

Standards and Practices
Over Head Electric Equipments

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ELECTRIFICATION SCENARIO AT A GLANCE

- 1st Electric Train started on 3rd February, 1925 on ex-Great Indian Peninsula **Railway (GIP Railway)**, (now Central Railway) from Bombay VT(now CSTM) to Kurla via Harbor line, about **15.00 Km** long.
- Now, as on **31-03-05**, the electrified route is **17,280 Km** which is about **27%** of Indian Railways route of about **63,000 Km**.

ELECTRIFICATION SCENARIO AT A GLANCE

- Passenger Traffic carried out on Electrified route is about 50%.
- Goods Traffic carried out on Electrified route is 67%.

TRACTION VOLTAGE SYSTEM

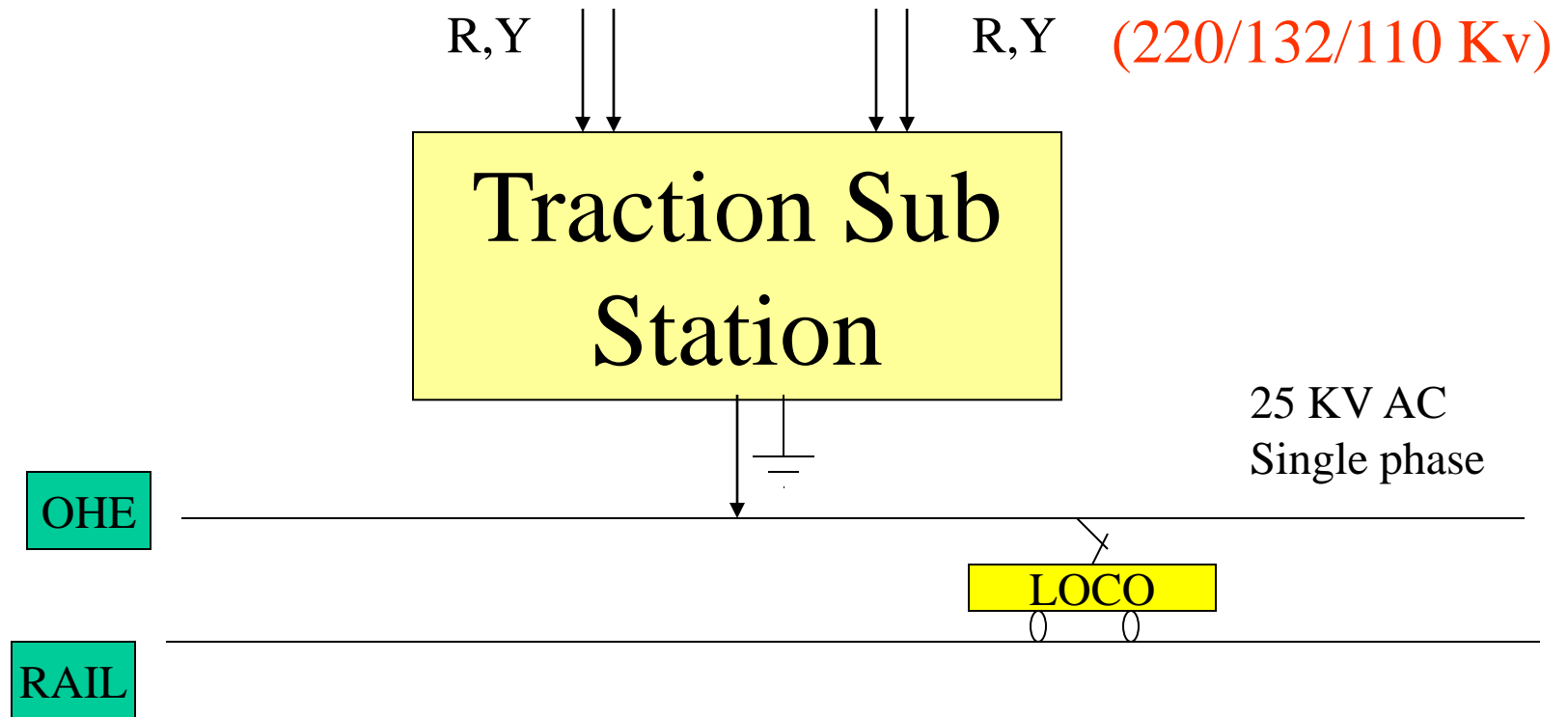
- Electric Traction introduced in **Mumbai area** on **1500 volt DC traction** in **1925**.
- **25 KV AC Traction** introduced in **1960** which is now universally adopted in Indian Railways.
- **1500 volt DC** – 400 route Km.(which is also under conversion to 25 KV AC).
- **25 KV AC**, single phase 50 Hz – 16,880 route Km

