



Conversion of Non-Hazardous Brine Sludge to Bricks

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INTRODUCTION



- **CHEMFAB ALKALIS LIMITED (CCAL)** was the first membrane Chlor-alkali Plant in India.
- First in the Chlor-alkali sector to implement various innovative technologies.
- Programmes for eliminating treatment chemicals, recycling of liquid and solid waste was taken up from the year 2000.



SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS

- *Power - working towards renewables*
- *Water - Water positive goal established (Seawater Desalination)*
- *Elimination or substitution of process treatment chemicals with environment chemicals.*
- *Optimized water consumption and nearing ZLD.*
- *Conversion of the solid wastes to saleable product.*

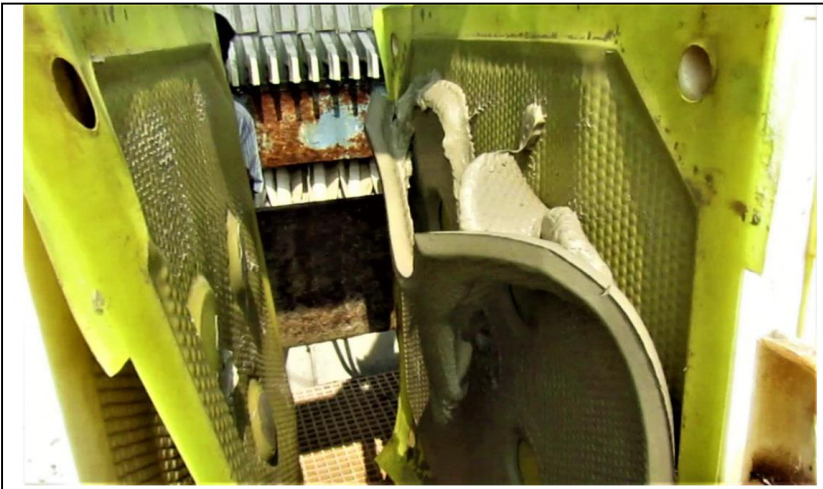


CONVERSION OF BRINE SLUDGE TO BRICKS



Chloralkali Industry : (Brine)

- Industrial grade salt is one of basic raw material in Chloralkali production. The salt contains Calcium, Magnesium and IR as impurities.
- Separation of these impurities in the brine results in the generation of brine mud or brine sludge.
- The sludge is separated and is being used for the preparation of the bunds in our own salt fields.
- Major components in the brine sludge are Calcium Carbonate (13 - 18%), Magnesium Hydroxide (1.5 – 11%) , and Insoluble residue (silica) (11.5 – 29%).



METHODOLOGY

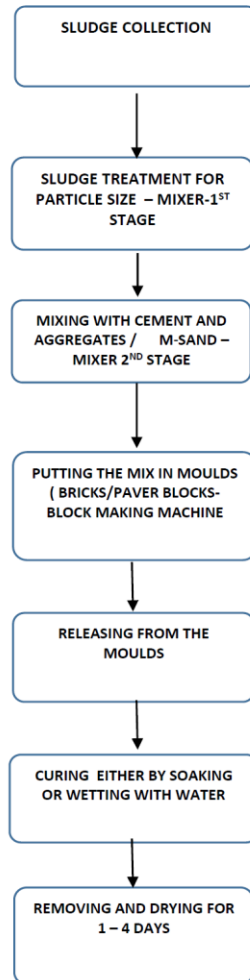


- Attempts were made by various industries using this sludge for making bricks, but were not successful.
- The sludge characteristics was studied in detail and the reason for the non-binding property was identified and developed.
- Sludge is first treated for particle size and subsequently mixed with aggregates, cement and cast into bricks/blocks.
- Aggregates can be substituted with fly ash or mineral sand.



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Fig:1 – FLOW CHART OF THE PROCESS



- Bench and pilot studies were carried out and the properties of the bricks was tested.
- Stabilized the process of making bricks with 30 % sludge composition.
- Properties of the bricks/blocks tested at the Civil Engineering Dept, Pondicherry Engineering College.
- Brick properties :
 - a) Water absorption < 20 %
 - b) Compressive strength : 2.6 – 10 Mpa
 - c) TCLP test passed.



METHODOLOGY

MIXER MACHINE



CONVEYOR



- The upscaled plant comprises of two mixers of capacity 250 kgs & 500 kgs with conveyors, hopper and the block making machine.
- The plant has the capacity to produce 23570 units per day.
- The ingredients sludge, aggregates and cement will be mixed and cast into blocks/bricks.
- The bricks/blocks will be cured with water and dried before despatch.



