other electrical or mechanical devices must be done to avoid injuries.
- Miniature circuit board, molded case circuit board, Earth leakage circuit board must be present so that it trips the electrical supply if there is some fault in the electrical circuit.
- Fire extinguishers must be present at suitable positions. For universal fire extinguisher, range is 2-3 m, duration 15-20 seconds and weight is 5-6 kg.
- In case of fire or emergency, one should use emergency phone to dial 333 or 7777, IOCL fire and safety department numbers and 301 for first aid.

THANK YOU :)