

# **Power Quality to Achieve Energy Excellence - Reduce risks and improve profits for Sugar Industry**

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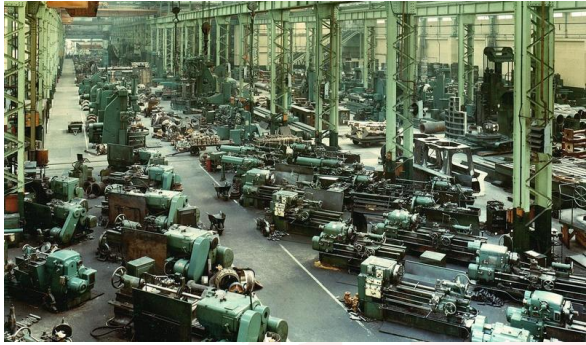


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# NEW AGE

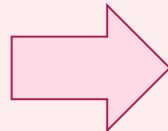


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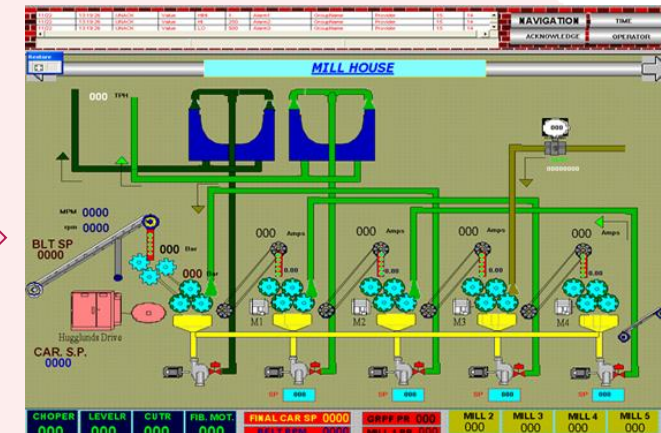
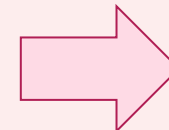
# No technology modernisation succeeds without convergence of supporting inputs



**Conventional**  
Heavy mechanical equipment and machinery driving operations



**Co-generation**  
Large scale  
Cogeneration plants turn sugar mills into Prosumers. Mechanical engineering is key to efficiency and sustainable functioning.

