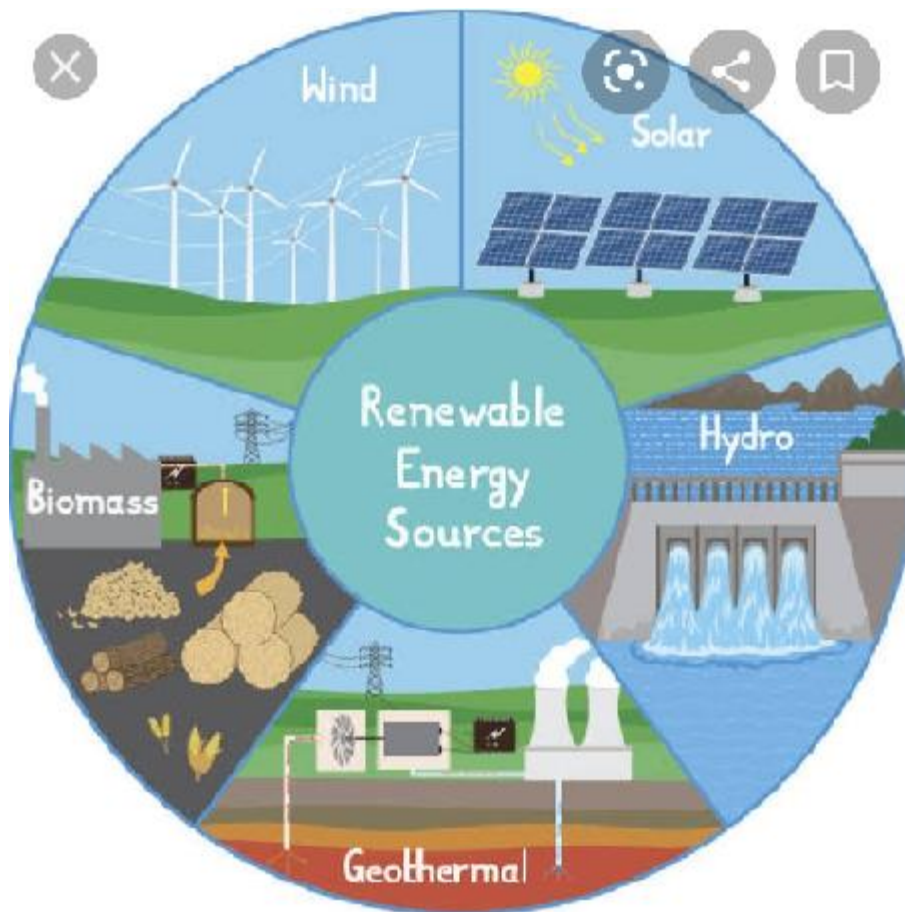


NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCE

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

After undergoing the subject, the students will be able to:

1. Explain the importance of non-conventional energy sources for the present energy scenario.
2. Classify various non-conventional sources of energy
3. Explain principle of solar photovoltaic energy conversion and the applications of solar energy in different fields.
4. Explain basic conversion technologies of biomass, wind energy, geo-thermal, tidal energy, hydro energy and its applications.
5. Explain direct energy conversion systems like magneto hydrodynamics and fuel cells and its applications.

DETAILED CONTENTS

1. Basic of Energy: (06 periods)

Classification of Energy-primary and secondary energy, commercial and non-commercial energy, importance of non conventional energy sources, present scenario, future prospectus, energy scenario in India, sector-wise energy consumption (domestic, industrial, agriculture etc.)

2. Solar Energy: (12 periods)

Principle of conversion of solar radiation into heat, photo-voltaic cell, electricity generation, application of solar energy like solar water heaters, solar furnaces, solar cookers, solar lighting, solar pumping.

3. Bio-energy: (10 periods)

Bio-mass conversion technologies- wet and dry processes. Methods for obtaining energy from biomass. Power generation by using gasifiers.

4. Wind Energy: (10 periods)

Wind energy conversion, windmills, electricity generation from wind types of wind mills, local control, energy storage.

5. Geo-thermal and Tidal Energy: (10 periods)

Geo-thermal sources, Ocean thermal electric conversion, open and closed cycles, hybrid

cycles. Prime movers for geo-thermal energy conversion. Steam Generation and electricity generation.

6. Magneto Hydro Dynamic (MHD) Power Generation: (04 periods)

7. Fuel Cells: (08 periods)

Design and operating principles of a fuel cell, conversion efficiency, work output and e.m.f of fuel cells, applications.

8. Hydro Energy – Mini & Micro hydro plants :

CHAPTER-1

BASICS OF ENERGY

1.1 Energy: -

The energy of a body is its capacity to do work. It is measured the total amount of work that the body can do.

➤ Different forms of energy:-

- i. Electrical Energy
- ii. Mechanical Energy (kinetic and potential)
- iii. Chemical Energy
- iv. Heat Energy(thermal)
- v. Nuclear Energy
- vi. Light(radiant)

The S.I unit of energy is Joule or KJ or Watt.h.

1.2 Classification of Energy:-

1. Primary Energy sources
2. Secondary Energy sources

1. Primary Energy sources :

The Energy of sources which can be used directly as they appear in nature.

Example: - wood, coal, oil, natural gas etc.

2. Secondary Energy sources :

These sources of energy derive from transformation of primary Energy Sources.

Example:- petrol, that derives from the treatment of crude oil etc.

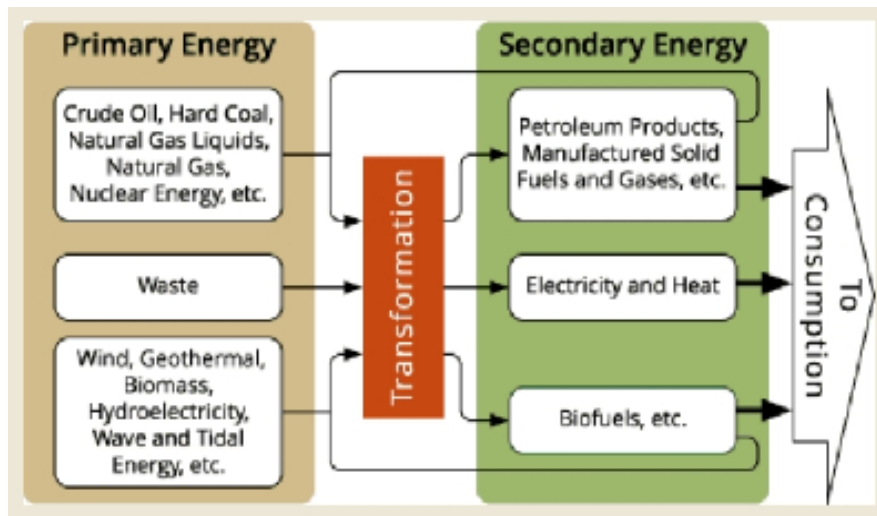


Fig 1.1: Primary and secondary energy sources

1.3 COMMERCIAL AND NON-COMMERCIAL ENERGY:

1. **Commercial Energy:** - The sources of energy are available to user at some cost. These are generally exhaustible.

Example: - coal, petrol, gas, etc.

2. **Non-Commercial Energy:-** The sources of energy are available to user at free of cost. These are generally renewable.

Example:- solar energy, firewood.

1.4 Advantages of Electrical Energy over the other forms of Energy:-

Energy in the form of Electrical Energy is most easy to use. The following advantages of Electrical Energy:-

- i. It is pollution free and environment friendly.
- ii. Electrical energy can be easily converted into other forms of energy.
- iii. It can be easily transmitted.
- iv. Efficiency of transmission is high.
- v. Voltage can be easily stepped up or stepped down as per the requirement.
- vi. Control of appliance using Electrical Energy is easy and safe.

1.5 Renewable Energy sources:-

The sources of energy which are being produced continuously in nature and are in exhaustible are called renewable sources of energy (or) non-conventional energy.

1. Solar Energy
2. Wind Energy
3. Tidal Energy
4. Bio-Gas
5. Geo- Thermal Energy
6. Hydro Energy



Fig 1.2: Types of non conventional source of energy

1.6 Importance of Non-conventional source of Energy:

- i. The power plants based on renewable do not have any fuel cost and hence negligible running cost.
- ii. Renewable energy has low energy density. Thus there is no problem of pollution or ecological balance problem.

1.7 Present Scenario, Future Prospects and Energy Scenario in India:

In 1982 India was created, a separate Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources (DNES) in the Ministry of Energy to look after all the aspects relating to New and Renewable Energy. The Department was upgraded into a separate Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources (MNES) in 1992 and was rechristened as Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), in October 2006. To support the Ministry, there are five institutions consisting of three autonomous bodies i.e National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), National Institute of Wind Energy (NIWE) and National Institute of Bio Energy (NIBE) and two public sector undertakings i.e. Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI).

In India, use of renewable energy is increasing day by day. Government of India announced in the year 2015, a target for 175 GW cumulative renewable power installed capacity by the year 2022. A capacity of 85.90GW has been set up by December 2019 constituting more than 23% of the total installed capacity. India has 4th and 5th global positions in the wind and solar power deployment respectively. Since 2013-14 till December 2019, the renewable power deployment has more than doubled. Annually more than 10 millions man-days employment is being created in the sector. Solar power capacity has increased by more than 14 times in the last five years from 2630 MW to 37505 MW in December 2019. Solar water heaters and rooftop systems have been promoted in certain government, commercial and residential areas through regulatory intervention such as mandates under building by-laws and its incorporation in the National Building Code. Off-grid and rooftop solar applications have been promoted through the provision of subsidies from the central government.

India has large renewable energy potential from sources such as wind, solar, biomass, small hydro, etc. As per estimates, India has a wind potential of more than 300 GW at a hub height of 100 meter, solar potential of ~750 GW, assuming 3% wasteland is made available, small hydro potential of ~ 20 GW, and bio-energy potential of 25 GW. Further, there exists significant potential from decentralized distributed applications for meeting the hot water requirement for residential, commercial and industrial sector through solar energy and also meeting cooking energy needs in the rural areas through biogas. Renewable energy also has the potential to usher in universal energy access.

Figure 1.3 shows the installed power generation capacity (MW) in India through renewable energy sources upto 31.12.2019.

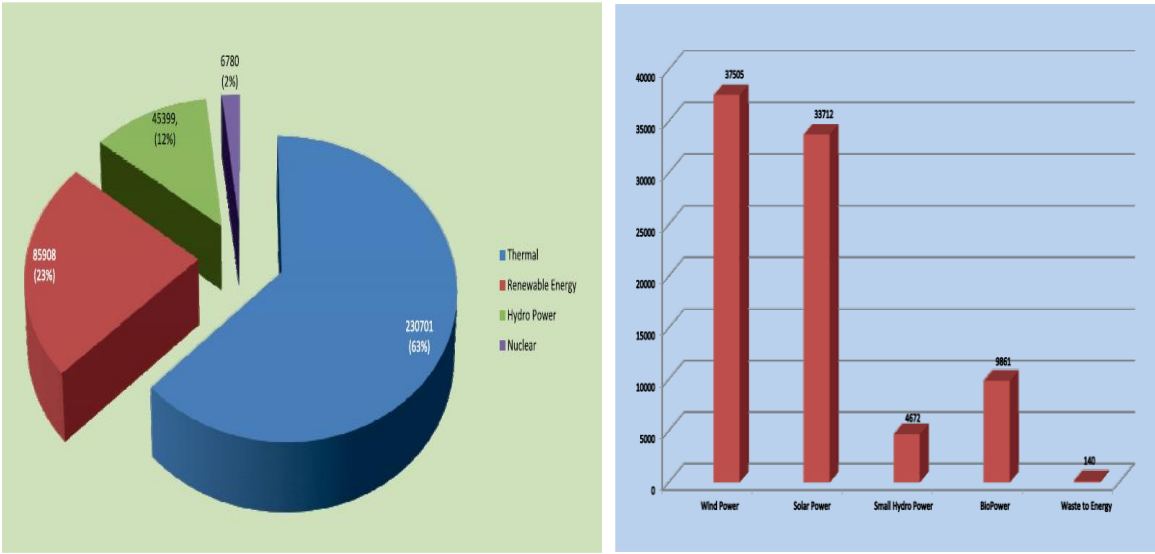


Fig1.3: India-source wise installed power generation capacity (MW) upto 31.12.2019

During the year 2019-20 a total of 7,591.99 MW renewable energy capacities has been added in the country till 31.12.2019 as given in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1: Achievement in Grid Connected Renewable Power		
Sector	Achievement (April-Dec 2019)	Cumulative Achievements (on 31.12.2019)
Wind Power	1879.21	37505.18
Solar Power - Ground Mounted	5013.00	31379.30
Solar Power - Roof Top	536.88	2333.23
Small Hydro Power	78.40	4671.55
Bio Power (Biomass & Gasification and Bagasse Cogeneration)	83.00	9861.31
Waste to Power	1.50	139.80
Total	7591.99	85908.37

➤ **Solar Energy Potential and Achievements:**

As on 31-12-2019, a total solar power capacity installed is 33,730 MW. Fig 1.4 shows the top 10 states in solar Installation as on 31.12.2019 and table 1.2 shows the state wise solar energy potential in the country.

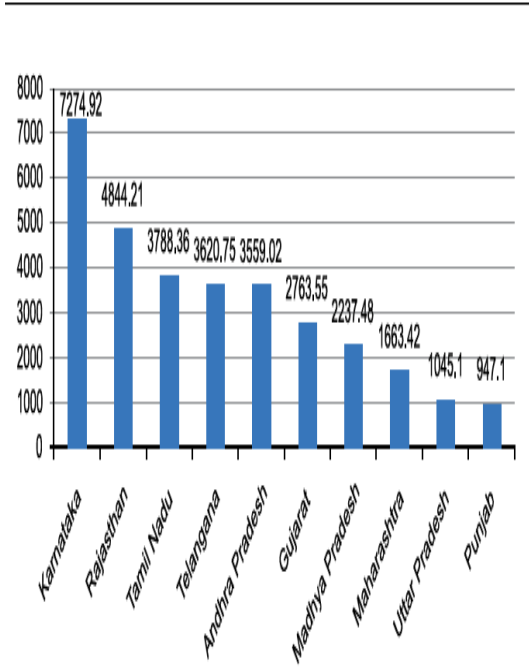


Figure 1.4: Top 10 States in Solar Installation)
(capacity in MW as on 31-12-2019

Sr. No.	State/UT	Solar Potential (GWp) #
1	Andhra Pradesh	38.44
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.65
3	Assam	13.76
4	Bihar	11.20
5	Chhattisgarh	18.27
6	Delhi	2.05
7	Goa	0.88
8	Gujarat	35.77
9	Haryana	4.56
10	Himachal Pradesh	33.84
11	Jammu & Kashmir	111.05
12	Jharkhand	18. 18
13	Karnataka	24.70
14	Kerala	6.11
15	Madhya Pradesh	61.66
16	Maharashtra	64.32
17	Manipur	10.63
18	Meghalaya	5.86
19	Mizoram	9.09
20	Nagaland	7.29
21	Odisha	25.78
22	Punjab	2.81
23	Rajasthan	142.31
24	Sikkim	4.94
25	Tamil Nadu	17.67
26	Telangana	20.41
27	Tripura	2.08
28	Uttar Pradesh	22.83
29	Uttarakhand	16.80
30	West Bengal	6.26
31	UTs	0.79
TOTAL		748.98

Table 1.2: State-wise estimated Solar Energy Potential in the Country

➤ Wind Energy Potential and Achievements

The installed capacity of grid-interactive wind power in the country as on 31.12.2019 is 37.50 GW and state-wise installed capacity (in MW) is shown in Table 1.3

S. No.	STATE	Wind Power (MW)
1	Andhra Pradesh	4092.450
2	Gujarat	7359.220
3	Karnataka	4753.400
9	Kerala	62.500
4	Madhya Pradesh	2519.890
5	Maharashtra	5000.330
6	Rajasthan	4299.720
7	Tamil Nadu	9285.265
9	Telangana	128.100
10	Others	4.300
	Total (MW)	37505.175

Table 1.3 State wise Wind Power installed as on 31.12.2019

➤ BIOMASS POWER / BAGASSE BASED CO-GENERATION (UPTO MARCH 2020) GRID - CONNECTED:

Ministry has been promoting Biomass Power and Bagasse Co-generation Programme with the aim to recover energy from biomass including bagasse, agricultural residues such as shells, husks, de-oiled cakes and wood from dedicated energy plantations for power generation. The potential for power generation from agricultural and agro-industrial residues is

estimated at about 18,000 MW. Power generation through bagasse cogeneration in sugar mills is estimated at around 8,000 MW. Thus the total estimated potential for biomass power is about 26,000 MW. Over 500 biomass power and cogeneration projects with aggregate capacity of 9186.50 MW have been installed in the country up to December 2019.

A cumulative capacity of 9186.50 MW has been commissioned so far mainly in the states of Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal and Punjab.

➤ **SMALL HYDRO POWER:**

Small Hydro Power projects are further categorized into small, mini and micro hydel projects based on their capacity as follows:

Micro hydel ≤ 0.1 MW

Mini hydel > 0.10 MW to ≤ 2.00 MW

Small Hydel > 2.00 MW to ≤ 25.00 MW

The estimated potential of small/mini/micro hydel projects in the country is 21133.65 MW from 7133 sites located in different States of India. The national target for SHP is to achieve a cumulative capacity of 5000 MW by 2022, under overall targets of achieving a cumulative grid connected Renewable Energy Power Projects of 175,000 MW. Against this target of achieving an aggregate capacity of 5000 MW by the year 2022, an aggregate capacity of 4671.557 MW been achieved by 31st December 2019 through 1127 small hydropower projects.

