



UTCL/BACW/HSPCB/Cement Plant/ESR/33/2024-25/2597

Date :09.09.2024

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Himachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board,
"Him Parivesh", Phase – III, New Shimla -171009.

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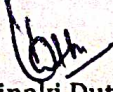
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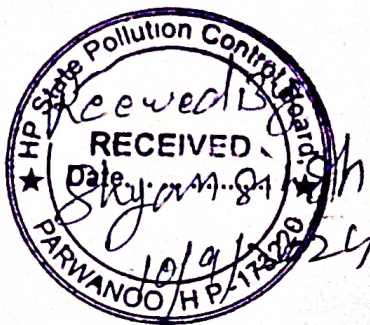
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Thanking you,

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ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT**(FORM- V)****Environmental Statement for the financial year: 2023-24****PART - A**

i.	Name and address of the owner/occupier of the industry operation or process.	UltraTech Cement Ltd (Unit: Baga Cement Works), Village- Baga, Tehsil- Arki, Dist.- Solan- 171102 (Himachal Pradesh)
ii.	Industry Category Primary- (STC Code) Secondary - (STC Code)	Red Category
iii.	Production capacity	Clinker: 2.97 MnTPA Cement: 2.54 MnTPA
iv.	Year of establishment	Plant has been commissioned and operational since 24.02.2010
v.	Date of the last environmental statement submitted.	09.09.2023

PART - B**WATER AND RAW MATERIAL CONSUMPTION****(i) Water Consumption: -**

Description	m3/day
Process	N.A. (as plant is based on dry process technology)
Cooling/Spraying/Dust suppression	477.64
Domestic	725.35

Name of the Products	Specific water consumption per unit of products (KL/ MT of product)	
	During the current financial year (2022-23)	During the current financial year (2023-24)
Clinker	0.052	0.052
Cement	0.033	0.031

(ii) Raw Material Consumption:

Name of the Raw materials	Name of the Products	Consumption of raw material per unit of output (MT/MT of Product)	
		During the current financial year (2022-23)	During the current financial year (2023-24)
Limestone	Clinker	1.315	1.329
Shale		0.131	0.119
Red ochre- LG		0.071	0.025
Red ochre- HG		0.014	0.044
Bauxite		0.000	0.000
Mill Scale		0.019	0.022
Iron Ore		0.0020	0.0004
Fly ash (wet)		0.005	0.001

Slag		0.000	0.000
Clinker	Cement	0.765	0.770
Gypsum		0.035	0.036
Fly ash		0.184	0.176
PI - (Lime Stone) OPC43 & OPC53		0.016	0.018

(iii) Fuel Consumption:

Name	Name of the Products	Consumption of Fuel per unit of output (MT/MT of Clinker)	
		During the current financial year (2022-23)	During the current financial year (2023-24)
Petcoke	Clinker	0.074	0.077
Coal (Imported)		0.017	0.015
Alternative fuel (Non-HZ & HZ)		0.0015	0.0017

*Note- Petcoke using as feed stock raw material.

(iv) Power Consumption:

Name of the Products	Consumption of Power per unit of output (Kwh/MT of Product)	
	During the current financial year (2022-23)	During the current financial year (2023-24)
Clinker	51.49	50.61
Cement	30.36	31.81
Total	69.74	70.77

(v) Production:

Name of product	During the current financial year (2022-23)	During the current financial year (2023-24)
Clinker (MT)	24,42,806.00	24,13,178.000
Cement (MT)	14,43,919.03	15,20,624.000

PART – C
DISCHARGED TO ENVIRONMENT / UNIT OF OUTPUT

Pollutants	Quantity of Pollutants Discharged Tonne/day	Concentration of Pollutants in Discharge (Mass/Volume)	Percentage of variation from prescribed standard with reasons
a) Water	The cement plant based on dry process technology, hence there is no trade effluent generation from cement plant process. The water only required for spraying in mills and cooling of plant	Nil	NA

	machinery/ equipment, which is re-circulated & recycled back into the system. Domestic effluent treatment through STP.		
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b) Air

1. Stack Emission Level:

Location	APCD	Parameters	Min.	Max.	Avg.	Limit (mg/Nm ³)	PM Kg/MT of Clinker
Raw Mill & Kiln Stack	Bag House	PM	13.07	8.88	16.52	30	Load or Mass based standard 0.48 kg/tonne of clinker (for kiln stack only)
		SO ₂	0.63	0.00	1.90	100	
		NO _x	613.45	574.00	655.00	800	
Coal Mill Stack	Bag House	PM	12.34	8.94	15.30	30	
Clinker Cooler Stack	ESP	PM	11.17	8.12	14.82	30	
Cement Mill Stack	Bag House	PM	20.56	16.08	25.70	30	