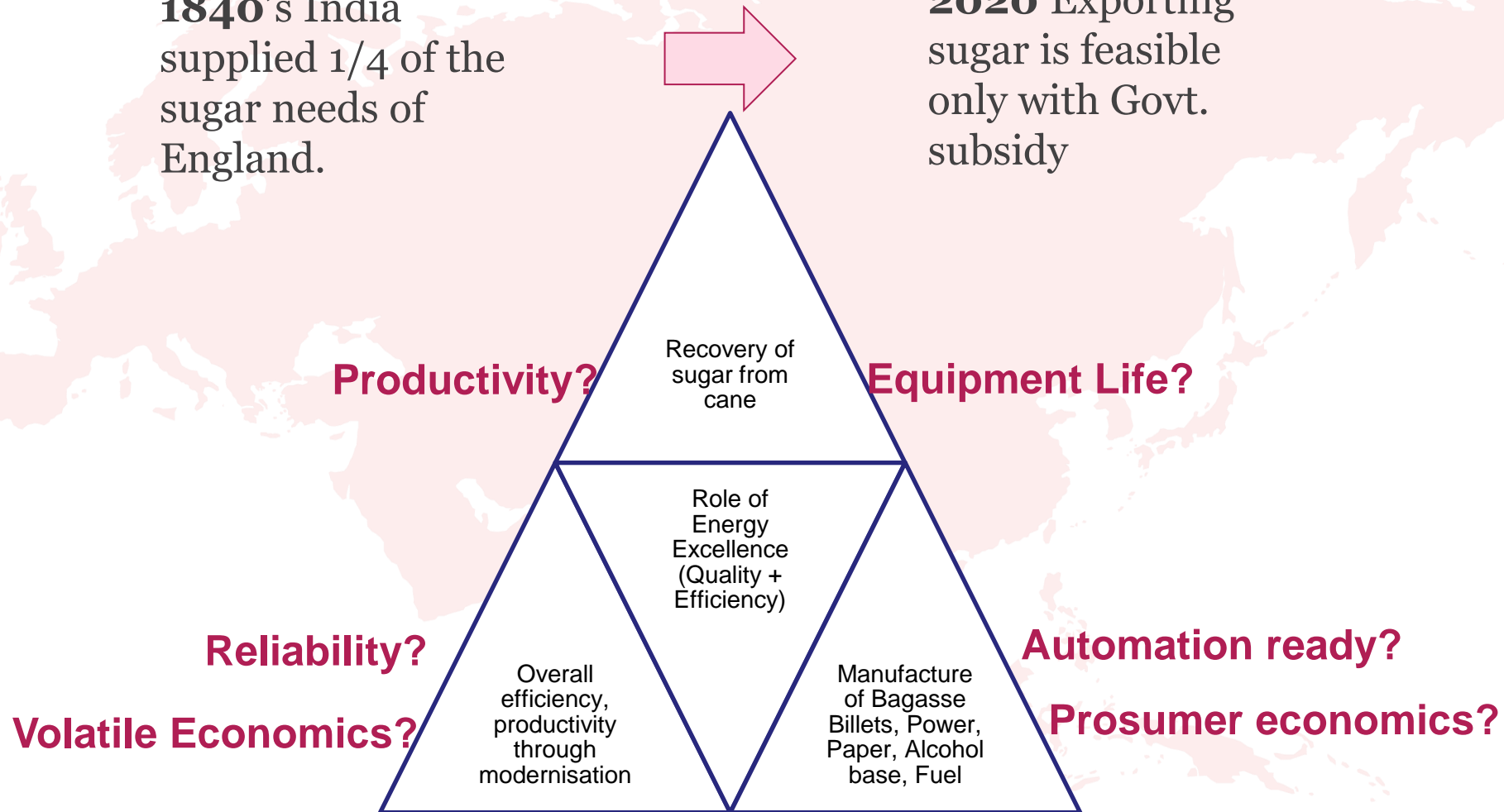


**Automation and IoT**  
Good quality Electrical power that supports mill automation, Boiling and power house automation is key to efficient energy excellence and risk avoidance