Traction Distribution (TRD)

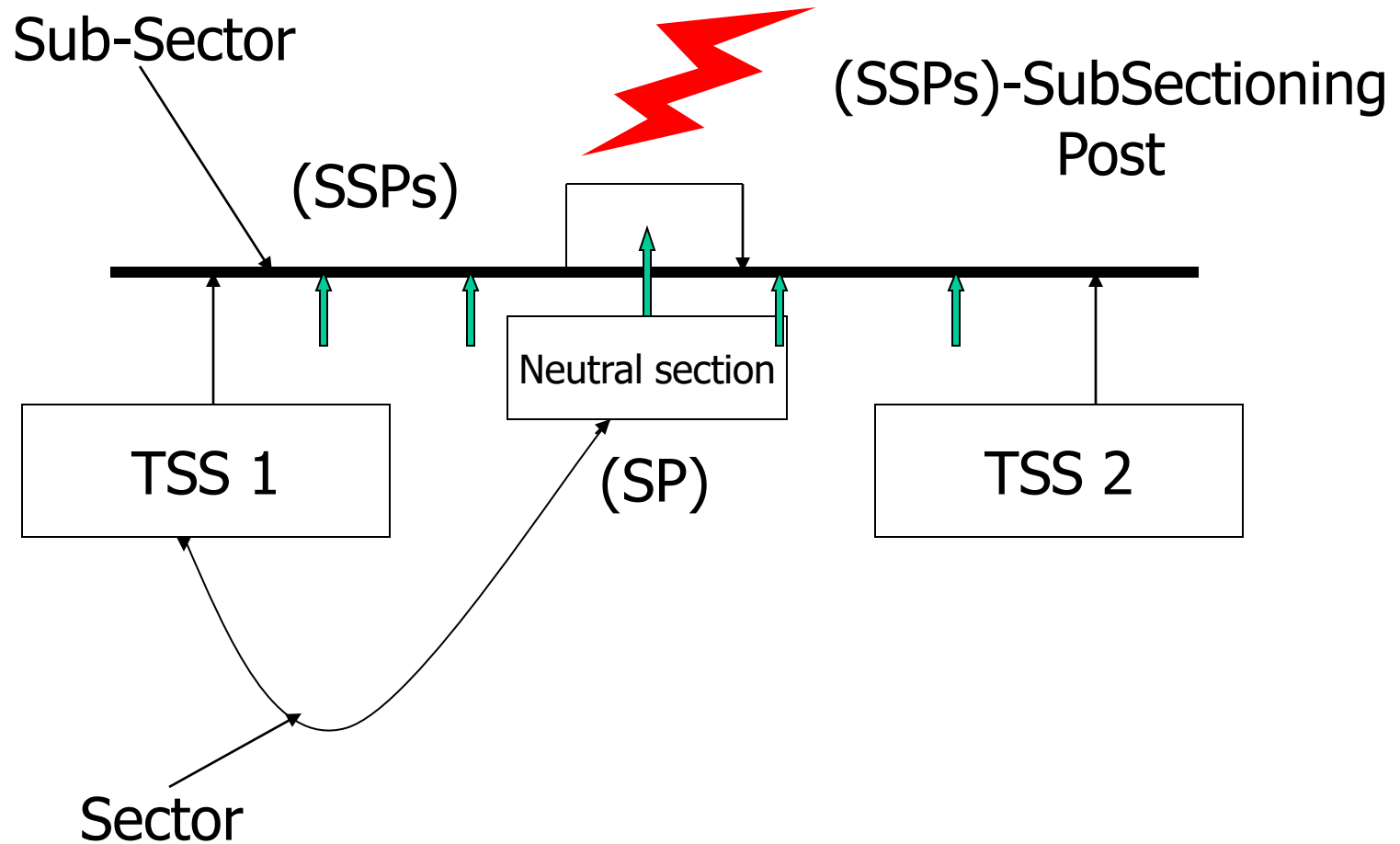
- Power Supply Installation (PSI)
- Overhead Equipment (OHE)
- Remote Control equipment
 - RCC [Remote Control Center]
 - SCADA- [Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system]



SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF TRACTION SUB STATION



SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM



PTFE SHORT NEUTRAL SECTION

NEUTRAL SECTION

Y PHASE

R PHASE

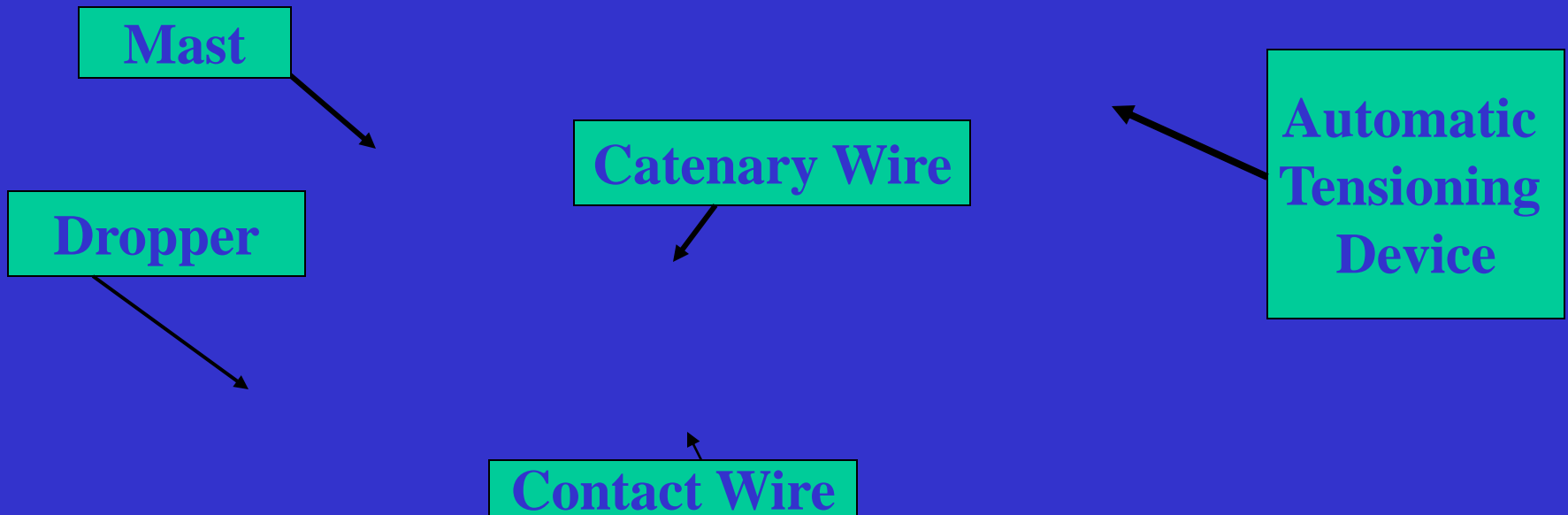
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Neutral Section

A short section of insulated dead overhead equipment which separates the sectors fed by two adjacent substations which are normally connected to different phases.

- Warning Boards for Driver

OHE Arrangement



OVERHEAD EQUIPMENT

Site Photograph

- Masts and portals
- Cantilever Assembly
- Contact and Catenary Wire
- Dropper
- Auto tensioning device (ATD)

CANTILEVER ASSEMBLY

Sketch

Main parts

- Stay tube
- Bracket tube
- Steady arm
- Bracket Insulator
- Stay arm Insulator
- Register arm
- Suspension clamp

DROPPERS & BONDS

- DROPPERS

- A fitting used in overhead equipment construction for supporting contact wire from catenary

- BONDS

- An electrical connection across a joint in or between adjacent lengths of rail

(structure bond, continuity bond, cross bond etc.)

