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# RFCL Implementation Challenges

**A Case study**

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# REVIVAL OF RAMAGUNDAM FERTILIZERS



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NATIONAL FERTILIZERS LIMITED



A Navratna Company

## RAMAGUNDAM FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS LIMITED

- INCORPORATED ON 17<sup>TH</sup> FEB, 2015
- NATURAL GAS BASED FERTILIZER PLANT
  - 2200 MTPD AMMONIA UNIT
  - 3850 MTPD UREA PLANT
- Joint Venture of NFL (26%), EIL(26%),GAIL(14.5%), HTAS(11.5%), FCIL(11%) and Govt. of Telangana(11%)

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# PROJECT OVERVIEW



- OWNER : RAMAGUNDAM FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS LIMITED
- PROJECT : REVIVAL OF RAMAGUNDAM FERTILIZERS
- LOCATION : RAMAGUNDAM , TELANGANA
- UNITS : AMMONIA, UREA,AMMONIA STORAGE,BAGGING CPP, WATER BLOCK, U&O
- MODE OF EXECUTION : EPCM
- MECH.COMPLETION : JAN 2021
- COMMERCIAL OPERATION : MAR 2021

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# RFCL PANORAMIC VIEW



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# UNITWISE CAPACITY



UNIT	CAPACITY	LICENSOR	CONTRACTOR
AMMONIA	2200 MTPD	HTAS	EIL-EPCM
UREA	3850 MTPD	SAIPEM	EIL-EPCM
AMMONIA STORAGE	14700M3 (2 TANKS)		VTV
HRSG+UB+GTG+BOP	125TPH+85TPH+32.5MW		BHEL
WATERBLOCK (ETP/STP/RWTP/RO-DM/CPU)	35;35;1520;390;300 M3/HR		WIPRO
CONVEYING AND BAGGING	500 TPH 50,000 BAGS PER DAY 45KG EACH BAG		ELECON

# UNITS AND CONTROL ROOMS



UNIT	CONTROL ROOM
AMMONIA	MAIN CONTROL ROOM
UREA	MAIN CONTROL ROOM
U&O (AMMONIA STORAGE, COMPRESSED AIR, COOLING WATER, FLARE)	MAIN CONTROL ROOM
HRSG+UB+GTG+BOP	POWER PLANT CONTROL ROOM
WATER BLOCK (RWTP,RO DM& CPU,FW,ETP,STP)	WATER BLOCK CONTROL ROOM
CONVEYING AND BAGGING	BAGGING CONTROL ROOM

# CONTROL SYSTEMS



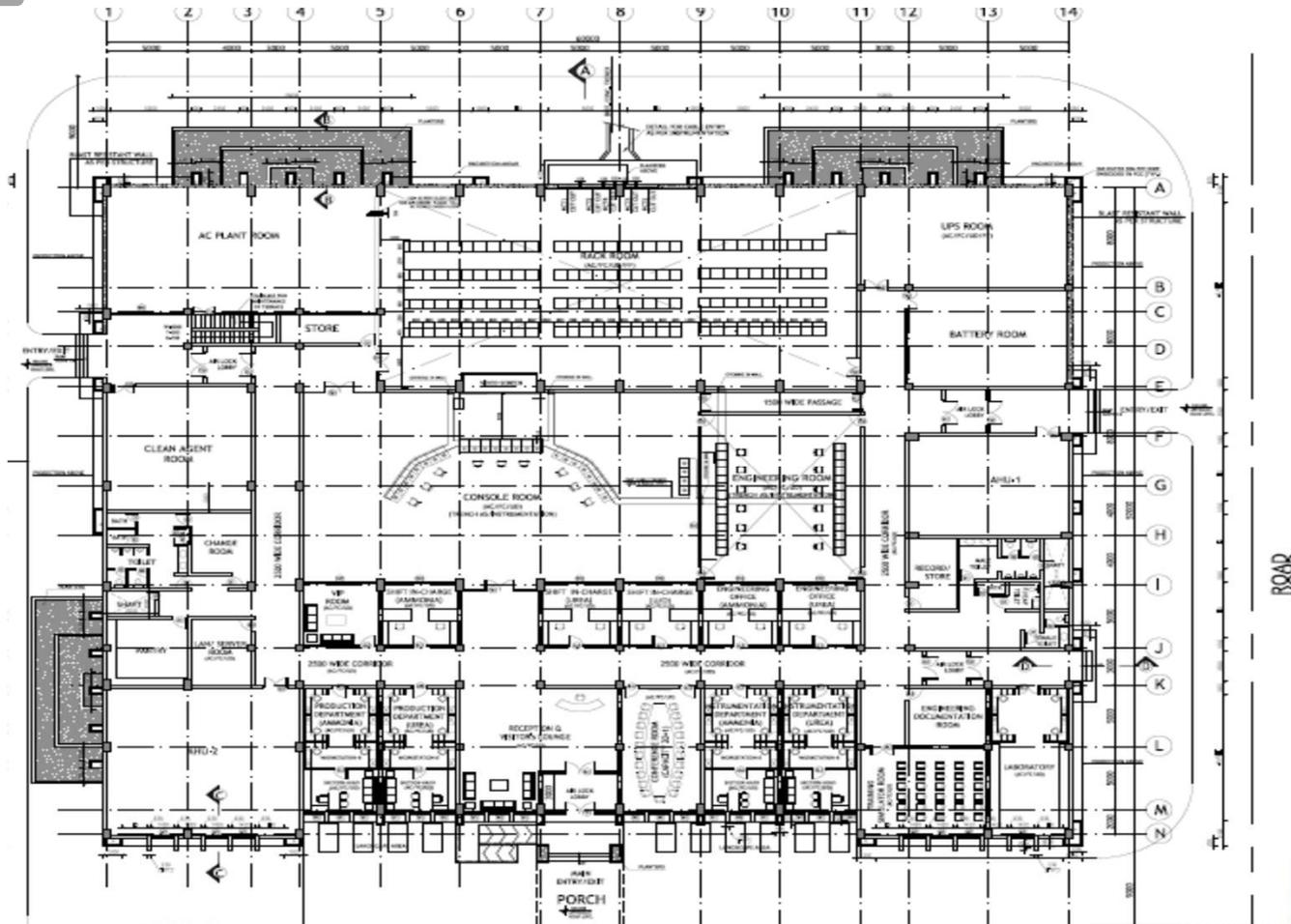
CONTROL SYSTEM	PROCESS / UTILITY UNITS
EMERSON DELTA V DCS/SIS PLC	PROCESS UNITS- AMMONIA, UREA, AMMONIA STORAGE, U&O AND CPP (DCS)
ABB PLC based control system HRSG BMS + UB BMS + BOP PLC (MODEL NO. 800 HI)	HRSG BMS + UB BMS + BOP PLC
GE MARK VI E system	GTG
HAIL PLC based control system (MODEL NO. 200R)	WATER BLOCK (RWTP/ETP/STP/RO-DM)
ABB PLC based control system (MODEL NO. 800 HI)	Bagging & Conveying System
ROCKWELL PLCs (MODEL NO. CONTROL LOGIX )	LP Air Compressors, Inst Air Dryer