2. Ambient Air Quality:

Ambient Air Quality Monitoring at Plant Boundary

Location Parameters	Near Panali Camp			Near Village- Baga			Shalughat			Near Village Nerri-Jajjar			Limits (µg/m ³)	
	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	24 Hr	Annual
PM ₁₀	25.3	58.4	46.2	44.2	68.4	53.8	44.8	73.8	58.6	38.4	61.0	48.2	100	60
PM _{2.5}	21.5	33.4	28.0	25.0	34.5	29.8	25.1	36.8	30.5	21.5	33.7	27.5	60	40
SO ₂	6.1	8.8	7.4	6.4	9.8	7.9	6.3	9.3	7.9	6.1	8.7	7.6	80	50
NO ₂	10.4	18.2	13.3	10.6	19.6	14.6	10.5	21.1	15.3	11.3	18.2	14.1	80	40

3. Ambient Noise Level:

Ambient Noise Monitoring at Plant Boundary

Location	Near Panali Camp			Near Village- Baga			Shalughat			Near village Nerri-Jajjar			Limit (dB(A) Leq)
Noise Level	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	Min	Max	Avg	
Day Time (6:00 AM- 10:00 PM)	39.2	53.8	45.5	50.8	56.6	53.2	58.1	70.3	66.0	39.6	52.4	44.8	75 dB(A)Leq
Night Time (10:00 PM- 6:00 AM)	31.8	42.8	35.9	32.4	44.4	38.4	38.2	46.9	42.1	31.0	41.8	35.2	70 dB(A)Leq

PART – D
HAZARDOUS WASTE

(As specified under Hazardous Wastes (*Management, Handling & Trans boundary Movement*) Rules, 2016)

Hazardous Waste (Cat. 5.1: Used Spent Oil & 33.1 Empty Drums)	Total Quantity (MT)	
	During Current Financial Year (2022-23)	During Current Financial Year (2023-24)
(a) Process	Cat. 5.1: Used Spent Oil - 9.560	Cat. 5.1 (Used or Spent Oil): 7.272 and Cat. 33.1 (Empty barrels/ containers): 28.00 Nos.
(b) Pollution Control Facilities	NA	NA

PART – E
SOLID WASTE

		Total Quantity	
		During Current Financial Year (2022-23)	During Current Financial Year (2023-24)
(a)	Process	Nil	Nil
(b)	Pollution control facility	Dust collected from the air pollution control devices (Bag house, ESP and bag filters) recycled back into the process.	Dust collected from the air pollution control devices (Bag house, ESP and bag filters) recycled back into the process.
(c)	Quantity recycled or re- utilized within the unit	100% reutilized in process.	100% reutilized in process.
	Sold	Nil	Nil
	Disposed	Nil	Nil

PART – F

Please specify the characterization (in terms of composition and quantum) of hazardous as well as solid wastes and indicate disposal practice adopted for both the categories of wastes:

1) Hazardous Waste Management:

- The in-house generated used spent oil (Cat. 5.1) and Empty Drums (Cat. 33.1) from and plant machineries/equipment is being stored in M.S. drums on concreted floor under covered room and is being sold out to authorized recycler.
- Authorization for co-processing of hazardous waste obtained on 19.02.2020 for co-processing of 18000 ton/annum mixed solid waste source from M/s Shivalik Solid Waste Management.

2) Non-Hazardous Waste management:

- Non-hazardous wastes as an alternative fuel (RDF, saw dust, wooden chips, plastic waste, coal ash and pine needle) 4114.800 MT co-processed in cement kiln and 184652.901 MT Petcoke (Petcoke using as feed stock raw material) & 36317.099 MT Coal used in cement kiln during FY 2023-24 to conserve the fossil fuel.

3) Solid Waste Management:

- Solid waste generated from pollution control equipment (Bag houses, ESP & bag filters) recycled back into the system and reutilized.
- The refractory bricks and iron/steel scrap etc. disposed to vendors.
- Road & paved areas are being regular cleaned by sweeping machines.
- The non- biodegradable and bio-degradable waste from plant & colony is being segregated into combustible for co-processing in kiln and manure for horticulture purpose.