Auto Tensioning Device (ATD)

- Auto tensioning device
 - A device for maintaining the tension of OHE conductors constant under all ambient temperature conditions.
 - Such OHE is called regulated OHE.

CONTACT & CATENARY WIRE

- Contact wire –
 - cross sectional area - 107 sq.mm.
 - diameter - 12.24 mm
 - normal tension – 1000 kg
 - breaking load – 3905 kg
- Catenary wire –
 - cross sectional area - 65 sq.mm.
 - diameter – 10.50 mm
 - Normal tension – 1000 kg
 - breaking load – 3920 kg

Electrical Clearance

- The minimum distance in air between live equipment and the nearest earthed part.
- Vertical
 - i) long durations 320 mm
 - ii) short durations 270 mm
- Lateral
 - i) long duration 320 mm
 - ii) short duration 220 mm

Working Clearance

- Minimum clearance between live conductor/equipments and such earthed structure/live parts of different elementary sections where men are required to work shall be 2 m.
- Where the clearance is not obtained the structure shall be protected by earthed metallic screens or prescribed warning boards.

IMPLANTATION

- The horizontal distance from the nearest face of traction mast to the centre line of track
- The nominal IMPLANTATION of mast is **2.5 m.**
- Can be lowered to **2.36 m** (with the approval of EIG)

Height of the Contact Wire

- Minimum 4.80m (above rail level)
- maximum 5.80m
- On level crossing 5.50m. (Provision of Height Gauge at LC Gates)

OHE Inspection Car (Tower Wagon)

- Used for maintenance of OHE and for attending to break downs.
- Carries necessary tools for maintenance and break downs such as tackles, straining screws, clamps, ropes, ladders, adequate stock of insulators, length of contact and catenary wires and other OHE fittings.
- Types of Tower wagon –
 - Four Wheeler (speed potential upto 75 KMPH)
 - Eight Wheeler (speed potential upto 110 KMPH)

Environmental Effect on OHE

- Pollution causes large number of insulator – flash over.
- Pollutants provide creepage path resulting into flash over of insulators and consequent creeping of circuit breakers.
- Types of pollution
 - Saline pollution – caused by salt deposits in coastal areas.
 - Chemical and industrial pollution - caused by waste from industries like hydrochloric acid, Sulphuric acid, particles of urea, cement etc.

Maintenance Schedules for OHE

- **Foot Patrolling** – For visual inspection of every part of OHE.
- **Trolley Inspection** – To observe closely the OHE during day time.
- **Current Collection Tests** – To detect points at which contact between the contact wire and pantograph is unsatisfactory resulting in sparking. These tests are performed at night.
- **Special Checks** – More frequent attentions on items such as Insulators , section insulators, Isolating switches, earth connections, Bird nest etc.

Maintenance Schedules for OHE – contd.

- **Annual Maintenance and OHE Inspection Car Check** – Replacement of defective fittings, checking and correction of clearances, heights, staggers, Checking of Masts, portels, contact wire and catenary wire, insulators, neutral sections, regulating equipments, clamps etc.
- **Periodical Overhaul** – At the interval of four years.
- **Re-tensioning of Unregulated OHE** – At every six months.

