managing air pollution from thermal power plants and brick kilns in India

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giant vacuum cleaner?

each costs 2.5 crores (0.5 million USD)

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Emissions – Household Cooking & Heating

The global burden of disease assessments, listed outdoor air pollution among the top 10 health risks in India. It study estimated 695,000

India Air Quality Forecasts – District Avg. Hourly Time Series

Air pollution has emerged as a top-10 risk factor for human health in India

Emissions – Road Transport

The road transport emissions vary both in space and time. The modeling domain considered for this exercise is very diverse (covering 640 districts, 36



Particulate Matter (less than 10 micron-m) (PM10)

72-hr Animations







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Output of CAMx







satairquality@twitter

emissions from FINN@NCAR



COAL KILLS An Assessment of Death and Disease caused by India's Dirtiest Energy Source



Coal Kills

Health Impacts of Air Pollution from India's Coal Power Expansion



2014

Monitoring Data from the NAMP Stations





COAL KILLS

caused by India's Dirtiest Energy Source



2011-12 Operational 111 plants



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Atmospheric Environment (2014)



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Health Hazards from Emission in Coal-Fired Power Plants

Government is aware of the report titled "Coal kills- An assessment of death and disease caused by India's dirtiest energy source" which was jointly published by Conservation Action Trust (a non-profit organization), Urban emission (air pollution research firm) and Greenpeace India in Dec 2012. The report shows that in 2011-2012, emission from Indian coal plants resulted in 80,000 to 1,15,000 premature deaths and more than 20 million asthma cases from exposure to air pollution. The study quantified additional health impacts such as large number of cases of heart attacks, emergency room visits, hospital admission and lost workdays caused by coal based emissions. The study estimates that monetary cost associated with these health impacts exceeds Rs. 16,000 to 23,000 crores per year.

Central Electricity Authority (CEA) has informed that Ministry of Power has constituted a Standing Committee on occupational health and safety of workers of thermal power plants. The committee has members from various stake holders.

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Emissions & pollution modeling

Emissions



Inputs Geographical information Pollutant emission rates Stack characteristics

Dispersion



Model

CAMx Eulerian dispersion model with plume rise function for stack emissions

Inputs

Emissions 3D meteorological data from NCEP reanalysis



Model outputs Concentration maps of primary and secondary PM % contributions to total ambient pollution Monthly and seasonal variations Cluster contributions for 7 select sub-regions Forward trajectory analysis for select clusters

Population



Source Population data at 30 second resolution (SEDAC/GRUMP)

Health Impacts



Inputs

Relative risk assessments for mortality and morbidity based on epidemiological studies

Endpoints

Premature mortality due to cardiovascular and respiratory ailments Asthma attacks Productivity days lost Total health costs

Winds (m per sec) at the surface level



4 key messages

Published in Atmospheric Environment (2014)





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Output of RAWS6.0 & NCEP Fields

1 limited number of plants



Health impacts are high and we need to deal with only limited number of point sources

VERY doable !!

2 new generation coal-fired boilers

Process Control



Emission Monitoring

3 mix of old technologies

Table 1

Summary of annual coal consumption at the power plants in India in 2010-11.

State	Number of plants	MW	Coal million tons	kg coal/kWh 2006–07	% Installed units <210 MW
Andhra Pradesh	8	10,523	47.4	0.72	65%
Bihar	3	2870	10.2	0.94	77%
Chhattisgarh	8	9480	44.5	0.72	39%
Delhi	2	840	4.8	0.77	100%
Gujarat	11	14,710	55.9	0.65	69%
Haryana	5	5860	23.9	0.70	35%
Jharkhand	6	4548	12.0	0.75	86%
Karnataka	5	3680	14.6	0.69	64%
Madhya Pradesh	4	6703	33.1	0.79	79%
Maharashtra	13	17,560	71.5	0.73	51%
Orissa	8	8943	40.7	0.73	76%
Punjab	3	2620	13.2	0.66	82%
Rajasthan	4	3490	13.2	0.67	44%
Tamilnadu	8	6210	25.8	0.72	95%
Uttar Pradesh	11	11,997	56.0	0.80	86%
West Bengal	12	10,695	36.1	0.69	75%
Total	111	120,727	503	0.73 ± 0.10	70%

4 archaic EIA procedures Mumbai Cluster (State: Maharashtra)

April, 2010



July, 2010



October, 2010



The 24 lines are trajectory lines started at every hour of the day. These are trajectories for one day of each month and indicative of the flow of emissions from power plant clusters and do not represent the strength of the emissions or dispersed pollution. All the trajectories are started at 275m above ground level.