1.8 SECTOR-WISE ENERGY CONSUMPTION (Domestic, Industrial, agriculture etc):

Consumption of Coal and Lignite:

- ✓ The estimated total consumption of raw coal by industry has increased from 549.57MT during 2008-09 to 896.34 MT during 2017-18 with a CAGR of 5.01% The annual growth rate from 2016-17 to 2017-18 is 7.06% (Table 1.4).
- ✓ Consumption of Lignite increased from 31.85 MT in 2008-09 to 45.82 MT in 2017-18 (Table 1.4).
- ✓ Consumption of Lignite in Electricity Generation sector is the highest, accounting for about 83.7% of the total lignite consumption (Table 1.5).
- ✓ The maximum consumption of raw coal is in Electricity generation, followed by steel industry. Industry-wise estimates of consumption of coal shows that during 2017-18, electricity generating units consumed 576.19 MT of coal, followed by steel & washery

industries (58.50 MT), sponge iron industries (8.51 MT) and cement industries (7.70 MT) (Table 1.6)

Table 1.4: Consumption of Energy Sources in India

Year	Coal #	Lignite	Crude Oil** MMT	Natural Gas (Billion Cubic Metres)	Electricity (GWh)
	(Million Tonnes)				
1	2	3	4	5	6
2008-09	549.57	31.85	160.77	32.99	5,53,994.71
2009-10	585.30	34.41	186.55	48.34	6,12,644.99
2010-11	589.87	37.69	196.99	52.02	6,94,392.00
2011-12	642.64	41.89	204.12	60.68	7,85,194.00
2012-13	688.75	46.01	219.21	53.91	8,24,300.99
2013-14	724.18	43.90	222.50	48.99	8,74,208.57
2014-15	821.85	46.94	223.24	46.95	9,48,521.82
2015-16	836.73	42.21	232.86	47.85	10,01,190.68
2016-17	837.22	43.16	245.36	50.78	10,61,182.64
2017-18(p)	896.34	45.82	251.93	52.83	11,30,243.84
Growth rate of 2017-18 over 2016- 17(%)	7.06	6.17	2.68	4.05	6.51
CAGR 2008- 09 to 2017- 18(%)	5.01	3.70	4.59	4.82	7.39

Table 1.5 Industry wise Consumption of Lignite in India

(Million tonnes)							
Year	Electricity	Steel & Washery	Cement	Paper	Textile	Others *	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8=2 to 7
2008-09	25.71	-	0.34	0.36	-	6.01	32.42
2009-10	28.14	-	0.38	0.82	-	4.09	33.43
2010-11	29.90	-	0.36	0.84	1.18	6.25	38.53
2011-12	32.06	0.03	1.01	0.63	3.67	4.48	41.88
2012-13	37.20	0.05	1.10	0.69	0.30	3.81	43.15
2013-14	36.34	0.03	1.49	1.29	0.73	4.02	43.90
2014-15	39.47	0.02	1.27	0.65	2.89	2.65	46.95
2015-16	37.56	0.01	0.23	0.43	1.73	2.26	42.21
2016-17	38.82	0.04	0.29	0.53	1.29	2.19	43.16
2017-18(P)	38.34	0.21	1.42	0.83	2.46	2.55	45.82
Distribution (%)	83.68%	0.46%	3.10%	1.81%	5.36%	5.57%	100.00%
Growth rate of 2017-18 over 2016-17(%)	-1.24	508.57	388.32	57.98	90.17	16.78	6.17

Note: (P) - provisional, GWh = Giga Watt hour = 10⁶ x Kilo Watt hour , CAGR: compound annual growth rate; Sources:1. Office of Coal Controller, Ministry of Coal 2. Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas.3. Central Electricity Authority

Table1.6: Trends in Industry wise Consumption of Raw Coal in India

(Million tonnes)										
Year	Electricity	Steel & Washery	Cement	Paper	Textile	Sponge Iron	Fertilizers &chemicals	Brick	Others *	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11 = 2 to 10
2008-09	377.27	16.58	13.12	2.16	2.53	-	-	-	77.52	489.17
2009-10	390.58	16.45	14.66	2.34	0.27	-	-	-	89.50	513.79
2010-11	395.84	17.26	15.08	2.43	0.28	-	-	-	92.58	523.47
2011-12	437.67	47.86	26.36	2.03	0.26	21.69	2.82	0.13	69.36	608.17
2012-13	485.47	51.70	31.79	2.12	0.30	20.90	2.86	2.01	116.24	713.39
2013-14	493.25	53.05	32.46	1.91	0.36	18.49	2.64	4.01	133.19	739.34
2014-15	497.70	56.24	11.36	1.65	0.42	17.77	2.29	0.09	216.93	804.45
2015-16	517.77	56.83	8.99	1.21	0.27	7.76	2.74	0.07	241.09	836.73
2016-17	535.04	51.98	6.36	1.18	0.24	5.56	2.45	0.10	234.313	837.22
2017-18(P)	576.19	58.50	7.70	1.51	0.24	8.51	2.16	0.11	241.427	896.34
Distribution (%)	64.28%	6.53%	0.86%	0.17%	0.03%	0.95%	0.24%	0.01%	26.93%	100.00%
Growth rate of 2017-18 over 2016-17(%)	7.69	12.54	21.11	27.86	-2.88	53.09	-11.73	15.15	3.04	7.06
CAGR 2008-09 to 2017-18(%)	4.33	13.44	-5.19	-3.51	-21.13				12.03	6.24

Consumption of Crude Oil and Natural Gas:

- ✓ The estimated consumption of crude oil has a steady increased from 160.77 MMT during 2008-09 to 251.93 MMT during 2017-18 with CAGR of 4.59%. It increased from 245.36MMT in 2016-17 to 251.93 MMT in 2017-18 registering a growth of 2.7% (Table 1.4).

- ✓ The maximum use of Natural Gas is in fertilizers industry (27.78%) followed by power generation (22.77%) and 16.25% natural gas was used for domestic fuel for transport sector. (Table 1.7).

Table 1.7 INDUSTRYWISE OFF-TAKE OF NATURAL GAS IN INDIA

Year	(Billion Cubic Metres)							
	Energy Purpose							
	Power Generation	Industrial Fuel	Tea Plantation	Transport/ Distribution Network	Refinery	Internal consumption	Miscellaneous	Total
1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9	10
2008-09	12.60		0.15	6.01	-		3.42	22.19
2009-10	21.37	-	0.17	2.57	-		7.27	31.37
2010-11	25.79	-	0.19	3.43	-		7.55	36.95
2011-12	22.63	0.28	0.18	5.60	4.26	0.39	9.36	42.42
2012-13	16.08	0.27	0.18	5.78	3.89	0.39	8.25	34.56
2013-14	11.28	0.16	0.20	5.84	3.97	0.37	7.59	29.46
2014-15	10.72	0.39	0.18	5.42	4.58	0.35	6.08	27.72
2015-16	10.89	0.40	0.19	5.46	5.08	0.41	4.25	26.68
2016-17	11.62	0.69	0.18	7.35	5.37	0.47	3.86	29.53
2017-18(P)	12.03	0.87	0.19	8.58	6.53	0.50	3.36	32.06
Distribution (%)	22.77	1.65	0.36	16.25	12.37	0.95	6.35	60.68
Growth rate of 2017-18 over 2016-17 (%)	3.55	26.86	2.85	16.80	21.56	6.38	-12.97	8.54

Consumption of Petroleum Products:

- ✓ High speed diesel oil accounted for 39.3% of total consumption (Excluding refinery fuel and loses) of all types of petroleum products in 2017-18. This was followed by Petrol (12.7%), Pet Coke (12.4%) LPG (11.3%), Naphtha (6.1%) .
- ✓ Sector-wise consumption of different petroleum products reveals that Reseller/Retail contributes 54% in the total consumption followed by Domestic sector with contribution 18 %.

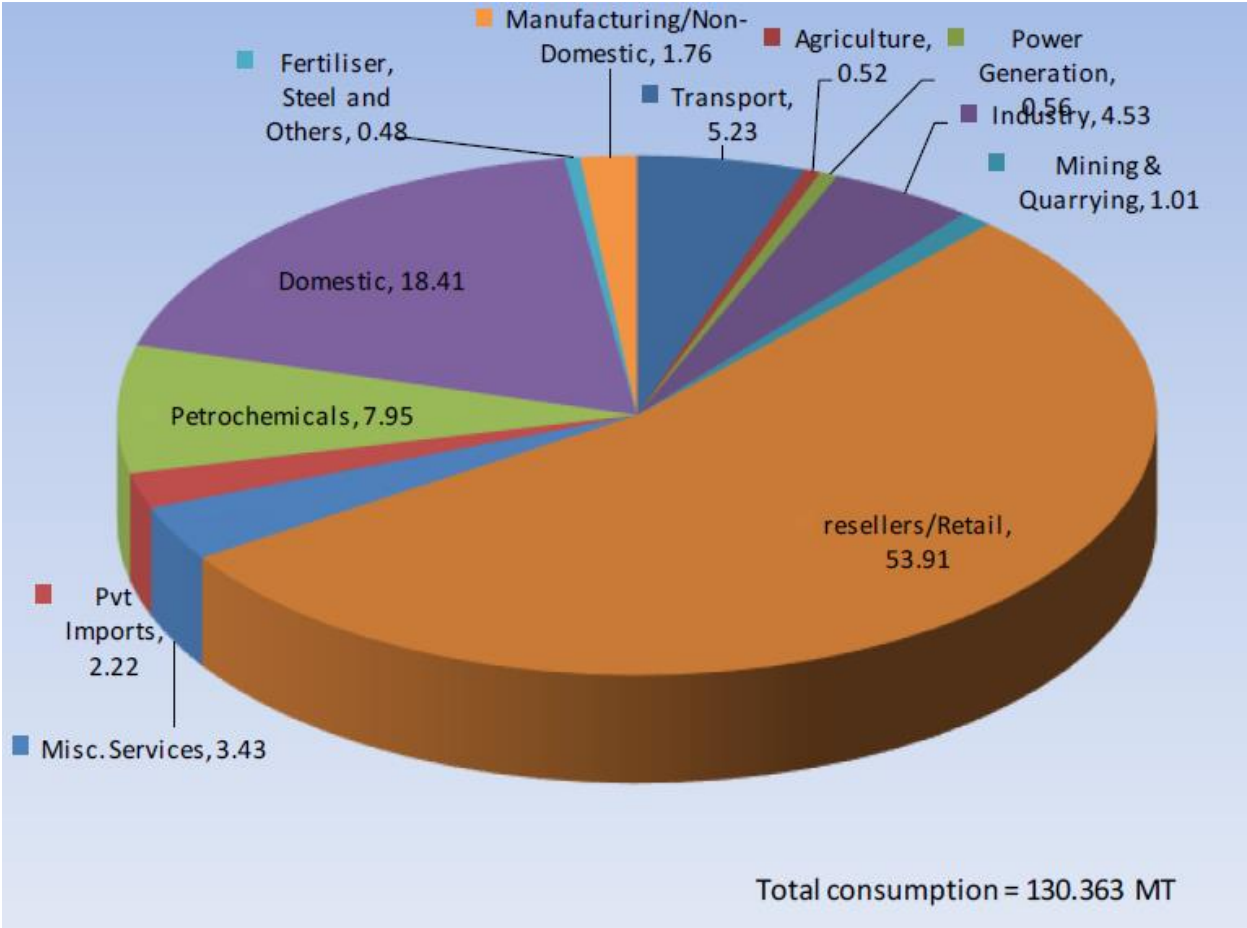


Fig 1.5: Sector-wise Consumption of Petroleum Products during 2017-18

Consumption of Electricity:

- ✓ The estimated electricity consumption increased from 553995 GWh during 2008-09 to 11, 30,244GWh during 2017-18, showing a CAGR of 7.39%. The percentage increase in electricity consumption is 6.51% from 2016-17 (10, 61,183GWh) to 2017-18 (11, 30,244 GWh) (Table 1.7).
- ✓ Of the total consumption of electricity in 2017-18, industry sector accounted for the largest share (41.48%), followed by domestic (24.20%), agriculture (18.08%) and commercial sectors (8.51%).
- ✓ The electricity consumption in industry sector and domestic sector has increased at a much faster pace compared to other sectors during 2008-09 to 2017-18 with CAGRs of 8.39% and 7.58% respectively(Table 1.7)

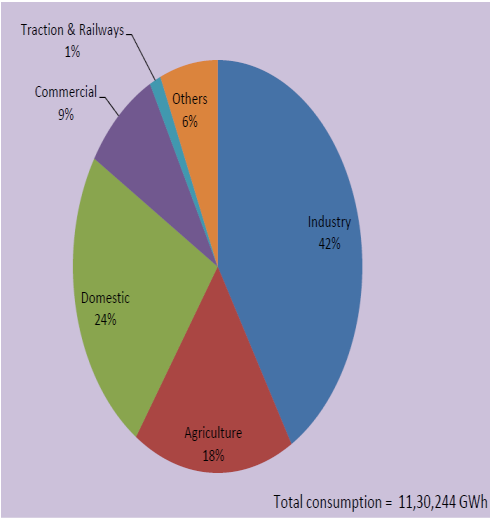


Fig 1.6: consumption of Electricity by sector in India during 2017-18

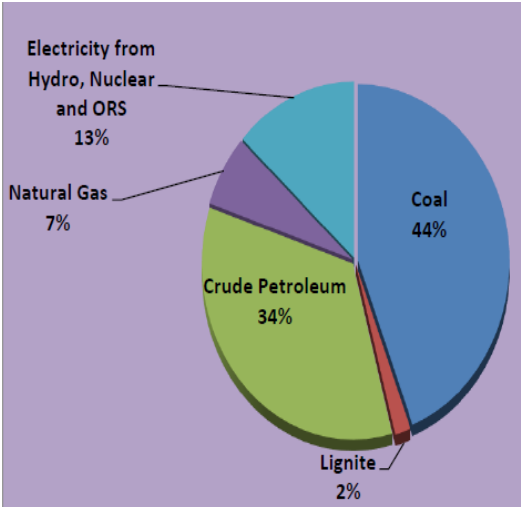


Fig 1.7: source wise consumption of Energy during 2017-18

in Giga Watt Hour = 10 ⁶ Kilo Watt Hour							
Year	Industry	Agriculture	Domestic	Commercial	Traction & Railways	Others	Total Electricity Consumed
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8=2 to 7
2008-09	2,09,474	1,09,610	1,31,720	54,189	11,425	37,577	5,53,995
2009-10	2,36,752	1,20,209	1,46,080	60,600	12,408	36,595	6,12,645
2010-11	2,72,589	1,31,967	1,69,326	67,289	14,003	39,218	6,94,392
2011-12	3,52,291	1,40,960	1,71,104	65,381	14,206	41,252	7,85,194
2012-13	3,65,989	1,47,462	1,83,700	72,794	14,100	40,256	8,24,301
2013-14	3,84,418	1,52,744	1,99,842	74,247	15,540	47,418	8,74,209
2014-15	4,18,346	1,68,913	2,17,405	78,391	16,177	49,289	9,48,522
2015-16	4,23,523	1,73,185	2,38,876	86,037	16,594	62,976	10,01,191
2016-17	4,40,206	1,91,151	2,55,826	89,825	15,683	68,493	10,61,183
2017-18(P)	4,68,825	2,04,293	2,73,550	96,141	14,356	73,079	11,30,244
Distribution (%)	41.48	18.08	24.20	8.51	1.27	6.47	100.00
Growth rate of 2017-18 over 2016-17 (%)	6.50	6.88	6.93	7.03	-8.46	6.70	6.51
CAGR 2008-09 to 2017-18(%)	8.39	6.42	7.58	5.90	2.31	6.88	7.39

Table 1.7: Consumption of Electricity by Sectors in India

CHAPTER-2

SOLAR ENERGY

2.1 SOLAR ENERGY:

Solar is related with sun. Power or Energy obtained from sun is called solar energy. It is natural source of energy.

➤ Types of Rays: -

Sunlight (rays/radiations) consists of three types of rays:

- i. **Ultraviolet Rays:** It has shortest wavelength and is invisible to naked human eye. Most of ultra violet rays emitted by the sun are absorbed by the upper layers of the atmosphere.
- ii. **Visible Rays:** It is visible light and consists of seven colors.
- iii. **Infrared Rays:** It has longest wavelength and is invisible to naked human eyes. About 33% of energy received from sun in the form of infrared rays and produces heat on the earth surface.

2.2 Principle of Conversion of Solar radiation into Heat Energy:-

Solar radiation is converted into heat on the basis of **Green House Effect**.

Step1: Solar radiation reaches the earth atmosphere some of this is reflected back into space.

Step 2: The rest of sun's energy is absorbed by the land and the oceans, heating the earth.

Step3: Heat (infrared radiation) radiates from Earth towards space.

Step4: Some of this heat is trapped by greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, keeping the Earth warm enough to sustain life.

Step5: Human activities such as burning fossil fuels (coal, oil and natural gas), agriculture and land clearing are increasing the amount of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, ozone, chlorofluorocarbons etc) released into atmosphere.

Step6: This is trapping extra heat, and causing the Earth's temperature to rise.

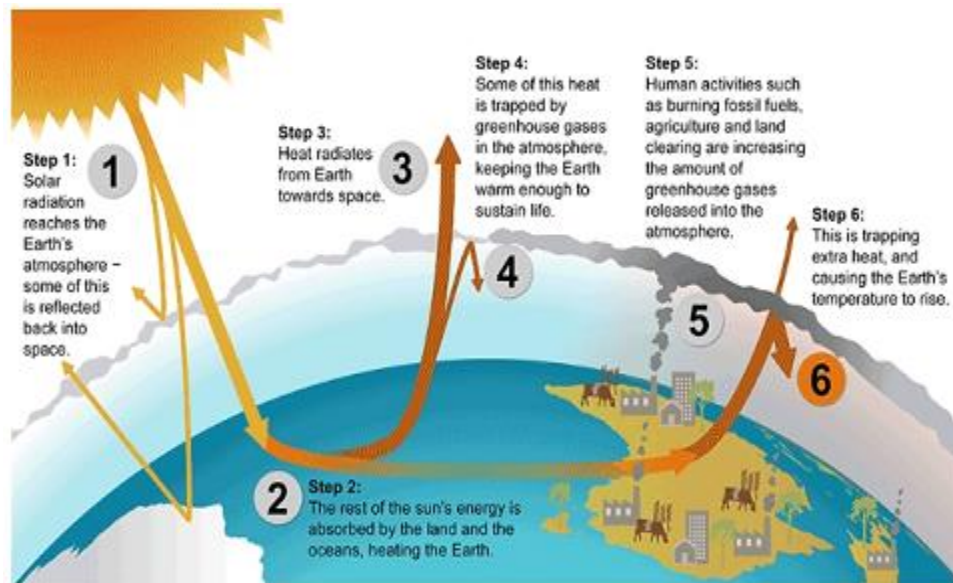


Figure : 2.1 Green house effect

2.3 PHOTO-VOLTAIC CELL:-

It is a semiconductor device which convert energy sunlight directly into Electrical energy is called photo voltaic cell. The voltage induces by the PV cell depends on the intensity of light incident on it. The name photovoltaic is because of their voltage producing capability.

➤ CONSTRUCTION:

The semiconductor materials like arsenide, indium, cadmium, silicon, selenium and gallium re used for making the PV cells. Mostly silicon and selenium are used for making the cell.

As shown in fig below the upper surface of the cell is made of the thin layer of the p-type material so that the light can easily enter into the material. The metal rings are placed around p-type and n-type material which acts as their positive and negative output terminals respectively.