# Excellence = Quality + Efficiency

**1840's** India supplied 1/4 of the sugar needs of England.

**2020** Exporting sugar is feasible only with Govt. subsidy



**Power  
Quality**

**Energy  
Efficiency**

**....Key to achieve excellence**

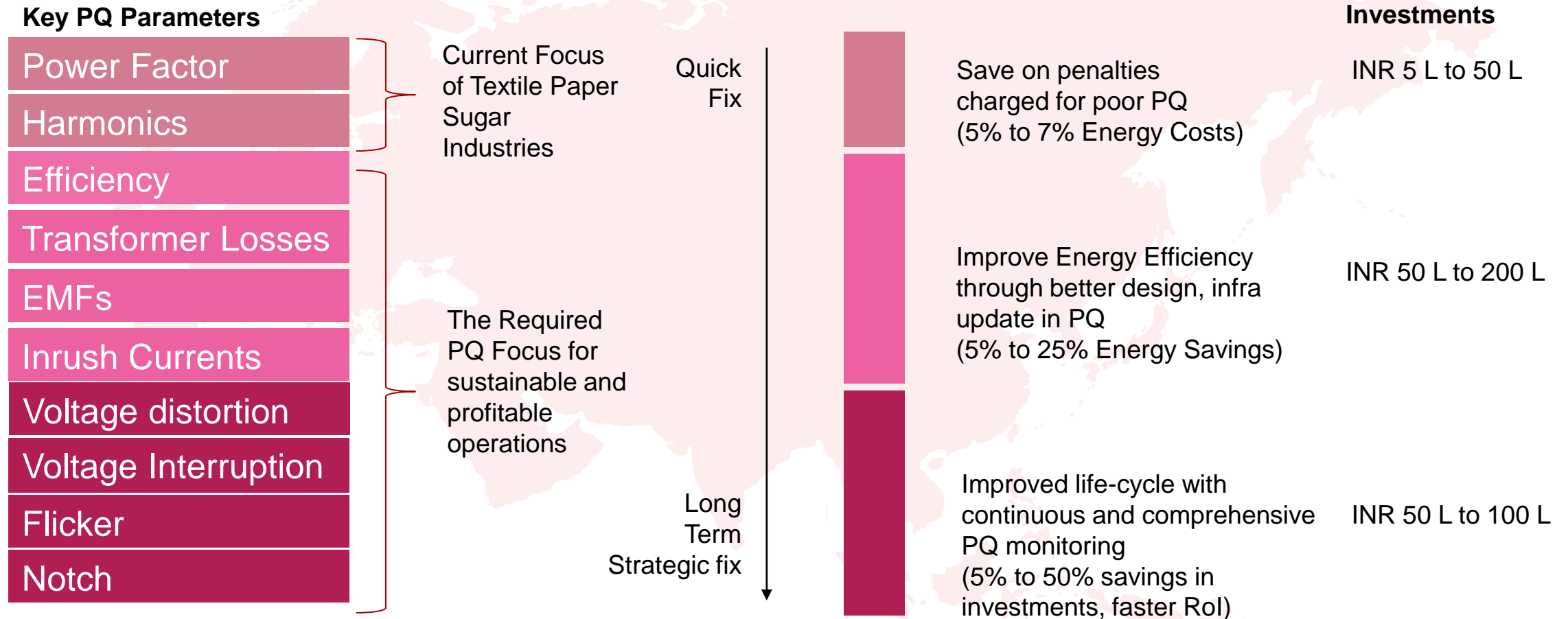
# Sugar – Energy Cost

Process	Specific Electricity Consumption (kWh/MT *)
Milling tandem including cane handling	10-12
Clarification, Boiling, curing & sugar handling	7-8
Power plant including ESP	7-8
Utilities and lighting	2
Total	26-32

Source: TERI  
\*Per MT of cane

**Electricity cost would be around 4-7% of total operating cost**

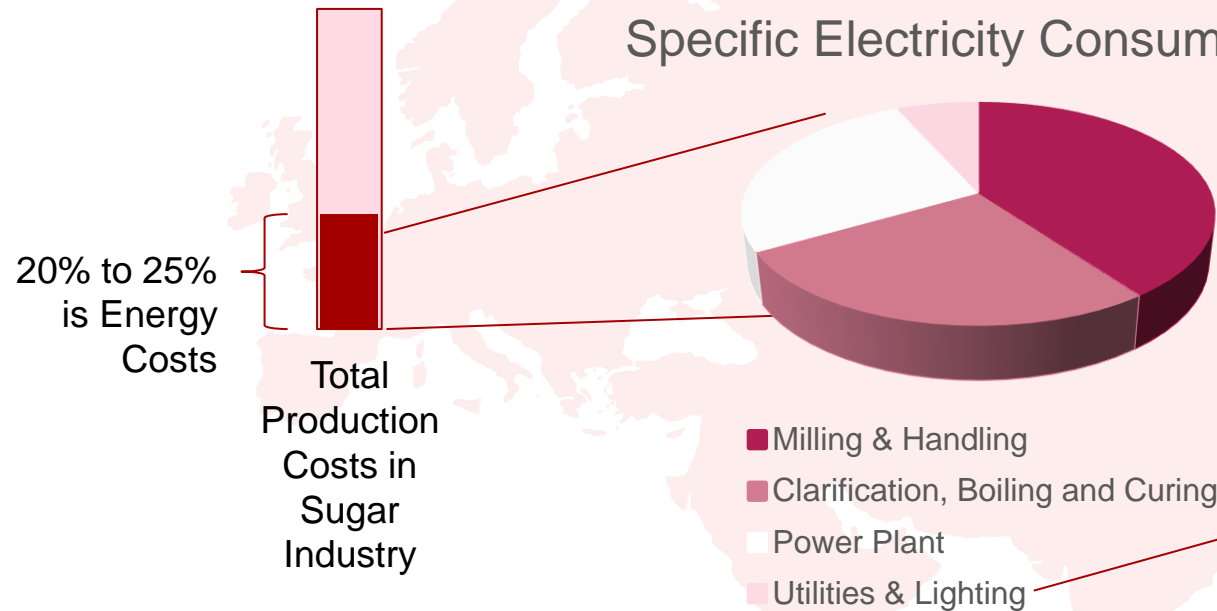
# Broadened focus for good PQ is key to reducing costs and improving profits.