# CONTROL SYSTEM IO COUNT



System	Installed IO (MCR)	Installed IO (Power Plant CR)	Installed IO (Water Block control room)	Installed IO (Bagging CR)
DCS	3800 Analog and Digital (including FF)	1000 (Analog and Digital)	-	-
ESD PLC/ SIL-3 certified	5600 Analog and Digital	2000 GTG MARKVI HRSG#1 PLC/ UB#1 PLC/ BOP PLC	3660 (Non-SIL Package PLC)	3000 (Non-SIL Package PLC)
F&G PLC (SIL-3 certified)	200	200	-	-

# MAIN CONTROL ROOM LAYOUT



# MAIN CONTROL ROOM LAYOUT



# MAJOR PACKAGES IN AMMONIA UNIT



PACKAGE	CONTRACTOR
Reformer Package	M/s HPIP
ID/FD Blowers	M/s Boldrocchi
Fuel Gas Expander	M/s BHGE
BFW Pumps	M/s KSB
HPRT/Semi Lean Package	M/s BHGE
N2 Blower Package	M/s Atlas Copco
Ammonia Compressor	M/s BHGE
Synthesis Gas Compressor	M/s BHGE
NG Compressor	M/s BHGE
Process Air Compressor	M/s BHGE

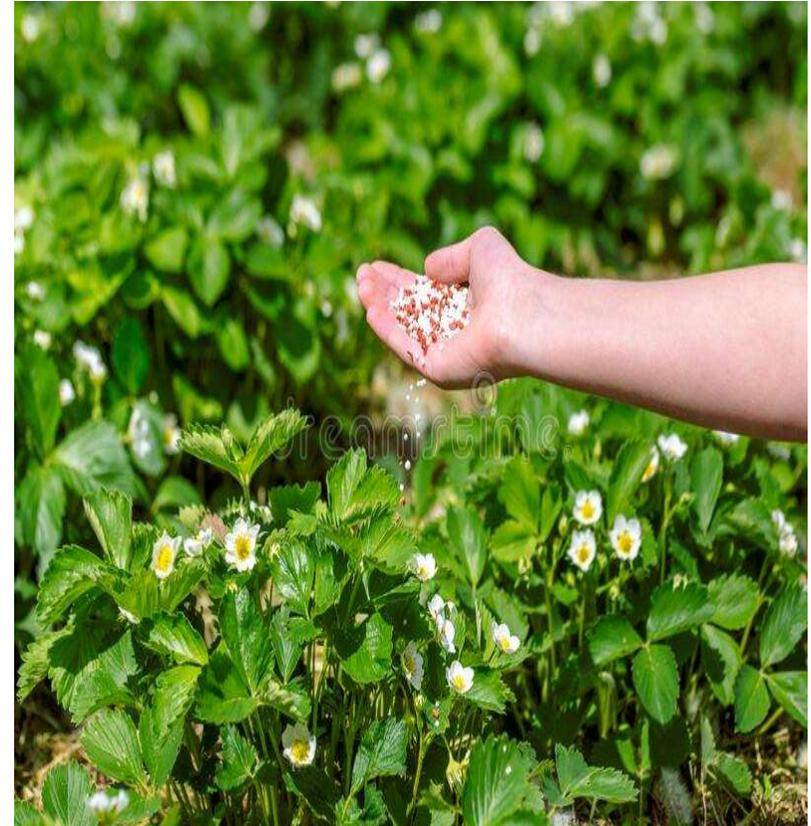
# MAJOR PACKAGES IN UREA UNIT



PACKAGE	CONTRACTOR
CO2 Compressor	M/s BHGE
HP Ammonia Pumps	M/s Ebara
HP Carbamate Pumps	M/s Ebara
Vacuum Ejector System	M/s GEA
Stripper Passivation Air Comp	M/s Burckhardt
Bulk Flow cooler	M/s Solex
Prilling tower package	M/s Simplex