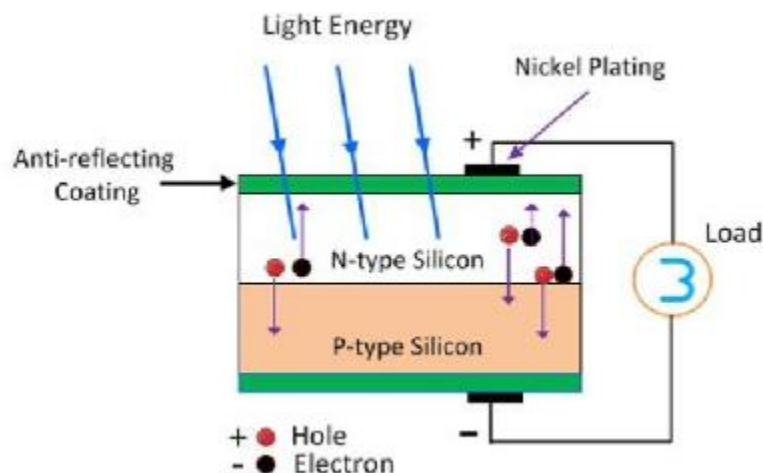


Fig 2.2: P-N junction solar cell

The output voltage and current obtained from the single unit of the cell is very less. The magnitude of the output voltage is 0.6V and that of current is 0.8A. Different combinations of cell (series, parallel and series –parallel combination) are used for increasing the output efficiency.

➤ **WORKING OF PHOTO- VOLTAIC CELL:-**

When the semiconductor materials absorb lights, the electrons of the materials starts emitting. This happens because the light consists small energise particles called photons. When the electrons absorb the photons, they become energized and start moving into the material. Because of the effect of an electric field, the particles move only in the one direction and develop current. The semiconductor materials have the metallic electrodes through which the current goes out of it.

As shown in fig 2.2, when light fall on the p-n junction the electrons starts moving from one region to another.

2.4 GENERATION OF ELECTRICITY FROM PHOTO-VOLTAIC CELL

As shown in figure 2.3 below that how the electricity is generated by photo voltaic cell. It consists of:-

- i. Solar plate.
- ii. Voltage regulator
- iii. Inverter
- iv. Battery 12v
- v. Load

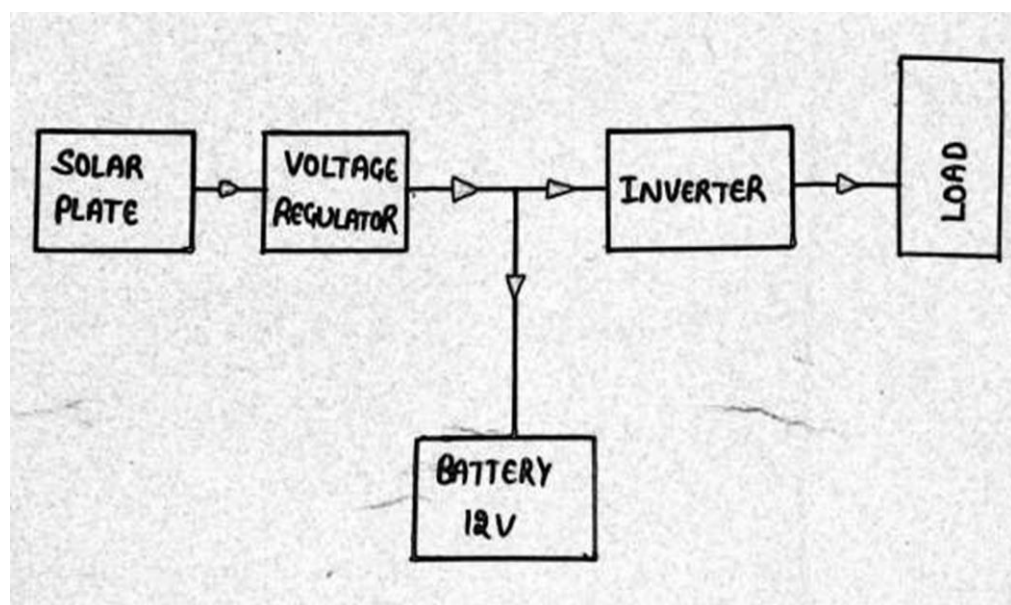


Fig 2.3: Generation of electricity by PV cell

- i. Solar plate: it is the combination (series, parallel and series – parallel combination as per requirement) of several PV cell.
- ii. Voltage regulator: It maintains the solar voltage.
- iii. 12V battery: it is used to store electrical energy obtained from solar cell.
- iv. Inverter: It converts DC into AC

2.5 APPLICATION OF SOLAR ENERGY

1. Solar water heater: -

Solar water heating system (SWHS) is a device which supplies hot water at 60°C to 80°C using only solar thermal energy without any other fuel. It has three main components, namely,

- i. Solar Collector(flat plate collector)
- ii. Insulated hot water storage tank and
- iii. Cold water tank with required insulated hot water pipelines and accessories.

In the case of smaller systems (100 – 2000 litres per day), the hot water reaches the user end, by natural circulation for which the storage tank is located above the collectors. In higher capacity systems, a pump may be used for forced circulation of water.

➤ Construction:

- i. **Flat plate collector:** The solar radiation is absorbed by Flat Plate Collectors which consist of an insulated outer metallic box covered on the top with glass sheet. Inside there are blackened metallic absorber (selectively coated) sheets with built in channels or riser tubes to carry water. The absorber absorbs the solar radiation and transfers the heat to the flowing water.
- ii. **Hot Water Storage Tank:** The tanks are generally made of stainless steel to avoid corrosion and are insulated to reduce heat losses. They are also fitted with electrical heater as a backup during monsoon days. The tanks may also be made of G.I.
- iii. **Cold Water Tank & Pipelines:** Cold water comes from the over head tank. Hot water from the system is transferred to various utility points through insulated pipelines. A heat exchanger may be provided when the water is hard.

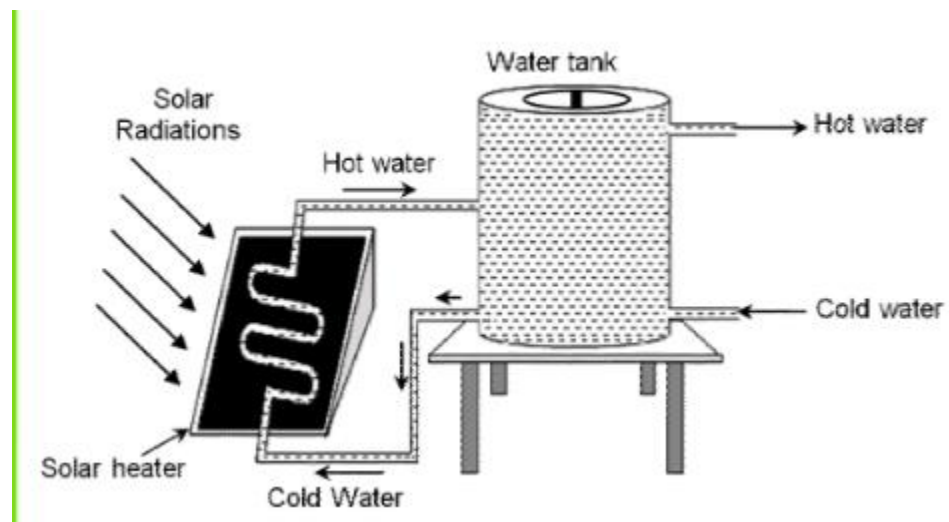


Fig 2.4 Solar water heater system

➤ **Working:**

The cold water present in the water storage tank enters the copper pipe joined to it at the bottom and pass slowly through the solar collector plate. The sun rays fall on the solar collector plate, it absorb the solar radiation and transfer the heat energy to the cold water flowing through it. The hot water comes out from the other end of the copper pipe and enters the upper part of the water storage tank as shown in fig 2.4. This hot water is replaced by the cold water present in the tank. In this way, all the water present in the storage tank gradually heated up. In the tank, hot water being lighter remains in the upper part. From the upper part of storage tank, the hot water is supplied to a tap for use.

➤ **Advantages of solar water heater:-**

- i. Longer life spent 12-15 years.
- ii. Heat the water at 80°C

➤ **Disadvantages of solar water heater:-**

- i. Initial cost is high.
- ii. Depend on whether condition.
- iii. Occupies large space.

2. Solar furnace:-

A solar furnace is a device that creates heat (high temperature) by concentrating solar radiation through the use of reflectors.

This is achieved by using a curved mirror (or an array of mirrors) acting as a parabolic reflector to concentrate light (insolation) on to a focal point as shown in fig 2.5 below . The temperature at the focal point may reach upto 3,000 degree Celsius, and this heat can be used to generate electricity, melt steel or make hydrogen fuel.

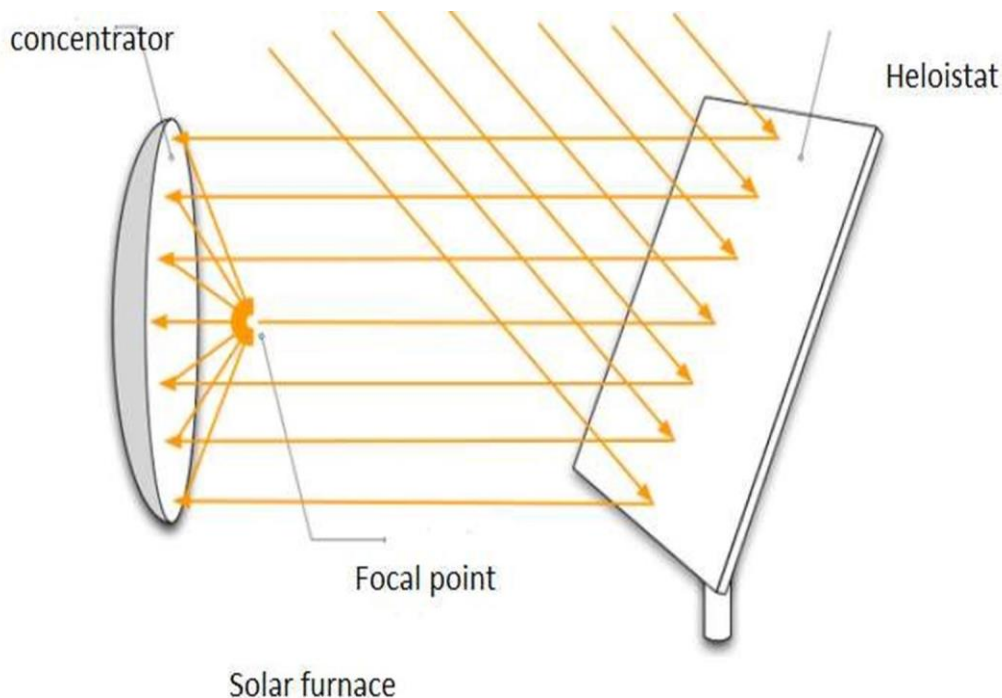


Figure 2.5: solar furnace

➤ **Advantages:**

- i. Huge heat capabilities
- ii. Lack of required fuel
- iii. Easy to use
- iv. No running cost

➤ **Disadvantages:**

- i. High initial cost
- ii. Unreliable sunshine.

3. Solar cooker:-

The most commonly used form of solar cooker is the box –type solar cooker. A box type solar cooker consists of the following components.

- i. **Black Box:** The box is an insulated metal or wooden box which is painted black from the inside to absorb more heat.
- ii. **Glass cover:** A cover made two sheets of toughened glass held together in an aluminum frame is used as a cover for box.
- iii. **Plane Mirror reflector:** The plane mirror reflector is fixed to the box with the help of hinges. The mirror reflector can be positioned at any desired angle to the box. The mirror is positioned so as to allow the reflected sunlight to fall on the glass cover of the box.

- iv. **Cooking containers:** A set of aluminum containers blackened from the outside are kept in Box

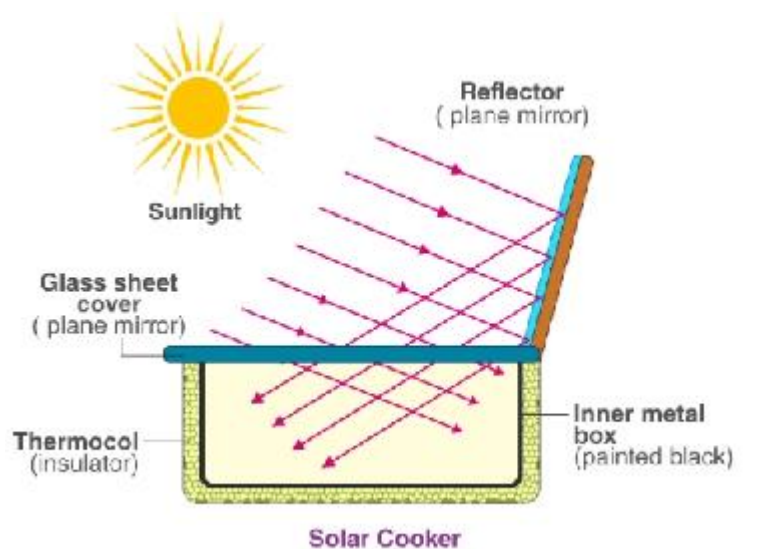


Figure 2.6 solar cooker

➤ **Working:**

The solar cooker placed in sunlight and a plane mirror reflector is adjusted in such a way, so that the strong beam of sunlight enters the solar box through the glass sheet. The blackened metal surfaces in the wooden box absorb infra-red radiations from the beam of sunlight and heat produced raises the temperature of a blackened metal surface to about 100 degree Celsius.

The food absorbs heat from the black surface and gets cooked. The thick glass sheet does not allow the heat to escape and thus, helps in raising the temperature in the box to a sufficiently high degree to cook the food.

➤ **Advantages:**

- i. It has no fuel requirement. This saves cost as well as the environment
- ii. Food vitamins do not get destroyed when heated
- iii. No maintenance cost.

➤ **Disadvantages:**

- i. It is less useful in cloudy weather.
- ii. It takes longer time to cook food than a conventional stove or oven
- iii. It might get difficult to cook thick foods.

4. Solar lighting:-

Solar lights work with the help of photovoltaic effect. Solar cells are an important part of solar light because, it can only convert sunlight into direct current (DC) and then converting it to usable alternating current (AC) with the help of inverter which is used by most of home appliances.

Generation of electricity from solar cell is already discussed in section 2.4

The solar street lights are widely used in rural areas and where there is problem of electricity. The solar street lights also work on the principle of the photovoltaic cell. These days it is common to see solar street lamps along these sides of roads as shown in fig 2.7. It absorbs the solar energy during daytime and converts into electrical energy, which is stored in the battery. At the nighttime the lamp starts automatically and it consumes the electricity already stored in the battery. During the day time the battery gets recharged and the process keeps on repeating every day.

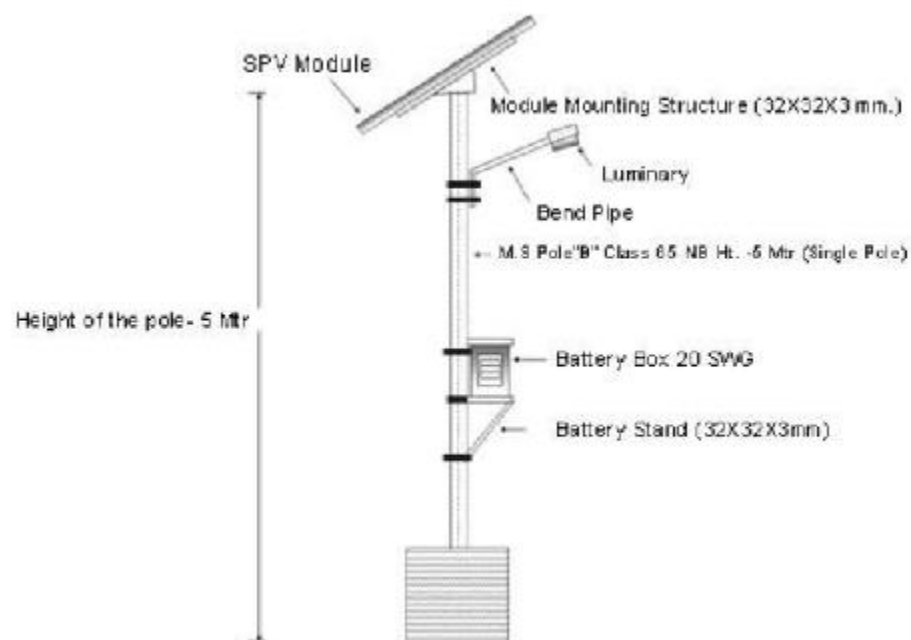


Fig 2.7: solar street lighting system

5. Solar pumping:-

Solar pumping system operates on power generated using solar PV system. The photovoltaic array converts the solar energy into electricity, which is used for running the motor pump set. The pumping system draw water from the open well, bore well, stream, pond, canal etc. The system requires a shadow free area for installation of the solar panel.

➤ CONSTRUCTION OF SOLAR PUMPING:-

It consists of

- i. **Solar panel:** It store the energy from solar

- ii. **Water pump:** This pump is basically electric pump uses the electricity which is received from the solar panels to work
- iii. **Electric motor:** It manage the alternating or direct current
- iv. **Controller:** It is used to adjust the output power as well as speed.