4) Batteries Waste Management:

- Complying with the provisions under Batteries (Management & Handling) amendment Rules, 2010 and subsequently amended rules 2022, as a Bulk Consumer, the half year return regarding purchase & disposal of batteries is submitted regularly to HPSPCB.

5) E-Waste Management:

- Complying with the provisions under E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016 and subsequently amended rules 2022, as a Bulk Consumer, the annual return regarding disposal of e-waste is submitted regularly to HPPCB. The E-waste generated from the unit is being sold out only to authorized e-waste recyclers.

6) Biomedical Waste Management:

- Complying with the provision under Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016 and subsequently amended rules 2019, for the generation, segregation & disposal of Bio-medical waste generated from OHS Centre. The Bio Medical waste is being segregated into colored bins disposed through the authorized CBMWTF i.e. M/s Enviro Engineers in its own vehicle for transportation of Bio Medical waste for final treatment/disposal.

PART – G

Impact of the Pollution Control Measures on Conservation of Natural Resources and Consequently on the Cost of Production:

Cement plant is based on dry process technology, which is cost effective and environmentally clean technology. The advantage of dry process is also in fuel economy. The co-processing of non-hazardous waste such as RDF etc. as alternate fuel and petcoke of refinery waste as fuel in cement kiln and fly ash 267094.853 MT used in Cement Production and 3006.927 MT used in Clinker Production of TPP waste as an alternate raw material for cement manufacturing conserving the natural resources and reduction of CO₂ emission also. The stack emissions from the plant are controlled by air pollution control equipment like Bag houses & ESP's and fugitive emission controlled by bag filters installed at various material transfer points. The particulate matter collected in the pollution control equipment is recycled in process and neutralizing the cost of operation of pollution control equipment and hence no cost impact on the production cost.

1) Air Pollution Control Measure:

- Closed storage facility provided for raw material and product.
- Covered conveyor belt provided for transportation of raw material and product inside the plant premises.
- Cooler DPC transfer point covered by MS sheet along with three side to control air born dust.
- Approx. 36.2 % area covered under green belt development.

- Online ambient air quality monitoring station (02 nos) provided at plant boundary and online monitoring system installed for stack emission control.
- Dust collected inside the pollution control devices recycled back into the process.
- Bag filters provided at all the raw material transfer points and material/product storage silos to control fugitive emission.
- Water sprinkling at haulage roads and inside the plant premises.
- Efficiency increased of Water sprinkling system installed at LS reclaimer stacker 1430.
- Routine maintenance of air pollution control equipments.
- Collector installed at Coal mill area to collect rejects and sweeping material
- Conducted detailed performance assessment study of coal mill Bag House By premier institute Central Government body, National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCCBM).
- Sources of air emission with measure provided for pollution control are given as under:

S.No	Major Source of Air Pollution	Pollution Control Measures
1.	Raw Mill & Kiln	Bag House & low NOx burner in kiln
2.	Coal Mill	Bag House
3.	Clinker Cooler	ESP
4.	Cement Mill	Bag filter
5.	Packer	Bag filter
6.	Material transfer points & storage	Pipe conveyor and Bag filters
7.	D.G. Set	Closed building



Raw Mill Bag House



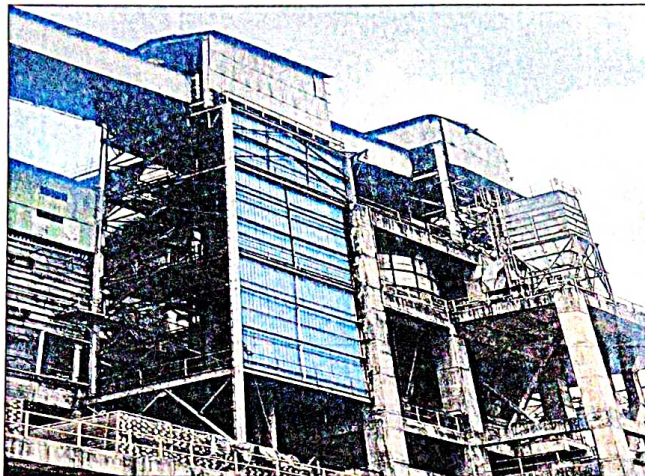
Cooler Electrostatic Precipitator (ESP)