# RFCL Plant Features

- *Low Capex plant among its contemporary plants in India (~30% lower)*
- *One of the lowest energy number plant in country. Technology Licensor provided their proprietary designs to optimize the energy consumption. (design Energy no. ~4.8-4.9 Gcal/MT of Urea)*
- *Appropriate selection of Technology (through NPV process) and ensuring PTR of catalyst and ensuring non-proprietary catalysts also perform.*

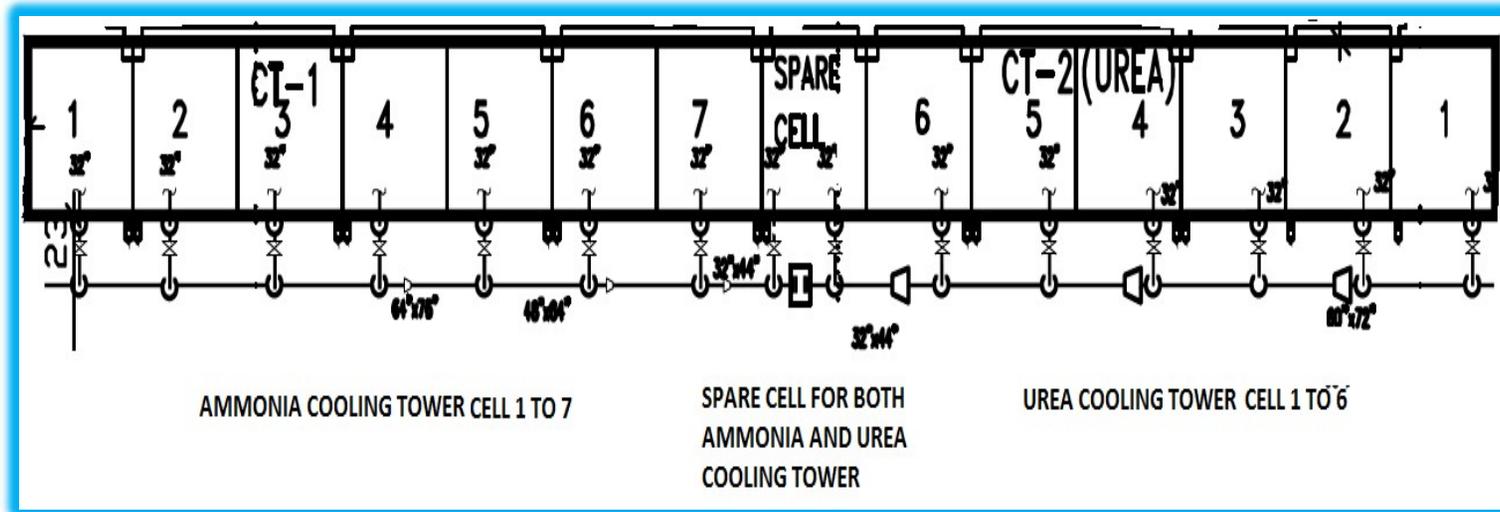


# RFCL Implementation

- *Utilization of purge Gases*
- *Appropriate material of construction for Flare lines*
- *Common spare cooling tower for Ammonia & urea units.*
- *Proven ness of mega rotating machines w. r. to efficiency and performance*
- *Upfront detail engg with respect to Utility & Offsites systems.*



# RFCL Cooling Towers



# RFCL Challenges

- *Optimization of Cooling water pump NPSH*
- *Dual level steam was avoided through integration of steam generators/ consumers.*
- *Complex piping was accommodated within minimum space.*
- *Appropriate Heat Integration*