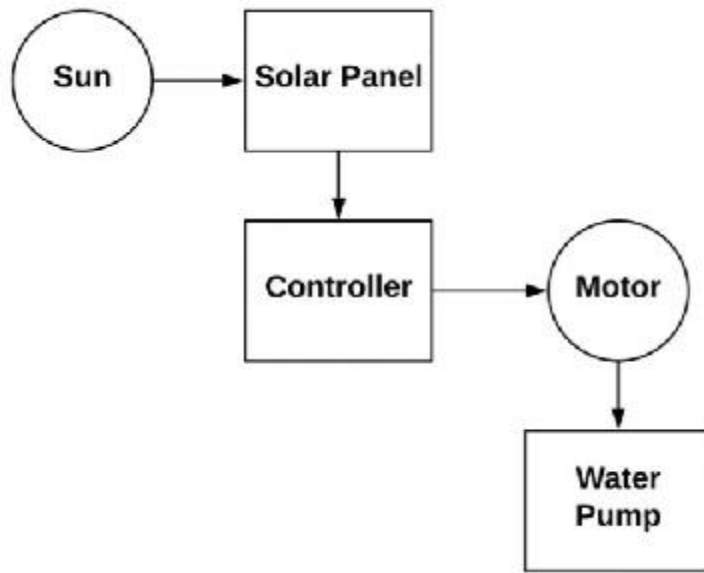


Fig 2.8: Block diagram of solar pumping system

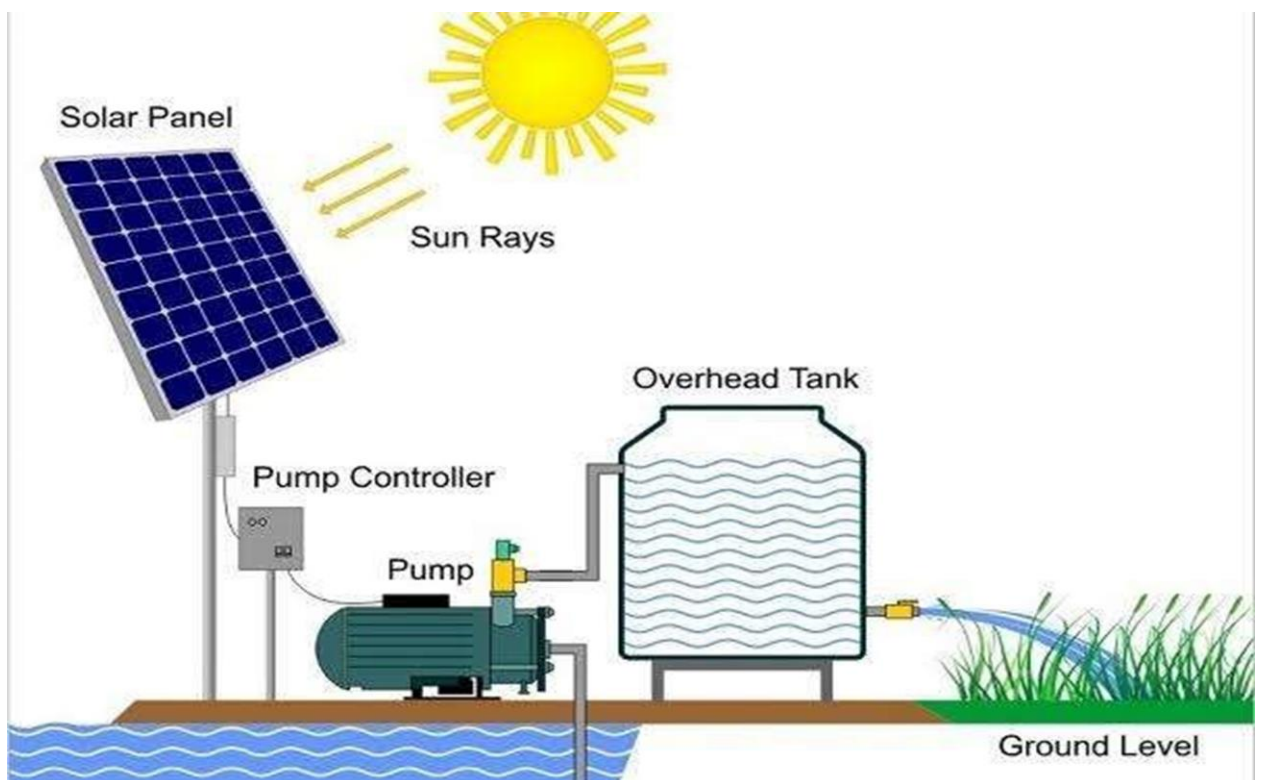


Fig 2.9 solar pumping system working

➤ **Working:**

When the solar energy drops sun rays on the PV panels then the solar panel converts the solar energy into electrical energy. Then electrical energy supplies to the electrical motor to operate the pumping system using cables. By the revolution of the

shaft which is fixed to the pump, start to pick up the water from the open well, bore well, stream, pond, canal etc and supplies to the fields.

➤ **Advantages:**

- i. No fuel cost-a sit uses available free sunlight
- ii. No electricity required
- iii. Longer operating life
- iv. Highly reliable and durable
- v. Easy to operate and maintain
- vi. Eco-friendly

➤ **Disadvantages:**

- i. It is expensive
- ii. The output of the panel will depend on the weather
- iii. It requires a water storage tank as well as battery

➤ **Applications:**

- i. Water supply for animals
- ii. Water supply for irrigation, gardens etc
- iii. Water supply for cooking and drinking water supply.

CHAPTER-3

BIO ENERGY

3.1 BIO-MASS

It is an organic matter which is produced by microorganism, trees and plants both terrestrial (plants grown on land) & aquatic (plant grown in water) residue etc.

The energy obtained from biomass is called **Bio Energy**. It is produced from photo-synthesis as shown in below. In the process of photosynthesis, plants convert radiant energy from the sun into chemical energy in the form of glucose or sugar.

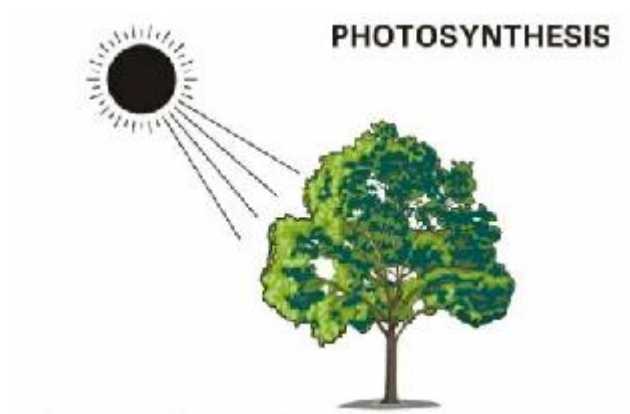


Figure 3.1: photosynthesis

Solar energy + carbon dioxide + water $\longrightarrow$ glucose + oxygen



We can obtain the Bio energy from biomass in three ways

- i. Firstly burn the biomass directly and convert it into heat energy.
- ii. Secondly, bio mass is converted into methanol and ethanol used as liquid fuels.
- iii. Thirdly biomass is aerobically processed to obtain a gaseous fuel called bio gas.

3.2 Bio-Gas: -

It is the mixture of gases produced by the breakdown of organic matter in the absence of oxygen (anaerobically), primarily it consists of methane (CH_4) and carbon dioxide (CO_2).

Biogas can be produced from agriculture waste, manure, municipal waste, plant material, sewage, green waste of food waste. Biogas is a renewable energy source. In India, it is also known as 'Gobar Gas'.

➤ **Application of Bio gas**

- i. It is used in house for using food purpose
- ii. Lighting/ Electricity
- iii. Running small engine or transport fuels

3.2 METHODS FOR OBTAINING ENERGY FROM BIO-MASS

Bio mass can be used directly as fuel or by converting into liquid or gaseous fuel.

According to conversion of biomass, it can be grouped as shown in fig 3.2

1. Thermal conversion method:

- i. Direct Combustion

2. Thermo chemical conversion method:

- i. Pyrolysis
- ii. gasification

3. Biochemical conversion method:

- i. anaerobic digestion
- ii. fermentation

1. Thermal conversation method:

A. Combustion:

It is the process of burning of biomass directly to obtain heat. The energy obtained is used for cooking, heating buildings and generating steam.

In biomass power plants biomass is burned in a boiler to produce high pressure steam, which in turn drives a turbine to generate electricity.

Energy efficiency in such plants could be anywhere between 7 to 27%.

However, if biomass is mixed with any fossil fuel, especially coal, efficiency goes up to 30-40%. Burning biomass along with a conventional fossil fuel, especially coal, is called co-firing.

2. THERMAL CHEMICAL CONVERSION METHOD:

Thermo-chemical processes do not produce useful energy directly, but under controlled temperature and oxygen conditions. These processes are more convenient and cost effective than the thermal processes. They convert biomass feedstock into energy carriers, such as producer gas, oils or methanol. They are used in internal combustion engines and gas turbines.

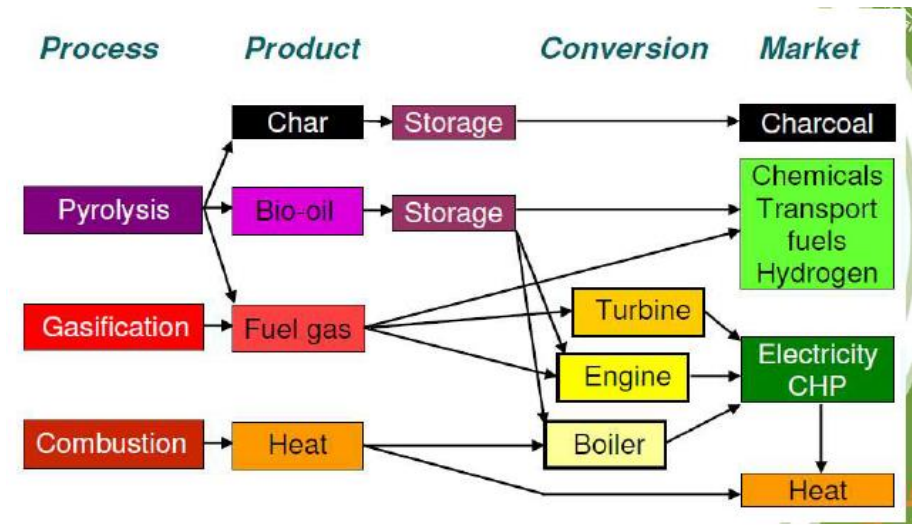


Figure 3.2: Thermo-chemical conversion method

A. Pyrolysis:

Pyrolysis generates biomass energy by heating (not burning) biomass under controlled conditions of high temperature, low or no oxygen, and certain pressure.

End product: The most common end product of pyrolysis is charcoal, which is extensively used in metallurgical processes. Other end products of pyrolysis are liquid or gas. Examples of liquid products are water, tar and oil. Gaseous products include hydrogen, methane and carbon monoxide.



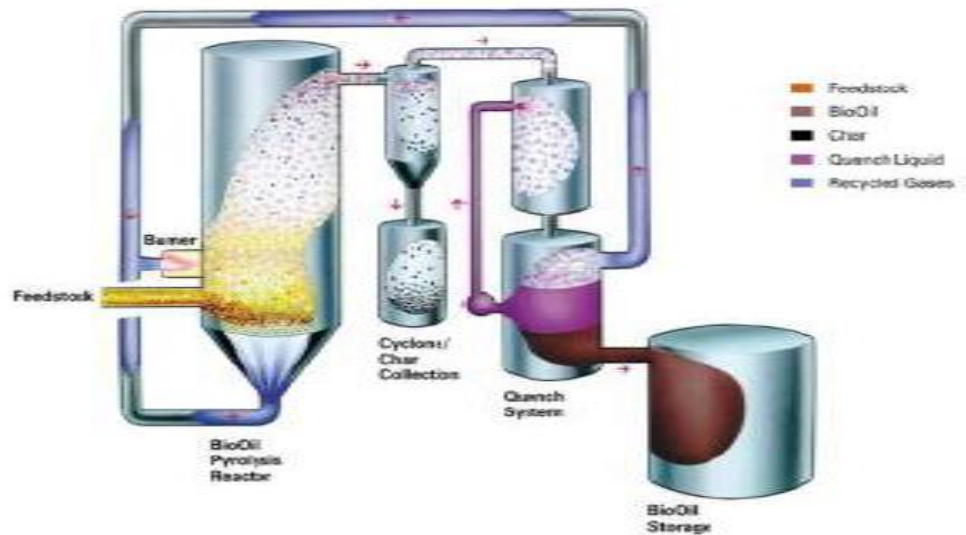


Figure 3.3: Pyrolysis conversion method

B. Gasification:

Gasification is a process that converts the carbonaceous material into CO (Carbon Monoxide), H₂ (Hydrogen) and CO₂ (carbon dioxide). It is obtained at high temperature with a controlled supply of oxygen or steam. This resulting gas mixture is called synthesis gas or producer gas and is a fuel itself. The synthesis gas may be burned directly in gas engines or used to produce methanol and hydrogen.

➤ **GASIFIER :**

It is an equipment which convert biomass such as wood waste, agriculture waste, human waste, into biogas with high efficiency .This performs the function of gasification process.

➤ **Steps for gasification :** As shown in fig 3.4

- i. **DEHYDRATION PROCESS:** - Carbonaceous material is derived under 100°C this process is called Dehydration process.
- ii. **PYROLYSIS:-**Carbonaceous material goes for pyrolysis process (at 300°C) char is obtained.
- iii. After combustion of char in the presence of oxygen, it forms carbon dioxide (CO₂) gas.

- iv. When gasification process of char takes place in the presence of carbon and steam to produce carbon monoxide (CO) and Hydrogen (H₂).
- v. Thereafter Biomass is obtained .It contains H₂, CO,CO₂

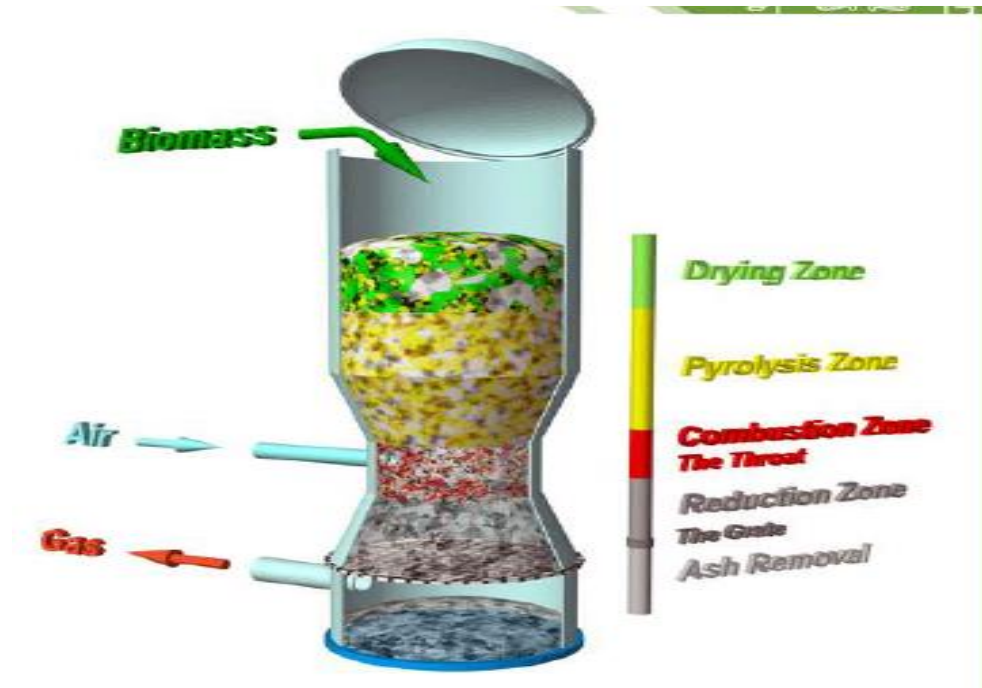


Figure 3.4: Gasification conversion method

➤ **ADVANTAGES OF GASIFIER:-**

- i. Easy maintenance
- ii. Easy to obtain
- iii. Easy to construction
- iv. Better reliable

➤ **TYPES OF GASIFIER**

- i. Up drought gasifier
- ii. Down drought gasifier
- iii. Fluidised bed gasifier

i. **UP DROUGHT GASIFIER :**

In this type of gasifier air enters from below the combustion chamber and synthetic gas leaves from the top of the gasifier as shown in fig below 3.5. In this number of ash content left.

ii. **DOWN DROUGHT GASIFIER :**

In this type of gasifier air enter into the combustion chamber from the top and gas leaves at the bottom as shown in figure below 3.5.

iii. **FLUIDISED BED GASIFIER:**

In this type of biomass is fed into a bed of hot inert particles such as sand which kept in fluidised state with air bellowing vertical from bottom as shown in figure below 3.5. Operating temperature is kept the range of 700°C to 1000°C.

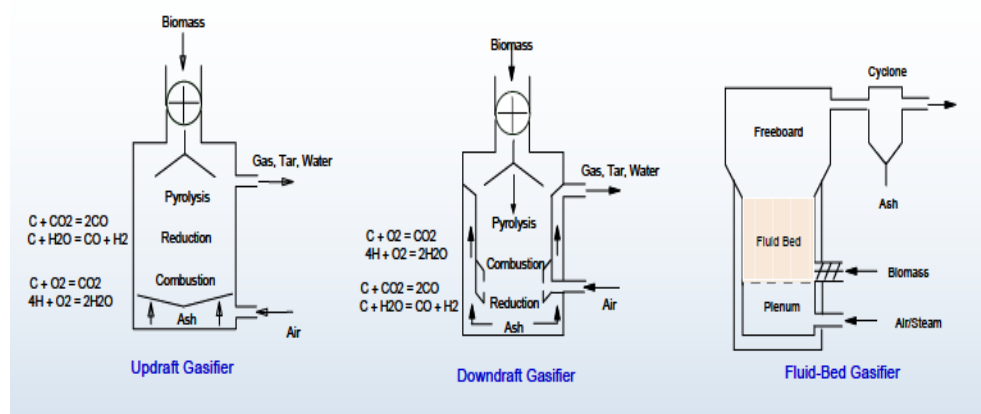


Figure 3.5: updraft, downdraft and fluid bed gasifier

3. BIO- CHEMICAL CONVERSION METHOD

Biochemical conversion of biomass involves use of bacteria, microorganisms and enzymes to breakdown biomass into gaseous or liquid fuels, such as biogas or bioethanol.

The most popular biochemical technologies are

- i. Anaerobic digestion
- ii. Fermentation

i. Anaerobic Digestion

Anaerobic digestion is the natural biological process which stabilizes organic waste in the absence of air and transforms it into biofertilizer and biogas. It is a reliable technology for the treatment of wet, organic waste.

Organic waste from various sources is biochemically degraded in highly controlled, oxygen-free conditions circumstances resulting in the production of biogas which can be used to produce both electricity and heat.

Anaerobic digestion plants are simple in construction .For producing the biogas; wet sewage sludge, manure (human and animals), animal dung, green plants and crop residues are kept in the hole for about 10 days .It requires at least 80% moisture. After few days biogas is produced due to bacteria decomposition. This biogas contains CO₂, methane and H₂S.This gas can be used directly or by converting it into synthetic natural gas by removing CO₂.

The main drawback of this process is that a large quantity of waste left but now days this waste can be used as animal feeding and bio fertilizer after removing its toxicity.

