Capacity Building workshop Energy Conservation (with focus on melting)

24th March 2018 at Indore

Under the project Capacity Building of Local Service Providers (LSPs)

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Overview of workshop

Capacity Building workshop of Local Service Providers (LSPs) on Energy Conservation with focus on melting was organized by TERI on 24th March 2018, Saturday in association with BFC under GEF-UNIDO project. Total 35 participants were present during the workshop and for the industry visit, which was organized after the workshop. Agenda of the workshop and list of participants are attached in the annexure 1 and annexure 2 respectively.

Summary of points discussed in the meeting

Mr. Devendra Jain welcomed the participants and thanked TERI and UNIDO for arranging the capacity building workshop. He highlighted that, in a typical foundry unit induction furnace is primary equipment responsible for production and energy consumption and implementation of Kaizens can improve the productivity with reduction in energy consumption in induction furnaces significantly. He encouraged participants to take advantage of TERI experts during workshop, which are made available by UNIDO for capacity building of LSPs.

Mr. Prosanto Pal, gave descriptive presentation on general energy conservation measures which can be implemented in foundry along with some best operating practises for melting. HE highlighted adoption of Best operating practises for overall improvements along with statistics of specific energy consumption benchmarking done for foundry industries for various casting types.

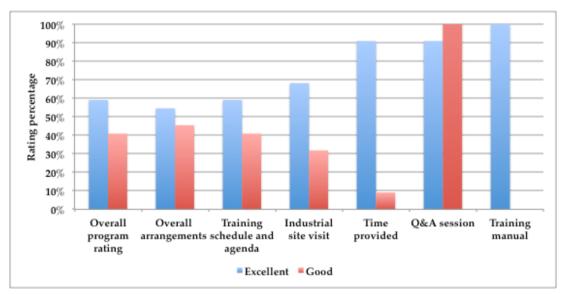
Mr. Nilesh Shedge gave presentation on actual case studies of implementation of Kaizen in induction furnace and implementation done by TERI in foundries. He mentioned the importance of monitoring for identification of non-value added activities in the induction furnace operation. He also shared and experience of implementation of Kaizens and benefits of implementation in productivity, energy consumption, time reduction, workplace environment etc.

After the lunch, plant tour through the M/s Porwal Auto Components Ltd. was arranged, so that participants can experience the actual implementations done for productivity improvements (Kaizens) and lean practices followed by the unit. Selected photos of the workshop and visit are attached in the annexure 3.

Feedback forms

Based on the analysis of the feedback forms received from the participants, it is observed that workshop was well received by the participants and 100% participants were satisfied with training module provided to them. Around 60% of participants were rated training schedule and industrial site visit as "Excellent". Total 60% participants have rated overall program as "Excellent" while rest of them have rated it as "Good". About 55% of participants were satisfied with arrangements made and time provided. Few sample feedback forms are attached in the annexure 4.





Analysis of feedback forms

Suggestions by participants

Some participants have made suggestions as follows;

- 1) Requirement of detailed shopfloor training for Kaizen implementation
- 2) More detailed and specific case studies on the topic
- 3) Training program on power, demand and pf
- 4) Requirement of seminar on furnace crucible lining

Learning's by participants

Some of the topics learned by the participants and mentioned by them are listed below;

- 1) Brief understanding of Lean principles
- 2) Workplace organisation
- 3) Cycle time reduction
- 4) Feeding material sequence and size
- 5) Monitoring & data collection for induction furnace
- 6) Same size of crucible and pouring ladle to reduce losses
- 7) To avoid hill metal



Annexures

Annexure 1: Agenda of the program







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| 10:00 - 10:30 | Registration |
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| 10:30 - 10:40 | Welcome Address |
| | Mr Devendra Jain, Managing Director, Porwal Auto Components Ltd. |
| 10:40 - 10:50 | GEF-UNIDO-BEE project and initiatives in Indore cluster |
| | Mr Prabhat Sharma, UNIDO Cluster Leader - Indore |
| 10:50 - 11:50 | Operating practice improvements and energy benchmarking of Induction Furnaces Mr Prosanto Pal, TERI |
| 11:50 - 12:50 | Retrofits and new Technologies in Induction Furnaces Mr Nilesh Shedge, TERI |
| 12.45 - 13:00 | Q&A |
| 13:00 - 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 - 16:00 | Site Visit / On-site training |
| 16.00 - 16:30 | Feedback from participants |
| 16:30 - 16:45 | Vote of thanks |