Coal Kills Health Impacts of Air Pollution from India's Coal Power **Expansion** 2014

Figure 8: Proposed locations of the coal-fired TPPs in India through 2030. The brown circles represent the TPPs operational in 2014 (details in Figure 6) and the second colour in each map represents all the new plants and expansions expected after 2014 and likely to be operational in the representative year. The largest circle is 4620MW. Note that many of these circles are overlapping due their close proximity to other TPPs











draft standards proposed in April, 2015 new emission standards ratified in December, 2015

Growth of Installed Capacity in India^{[1][3]}

Installed Conseits	Thermal (MW)			Nuclear	Renewable (MW)				N/ Orienth	
as on	Coal \$	Gas ‡	Diesel \$	Sub-Total Thermal	(MW)	Hydel \$	Other Renewable	Sub-Total Renewable	Total (MW) 🕈	% Growtn (on yearly basis) ♦
31-Dec-1947	756	-	98	854	-	508	-	508	1,362	-
31-Dec-1950	1,004	-	149	1,153	-	560	-	560	1,713	8.59%
31-Mar-1956	1,597	-	228	1,825	-	1,061	-	1,061	2,886	13.04%
31-Mar-1961	2,436	-	300	2,736	-	1,917	-	1,917	4,653	12.25%
31-Mar-1966	4,417	137	352	4,903	-	4,124	-	4,124	9,027	18.80%
31-Mar-1974	8,652	165	241	9,058	640	6,966	-	6,966	16,664	10.58%
31-Mar-1979	14,875	168	164	15,207	640	10,833	-	10,833	26,680	12.02%
31-Mar-1985	26,311	542	177	27,030	1,095	14,460	-	14,460	42,585	9.94%
31-Mar-1990	41,236	2,343	165	43,764	1,565	18,307	-	18,307	63,636	9.89%
31-Mar-1997	54,154	6,562	294	61,010	2,225	21,658	902	22,560	85,795	4.94%
31-Mar-2002	62,131	11,163	1,135	74,429	2,720	26,269	1,628	27,897	105,046	4.49%
31-Mar-2007	71,121	13,692	1,202	86,015	3,900	34,654	7,760	42,414	132,329	5.19%
31-Mar-2012	112,022	18,381	1,200	131,603	4,780	38,990	24,503	63,493	199,877	9.00%
31 Mar 2015	169,118	23,062	1,200	188,898	5,780	41,267	35,777	77,044	271,722	11.98%
31 Mar 2016	185,172	24,508	993	210,675	5,780	42,783	42,727	85,510	301,965	11.13%

Telecom towers



TRAI green report

40% power from grid 60% from diesel

estimates 2 billion litres of annual diesel consumption

total number of mobile connections in 2016 950 million

Contributions of PP-GS





Concentrations in micro-gm/m3 PM2.5

District: Ahmadabad (GJ)



Ash Utilization

stop these from getting blown into the inhabited areas nearby. "All the units of the plant have dry ash extraction and transportation systems. The ash utilization at NTPC, Badarpur is more than 113%—way more than the industry standard," the official said.

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/delhi/NTPC-says-Badarpur-plantdoesnt-pollute/articleshow/46402507.cms

Resource Efficiencies





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% ground based emissions in south Delhi



IND = industries; PP = power plants; DOM = domestic; TR = transport; RD = road dust;
 WB = waste burning; CON = construction activities; BK = brick kilns; DG = diesel generator sets; LFB = landfill burning

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Brick Production Cycle

hand moulding

open sun drying

final product: Solid bricks

~ 20-25% production through Clamps

~ 70-75% production through FCBTK

Brick Production Cycle

Workers pushing a mixture of agri-waste and powdered coal at a kiln outside Delhi, India

fuels utilized in brick kilns

A worker soaks dry cow dung in a mixture of kerosene and gasoline at a kiln near Amritsar, India.

Workers cut firewood to light a brick kiln in Kabul, Afghanistan.

A boy transports a discarded tire, to use in a kiln near Dhaka, Bangladesh

Workers pour coal into the fire of a Bull's trench kiln outside Kabul, Afghanistan

A worker removes sand from a batch of fired bricks in Amritsar, India

Brick Kiln Technologies

Traditional Technologies

Bulls Trench Kiln

Down-draught Kiln

Clamp

Alternate Technologies

Zigzag Kiln

Hoffman Kiln

Vertical Shaft Kiln

Tunnel Kiln

Brick Kiln Technologies

At source solutions

 Table 1 Comparison of technical and operational benefits and constraints of current and alternative brick manufacturing technologies available in Bangladesh

Technology	Fuel consumed per 100,000 bricks	Average tons of CO ₂ produced per 100,000 bricks	Average reduction in PM emissions compared to FCBTK (%)	
FCBTK	20-22 t coal	50		
Zigzag ^a	16–20 t coal	40	40	
Hoffmann ^b	15,000–17,000 m ³ NG	30	90	
Hoffmann ^c	12–14 t coal	30	60	
VSBK ^d	10-12 t coal	25	60	

The table is a summary of information presented in World Bank 2007

FCBTK fixed chimney bull trench kiln, NG natural gas, VSBK vertical shaft brick kiln

^a Some zigzag pilot kilns are in operation, listed as poor to medium performance. Any improvement in the efficiency of operations can lead to further reductions in coal consumption

^b Manufacturing period for Hoffmann kilns is round the year, compared to the six month operations for the other kilns; thus increasing the land and raw material requirements; Link to natural gas grid and continuous supply is a major constraint

^c Initial investments are higher for Hoffmann kilns

^d Operational models are available in India and Kathmandu (CAI-Asia 2008)

Patna, India

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Health impact shares

GBD assessments estimate 530,000 premature deaths (2015) in India due to outdoor air pollution

National share of impacts from brick kiln emissions is ????

At urban scale, this can be 5-15%

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