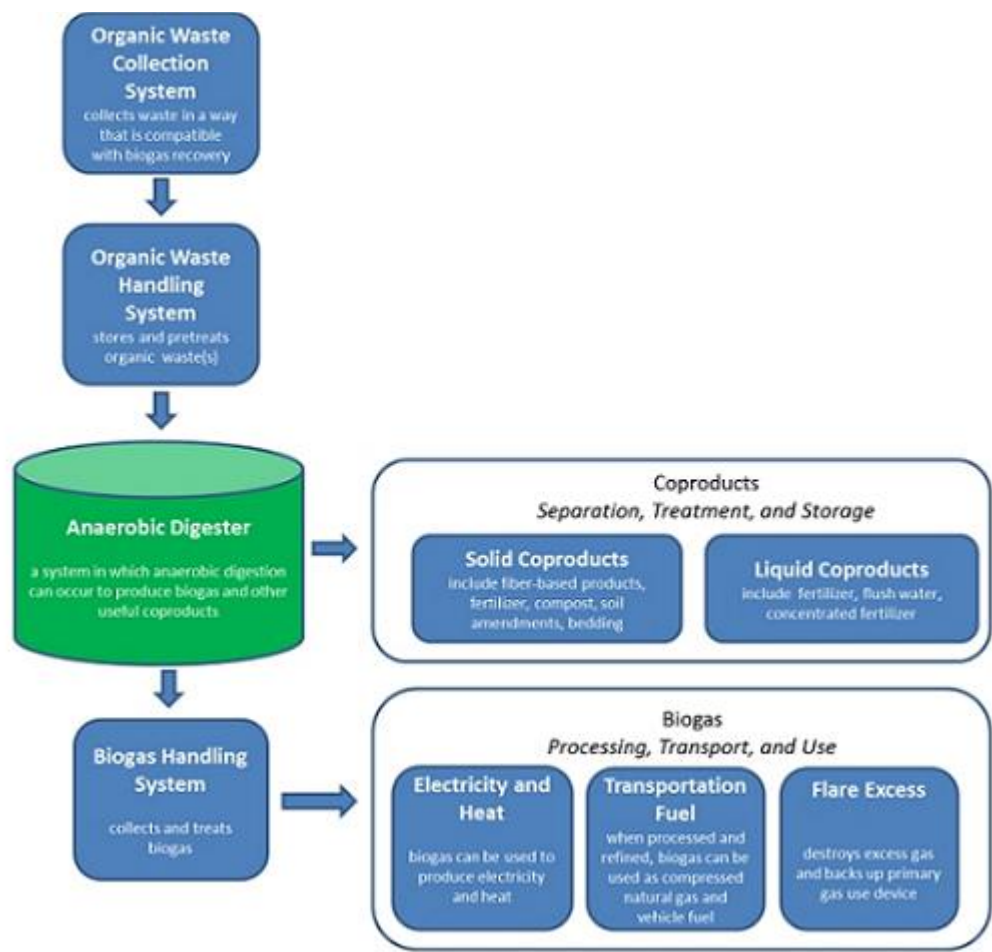


Figure 3.6: Anaerobic Digestion conversion method

ii. Fermentation:

It is a process of decomposition of complex molecules of organic compound under the influence of micro-organism (ferment) such as yeast, bacteria, enzymes etc.

The example of fermentation process is the conversion of grains and sugar crops into ethanol and CO₂ in presence of yeast. The ethanol is distilled and dehydrated to obtain a higher concentration of alcohol to achieve the required purity for the use as automotive fuel. The solid residue from the fermentation process can be used as cattle-feed and in the case of sugar cane; the bagasse can be used as a fuel for boilers or for subsequent gasification.

3.3 GENERATION OF POWER BY USING GASIFIER

The block diagram of power generation by using gasifier as shown. In figure below 3.7.

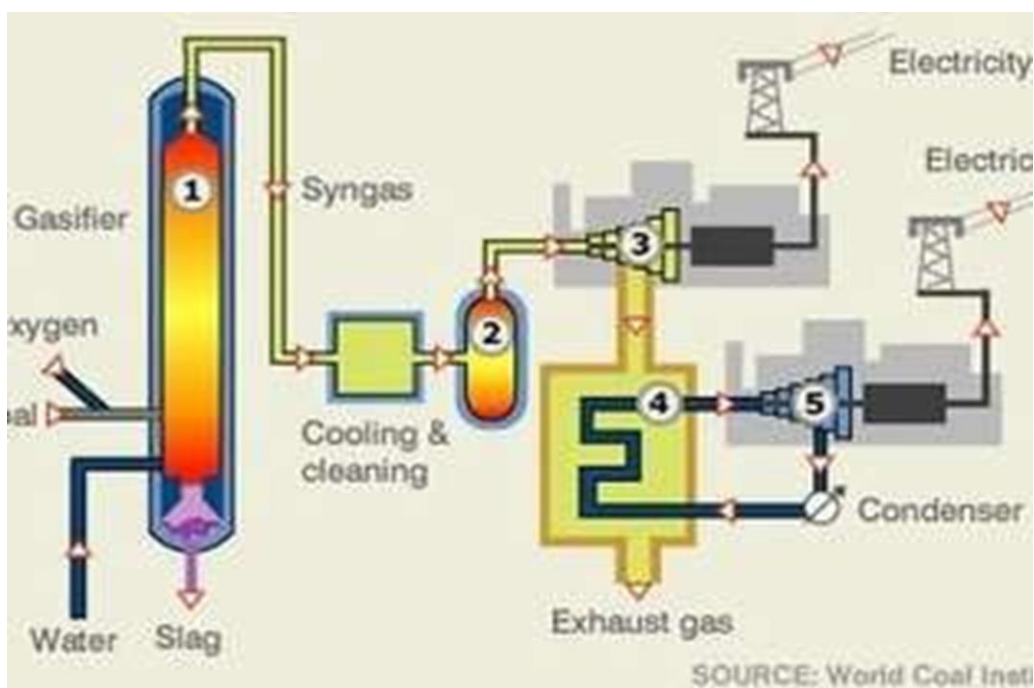


Figure 3.7: generation of power using gasifier

It consists of following:-

1. **Gasifier** : it is already explained in 3.2
2. **Cylinder**: - synthetic gas is obtained from gasifier and it is cleaning before feeding to cylinder. After feeding the gas in cylinder, it can be use that any place, even in a house for electricity by using mini biogas generators.

3. Biogas Generator: - A generator that operates on bio mass instead liquid fuels is called biogas generator.

3.4 BIOGAS PLANT:

It works on the anaerobic digestion or fermentation process. Biogas is obtained by manure, sewage, municipal waste, plants, and agriculture waste and cow dung.

The fixed dome biogas plant is shown below in fig 3.8 .It consist of underground brick masonry compartment (fermentation chamber) with a dome on the top for gas storage. Fermentation chamber and gas holder are combined as one unit.

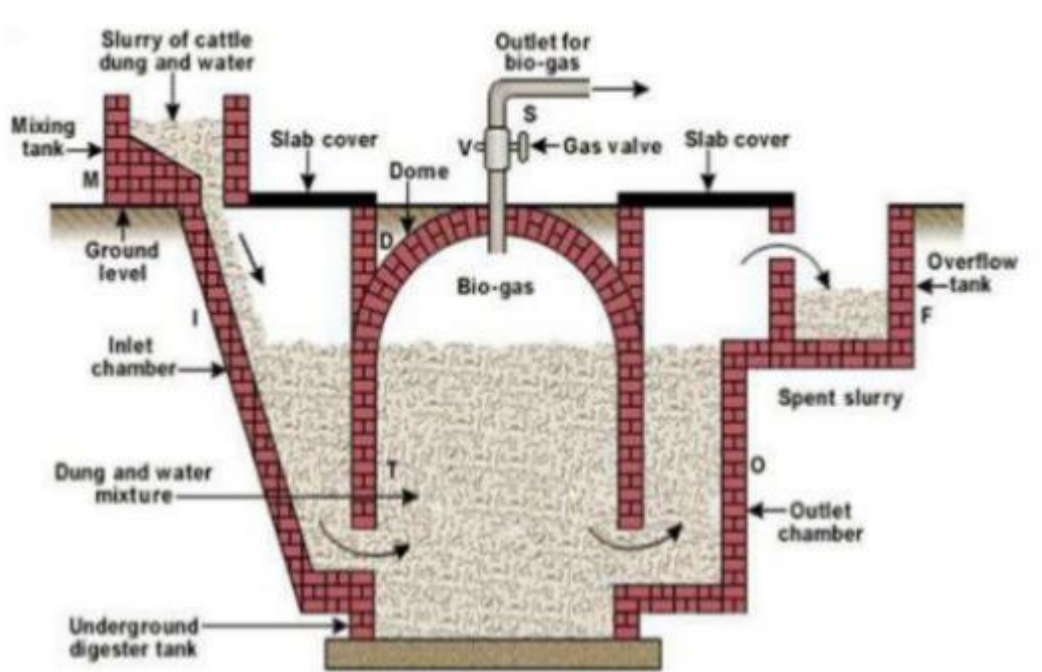


Figure 3.8: fixed dome Biogas plant

In this process biomass mixed with water is filled in the underground digester tank through inlet chamber. In case of overflow, biomass goes into overflow tank through outlet chamber.

After few days due to bacteria reaction on biomass, biogas is produced which is collected from outlet pipe. It can be used directly or can be stored in the tanks.

a) Advantages :

- i. Cost of plant is less compare to floating drum type plant
- ii. Loss of heat is negligible since these are constructed underground

- iii. No corrosion problems as in fixed dome type.
- iv. It is maintenance free.

b) Disadvantages:

- i. Need skilled labour to operate.
- ii. Gas production per m³ of digester volume is less.
- iii. Gas is produced at variable pressure.

CHAPTER-4

WIND ENERGY

4.1 Wind:-

Air in motion is called wind and energy obtained from wind is called wind energy.

4.2 wind energy conversion

Wind energy can be converted into electrical energy in wind plants. It generally referred as **WECS** stands for **wind energy conversion system**.

The main components of a wind power plant:

- i. Wind turbine
- ii. Yaw
- iii. Coupler
- iv. Hydraulic transmission
- v. Electrical generator

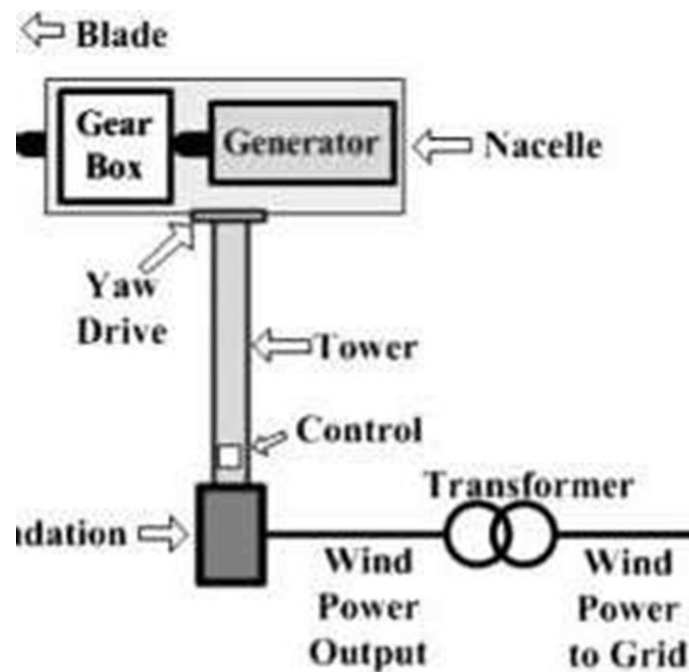


Fig 4.1 Wind Energy Conversion system

- i. **Wind Turbine:** This component convert wind kinetic energy into mechanical energy. Blades of the turbine are mounted on the shaft.
- ii. **Yaw:** This component is used to change the direction of rotation using gears.
- iii. **Coupler:** This component is used to couple turbine with generator.
- iv. **Hydraulic Transmission:** This component is used to transfer mechanical energy from top to bottom components.

- v. **Electric Generator:** This component converts mechanical Energy into Electrical Energy.

4.3 Wind Mills

It is a wind turbine (Blades) which convert kinetic energy of the wind into rotary mechanical energy.

It works on the principle of momentum.

Momentum= mass * velocity

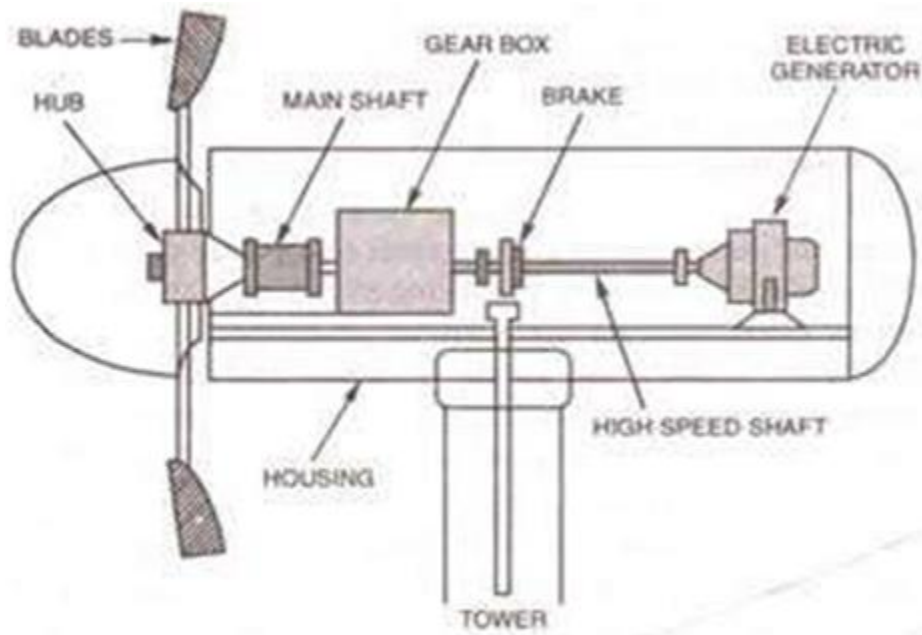


Figure 4.2 wind turbine

a) Lift Force:

When flowing air with momentum strike the downward side of the blade with low pressure it exert the force on the blade of rotor and turn the rotor. This exerted force is called as Lift Force.

Lift force always act perpendicular to the direction of air flow as shown in fig 4.3.

b) Drag Force:

An axial force act in the direction of wind flow is known as Drag force. For efficient operation lift force should be more than drag force.

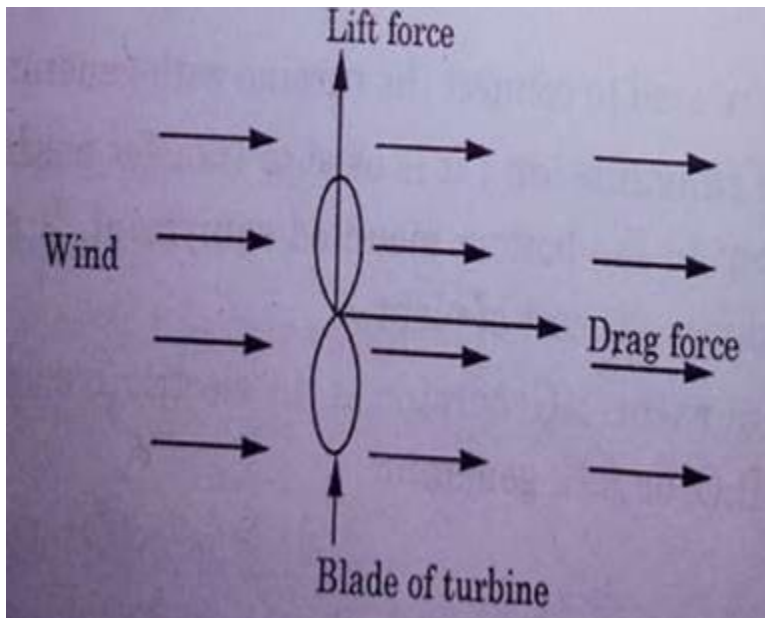


Figure 4.3: Lift and Drag Force

4.4 Types of Wind Mills:

Wind mill or Wind turbine can be classified according to the axis of rotation of turbine.

- i. **Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine**
- ii. **Vertical Axis Wind Turbine**

i. Horizontal axis wind turbine :

A turbine that rotates parallel to the direction of wind is called Horizontal axis wind turbine.

c) Types of Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine (HAWT) :

- a) Single Blade Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine
- b) Double Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine
- c) Multiple Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine

a) Single Blade Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine:

It is also known as Mono Blade Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine. It consists of a long blade of around 10 m mounted on the hub. Single Blade is balanced by using weigh arm as shown in diagram 4.4 (a).

b) Double Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine:

This type of turbine has two blades mounted on the hub as shown in fig

4.4 (b).

c) Multiple Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine:

In this type of turbine many blades are mounted on the hub as shown in fig

4.4 (c).

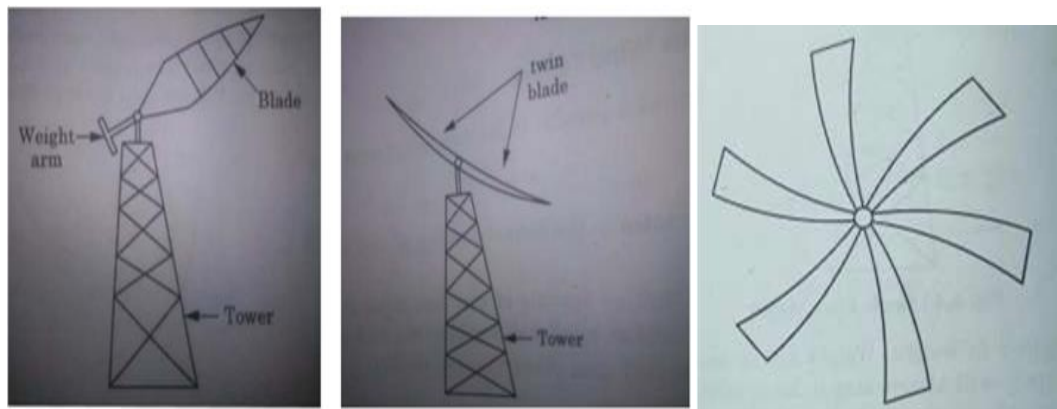


Figure 4.4 (a) Single blade HAWT ;(b) Double blade HAWT;(c) Multiple blade HAWT

d) Advantages of HAWT :

- i. It has high efficiency.
- ii. It faces the maximum wind so that turbine collects maximum amount wind energy.
- iii. In HAWT less vibration occurs.

ii. Vertical Axis Wind Turbine (VAWT) :

A turbine whose axis of rotation of blade is perpendicular to the direction of wind is called vertical axis wind turbine.

e) Types of Vertical Axis Wind Turbine (VAWT) :

It consist of two types

- a) Savonius turbine
- b) Darrieus type turbine

a) Savonius type VAWT:

The Savonius turbine is S-shaped if viewed from above. It consists of two half cylinder facing in opposite directions as shown in fig 4.5.