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Annexure 2: List of participants

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Annexure 3: Selected photographs of the event





Annexure 4: Sample feedback forms







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Annexure 5: Copy of presentations



- Best Operating Practices in Induction Melting Furnace
 - Power Curves
 - Case Study: Kaizen in Induction Furnace
 - Implementation photos



Induction Melting Furnace: Best Operating Practises

Bad Raw Material







Bad Raw Material

Good Raw Material







Fish Cutting

Lid Cover





Lid Cover



Temperature drop from Tapping to pouring

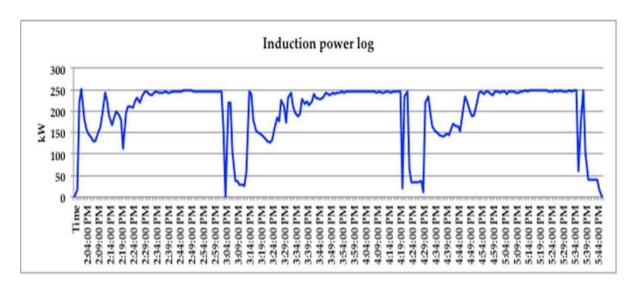


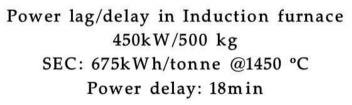
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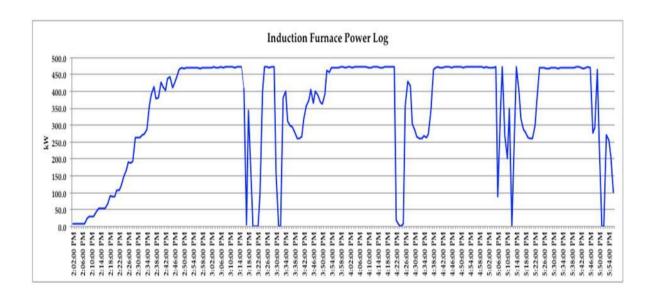




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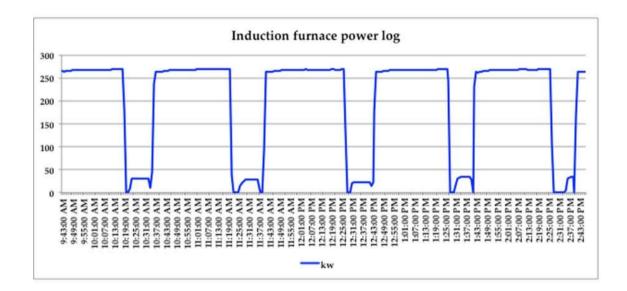


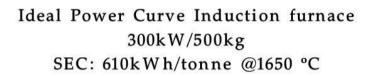


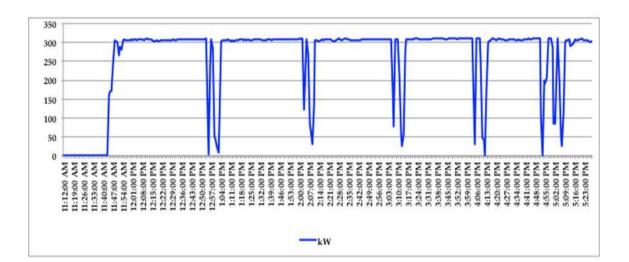




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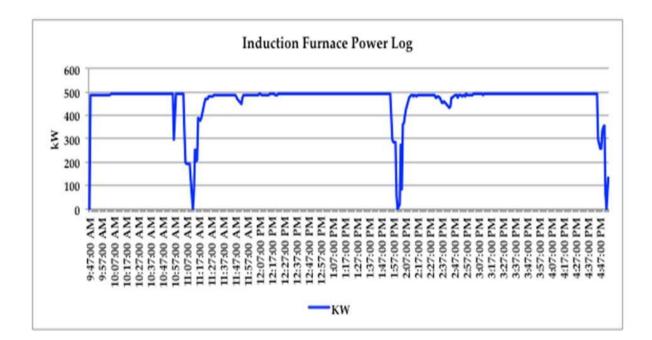