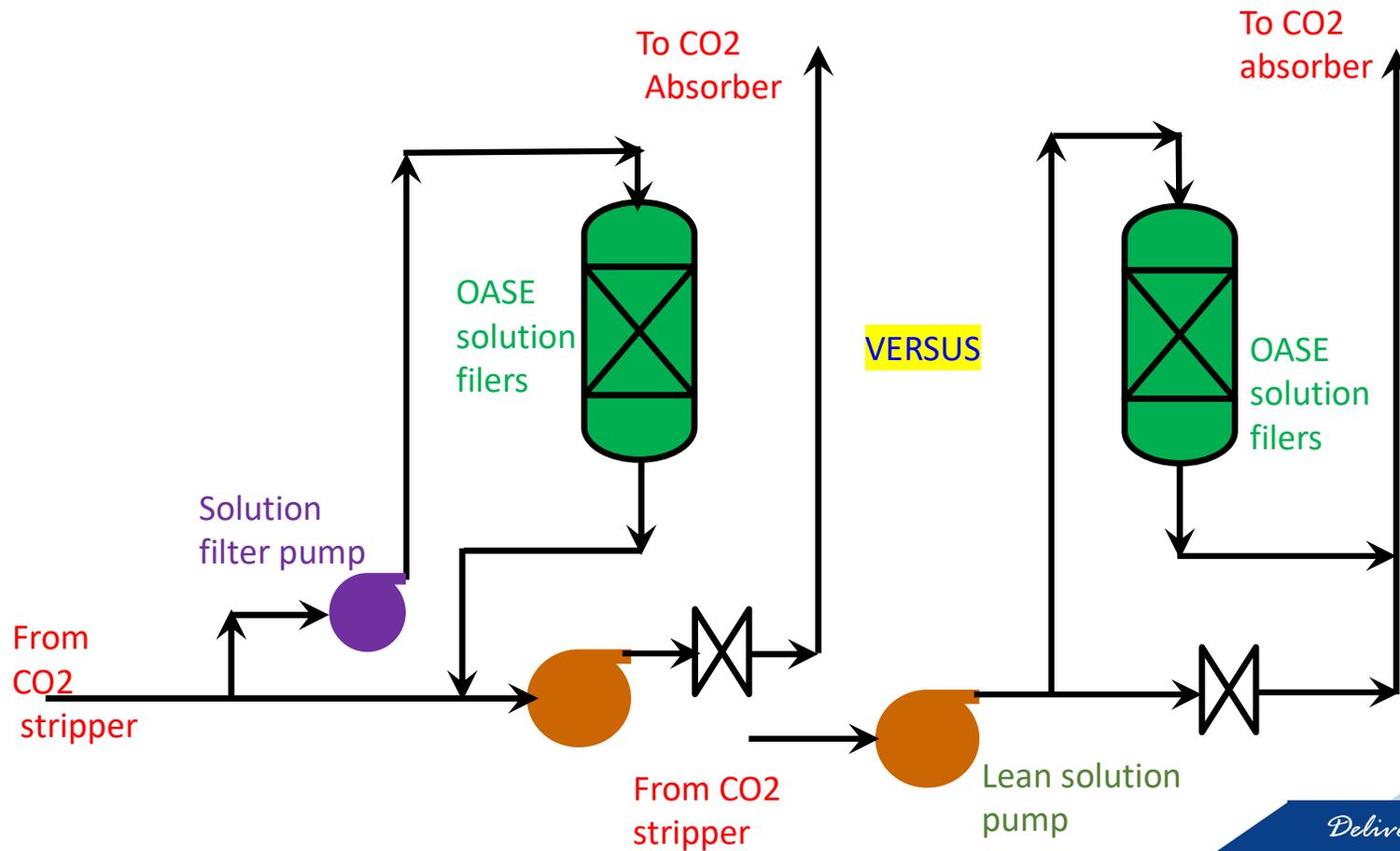


# RFCL Challenges

- *MDEA solution filters were appropriately placed to reduce equipment costs.*
- *The thicknesses were reduced from 116 mm to 30 mm and hence reduction of weights to the extent of 30% of original weight.*
- *This led to availability of more vendors & ODC issues were also solved.*



# RFCL Challenges



# RFCL Flare header optimisation

- *The back pressure of front end flare is **1.5 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>g.***
- *The size of flare header was coming out to be **60"**.*
- *The back pressure of some of the reliefs valves was optimised (without changing the type of relief valve) to reduce the header size to **40"**.*



# NEW CONCEPTS ADOPTED IN FERTILIZER



FOUNDATION FIELDBUS (OPEN LOOPS AND CLOSED LOOPS)

PREFABRICATED HOOK UPS FOR FIELD TRANSMITTERS

REMOTE I/Os CONCEPT FOR INTERFACING MCC I/Os WITH DCS/ESD

SINGLE NETWORK DCS FOR PROCESS UNITS AND CPP

OPERATOR TRAINING SIMULATOR (OTS) FOR AMMONIA UNIT

AMMONIA ANALYSER (TDLS TYPE) AT PRILLING TOWER TOP

LIQUID AMMONIA DESUPERHEATER

# SPECIAL INSTRUMENTS



Special Instruments	Special features	Applications	Remarks
Urea Service Valves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angle type – AISI 316L (ASTM-A-182-F-316 L) Urea grade/ 25Cr-22Ni-2Mo alloy</li> <li>• Globe type Body material shall be as per licensor specification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High Pressure Urea</li> <li>• Low or Medium pressure Urea services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Internal parts as HVD1 hardened by “Gustav Grimm” for HP</li> <li>○ Trim material shall be in HVD1 by “Gustav Grimm” on carbonate solution service and AISI 316L on Urea melt for LP/MP</li> <li>○ Packing flushing 1/2”</li> <li>○ Lenticular connection</li> </ul>
Urea service PSVs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Body AISI316, Plug &amp; Seat as HVD1</li> </ul>	Urea and Carbamate service at high, medium and low pressure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Steam Jacketed, Steam washing</li> <li>○ Balance bellow sealing</li> <li>○ Lenticular connection</li> </ul>
Analysers Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NH3 Analyser -TDLS</li> <li>• Process Gas Chromatograph/ IR Analysers/ TCD Analysers/ Paramagnetic O2 analyser</li> </ul>	Priling tower top	Mass Spectrometer initially proposed but couldn't be implemented due to High cost /redundancy requirement.
Urea Service Field Instruments	PT, DPT, TE.		<b>Pipe flush membrane connections, special nozzle connections</b>

# INSTRUMENT ITEMS PROCUREMENT



Items	Quantity (Nos)
Control Valves	250
On-off valves	180
PSV	240
Self actuated Pr control valve	8
Field Instruments	2000
Averaging Pitot Tubes	8
Mass Flow meters (Coriolis)	3
Ultrasonic flow meter	3
Magnetic Flow meter	9
Thermal Mass flow meter	1
Spl. Level Instruments	25
Analysers	12
Nucleonic Level Instruments	2
Gas detectors	150
Desuperheaters & PRDS	13
Signal Cables – Single pair/ triad	200 KM
Signal Cables – Multi pair/ triad	460 KM
Fieldbus Cables – Single pair (spur)	30 KM
Fieldbus Cables – Two pair (trunk)	70 KM