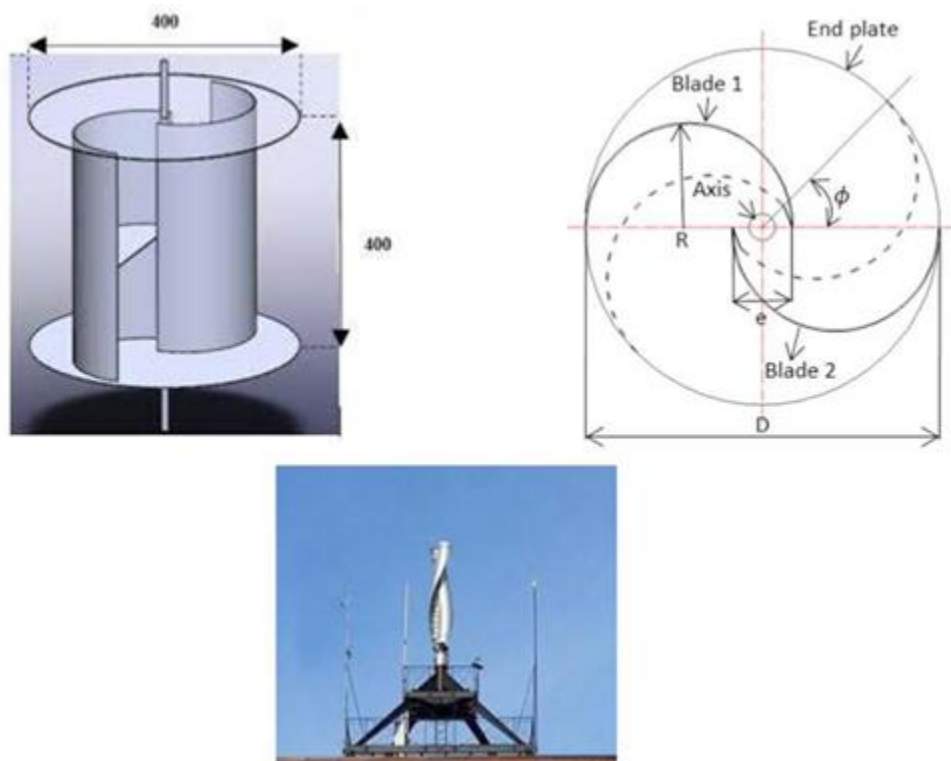


Fig 4.5 Savonius Type VAWT

b) Darrieus Wind Turbine:

The Darrieus turbine is the most famous vertical axis wind turbine. It is characterized by its C- shaped rotor blades which give it its eggbeater appearance. It is normally built with two or three blades.

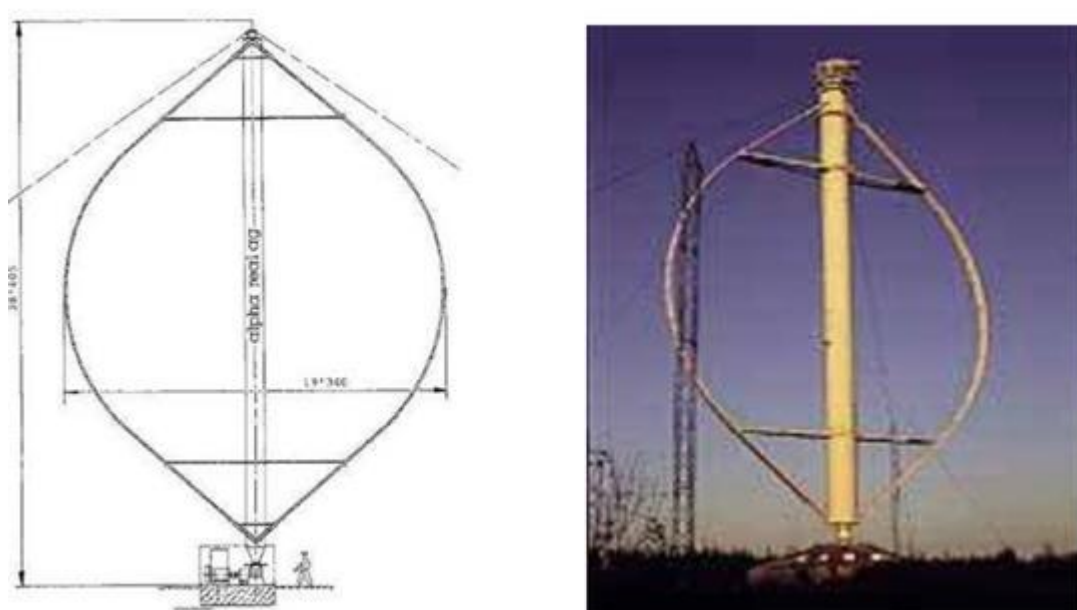


Figure 4.6 : Darrieus Type VAWT

f) **Advantages of VAWT :**

- a) **VAWT** system has lower noise during operation.
- b) It may be designed without any starting device.
- c) Generator is kept on earth so it is easy to maintain.
- d) Do need large space

g) **Disadvantages of VAWT:**

- a) VAWTs may need guy wires to hold it up.
- b) They have relative high vibration because the air flow near the ground creates turbulent flow.
- c) compared to horizontal axis wind turbines VAWT are very less efficient

4.5 Electricity Generation from Wind Energy :

Wind turbines convert the kinetic energy in the wind into mechanical power. This mechanical power is converted into electric power using a generator as shown in fig 4.7 below and in block diagram shown in fig 4.8.

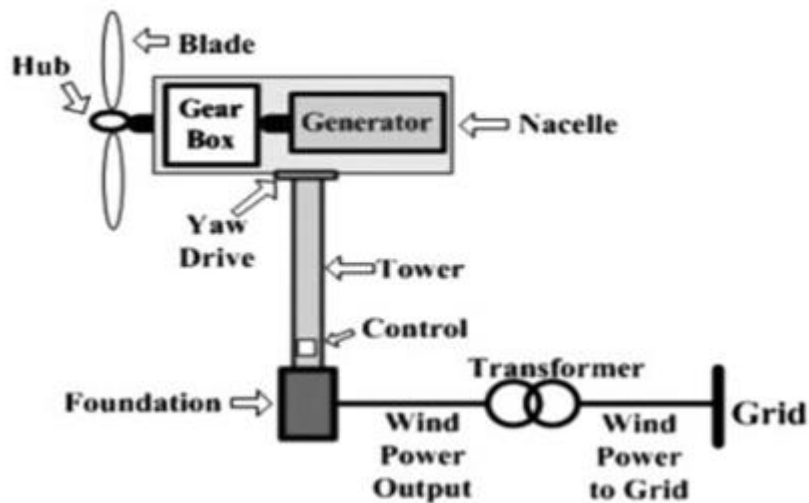


Figure 4.7: Schematic diagram of Electricity generation from wind energy

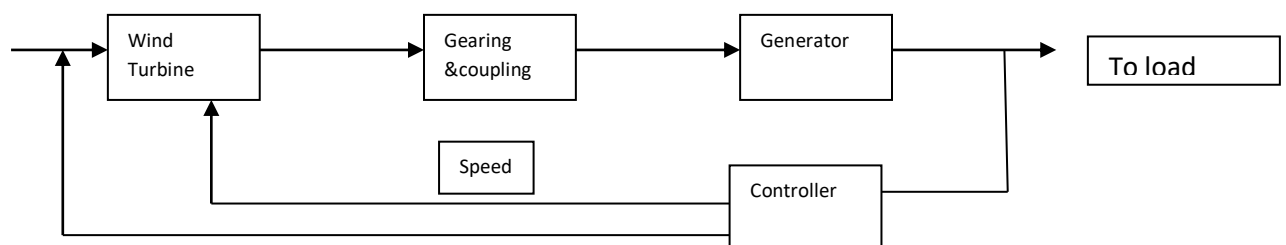


Figure 4.8: Block diagram of Electricity generation from wind energy

4.6 Classification of Wind Power Plants:

1. Based on the axis of rotation:

- a. Horizontal Axis wind turbine
- b. Vertical Axis wind turbine

2. Size or Capacity of Plant:

- a) **Small wind power plant:** These are having a generation capacity of 10 to 50 Kw
having rotor diameter of wind turbine 1 to 15m.
- b) **Medium wind power plant:** These are having a generation capacity of 50 to 500 Kw
having rotor diameter of wind turbine 15 to 50m.
- c) **Large wind power plant :** These are having a generation capacity of 50MW to 150
MW

3. According to Power Output:

- a) D.C Wind power plant
- b) A.C wind power plant

4. According to speed:

- a) Constant speed wind power plant
- b) Variable speed wind power plant

5. According to utilization:

- a) Directly connected to load
- b) Battery storage
- c) Grid connected system

4.7 Selection of site for a wind power plant:

- a) Plant must be away from city and forest area.
- b) Plants are always installed in flat area because wind velocity is high in this area.

- c) Cost of land for the site should be minimum as possible
- d) High annual average wind speed
- e) Availability of anemometry data
- f) Altitude of the proposed site
- g) Nearness of site to local centre/users

4.8 Energy Storage:

Wind turbine operation is not reliable at very high cost and very low speed. The power has low demand, excess wind energy would be stored for use at other time

Wind energy can be stored by:-

a) Battery:

There are three important types of large-scale BES. These are: lead-acid (LA); nickel-cadmium (NiCd); sodium-sulphur (NaS). These operate in the same way as conventional batteries, except on a large scale, i.e. two electrodes are immersed in an electrolyte, which allows a chemical reaction to take place so current can be produced when required.

b) Flywheel energy storage:

A flywheel energy storage (FES) device is made up of a central shaft that holds a rotor and a flywheel. This central shaft rotates on two magnetic bearings to reduce friction contained within a vacuum to reduce aerodynamic drag losses. Flywheels store energy by accelerating the rotor/flywheel to a very high speed and maintaining the energy in the system as kinetic energy. Flywheels release energy by reversing the charging process so that the motor is then used as a generator. As the flywheel discharges, the rotor/flywheel slows down until eventually coming to a complete stop.

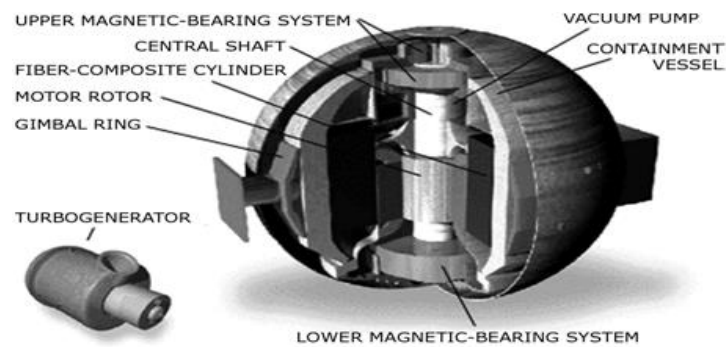


Figure 4.9 : Flywheel energy storage device

c) Compressed air storage :

Compressed air energy storage (CAES) systems compress air using electricity during off-peak times, and then store the air in underground caverns. During peak demand, the compressed air from the storage is drawn and fired with natural gas in a combustion turbine to generate electricity. This method uses only a one third of the natural gas used in conventional methods. Because CAES plants require some sort of underground reservoir, they are limited by their locations.

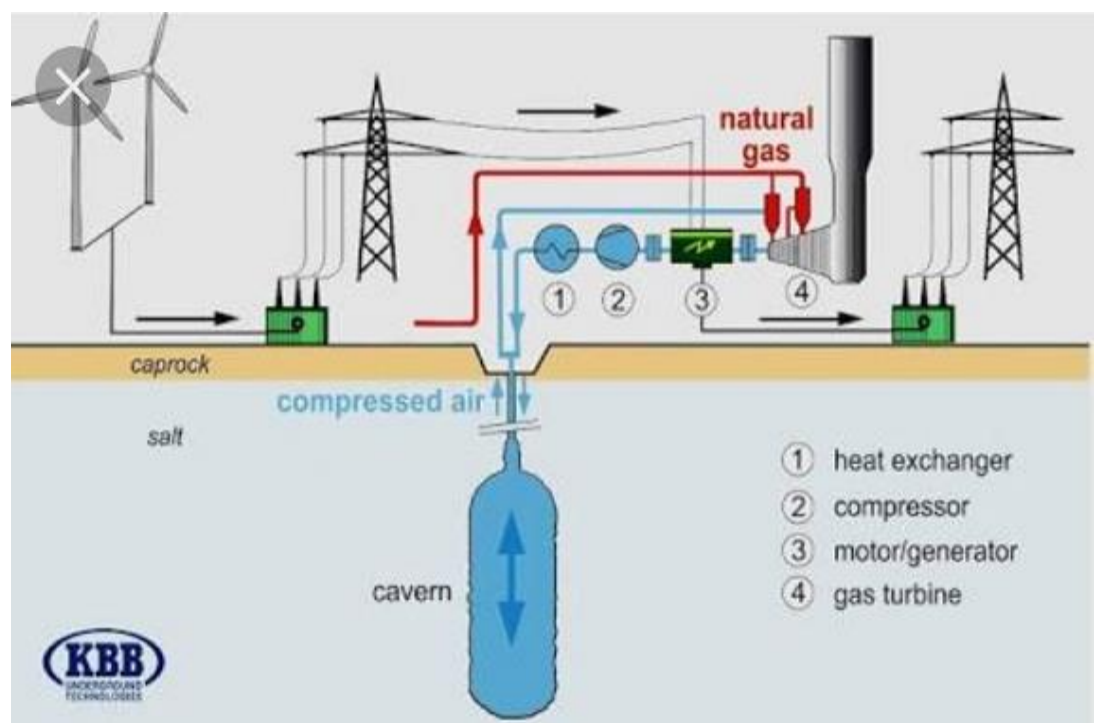


Figure 4.10: compressed air storage system

d) Hydrogen Fuel cell:

Hydrogen fuel cells can also be used to store excess energy. A hydrogen generator is used to electrolyse water using power generated from the wind turbine,

storing the resulting hydrogen and converting it back to electricity using a fuel cell power system when needed.

CHAPTER-5

GEO-THERMAL AND TIDAL ENERGY

5.1 Geo-Thermal Energy:-

The word **geothermal** comes from the Greek words geo (earth) and thermal (heat). So, geothermal energy is heat from within the earth.

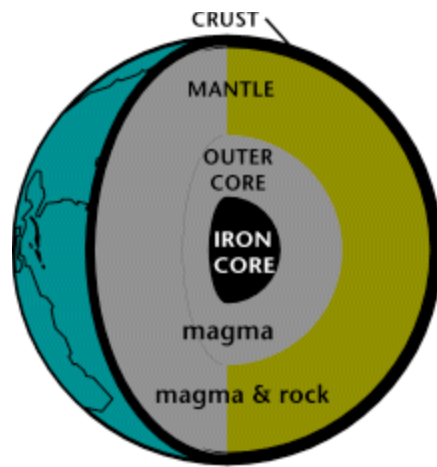
Energy present in the form of heat in the earth crust is called geo thermal energy. It is renewable source of energy because inner part of earth will continue to heat up.

We can use the steam and hot water produced inside the earth to heat buildings or generates electricity.

Geothermal energy is generated in the earth's core, about 4,000 miles below the surface. Temperatures hotter than the sun's surface are continuously produced inside the earth by the slow decay of radioactive particles, a process that happens in all rocks. The earth has a number of different layers:

- ✓ The core itself has two layers: a **solid iron core** and an outer core made of very hot melted rock, called **magma**.
- ✓ The **mantle** which surrounds the core and is about 1,800 miles thick. It is made up of magma and rock.
- ✓ The **crust** is the outermost layer of the earth, the land that forms the continents and ocean floors. It can be three to five miles thick under the oceans and 15 to 35 miles thick on the continents.

The earth's crust is broken into pieces called **plates**. Magma comes close to the earth's surface near the edges of these plates. This is where volcanoes occur. The lava that erupts from volcanoes is partly magma. Deep underground, the rocks and water absorb the heat from this magma. The temperature of the rocks and water get hotter and hotter as you go deeper underground.



THE EARTH'S INTERIOR

Figure 5.1 Earth interior

5.2 Various Geo-Thermal Energy Sources:

- a) Hydro thermal convective system
- b) Geo pressure resources
- c) Hot dry rocks
- d) Magma resources

a) Hydro Thermal Convective System :

The word Hydro is related to water and thermal is related to heat. In this system water is heated by its Contact with hot rocks. Thickness of earth crust above magma is 30km. Due to internal earth pressure magma is raised upto an impervious rock above this layer where water has penetrated from a distance. So, water is heated up due to convection. Hence , we collect hot water from earth surface.

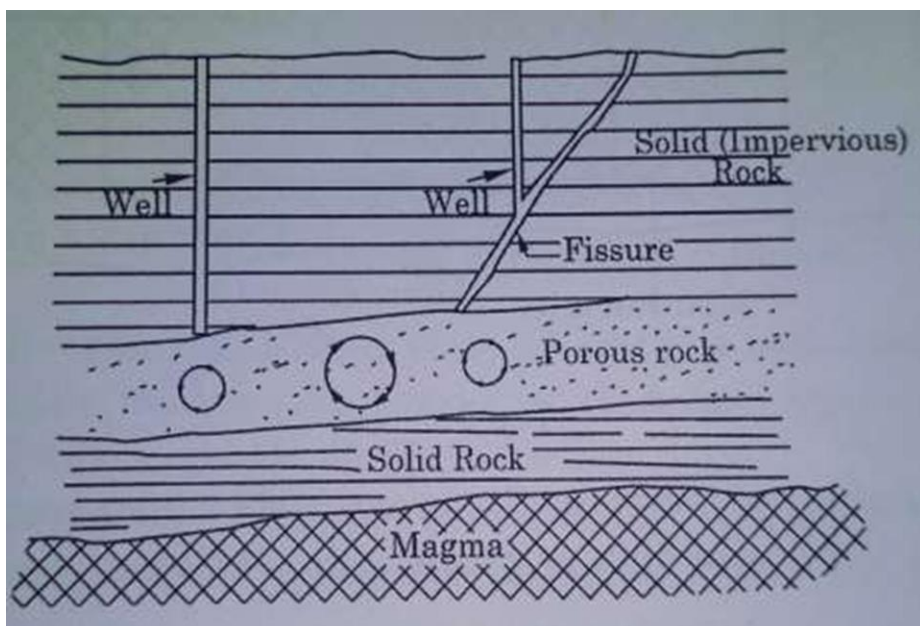


Figure 5.2: Hydro Thermal Convective System

Hydro thermal source are further sub divided into:

- i. Vapour dominated system
- ii. Liquid dominated system

i. Vapour dominated system(Dry steam):

When the geothermal resource produce a saturated or superheated vapor, the steam is collected from the production wells and sent to a conventional steam turbine as shown in fig 5.3. Before the steam enters the turbine, appropriate measures are taken to remove any solid from the steam flow, as well as corrosive substance contained in the process (typically removed with water washing). Steam after passing through turbine , condenses in the condenser and is re-injected back to the earth.

ii. Liquid dominated system :

Liquid dominated power plants are also referred to as flash steam power plants; as they conduct flash steam by pressurizing hot water from the surface of the earth. Such power plants operate using water reservoirs with temperature greater than 360 degree Fahrenheit. These reservoirs are found in specific locations like mantle hot spots, near volcanoes.