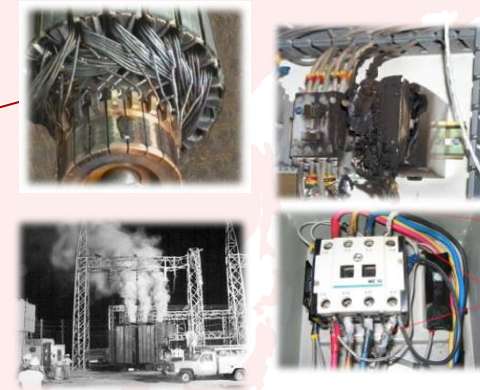
# Modernizing Sugar Production has its own costs...

Modernization is key to staying competitive

## Specific Electricity Consumption



Modernisation adds non-linear loads such as VFDs, Power Electronics etc. accounting to about 50% of energy use

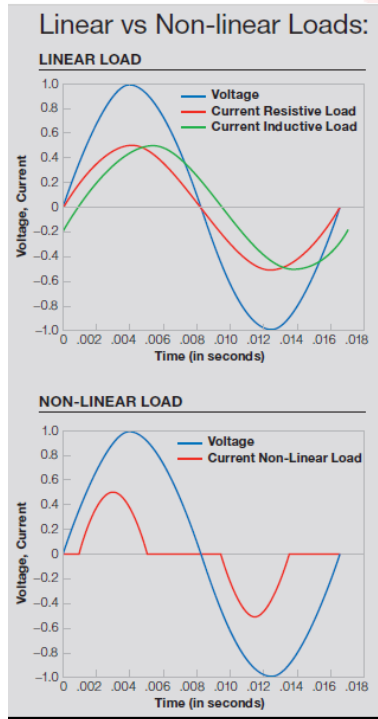


Unintended results of poor Power Quality environment and addition of non-linear loads

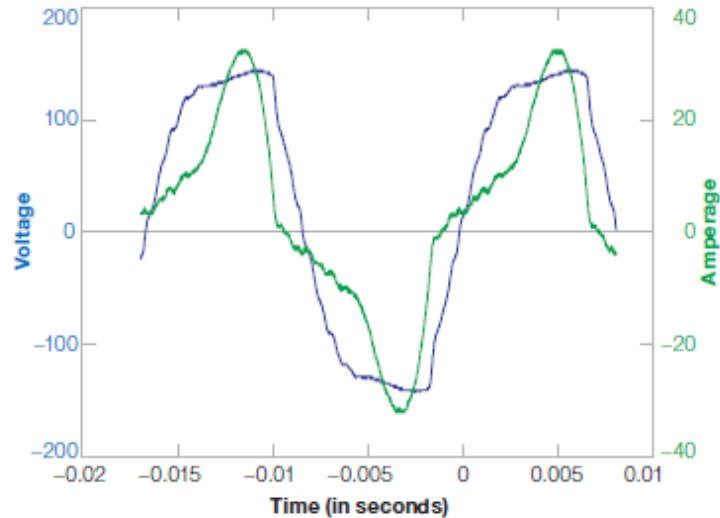
## Poor PQ leads to...