# Challenges-Procurement and Engineering



- ❖ Urea **Licensors** strongly recommended the following vendors for **Control valves in urea service**: AST- Parcol -Uhde
- ❖ **Challenge** : Obtaining the offers from the above vendors and getting the valves only from vendors with an experience in urea service corresponding to Saipem technology.
- ❖ **Strategy** :The MR was split into following four Groups considering the variety of type of valves and floated global tender & finally ordered as below:
  - Angle High Pressure Urea service valves – Ordered on M/s Provalve
  - Butterfly Drilled Urea service valves – Ordered on M/s Samson
  - Urea service 3 way Divertor valve – Ordered on M/s Samson
  - LP/MP Urea service Globe valves – Ordered on M/s MIL

# Challenges-Procurement and Engineering



## Urea special service control valves:

- ❖ The weight and height of these valves posed a challenge.
- ❖ It was of the order of 2 tons to 5 tons for valves upto 12” 1500#.
- ❖ Co-ordination with Piping and Valve vendor to reduce the weight of the valves. Provalve changed the type of actuator to double acting to reduce weight and the orientation to fit in the space.
- ❖ Co-ordination with vessel vendor to ensure that the nozzles can take the load.

# Challenges-Procurement and Engineering



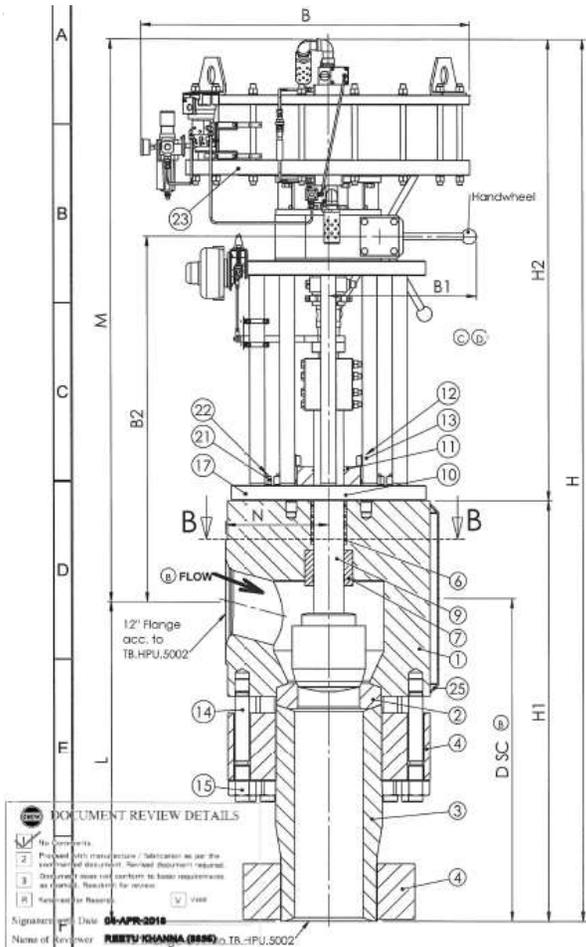
- For the following item vendors were not able to meet the process requirement nor Licensor furnished any recommended/ mandatory vendor

**Self actuated pressure control valves (in ammonia and urea) in high pressure**

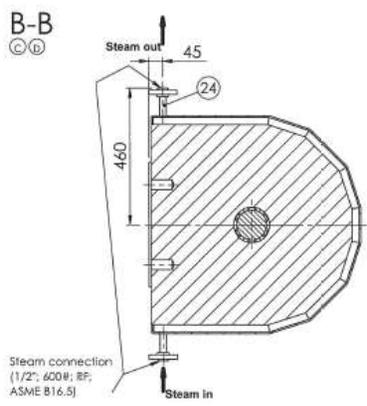
I/L Pr. – 132.9 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>, Diff. Pr. 74.9 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup>

Matter was discussed with Licensor. Vendors given by Licensor were also not able to meet the requirement. Finally these were converted to control valves at later stage.

# GAD OF UREA SERVICE CONTROL VALVE

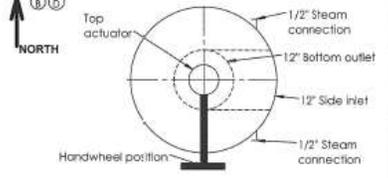


Installation position: vertical



200-XV-0701	NPS	12
	-	1090
	-IH1/H2 (C)	2970/1420/1550
	M (C)	1890
	N (C)	345
	B/B1/B2 (C)(D)	1350/720/1230
	B/B1/B2 (Distance to center of steam connect.)	1090
	Valve weight (B)(E)	3000
	Actuator weight (C)	1570
	Total weight (C)(E)	4570
	Painting (D)	RAL 1016 (yellow)

PLAN VIEW



25	Heating jacket	1.4301 (~ AISI 304)
24	Steam socket (D)	ASTM A105
23	Actuator	Pneumatic diaphragm
14	Bolt	ASTM A193 B7
15	Nut	ASTM A194 2H
4	Threaded flange	ASTM A105
3	Tube (C)	1.4466 (X1CrNiMoN-25-22-2)
22	Bolt	ASTM A193 B7
21	Nut	ASTM A194 2H
17	Yoke	ASTM A105, galvanized
12	Bolt	ASTM A193 B7
13	Nut	ASTM A194 2H
11	Gland flange	ASTM A182 F316L
10	Gland	1.4466 (X1CrNiMoN-25-22-2)
6	Packing	Graphite
7	Guide bush (C)	HVD1 (X5CrNiMoCu-25-8) + PTFE
9	Stem (A)	HVD1 (X5CrNiMoCu-25-8)
2	Seat (C)	HVD1 (X5CrNiMoCu-25-8)
1	Body	ASTM A182 F316L, UG