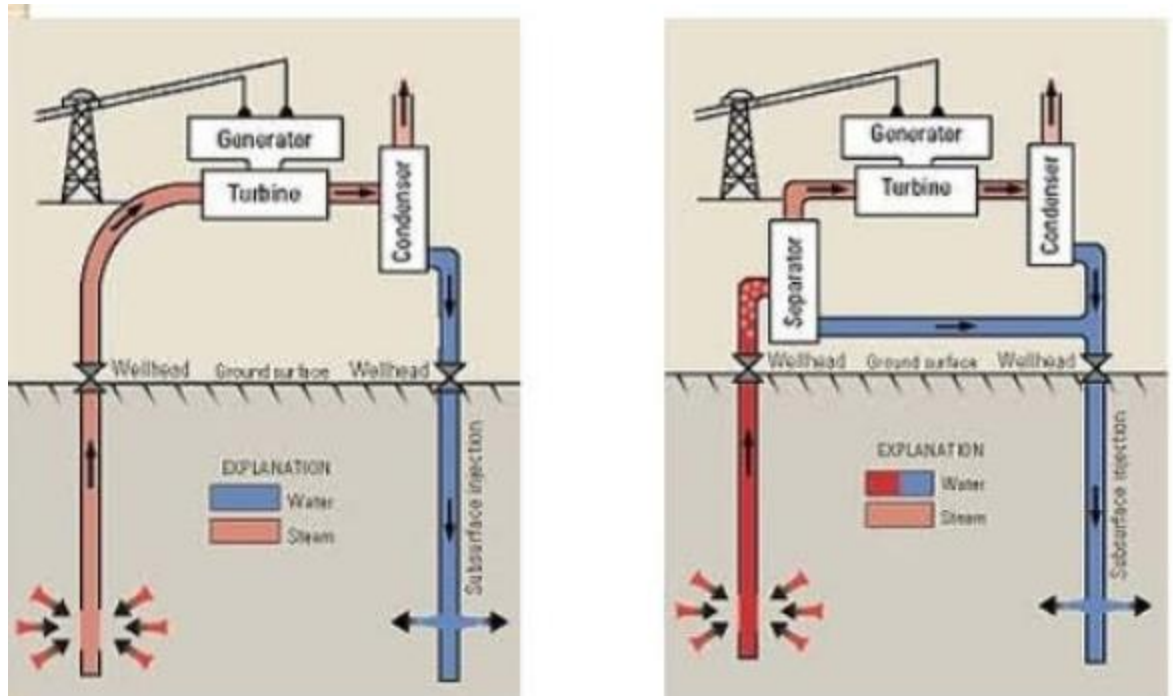


Figure 5.3: Vapour dominated power plant; fig 5.4 flash steam power plant

- b) Geo pressure system
- c) Petro thermals resources
- d) Magma resources

5.3 Prime Mover for Geo-Thermal Energy Conversions:-

Prime mover is also called turbine. A machine that converts the kinetic energy of steam into mechanical energy is called turbine or prime mover

Prime mover can be classified:

- a) Impulse turbine
- b) Reaction turbine

a) **Impulse turbine:** -

It is a turbine the total pressure of steam converted into kinetic energy by nozzle.

The kinetic energy drives a wheel turbine

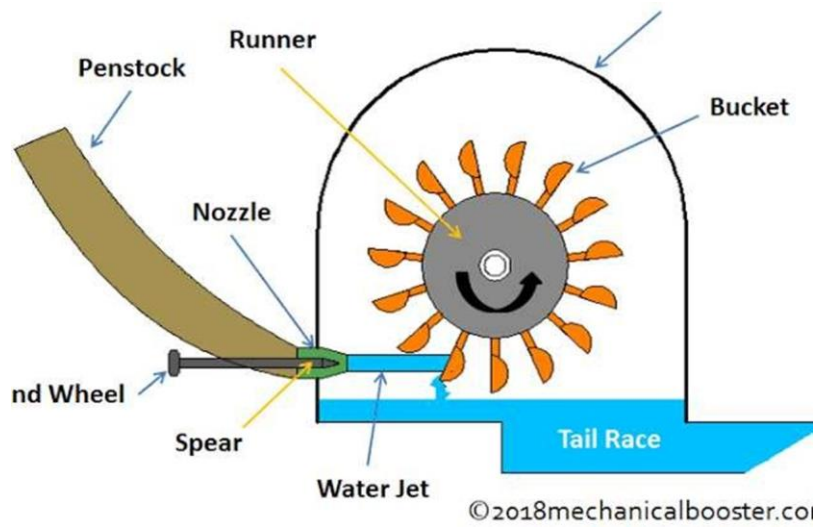


Figure 5.5 Impulse Turbine

b) Reaction Turbine:

In reaction turbine steam enter with partly pressure and velocity into turbine.

They are several types: - Francis turbine, Kaplan turbine

5.4 Power Generation by Geo Thermal Resources:-

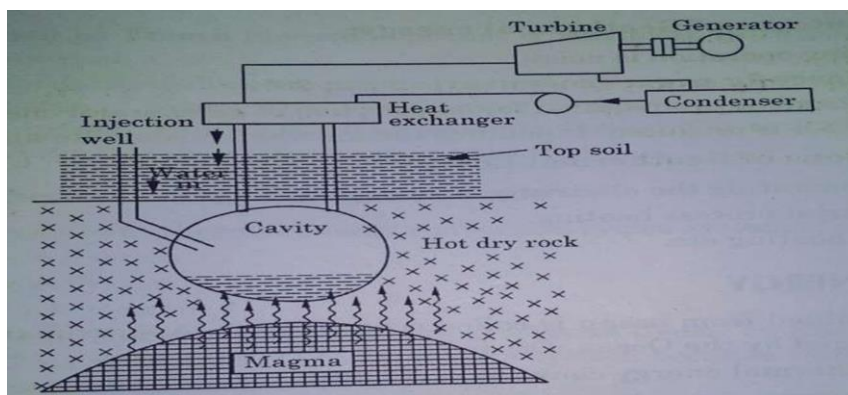


Figure 5.6 Power Generations by Geo Thermal Resources

5.5 Advantage and disadvantages of Geo-Thermal energy:-

➤ Advantages:-

- i. Small Maintenance Cost
- ii. Brilliant Efficiency
- iii. Highly Sustainable
- iv. Increase in Employment
- v. Reduction in Noise Pollution
- vi. It is More Reliable

vii. It Saves the Non-renewable Fossil Fuel Sources

➤ **Disadvantage**

- i. Environmental Issues. There is an abundance of greenhouse gases below the surface of the earth, some of which mitigates towards the surface and into the atmosphere.
- ii. Surface Instability (Earthquakes)
- iii. Expensive
- iv. Location Specific
- v. Sustainability Issues

5.6 Application of GEO-THERMAL energy:

We can use the steam and hot water produced inside the earth to heat buildings or generates electricity. Geothermal energy is a renewable energy source because the water is replenished by rainfall and the heat is continuously produced inside the earth.

5.7 Ocean Energy:-

Energy can be obtained from ocean is called ocean Energy. Approximately 70% area the earth is covered by the ocean. Ocean sources are:

- a) Ocean thermal energy conversion
- b) Tidal energy
- c) Wave energy

i. **Ocean thermal energy conversion(OTES) :**

Solar energy is energy from the sun that is absorbed by the water of ocean according to Lambert law of absorption .It state that each layer of equal thickness of water absorbs the same fractions of light that passes through it.

➤ **Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion Cycle**

- i. **open cycle system**
- ii. **close cycle system**

iii. hybrid cycle system

i. Open cycle system

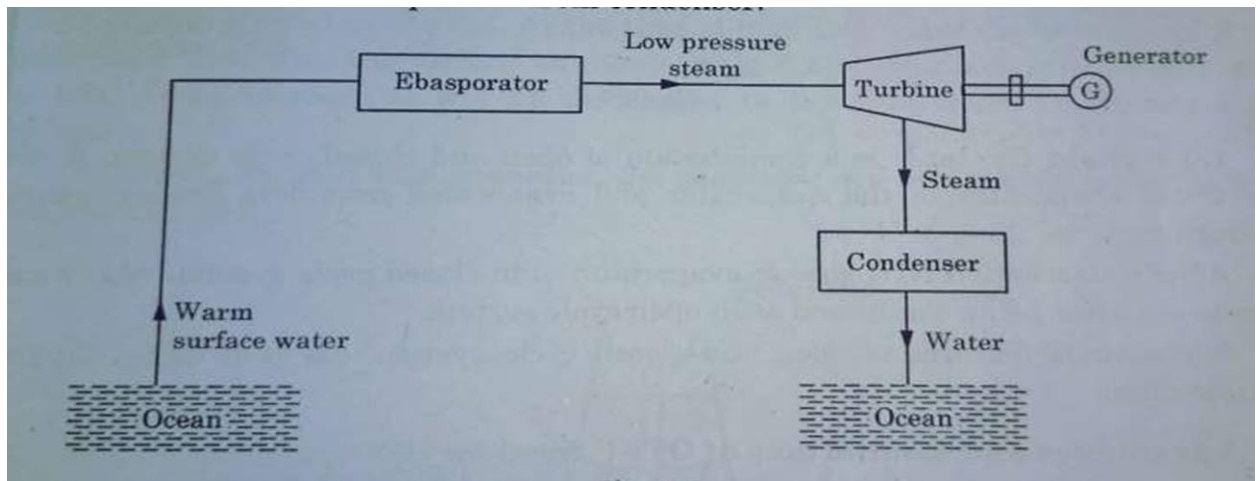


Figure 5.7 OTES open cycle system

ii. Closed cycle system

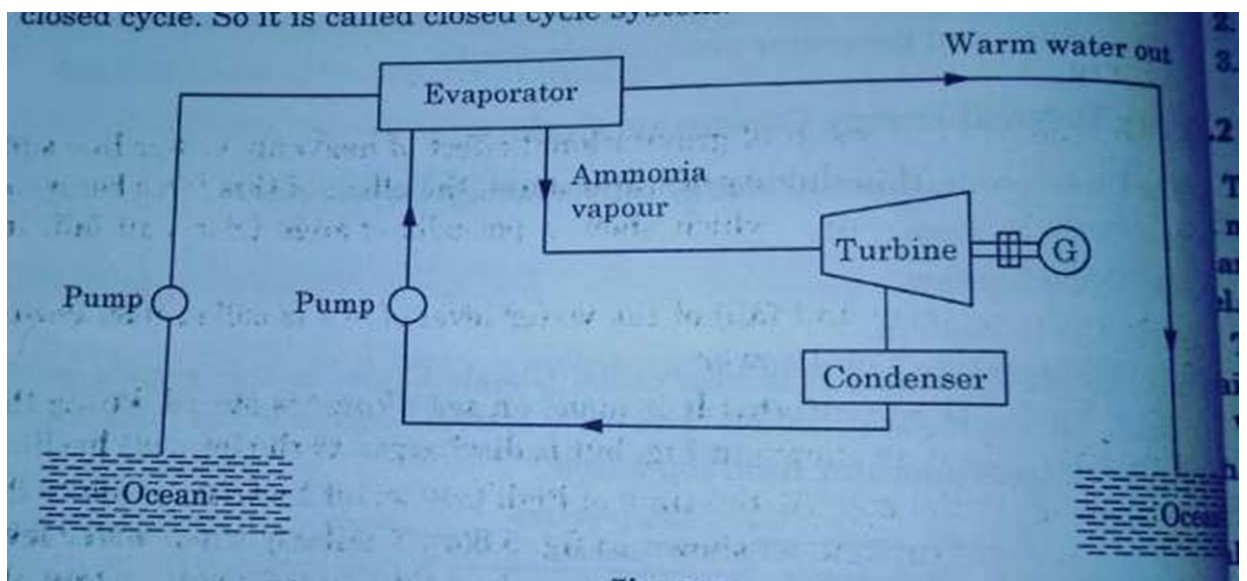


Figure 5.8 OTES closed cycle system

iii. Hybrid cycle

It is a combination of closed cycle and open cycle system. Warm sea water evaporated in the evaporator ammonia pass through turbine.

❖ Advantages and limitations of OTES system:

➤ Advantages

- i. It is renewable sources of energy
- ii. No fuel is used
- iii. OTES systems more economical

➤ Limitations

- i. Steam has low pressure so large size of turbine required
- ii. Less efficiently
- iii. Overall cost is high

❖ Application of OTES

- i. Chemical treatment plant
- ii. For electricity generation
- iii. Hydrogen production by means of electrolysis

ii. Tidal Energy

Tides in the sea are the result of gravitational effect of heavenly bodies like sun and moon on the earth. Due to fluidity of water mass the effect of this force becomes apparent in the motion of water which show a periodic change in level.

Working of Tidal power plant:

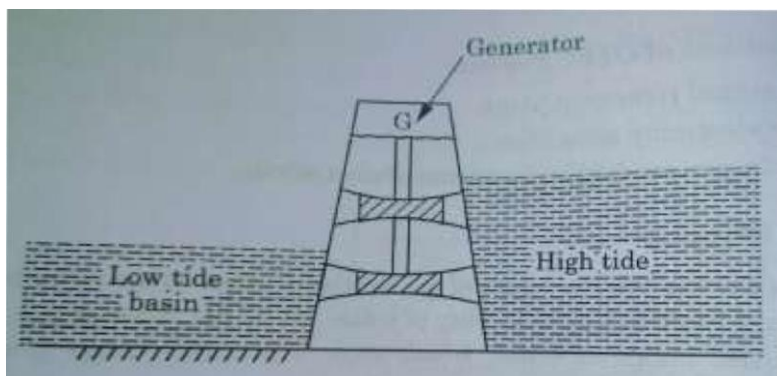
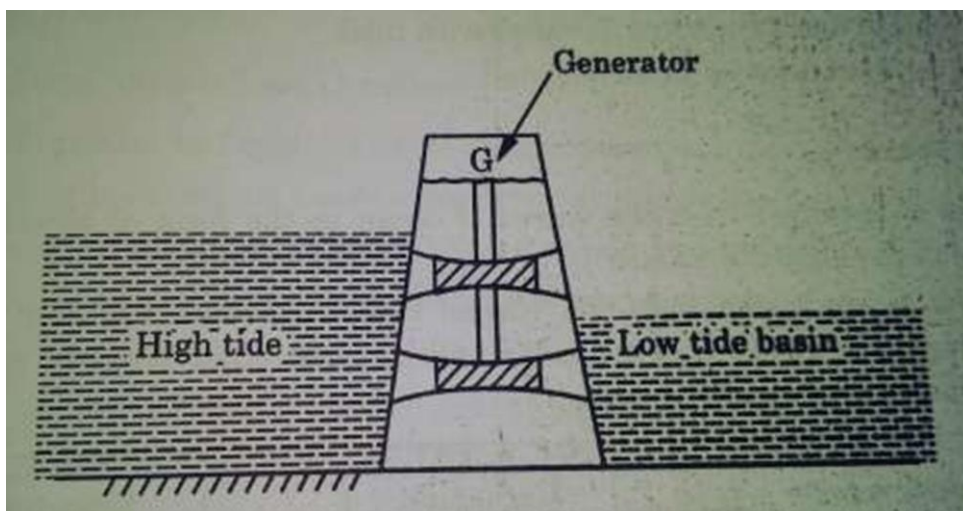


Figure 5.9 Tidal Power plant

❖ **Advantage of Tidal energy**

- i. Free from pollution
- ii. Free mood of nature
- iii. Free from disturbing the eco system

❖ **Limitations of Tidal energy:**

- i. High initial cost
- ii. Sea water is corrosive
- iii. Output is not constant it varies with tides.
- iv. Conversion device is complicated

iii. Sea Waves :

Energy is obtained from waves of ocean in the form of kinetic energy depend upon the shape of wave.

CHAPTER-6

Magneto Hydro Dynamic (MHD)

Power Generation

6.1 Magneto Hydro Dynamic:

Magneto hydro dynamic is a technique in which heat is directly converted into electricity. It is based on Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction. But it produces only DC power.

➤ Working of MHD generator :

It works on Faraday's law of electromagnetic induction when a magnetic field changes across a conductor an emf is induced in it which produce a electric current this is also the principle of generator.

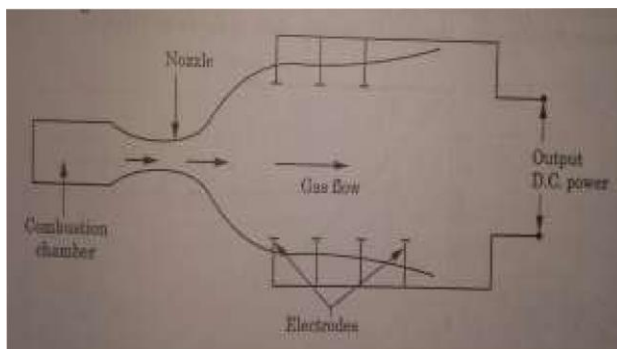


Figure 6.1: MHD Generator

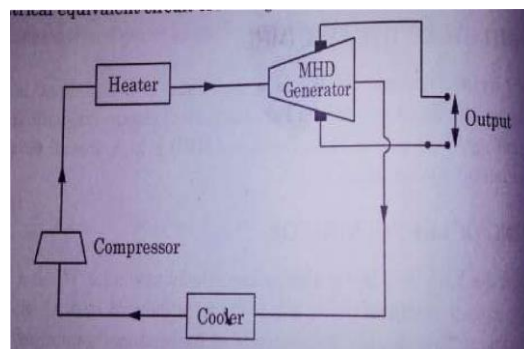


Figure 6.2 Electrical Equivalent circuit of MHD

➤ Advantages and disadvantages of MHD

✓ Advantages:-

- i. Efficiency of MHD generator is around 60%
- ii. It generate large amount of power
- iii. It is renewable source of energy

✓ Disadvantages:-

- i. There is problem of availability of conducting Gas or any other fluid.
- ii. Difficult to fabricate MHD generator

6.2 Types of MHD generation system

- a) Open cycle MHD power generation system
- b) Closed cycle MHD power generation system

a) Open cycle MHD power generation system :

Combustion chamber burns the fuel in presence of O_2 at $1000^{\circ}C$. This hot and pressurized fluid ionize the gas. Then gas is passed through a nozzle to increase its velocity.