S.NO	TYPE	SLUDGE (%)	COMPOSITION (Cement:Sludge: Aggregate)	SIZE (mm) LXBXH	WEIGHT OF SINGLE UNIT (Kgs)	BULK DENSITY (MT/Cu.m)	LOAD BEARING (KN)	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (N/mm ²)	IS 2185 STANDARD FOR CLASS'A'-BULK DENSITY	IS 2185 STANDARD FOR CLASS'A'- COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH
1	BRICK	33	1:2:3	230X100X75	4	2.3	237	10.3	>1.8	10-15
2	BRICK	33	1:2:3	230X100X75	3.7	2.1	320	13.9	> 1.8	10-15
3	BLOCK -6"	33	1:2:3	400X150X200	25	2.08	328.8	5.5	> 1.8	4 - 5
4	BLOCK - 8"	33	1:2:3	400X150X200	33.7	2.8	413	6.9	> 1.8	4 - 5
5	BLOCK - 8"	36	1:4:6	400X150X200	34	2.8	206	3.43	> 1.8	4 - 5



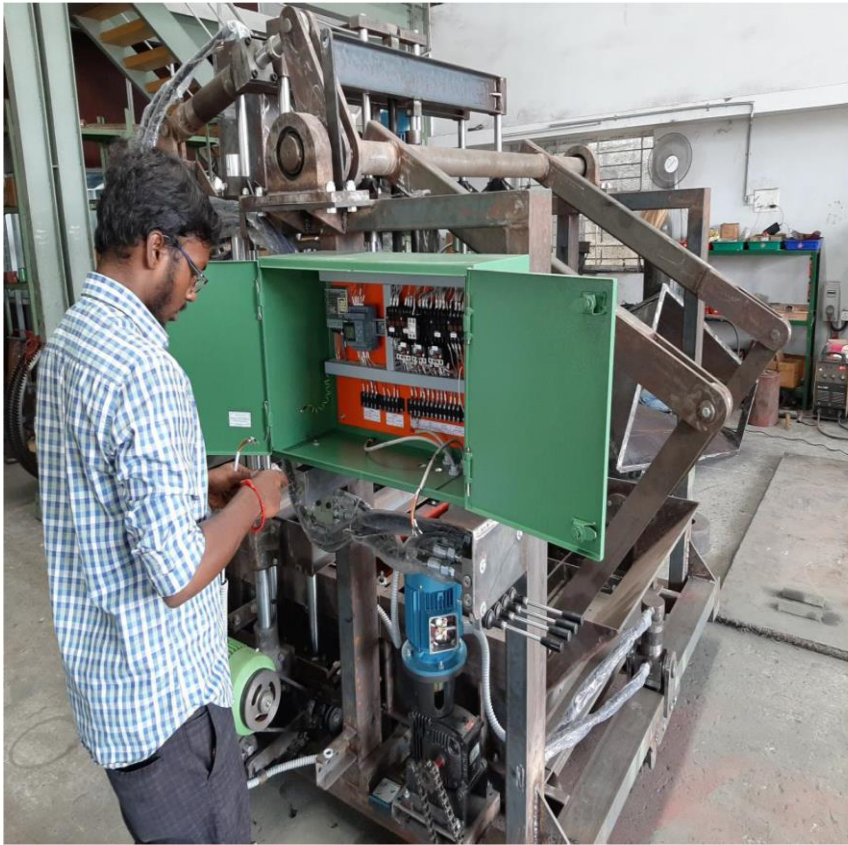
REPLICATION




- For every ton of salt used, the sludge generation will be in the range of 20 – 50 kgs depending on the quality.
- There are 33 Chloralkali Industries in India and the generation of the sludge will be approx. 2.0 lakh tonne per annum.
- At present, the sludge is stored within the premises or sent to secured land fill.
- The Chloralkali industry operations will become more sustainable through the use of sludge for construction activities.








PROCESS PATENTED


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- This project being unique to the Chloralkali Industry, a patent was filed for the process. (Patent Application no. 201841021599)



BENCHMARK



- This project is first of its kind in the Chloralkali Industry.
- CCAL has established itself as being the leader of innovations in the Chloralkali Process in India after it brought the first energy efficient, mercury free Chloralkali technology into India.
- CCAL has set the benchmark for the industries in this sector and making the sector look vibrant in terms of energy efficiency and pollution control.





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