Power Supply Installations

- Traction Substation (TSS)
- Switching Stations

132 KV DOUBLE POLE ISOLATOR



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132 KV SF 6 CIRCUI BREAKER

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HV BUSHING

BUCHHLOZ RELAY

RADIATORS

TAP CHANGER

MARSHALLING BOX

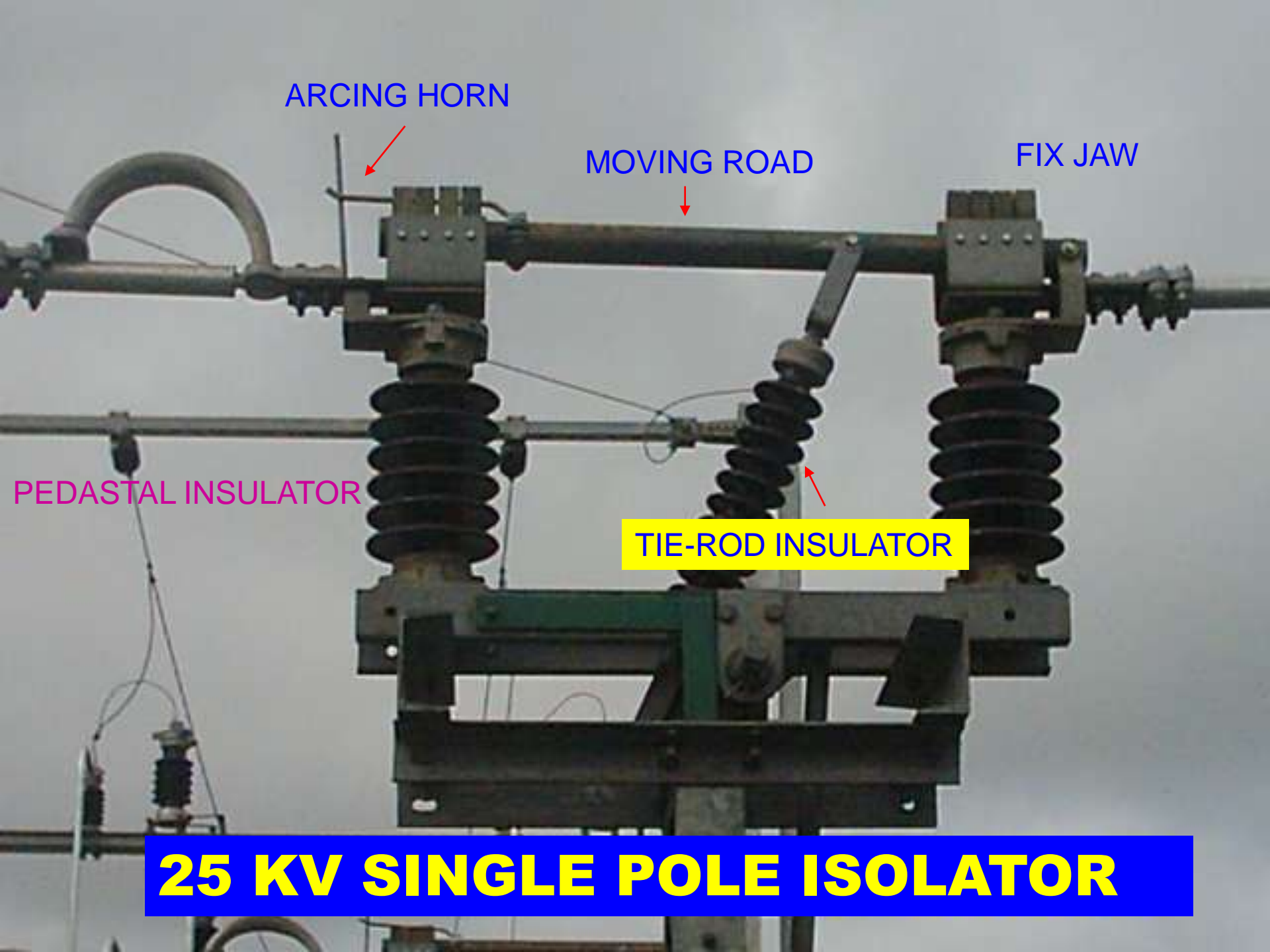
132/25 KV TRANSFORMER

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CURRENT TRANSFORMER





ARHING HORN

MOVING ROAD

FIX JAW

PEDASTAL INSULATOR

TIE-ROD INSULATOR

25 KV SINGLE POLE ISOLATOR

SUB SECTIONONG AND PARRALING POST DC SECTION



LA

BUS BAR

CT

PT

CB

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Maintenance Schedules of Traction sub-stations

- **Fortnightly maintenance** -
 - Going around the whole area of sub stations,
 - inspect for general cleanliness, proper drainage, road and rail axis.
 - Checking of batteries.
- **Monthly maintenance** —
 - Bonding and earthing
 - Oil level in transformers, circuit breakers etc.
 - Insulators
 - Traction transformer
 - Operating mechanism of circuit breakers and interrupters.