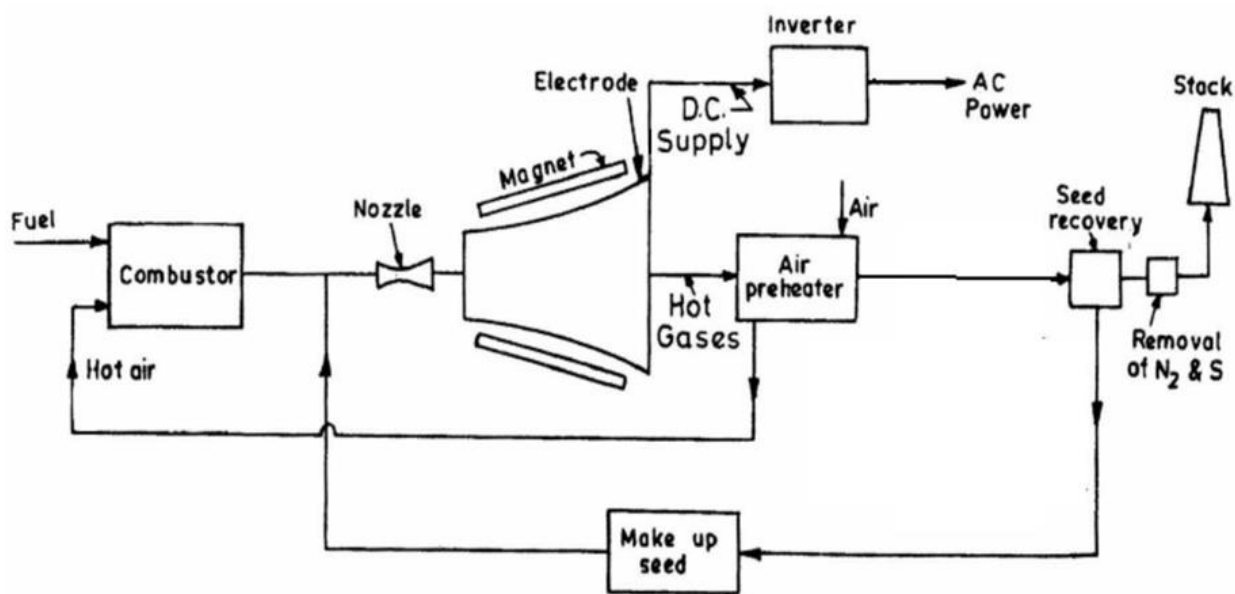


Figure 6.3: Open cycle MHD power generation system

b) Closed cycle power generation system:

In closed cycle MHD system conducting fluid is used again and again to form a closed cycle instead of exhausting the fluid in atmosphere.

Combustor and heat is used to heat the argon or helium gas at $1900^{\circ}C$.This gas is slowed down by diffuser and cool into pre cooler.

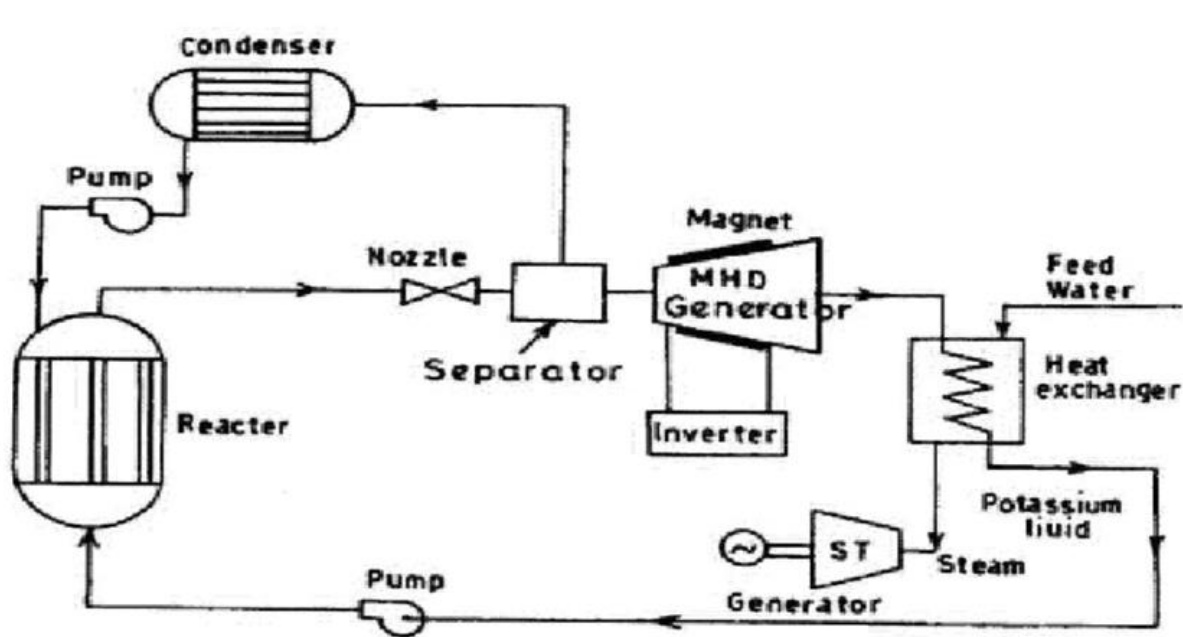


Figure 6.3: closed cycle MHD power generation system

CHAPTER-7

FUEL CELLS

7.1 Fuel Cell:

A fuel cell is like a battery in that it generates electricity from an electrochemical reaction. Both batteries and fuel cells convert chemical energy into electrical energy and also, as a by-product of this process, into heat.

Fuel cells can produce electricity continuously for as long as fuel and oxygen are supplied.

7.2 Design and operation Principal of fuel cell:

For any type of fuel cell, there are mainly following segments

- a) Two electrode(anode, cathode)
- b) Electrolyte that separates the two electrodes is an ion conducting material which facilitates the free passage of ions.

The electrolyte used depends upon the types of fuel cell .Whatever the type of fuel cell their basic operation is always same.

At anode (an oxidation reaction):

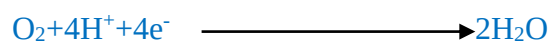
At anode-catalyst (mainly platinum powder) oxidizes the hydrogen fuel and turning the fuel into positively charged ion and negatively charged electron.



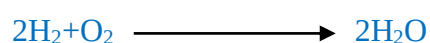
Out of these, the ions make way through the electrolyte to the cathode.

At cathode (a reduction reaction):

As soon as they reach the cathode, they combine with the oxidant (oxygen) and then react with the oxidant to produce water.



Overall reaction:



The electrons pass through a wire producing the electricity. Nickel is mostly used as the cathode catalyst. Thus the electricity is formed at the load and water is obtained as the by-product.

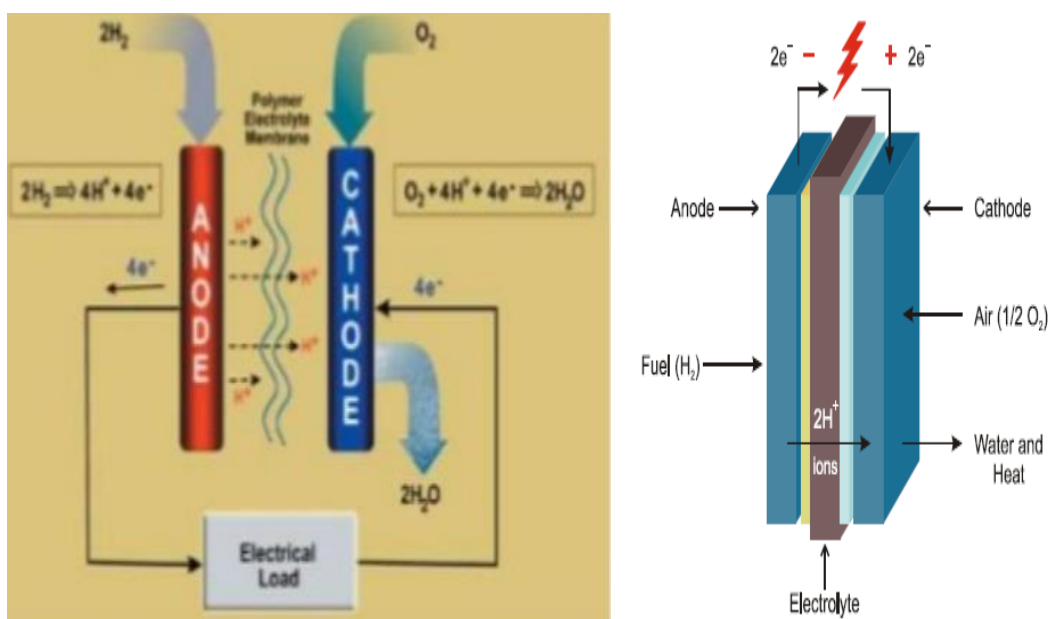


Figure 7.1: Generic Hydrogen Fuel Cell Operation

Though a fuel cells generate only small DC voltages (0.7 volts) at full load , which are then combined in series to achieve substantial voltage and power capacities.

Fuel cells differ from batteries in the nature of their anode and cathode. In a battery, the anode and cathode are metals; zinc or lithium is typically used for the anode and metallic oxides for the cathode. In a fuel cell, the anode and cathode are composed of gases often in contact with a platinum cata-lyst to promote the power generating reaction. Hydrogen or a hydrogen-rich gas mixture is typically used as the anode and oxygen or air as the cathode.

7.3 Types of Fuel cells:

Fuel cell types are generally classified according to the nature of the electrolyte they use.

Each type requires particular materials and fuels and is suitable for different applications.

- i. Hydrogen oxygen fuel cell
- ii. Alkaline fuel cell- alkaline solution electrolyte such as KOH.
- iii. Phosphoric acid fuel cell (PAFC): electrolyte is phosphoric acid.
- iv. Solid Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel cell: Electrolyte is polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cells and their electrolyte consists of the proton exchange membrane.
- v. Molten carbonate Fuel cells: electrolyte as molten carbonate
- vi. Solid oxide fuel cell(SOFC): electrolyte is ceramic ion conducting electrolyte in solid oxide form
- vii. Direct methanol fuel cell

All fuel cells are based around a central design using two electrodes separated by a solid or liquid electrolyte that carries electrically charged particles between them. A catalyst is often used to speed up the reactions at the electrodes.

7.4 Conversion efficiency of Fuel cell:

Fuel cell efficiency is described as the ratio of the electrical energy produced to the heat that is produced by burning the fuel.

From the basic definition of efficiency: $\eta = W / Q_{in}$

Energy produced by 1 mole of liquid water from hydrogen and oxygen gases is 56.67 kcal at room temperature whereas heat energy of the reaction under the same condition is 68.26Kcal.

$$\%age \eta = (56.67/68.26) * 100 = 83\%$$

Theoretical efficiency of conversion of heat energy into electrical energy in a hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell is 83%. But practically efficiency of pure hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell in the range of 50 to 60%.

7.6 Advantages and Disadvantages of Fuel Cell:

➤ Advantages:

- a) Renewable Energy source
- b) High Efficiency- when utilizing co-generation, fuel cells can attain over 50 to 60 % energy efficiency
- c) Good reliability- quality of power provided does not degrade over time.
- d) Noise- offers a much more silent and smooth alternative to conventional energy production.
- e) Environmentally beneficial- greatly reduces CO₂ and harmful pollutant emissions.
- f) Size reduction- fuel cells are significantly lighter and more compact
- g) Low Maintenance
- h) Simple and safe
- i) Static device , no moving parts
- j) Light weight

➤ Disadvantages of Fuel Cells:

Fuel cell systems suffer the following disadvantages:

- a) Hydrogen is currently very expensive, not because it is rare ,but because it 's difficult to generate, handle, and store, requiring bulky and heavy tanks.
- b) Very high capital cost.
- c) Technology of fuel cell is under development and not available to all countries.
- d) Fuel cells require relatively pure fuel, free of specific con-taminants. These contaminants include sulfur and car-bon compounds, and residual liquid fuels (depending on the type of fuel cell) that can deactivate the fuel cell catalyst.
- e) Fuel cells require complex support and control systems.
- f) Fuel cell systems are heavy. Fuel cells themselves are not excessively heavy, but the combined weight of the fuel cells, their support systems and their fuel storage is presently greater than for a comparable internal combustion engine system.

7.7 Applications:

- a) **Stationary Power plants:** it is adequate to service isolated neighborhoods or to provide emergency backup power to critical facilities, such as hospitals.
- b) **Submarines:** Fuel cells systems are attractive for military submarine applications due to their low noise and infrared signatures. In many ways, fuel cells are a logical replacement for the banks of batteries currently used to power many submarines.

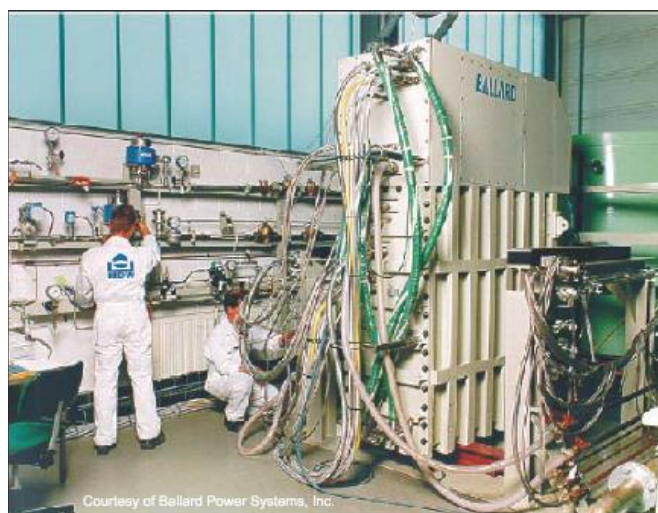


Figure: Submarine Fuel Cell Power plant

c) **Vehicles :**

- ✓ Buses are the most commercially advanced of all fuel cell applications to date.

- ✓ Cars represent the ultimate market for fuel cell manufacturers due to the quantities involved worldwide. Some automotive manufacturers have made commitments to introduce fuel cell vehicles to the market in the early years

d) Portable Power Systems: Portable fuel cell systems can potentially be used in many applications that currently rely on batteries. Commercial units that provide up to 1.2 kW (4100 Btuh) of electrical power are now available.



Figure : Portable Fuel Cell Systems

- e) They have been used to power many space expeditions
- f) These electrochemical cells can also be used to power several electronic devices.

CHAPTER-8.

HYDRO ENERGY- MINI AND MICRO HYDROPLANTS

8.1 Micro hydro power (MHP)

A micro hydro power plant is a type hydro electric power scheme that produces upto 100 KW of electricity from such system is using a flowing steam or water flow.

The electricity from such system is used to power up isolated homes or communication and is sometimes connected to the public grid. Hilly areas with natural water falls on the dam-toe or canal drops are suitable sites for micro-hydropower plants.

Micro- hydropower plants produce nearly constant input power. The only variation result in change of seasons due to the seasonal climate changes and water flow rate. So overall for a certain season, the power is almost constant.

Usually micro hydro installations do not have a dam and reservoir, like large hydroelectric plants has required ,only relying on a minimal flow of water is available all the year like natural stream, river or perhaps a waterfall.

Run-of-River micro hydro power system consists of these basis components.

- a) Water conveyance- channel, pipeline or pressurized pipeline (penstock) that delivers the water.
- b) Turbine, pump or waterwheel- it transforms the energy of flowing water into rotational energy
- c) Alternator or generator- it transforms the rotational energy into electricity. The micro-hydropower can be installed with induction generator and synchronous generator. For both on-grid and off –grid modes induction generator gives advantages such as low cost and robust construction. However, synchronous generator is used in off-grid mode.
- d) Control Mechanism- to provide static electrical power. It is called governor.
- e) Transmission line- to delivers power to its destination

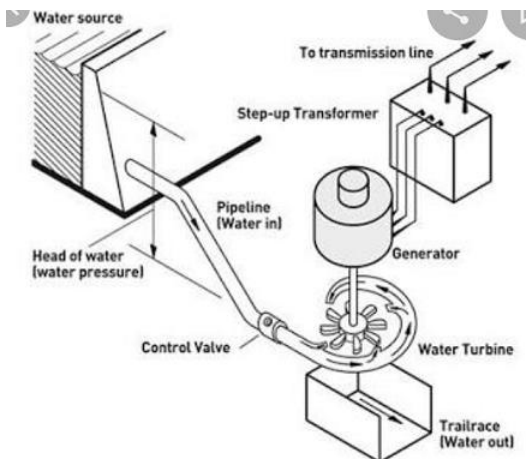
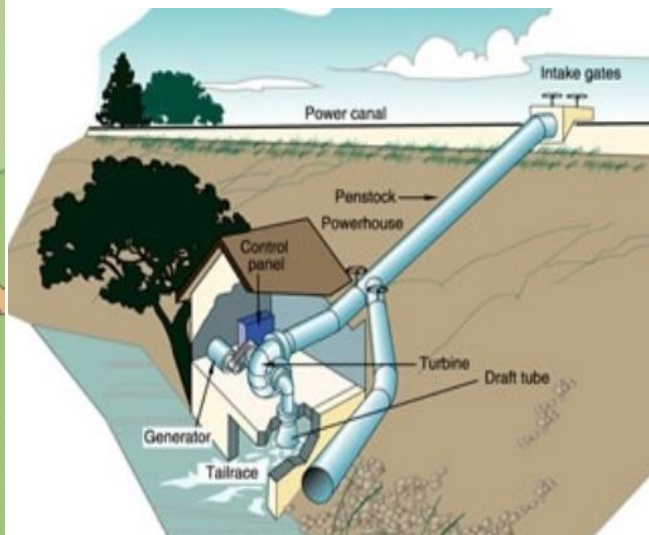
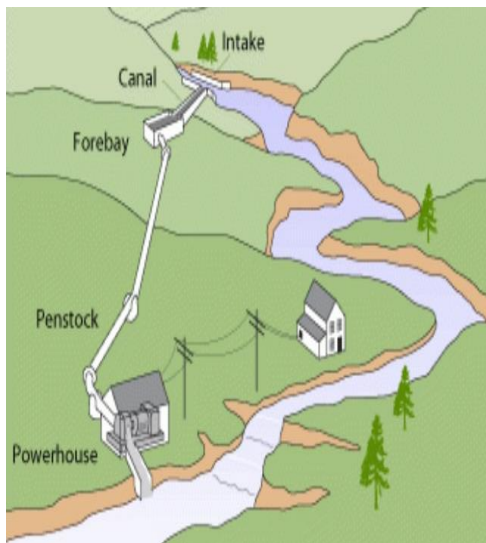


Figure: Micro and Mini Hydro power plant

Advantages:

- a) High efficiency (70-90 %).
- b) High capacity factor i.e time generating power throughout the year (typically greater than 50% compared with 10% solar and 30% for Wind)
- c) Slow rate of change; the output power varies only gradually from day to day (no from minute to minute)
- d) It is a long-lasting and robust technology; systems can readily be engineered to last for 50 years or more.
- e) Micro hydro most of cases are considered to run –of –river. In other words, any dam or barrage is quite small, usually just a weir, and little or no water is stored. So that low impact on the surrounding ecology.

Dis-Advantages:

- a) Microhydro systems are limited mainly by characteristics of the site. The most direct limitation comes from small sources with minuscule flow.
- b) Likewise, flow can fluctuate seasonally in some areas. Lastly, though perhaps the foremost disadvantage is the distance from the power source to the site in need of energy.
- c) The distributional issue as well as the others is key when considering using a micro hydro system.

8.2 Mini Hydro Plants:

A mini –Hydro plant is usually able to produce upto 200kW of electricity per turbine, only using natural flow of water.

In small rural community or just for a single remote household, a mini –hydro power plant can be the perfect solution to provide electricity to people.

It is mainly seen as a function that next to the river. The water will only pass through via a bypass canal to the turbine, but it will be directed back into the stream.