- Transformer heating
- Circuit Breaker Tripping
- Capacitor Bank Failures
- Electric Motor Heat-up
- Motor insulation failure
- Switchgear heating
- Thermal overload relay tripping
- Electronic Card Failure
- PLC/HMI Failure
- Servo Motor and Drive Failure
- UPS Malfunctioning Failure
- Compressor Problems
- VFD Failure

# The role of good PQ in energy excellence is beyond doubt.

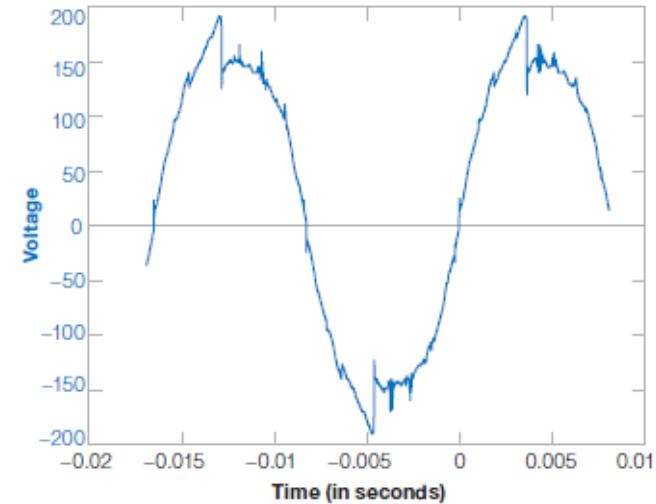


**EVERY LED LIGHT ON**  
1.73kW, 112Vrms, 17Arms, one leg of generator



Sudden change in voltage profile after load of LED lights.

**VARIABLE SPEED VENTILATION FAN**



Sudden dip in voltage in a VSD ventilation Fan due to the non-linear current draw, in addition to the high frequency non-idealities.

## Effects of Non-Linear Loads on Generator Electrical Systems

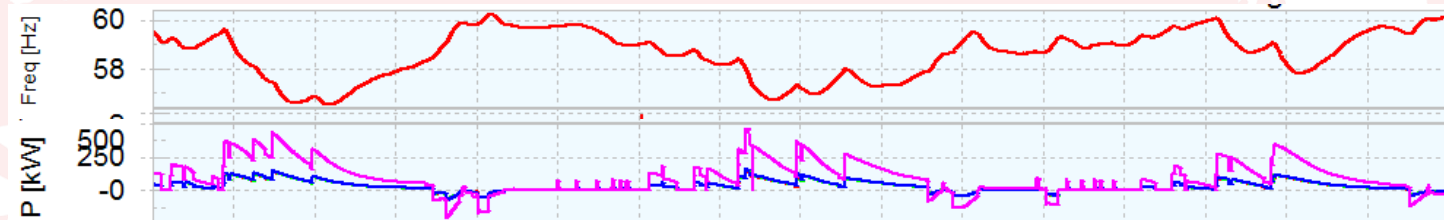
Source: Whitepaper by Cummins USA

# Typical PQ Issues in Sugar

## Frequency Deviations:

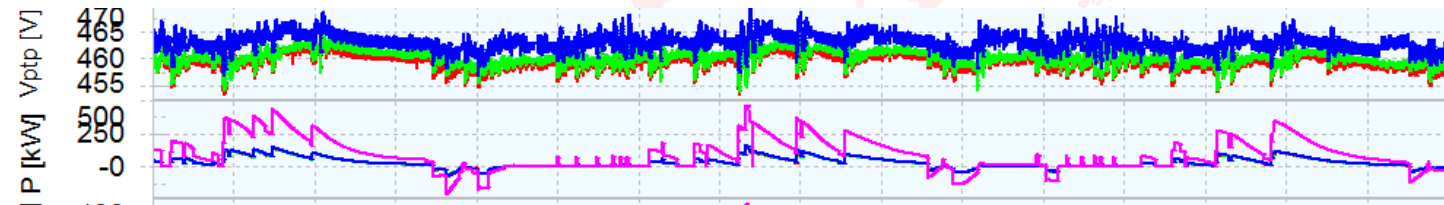
Starting/stopping of mill large loads can cause frequency variation