Ideal Power Curve Induction furnace 500kW/2T SEC: 595kWh/tonne @1620 °C



KAIZEN CASE STUDY OF FOUNDRY



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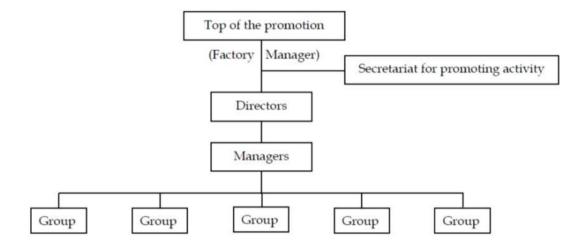
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- Year of establishment: 1995
- Annual production of 1,450 tonnes
- Grey cast iron castings
- Sectors catered: Automobile, air compressors, tractor, railway and textile
- Induction furnace: 550 kW, 500 kg, SCR type

Kaizen – Methodology

- Formation of implementation support group
- Formation of small groups
- Formulating criteria and means of evaluation of the activities
- Data collection, analysis and visualization
- Identification of problem statements
- Looking for solutions with help of "small group activity"
- Validation and implementation of suggested solution
- Post implementation verification by data collation



Implementation support group



Data Collection format

PART 1 – Basic data

| Melt No. Date | Operator Name | Material Grade |
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PART 2 – Raw material composition data

| | Charging Weight (kg) | | | | | nentary al (kg) |
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Data Collection format

PART 3 – Time and power reading

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PART 4 – Temperature and energy

| Tapping temperature (°C) | Total time (min) | Total power consumption (kWh) | Specific energy consumption (kWh/t) |
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Data Collection format

PART 5 – Chemical composition

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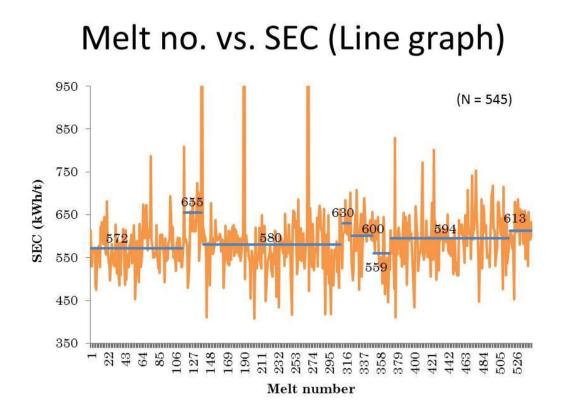
Summary data Collected

- Monitoring of furnace for 8 months
- Grades manufactured by foundry: FG220, FG260, FG300 and FG350
- Most common grade FG220: considered for study
- 545 heats of FG220 grade monitored
- Total quantum of data collected 16,955 values

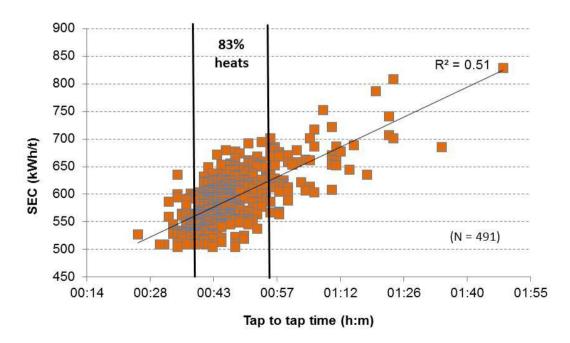
Visualization of data

| S. No. | Data analysis | Visualization tool |
|--------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Melt no. vs. SEC | Line graph |
| 2 | TTT vs. SEC | Scatter plot |
| 3 | TT occurrence | Histogram |
| 4 | TT vs. SEC | Scatter plot |
| 5 | SEC vs. Operator | Line graph |
| 6 | Rejection vs. Occurrence | Pareto chart |