Bag house for Cement Mill



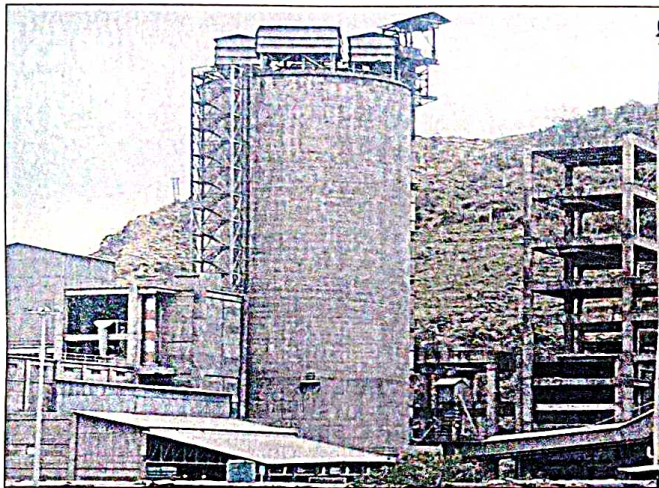
Bag filters at Air



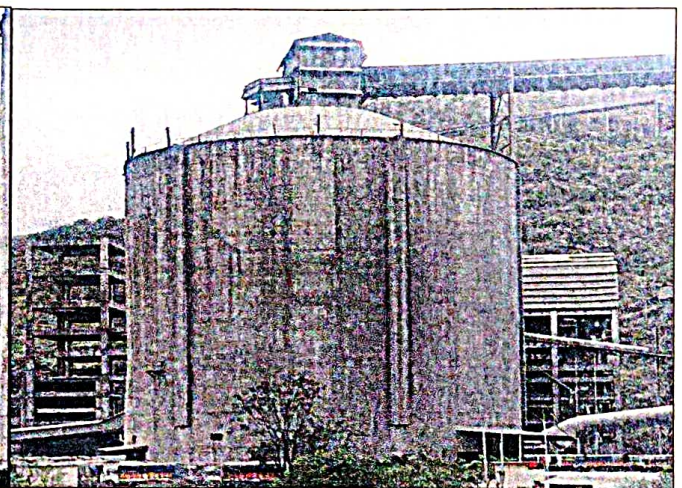
Coal Mill Bag filters



Covered Conveyor belt



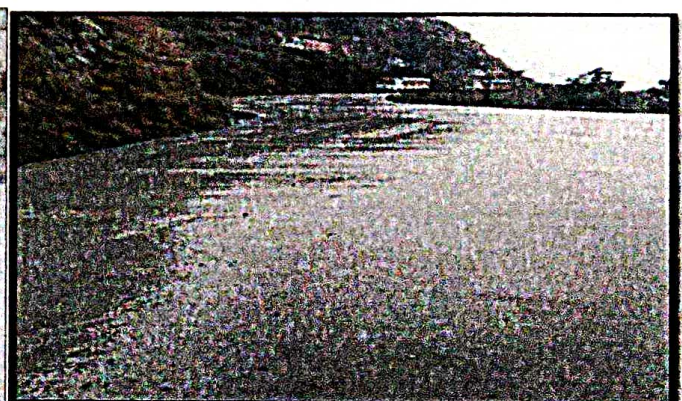
Cement Silo



Clinker Silo



Vacuum Sweeping Machine



Concreated Roads

2) Water Pollution Control Measures:

- The Cement Plant based on “Dry Process Technology”, hence there is no effluent/waste water generation from cement plant process. The water only used for cooling & spraying purpose, recirculated/recycled back into the system.
- Treatment of domestic effluent through STP and treated water reutilized for dust suppression and greenbelt development.

- Installed new Hydraulic filter press at township STP, to reduction of evaporation and fast drying process of sludge in rainy seasons.
- Facility installed at HEMM washing center for re- utilization waste water with amount

3) Noise Pollution Control Measures:

- Adequate noise control measures have been provided for the control of noise level within the permissible limits at our plant premises:
- Closed building & acoustic silencers for compressors.
- Closed building for D.G. sets
- Regular maintenance of plant machineries
- Green belt development inside & around plant boundary including colony & mines area.
- The Ambient noise level at plant boundary are being monitored at regular intervals and well within the prescribed standards i.e. below 75 dBA (day time) and below 70 dBA (night time).
- The work zone noise level is also monitored at regular intervals and overall noise level is well with the standards of <85 dB. personal; protective equipment i.e. earplug provided to the workers/employees exposed to the high noisy area.