Design  
Angle valve with lens facing flanges  
for UREA service

Design acc.	ASME B 16.34
Marking acc.	EN 19, MSS SP25
Testing acc.	ASME B 16.34, API 598, FCI 70-2
Flanged ends acc.	Licensor document TB.HPU.5002
FTF dimension acc.	Manufacturer standard
Press.-Temp.-Rating	ASME B 16.34

PROVALVE Armaturen GmbH & Co. KG  
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**P22\_12\"\_Class1500**

REV	DATE	BY	CHK	APP	REVISION
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C	13.12.17	A.Gotts.	F.Müller	R.Artus	Revision 02
B	13.11.17	A.Gotts.	F.Müller	R.Artus	Revision 01

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		Project:	Ramagundam, India
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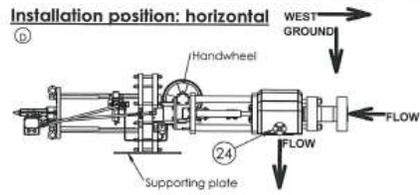
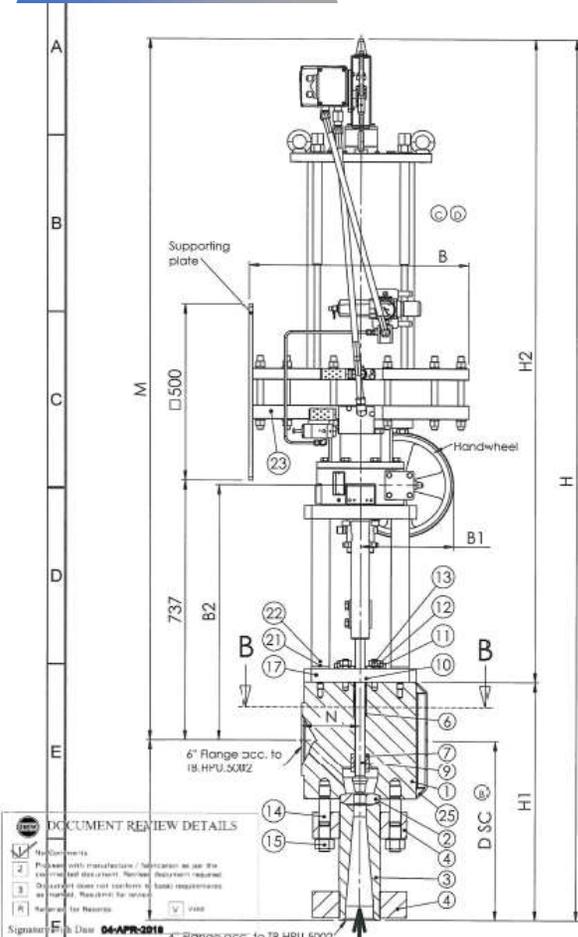
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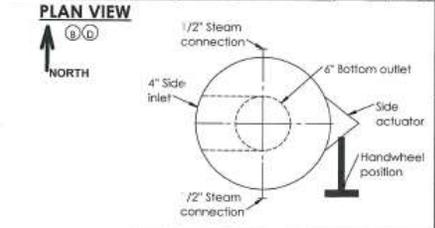
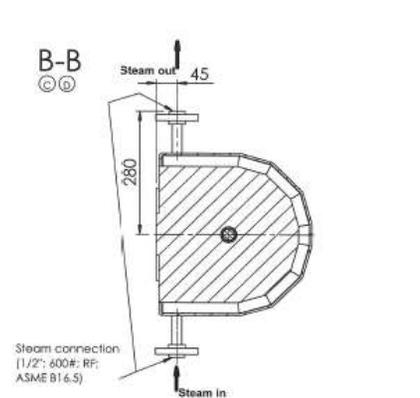
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# GAD OF UREA SERVICE CONTROL VALVE



TAG-no.:	
200-PV-0701B	
Dimensions (mm) / Weights (kg)	
NPS	4" x 6"
L (D)	515
HH1/H2 (C/D)	2505/680/1825
M (C)	1990
N (C)	160
B/B1/B2 (C/D)	880/460/725
to SC (Distance to center of steam connect.)	
(C)	510
Valve weight (A)	450
Actuator weight (C/D)	575
Total weight (C/D)	1025
Painting (D)	RAL 1016 (yellow)



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1		Body	ASTM A182 F316L UG

**Design**  
Angle valve with lens facing flanges for UREA service

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Testing acc.	ASME B16.34, API 598, FC1 70-2
Flanged ends acc.	Licensor document TB.HPU.5002
FTF dimension acc.	Manufacturer standard
Press.-Temp.-Rating	ASME B16.34



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# Challenges-Procurement and Engineering