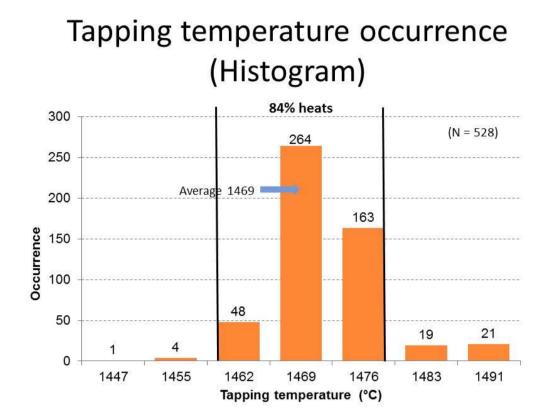




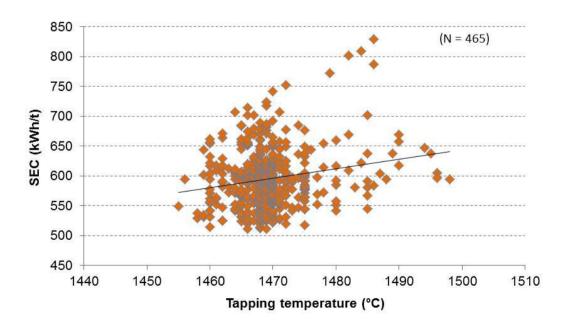
TTT vs. SEC (Scatter plot)



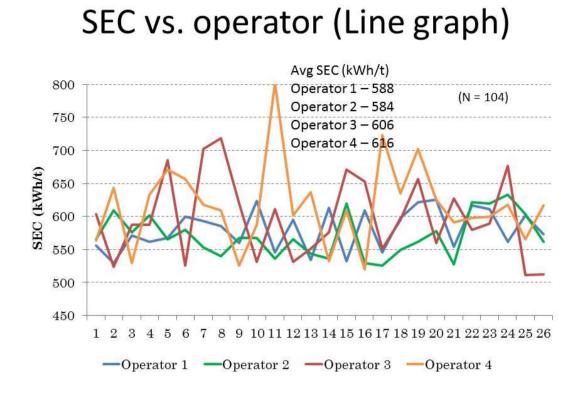




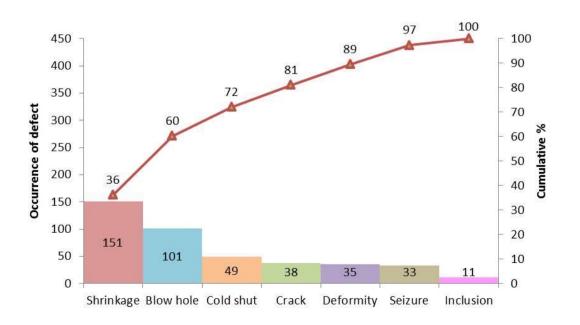
Tapping temperature vs. SEC (Scatter plot)







Rejection occurrence (Pareto chart)





Activities for implementation

| Category | Proposal | Priority |
|---|---|----------|
| Operation of high frequency induction furnace | Creation of the check standard list based on the past troubles | Δ |
| | Creation of the prior checking standard for oil pressure and water system | Δ |
| Maintenance of high power factor operation | Prior-operation check of the installation state of magnetic shield board | 0 |
| | Connection situations, and cleaning situation of bus bar, etc. | 0 |

Activities for implementation

| Category | Proposal | Priority |
|---|--|----------|
| Heat radiation from furnace body | Heat radiation from cooling coil (amount of cooling water) | 0 |
| | Heat radiation from an outer wall (furnace building plan, consideration of insulation) | Δ |
| Shortening of materials charging (input) time | Form (shape) of input materials, proper charging amount | Ø |
| | Mixing of different materials (Prevention from adhesion of slag, sand, refractory, etc.) | Ø |