4) Compliance with all the applicable recommendations mentioned in Charter of Corporate Responsibility for Environmental Protection (CREP) specified for Cement Plant:

- The stack emission level within the limit of 30, 100 & 800 mg/Nm³ for PM, SO₂ & NO_x respectively as prescribed HPPCB.
- The plant is neither located in critically polluted area nor in urban area.
- Bag house is provided at raw mill & kiln stack to control stack emission.
- Applicable notifies standards for Particulate Matter, Sulphur Dioxide and Oxides of Nitrogen is followed and necessary measures is taken to maintain the same within standards.
- Fugitive dust emission controlled by providing closed storage shed for clinker, coal, stacker reclaimer of limestone & additives, Silo provided for Raw Meal, Cement. Closed conveyor belts and dust collectors provided at all the raw material transfer points. Water sprays arrangements at coal shed.
- Indigenous Petcoke is being used in cement kiln as fuel in place of natural coal (fossil fuels).
- Opacity monitors installed at cement plant stacks for continuous monitoring of particulate matter (PM).
- Continuous emission monitoring system installed for monitoring of flue gases i.e. SO₂ & NO_x in Raw Mill & Kiln bag house stack.
- Fly ash sourced from outside TPPs is being used in cement manufacturing.
- Non-hazardous waste like RDF, saw dust/wooden chips, coal ash etc. is being used as an Alternative fuel in cement kiln and Petcoke of refinery waste as a fuel in cement kiln for the conservation of natural resources.

PART - H

Additional Measures / Investments Proposal for Environment Protection including Abatement of Pollution:

- Ambient air quality as well as stack emission monitoring through online monitoring system for control of air emission discharge.
- Dust collection and extraction system including bag filters at all transfer points.

- Process interlocking system has been provided to trip the complete system in case of rise in temperature of gasses and/or dust concentration across bag house or in case of failure of any of the emission control system.
- An amount of Rs 54.12 lacs & Rs 134.38 lacs has already been deposited with forest department for wild life management & soil/water conservation.
- Eco-development park developed at plant near hanuman temple.
- Constructed new Rain Water Harvesting system for ground water recharge at CCR Building.
- Installed tarpaulin covering stand for the safe tarpaulin covering and ensure all the material should be transport after tarpaulin covering.
- Constructed and maintained concert road from plant to jable.
- Facility for wetting of tyres at each entry & exit point of Plant
- Facility of Collection & segregation of biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste from colony & Plant.
- Organized various environmental awareness programs, to aware environmental issues i.e. Single use plastic ban, world environment day, world water day etc.
- Eco-development measures and community welfare activities are being taken up in co-ordination with the district authorities for increasing the livelihood of surrounding people and infrastructure developmental activities through our CSR programme in the nearby villages is our continuous process. In this regard, Rs. 3.46 Crore incurred towards CSR activities during April'2023 to March' 2024.
- The environmental pollution control equipment has already been installed and are in operation. The funds so provided not diverted for any purpose, other than environment protection measures. Rs. 12.6268 crores incurred during April' 2023 to March' 2024 towards environmental protection measures.

PART - I

Any Other Particulates for Improving the Quality of Environment:

- Plant design has adopted world class technology and is environmental friendly. All the pollution control equipments (bag filters & ESP) are installed to get the emission level below 30 mg/ Nm³.
- X-ray fluorescence and X-ray diffraction techniques available with the production lab helps in optimum use of raw material and coal. Also, pyrojet burner at kiln firing system helps in improved burn-ability and complete combustion.
- Roof top rain water harvesting system has been installed as per plan submitted to HPSPCB. The rain water so harvested is being directed to recharge the ground water.
- Proper operation of pollution control devices is being ensured by regular checking & Scheduled maintenance of all concerned devices.
- High efficiency air-based clinker cooling system resulting to no water consumption.