## Urea service Pressure Relief Valves

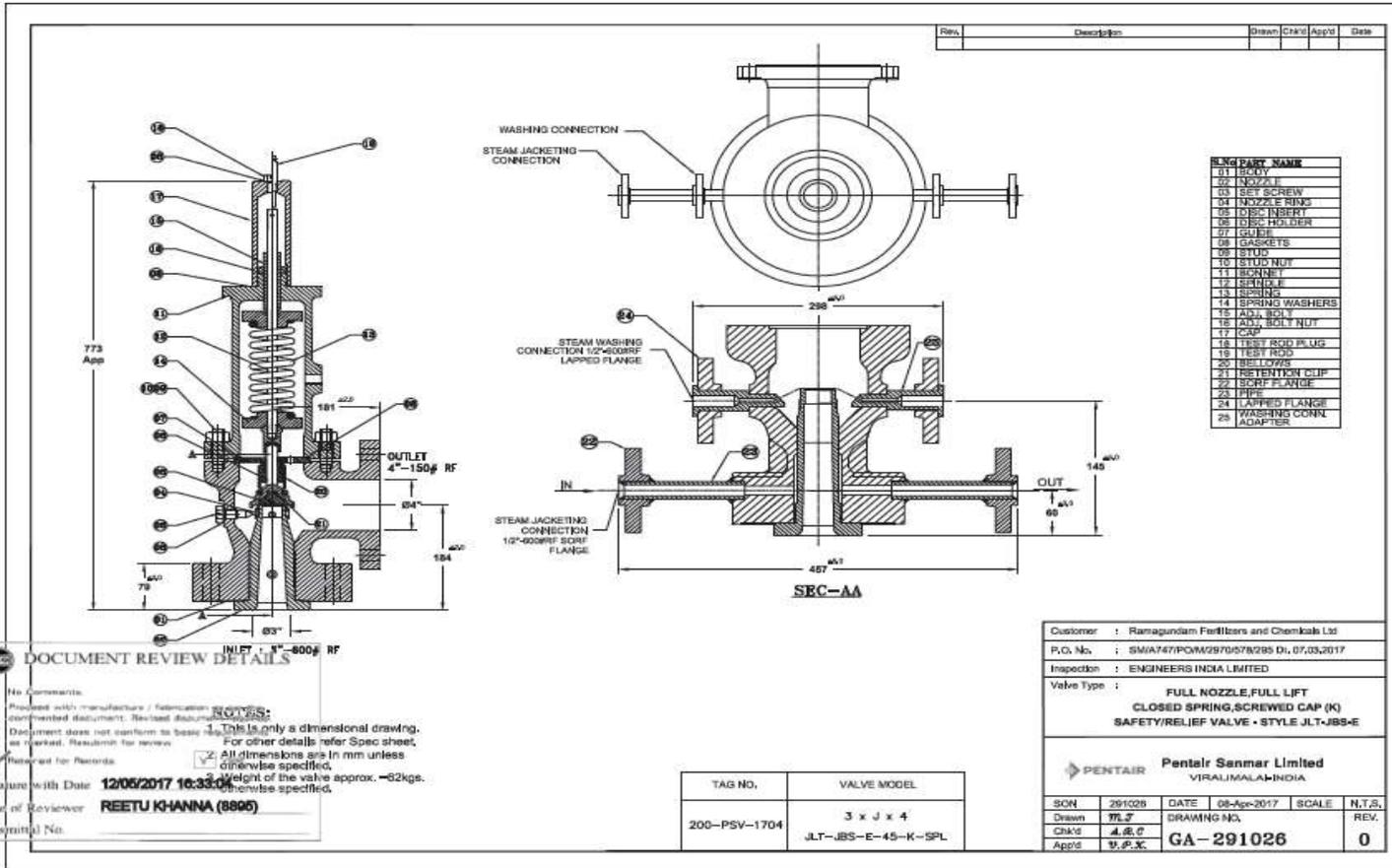
- ❖ Licensor recommended Parcol and AST.
- ❖ Urea service special PSVs require nozzle Jacketing & Steam flushing connections on valve body .

## Two designs are available.

- ❖ In one design, there are two connections for steam jacketing of nozzle IN and OUT and Two separate nozzles for steam flushing in the body
- ❖ The selected valve design had nozzle jacketing with outlet inside the PSV Discharge. This design is working in other licensed urea plants. Additional steam flushing connections on the valve body.