Activities for implementation

| Category | Proposal | Priority |
|--|---|----------|
| Management of the ladle preheat | Enhancement of back (rear) insulation | 0 |
| | Consideration of ladle cap | Δ |
| Creation of production plan and accomplish | Reduction of residual hot water, reduction of waiting time of mould | Δ |

Activities for implementation

| Category | Proposal | Priority |
|-------------------|--|----------|
| Melting operation | Prevention from overheat of molten metal in operation | Ø |
| | Consideration of heat radiation prevention cap from molten metal surface | Ø |
| | Creation of operation melting work standard | 0 |

- ◎ Taking immediate action is recommended,
- O Taking an action not immediately but sometime after is recommended,
- Δ $\;$ Taking an action carefully and thoroughly $\;$



Activities carried

- Installed the energy monitoring system on Induction Furnaces
- Training of two young operators by experienced operators and foundry manager
- Better line-up of moulds for liquid metal no holding
- Lid mechanism for Induction furnace
- · Replacement of soft water pump with energy efficient pump
- Replacement of raw water pump with energy efficient pump
- Replacement of aluminium blades of cooling tower fan by FRP blade
- Removal of enclosure at air inlet in Cooling tower no.1
- Replacement of existing lighting system with efficient lighting system in phase manner
- Provided cerawool cover on ladle to prevent radiation losses

Implementation



Installation of induction furnace energy monitoring system





Lid mechanism for induction furnace crucible



Proper sizing of pump and improving energy efficiency





Removal of obstruction to cooling tower air intake and FRP blades

Implementation



Cerawool cover for pouring ladle





Proper sizing of the former

Implementation



OLTC Transformer





Implementation









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Best Operating Practices (BOP) in Induction Furnace

Training Workshop Energy Conservation (focus on induction melting)

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- TERI's experience in foundries
- Energy saving options in a plant
- BOP recommendations for induction furnace





- Started working in foundries since 1991
- > Initial energy audits in Agra and Howrah
- Demonstration DBC + PCS installed at Howrah in 1998
- > Over 130 TERI designed DBC in operation
- 185 detailed energy audits conducted in induction furnace units in Kolhapur & Rajkot
- > Over 60% of the audit recommendations implemented



Energy saving options in industry





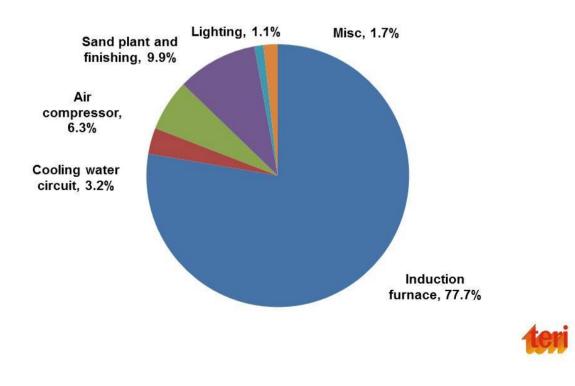
(1) Improving energy efficiency of Induction furnace

- BOP
- Retrofit
- Revamp

(2) Energy-saving in other areas (moulding, air compressor, lighting, ladle preheating, heat treatment)