1. Environment Management Cell: -

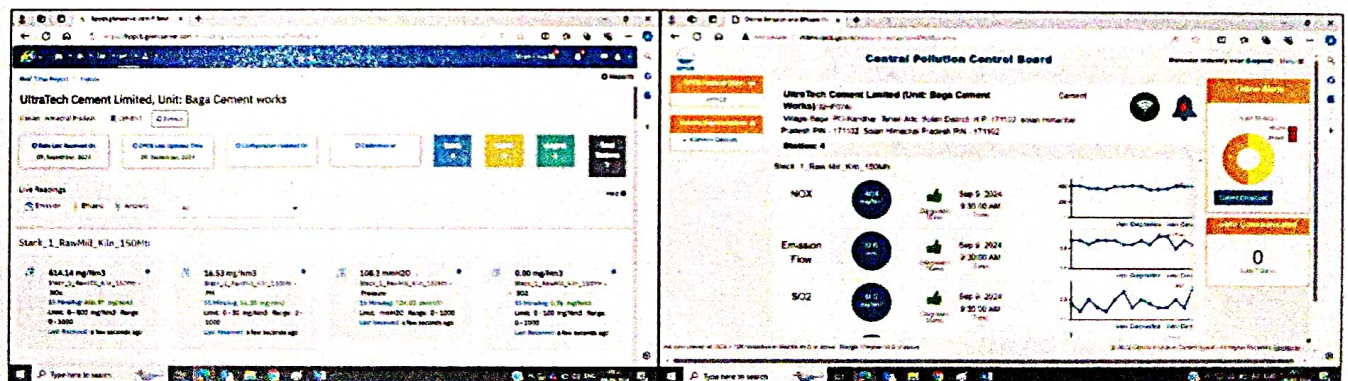
- The unit has established an Environment Management Cell under the control of senior executives.
- The Environment Cell is responsible for take care of overall environmental monitoring of all type air, water and noise pollution; implementation of environment protection measures; pollution control equipment performance checking & operation, regular checking of leakage points and spillage and look after other general environmental activities like green belt, rain water harvesting etc. with co-ordination of plant people.
- Environment monitoring lab is established with all the monitoring and measurement facility.

2. Environment Monitoring Programme:

- We have already installed adequate pollution control equipment and provided various pollution control
- measures at various sources of the plant and mining areas. To check the effectiveness of provided pollution control measures, we have made a comprehensive environment monitoring plan and environment monitoring is carried out by the approved third-party lab regularly per standard frequency/schedule.
- Established the 04 nos. Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations i.e. around the plant periphery in upwind, down wind and crosswind direction to monitor real impact of emission on Air Environment.
- The stack emission monitoring facility with safe platform, staircase have been provided at the major process stacks of plant.
- The effluent/waste water analysis is being carried out by approved third party lab.
- The calibration of all the monitoring equipment are being done by external calibration agency on yearly basis.

3. Online Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems/ Facilities:

- As per the guideline/ instruction by CPCB/HPPCB, the online Continuous Emission Monitoring System for stack monitoring and Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring System (CAAQMS) for Air Quality monitoring has been installed at unit.
- The connectivity of Continuous Emission Monitoring System (CEMS) has been done with the CPCB & HPPCB server. The parameters such as PM, SO₂ & NO_x, Temperature, Velocity and Pressure are being monitor by CEMS on real time basis and data is being transmitted to CPCB/HPPCB server continuously.
- The online digital display board have been provided for the online display of CEMS & CAAQMS monitoring data at our plant main gate in the public domain with real time updates.



CAAQMS & CEMS Portal Screenshot

4. Plantation/Green Belt Development:

- Plantation is an ongoing programme and unit has carried out extensive tree plantation in and around our plant premises, mines & colony area which is quite effective to minimize the ambient dust level.
- The Greenbelt development consisting of local/native species which are good dust trappers and equally good to tolerate dust pollution without incurring significant damage to growth. Our Environment Improvement Programs includes Greenery at the Plant, Township, Mines areas.
- Full time and well qualified horticulturist is taking care of tree plantation and green belt development and also nursery provided at plant site.
- 457 nos of sapling planted at plant, colony and nearby area during FY 2023-24.

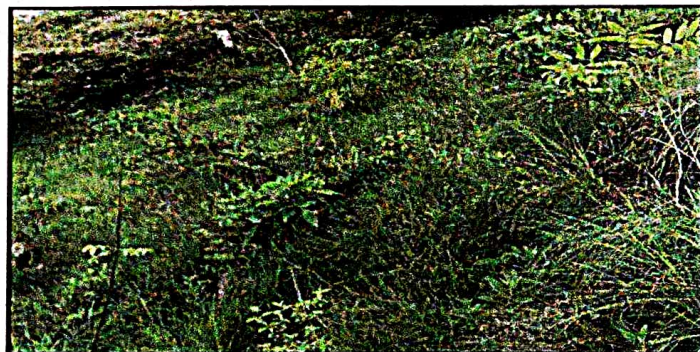
Glimpses of Green Belt



Plantation with consultation of HPSPCB RO_ FY 2023-24



Plantation with consultation DFO_ FY 2023-24



Photographs of Green Belt

5. Corporate Social Responsibility:

- Unit is untiringly committed to the social up-liftment of rural and under developed weaker sections of the society through social, economic, cultural and eco development beyond business as the responsible towards rural community development.

6. Accreditation:

- The unit is an ISO 14001:2015 certified for Environment Management System towards the overall environmental management.
