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ELECTRICITY GENERATION FROM OVERHEAD TANK

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Abstract

Green renewable electric power generation has been designed using the water flow from an overhead tank during regular consumption of water of domestic use. Kinetic energy of the falling water is used to rotate a micro turbine coupled with a DC generator... The generated DC power is stored in a battery. When the energy stored in the battery is sufficient an inverter is switched on to generate AC power for domestic use. Rest of the time load gets power from the normal commercial line. Potential energy of the water stored in the overhead tank is thus utilized to supplement some energy used in the form of hydro-electric. Yearly recovery of energy is quite substantial. Sufficient quantity of water will be stored into underground water tank. This water is pumped into overhead tank and allowed to fall into the turbines thereby turbines will rotate. Turbines shaft both the side will be connected with multiple stage pulley system to increase the RPM and then with alternator. When turbine rotates automatically alternators will rotate and power generation will take place. The falling water will again go into underground water tank through a channel. Channel water force also will rotate the turbines and alternators.

INTRODUCTION

Demand of Renewable Energy Today Renewable energy is energy that is generated from natural processes that are continuously replenished. This includes sunlight, geothermal heat, wind, tides, water, and various forms of biomass. This energy cannot be exhausted and is constantly renewed. Alternative energy is a term used for an energy source that is an

alternative to using fossil fuels. Generally, it indicates energies that are non-traditional and have low environmental impact. The term alternative is used to contrast with fossil fuels according to some sources. By most definitions alternative energy doesn't harm the environment, a distinction which separates it from renewable energy which may or

may not have significant environmental impact. Renewable energy is good for customers, the environment and the bottom line of corporations that run their operations with it. In the United States, though, renewables (including solar, wind, hydropower and biomass) account for only about 10 percent of all energy used and 13 percent of total electricity generated – even as corporate contracts for renewable energy nearly tripled from 2014 to 2015. If there are challenges now, when capacity and use are low, what will happen to business models, technology and financing when renewable power penetration reaches 30, 40 or even 50 percent of the U.S. market? Since there's plenty of corporate demand, the problem is supply, which in turn depends on adequate infrastructure to deliver it. Historically, U.S. utilities have decided what fuels to use to generate electricity, with scant incentive to increase the percentage of renewables in the energy mix or to explore technology to encourage that kind of shift. We know there's an appetite for many more gigawatts of renewable capacity, but it's excessively difficult for large companies in the United States to buy as much renewable energy as they want. While retail customers in many states can arrange to buy solar or wind power from local utilities, companies need a large, sophisticated team to get access to renewable energy options at the scale they need if those options are available

at all. To change this picture, it's time to look to the demand side, where multinational corporations are joining together to make their preference for more renewable power felt. Facebook and Microsoft are among 60 companies and over 50 leading project developers and service providers participating in a new network, the Renewable Energy Buyers Alliance, known as REBA that aims to break down barriers to lower-carbon energy. The alliance aims to see 60 gigawatts – the same amount of total generating capacity of Turkey – of renewable energy deployed in the U.S. by 2025. That's a huge jump from the 3 gigawatts of renewable power purchases companies signed in 2015, which was about triple the amount from the previous year.

METHODOLOGY

Overhead tank on buildings stores water for every day use. Energy can be extracted from flowing water when it is supplied to apartments. A micro hydro turbine may be fitted in water pipe line to convert potential energy of water into electrical energy. Paper describes techno-economic feasibility of the concept. Study is done on 5 storied building. The literature survey carried by author indicates that, no such micro turbine generator set is available in market which exactly

matches the application. Paper briefs on performance of MHTG sets available in that range of Head and discharge which are meant for other applications. Electrical energy generation for 5 storied building is estimated on per day and per year basis. It is shown that, energy generated is not just sufficient to power staircase lighting of the building, but also in addition conserves substantial part of energy required for lifting water.

CONCEPT OF PROTOTYPE MODEL

The storage of water in the overhead tank on multi-storey building used for domestic purpose. This water possesses potential energy because of head created it can be converted into mechanical energy with the help of turbine. By using velocity or water force a turbine can be rotated and electrical energy is generated. In this project we are going to generate a DC power by using DC generator. This method of generation of electrical energy has become very popular because it has low production and maintenance cost. Incentives for larger turbines throughout the 1980s and later. Local activists in

Germany, nascent turbine manufacturers in Spain, and large investors in the United States in the early 1990s then lobbied for policies that stimulated the industry in those countries. Later companies formed in India and China. As of 2012, Danish company Vestas is the world's biggest wind-turbine manufacturer

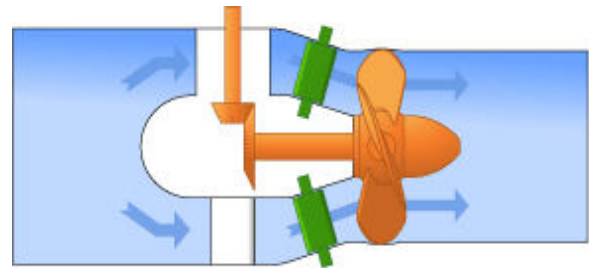


FIG1: TUBE TURBINE

Kaplan Turbine: Both the blades and the wicket gates are adjustable, allowing for a wide range of operation. This turbine was developed by Austrian inventor Viktor Kaplan in 1919.