Maintenance Schedules of Traction sub-stations-- Contd

- **Quarterly maintenance**
 - Inspection of batteries and battery charges.
 - PTs and CTs.
 - Auxillary transformers.
- **Half yearly maintenance**
 - Traction transformers – Testing of oil sample for acidity and BDV.
 - Control and Relay panel
 - Traction transformers.

Maintenance Schedules of Traction sub-stations-- Contd

- Yearly maintenance
 - Inspection of fence all around the sub station and bonding between metal fencing panels and to earth.
 - Lightning arresters.
 - Bonding and Earthing
 - Traction transformers.
 - Control and Relay panel
 - Batteries and battery charges.

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ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES

Nomenclature

Electric Locos and EMUs are classified by means of a three letter code, followed by version number in numeric

First Letter-

Gauge

W

Broad Gauge

Y

Meter Gauge

Z

Narrow Gauge

Nomenclature

Second Letter-

Type of Traction (current)

C

Continuous Current (DC)

A

Alternating Current

CA

Dual Current AC/DC

(D

Diesel)

Third Letter –

Type of Service

M Mixed Service

P Passenger Service

G Goods Service

S Shunting

U Multiple Units

Examples of Nomenclature

- WAP 4
 - BG, AC, Passenger service, Version 4
- WCAM1
 - BG, Dual Current, Mixed service, Version 1
- YCS 1
 - Meter Gauge, DC, Shunting service, Version 1
- WCG 5
 - BG, DC, Goods service, Version 5

Bogie Arrangements

- B --- Two axle bogie with one Traction Motor for both the axles.
- BO--- Two axle bogie with one Traction Motor for each axle.
- CO--- Three axle bogie with one Traction Motor for each axle.
- B-B Loco with two 'B' bogies
- CO-CO Loco with two 'CO' bogies

Types of Electric Locos

AC Locos

- B-B WAG1, WAG2, -WAG3, WAG4,
- BO - BO WAM1, WAM2, WAM3,
- CO-CO WAM4, WCAM1, WAP1, WAG5,
WAG6, WAG7, WAP3, WAP4, WAG9

DC Locos

- CO-CO WCM1, WCM2, WCM3, WCM4,
WCM5, WCG2

Comparison Of Pass & Goods

Loco for Passenger

Less Tractive Effort

More speed

Lower gear ratio

Loco for Goods

More Tractive Effort

Less speed

Higher gear ratio

ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE

LOCO TYPES

- WAG 5 3900 KVA
- WAM 4 3900 KVA
- WAG 7 5400 KVA
- WAP 1 5400 KVA
- WAG 9 6000 hp 3 phase
- WAP 5 6000 hp 3 phase
- WCAM1 5400 KVA AC/DC

CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF LOCO

A TYPICAL CIRCUIT DIAGRAM OF CONVENTIONAL
ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE IS SHOWN HEREWITH

Main Equipments of Electric Locomotive

- **Roof Equipments –**
 - Pantograph – for current collection
 - Circuit Breaker – for making on/off electric supply from panto to power equipments
- **On Board power equipments**
 - Traction Transformer – for stepping down voltage from 25 KV to 750/1500 volts.
 - Rectifier – for converting 750 AC to 750 volt DC for feeding supply to traction motors.
 - Arno Converter – for converting single phase 750 volt AC to 3 phase 415 volt for feeding supply to auxiliary machines like compressor/exhausters.

Main Equipments of Electric Locomotive

- Under slung Equipments –
 - Traction motor – for producing tractive effort required to move train.
 - Suspension arrangement – system for transmitting tractive effort from traction motor to bogie.
 - Brake System – for braking of electric loco and train
 - Batteries – for feeding supplies to control system
 - baby compressor for initial raising of pantograph.



Specific Energy Consumption (SEC)

- SEC for Goods Train= 10 Kwh per 1000
GTKM
- SEC for Passenger Train= 19 Kwh per
1000 GTKM

MAINTENANCE COST OF LOCOS

- About Rs. 20 lacs per loco per year

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