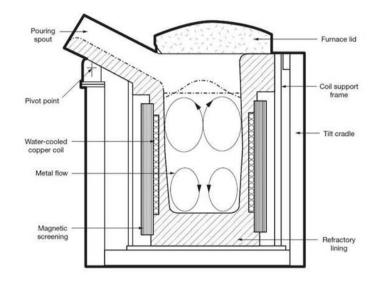
(3) Energy-saving by improving yields





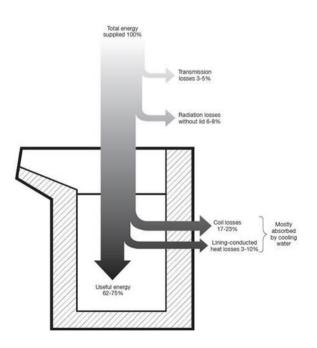


Typical arrangement of coreless induction furnace





Energy loss in induction furnace



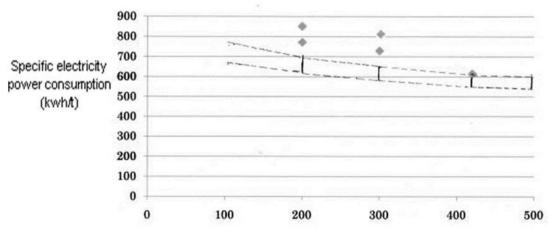






- Unit of SEC kWh/t
 - Indicator of energy performance
 - SEC (furnace) calculated on per tonne of charged metal
 - SEC (overall) calculated on per tonne of good (saleable) castings
- SEC may be higher not on account of the poor design of furnace but due to poor operating practices

Relationship between furnace capacity and SEC (kWh/t)

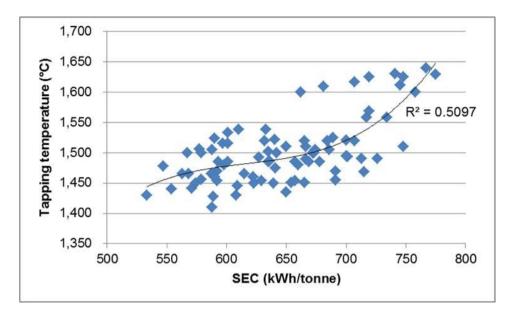


Furnace capacity (t) of induction furnaces

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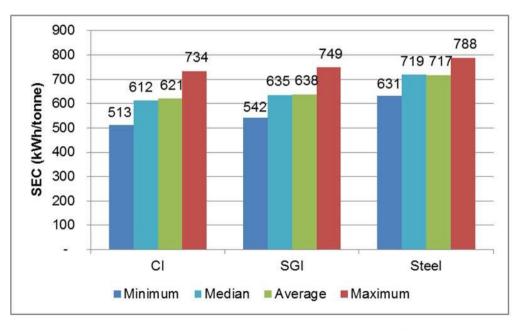


Correlation between tapping temp & SEC



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SEC variations for similar castings

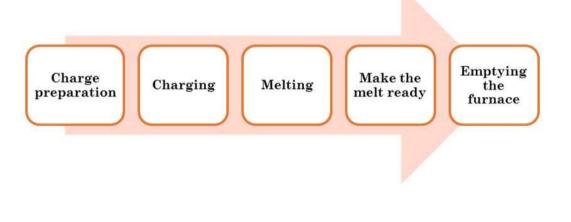






Significant potential to reduce SEC in Induction Furnaces

Steps of operation of induction furnace





Charge preparation & charging

- Metal must be weighed & arranged near to furnace before starting the melting
- Charge must be free from sand, rust, oil/grease, moisture
- Maximum size scrap should not be more than 1/3rd. of diameter of furnace crucible
- Charge bigger size metal first followed by smaller size & fill gaps by turnings and boring

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Charge preparation & charging term

- The foundry returns must be tum blasted or shot blasted to remove the sand
- Reduce charging time by use of mechanical vibrating feeder arrangement
- Furnace should not be charged beyond the coil level, i.e. charge the furnace to its capacity
- Limit the use of baled steel scrap and loose borings





Charging basket on track to charge raw material faster

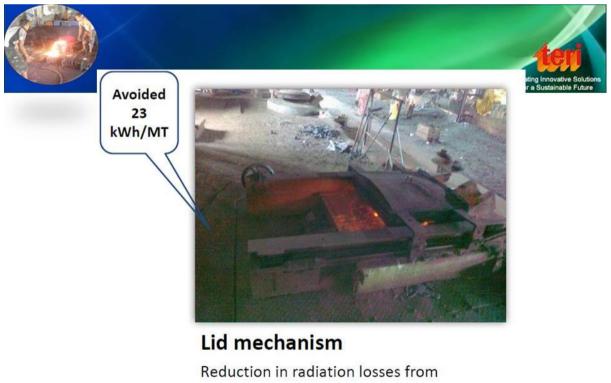
Melting and making melt readyter

- Run the furnace with full power
- Use lid mechanism for furnace crucible, radiation heat loss accounts for 4 – 5 % input energy. E.g. 500 kg crucible melting at 1450 °C with no lid cover leads to radiation heat loss of up to 25 kWh per tonne
- Avoid build-up of slag on furnace walls