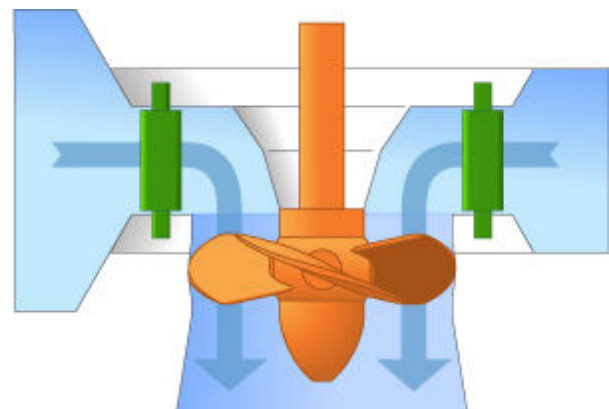


FIG2: KAPLAN TURBINE

Aim and Objectives

- Designing a power project that produces electricity from water flow.
- There is the possibility that this project will create a system that is actually more affordable.
- To generate power from water energy.
- To store the excess generated energy for further use.
- To use the energy of water in an optimized way.
- To incorporate more renewable energy to the power system.

Design of power generating system from overhead tank

Design Challenges

The goal of this project was to design a system that could generate power under relatively low water velocities. To accomplish this goal, the objectives were to

- 1) Analyze how different geometry of turbine within various enclosures affect output.
- 2) Test how to vibrations caused from rotation of blades affect structure of turbine. To meet these objectives, the tasks were to:

- Complete background research on overhead tank

- Design blades for testing
- Create experimental setup
- Manufacture parts and built model house
- Develop future design recommendations

Background Research

Background research includes reviewing a previous project, Low cost for groundwater lifting developed by Muhammad Mehtar Hussain and Mushtaq Ahmad, which provided a foundation for current project. Using that information's and suggestions, we then studied new areas in order to complete our research.

Effect of Number of Blade

Comparison of coefficient of efficiency between two blade and three blade. three, six, and twelve blades system. The major factors involved in deciding the number of blades includes:

1. The effect on power coefficient;
2. The design TSR (tip-speed ratio);
3. The means of yawing grate to reduce the gyroscopic fatigue.

Effect of Blade Number

Various experiments results was published in internet or book what

the exact number of blade that have good aero dynamic performance? Solidity of material, kind of material, coefficient of friction on the blade surface chord (width) of blade turbine and much others. 18 One that very interesting to make conclusion and discussion is relation between number of blade and coefficient of performances of wind turbine machines. The best blades number from 3 until 12 When designing number of blade, the number of blade that we choose influence the aerodynamic performance like coefficient of performances. Modern wind turbines are neither built with many rotor blades nor with very wide blades even though turbines with high solidity (defined as the ratio between the actual blade area to the swept area of a rotor) have the advantage of enabling the rotor to start rotating easily because more rotor area interacts with the wind initially. Since, our current goal is to convert the wind energy into electricity, rotors will not benefit with high solidity because it is neither cost effective nor efficient. The number of the

blades of a turbine has great impact on its performance. Picture below shows coefficient of performances between 3, 6, and 12 blades with same solidity and same speed 5 m/s, from this picture we can conclude that 3 blades have the most efficient number of blades, as we know almost 70% modern wind turbine use 3 blades.

FACTOR	TYPICAL EFFICIENCY
Rotor to Shaft	50 – 70 %
Pump	40 – 60 %

FIG3: POWER LOSSES IN THE SYSTEM

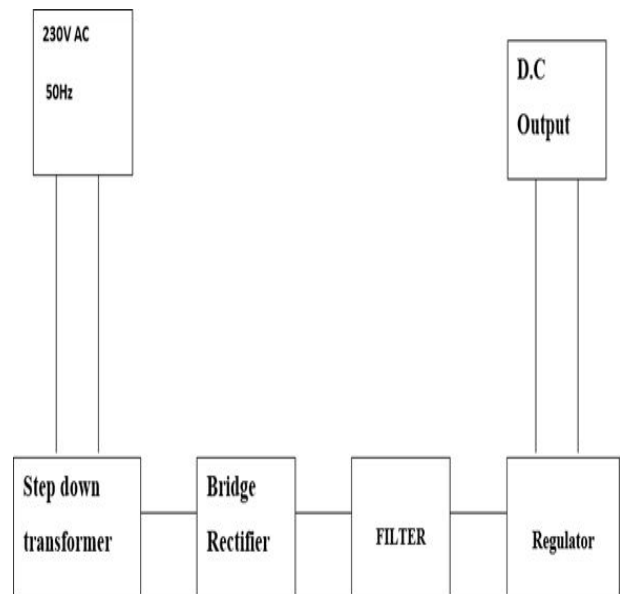


FIG4 BLOCK DIAGRAM OF POWER SUPPLY METHODOLOGY

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Fabrication

Blades

It consists of small paddles mounted radially to a horizontal shaft, which moves in close fitting concave trough, thereby pushing water

ahead of them. The number of blades depends on the size of wheel, which may be 8 for 1.2m and up to 24 for 3 to 3.6m diameters



FIG6 BLADES OF TURBINE

Final Model Picture



FIG7 :Final product

WORKING

A conventional dam holds water in a man-made lake, or reservoir, behind it. When water is released through the dam, it spins a turbine connected to a generator that produces electricity. The water returns to the river on the downstream side of the dam.

CONCLUSION

The project power generation from overhead tank is designed, tested and implemented successfully which is the best solution for rural areas where frequent power failure occurs. It is much easy and cost effective. The same concept is used in all the power generation systems.

FUTURE SCOPE

This project can be implemented in a large scale and excess energy produced can be transmitted to the grid. This system can be combined with a solar panel for higher energy production. The excess energy can also be given to nearby highways. Since, renewable energy is the future of the power generation as electricity to all by Shri Narendra Modi. A small MHTG set should be developed which can be fitted in water pipe line and that model should be fixed on each floor of multi storey buildings.

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