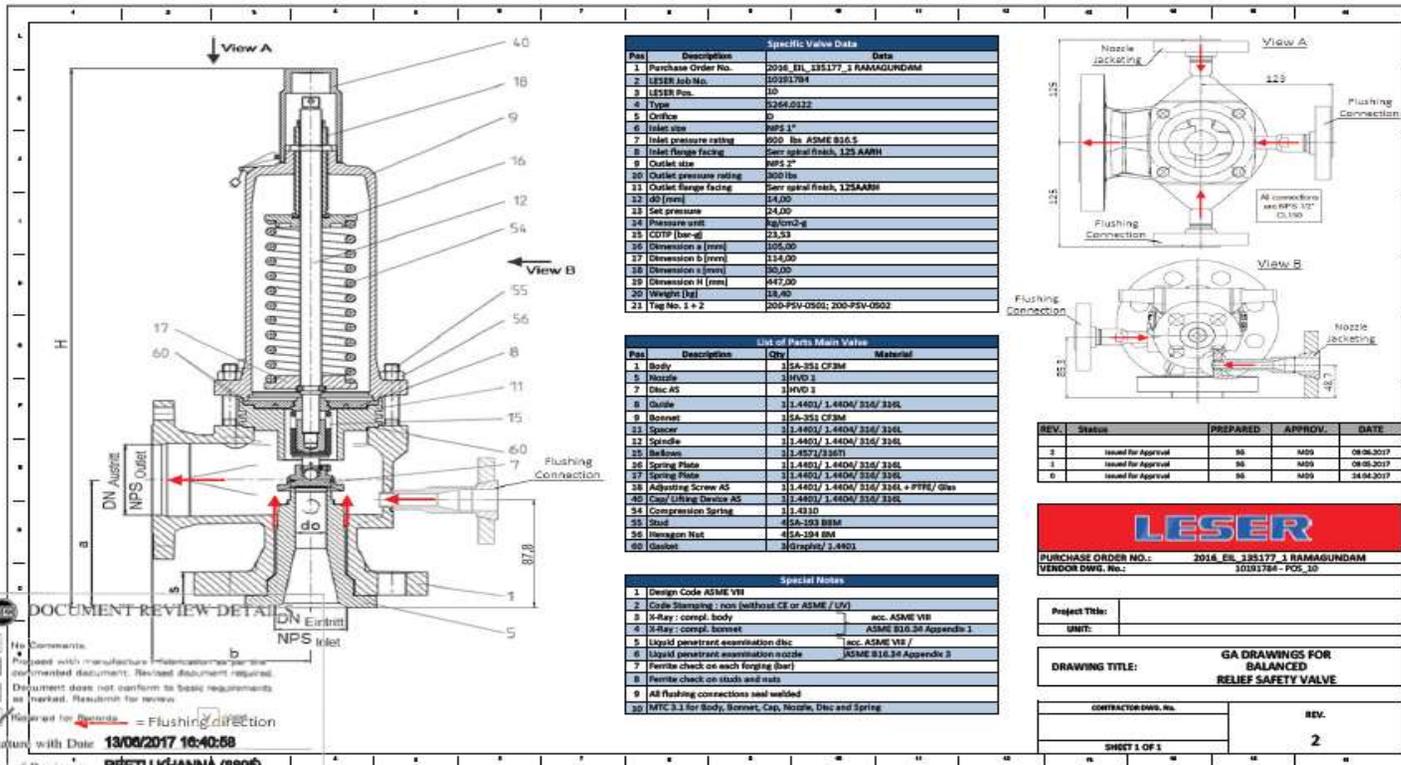
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# GAD OF UREA SERVICE PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE

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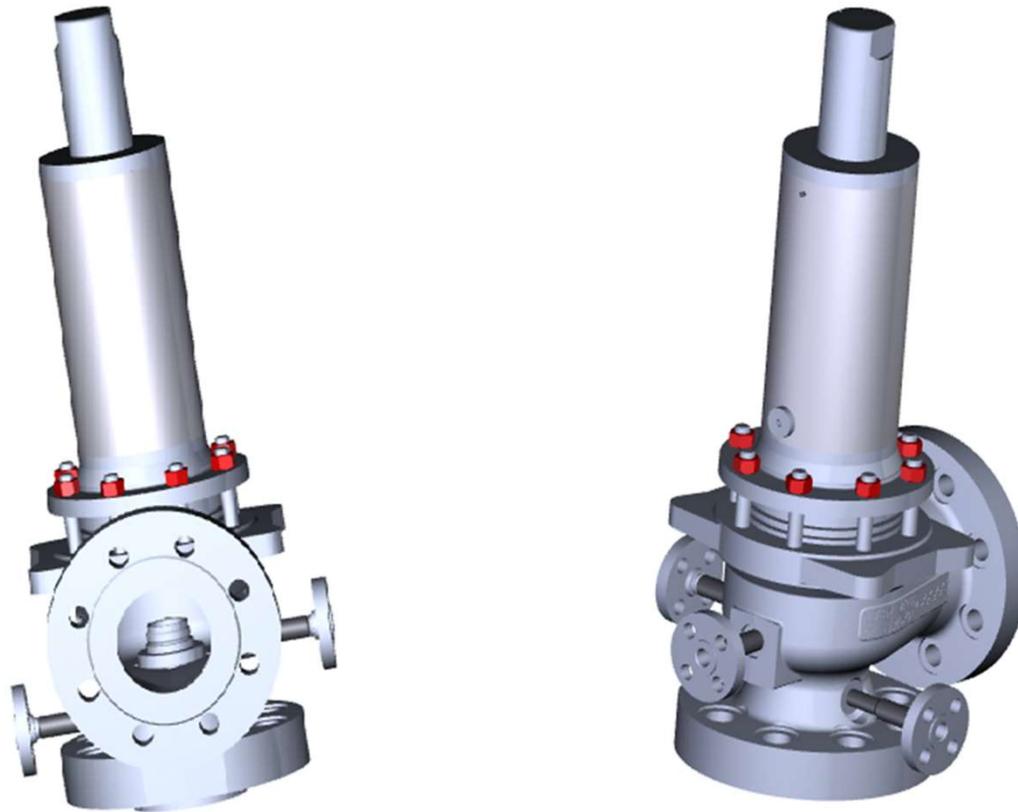
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# UREA SERVICE JACKETED VALVE



# Challenges-Procurement and Engineering



## ❖ 24" 2500# Butterfly Valves Cases

- ASME standard for flanges is available upto 12" 2500#.
- Dimensional drawing standard to be used shall be co-ordinated with Piping and Valve Vendor post award.
- The Lug design valve BCD (Bolt circle dia ) should match with the flange hole dimensions.

## ❖ Urea Reactor Inlet valve are designed for on off valve functionality . However, this requires control only during the start up .

- The Urea Start-up control case shall be discussed with the Licensor during BDEP Review stage.
- The above is to be ensured to obviate the need for necessary integration of the valves with new modulating schemes, using spare positioner.

## ❖ High Pressure Ammonia services

- Vent/Drain ports shall be flanged for HP services



THANK YOU