Melting and making melt ready

- Use proper tools for de-slagging. Use tools with flat head instead of rod or bar for deslagging
- Spectro-testing lab must be located near to melt shop to avoid waiting time for chemical analysis
- Avoid un-necessary super-heating of metal. Superheating by 50 °C can increase furnace specific energy consumption by 25 kWh per tonne









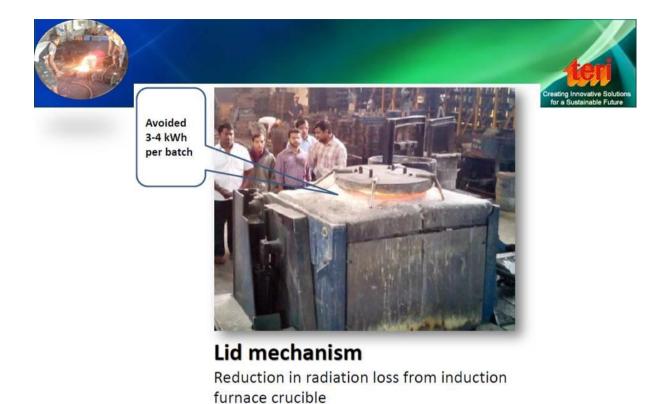
Energy saving 9 kWh per batch



Lid mechanism Reduction in radiation loss from induction furnace crucible













Avoided 28 kWh per batch



Lid mechanism Reduction in radiation loss from induction furnace crucible

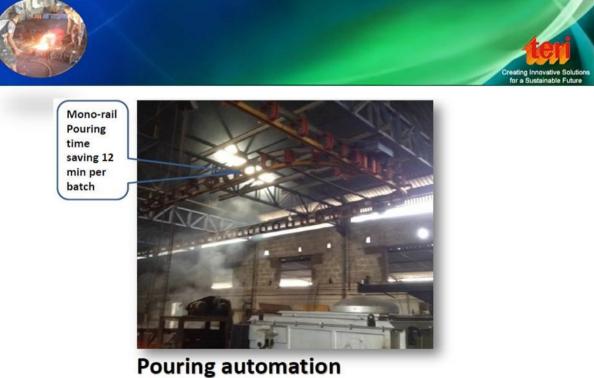
Emptying the furnace

- Optimization of the ladle size to minimize the heat losses and empty the furnace in the shortest time
- · Optimization of the ladle transportation.
- · Use of ladle pre-heater



Emptying the furnace

- Quantity of liquid metal returned to furnace must be as low as possible
- Glass-wool or ceramic-wool cover for pouring ladle
- Minimize plant breakdown by implementing a planned maintenance schedule



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Reduction in time taken for pouring, saving of energy wasted during metal holding





saving 6-8 min per 510

time

batch

Pouring automation Reduction in time taken for pouring, saving of energy wasted during metal holding





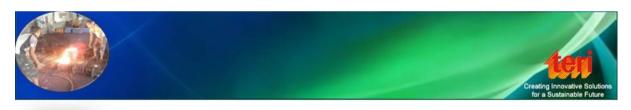
Ladle pre-heater Avoiding use of molten metal for heating pouring ladle







Ladle cover Ceramic wool+MS cover for pouring ladles





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Ladle cover

Ceramic wool+MS cover for pouring ladle

Energy monitoring and data analysis

- Separate energy meter for furnace must be installed
- Monitor & analyze energy consumption on heat by heat basis to calculate SEC of furnace on daily basis
- Coil cooling and panel cooling water's temperature and flow rate must be monitored regularly



Energy monitoring and data analysis

- The panel must be checked on weekly basis and cleaning must be done on monthly basis
- Check the condition of fins in cooling tower, do cleaning of fins on monthly basis