Increase in frequency will cause fluctuating torque



## Voltage Dips:

Starting mill large loads can cause voltage dips – May cause tripping of drives



# Typical PQ Issues in Sugar

**Constant and desirable torque is key to maximum recovery in sugar industry**

## **Harmonics:**

- Drives (DC or AC) will generate current harmonics
- High impedance of captive power plant – high voltage harmonics
- Over heating of motors
- Variable torque in rotating machines
- Can cause reduction in sugar recovery percentage

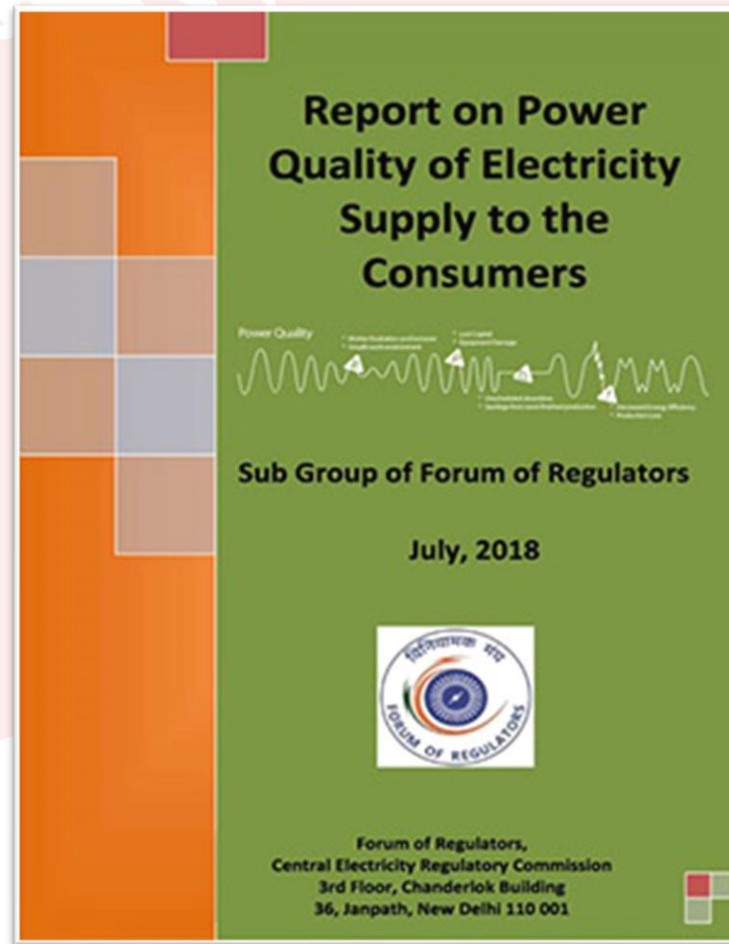
**De-rating of alternators and generators is one of major harmonic related issue in sugar industry**

# Investments to improve PQ are key to staying competitive.

## Good PQ = Good Economics

Key Equipment	Long-term impact of good PQ
<b>Steam/Boiler and Cogen Plants</b> (use Transformers and Breakers, Protection equipment)	Effective use of CAPEX, Reduced losses, extended life, No nuisance tripping, extended life
<b>Crushers</b> (Uses Motors, VFDs)	5% to 10% longer life for seals, windings etc., significantly lower breakdowns, lesser maintenance costs
<b>Automation</b> (use VFDs)	Avoidance of nuisance tripping, Extended life, lesser breakdowns
<b>Modern Machines, SCADA Power Electronics</b> (PLC, HMI)	Seamless functioning without interruption/breakdowns, Significantly reduced risk of failure throughout life-cycle
<b>Cables</b>	Longer life, reduced risk of short circuit, sparking etc. due to insulation damage

# Changing Standards & Regulations



1. CEA(**Grid Standards**) Regulations 2010
2. CEA(Technical Standard for **Grid Connectivity**) Regulations, 2007, amended in 2013 and 2019
3. CEA( Technical Standards Connectivity of the Distributed Generation Resources) Regulation 2013 renamed as CEA(**Technical Standard for Grid Connectivity below 33 kilovolts**) Regulations, 2019

# PQ Mindsets

## The Reactive

It's an emergency!

## The Risk taker

We will see when we have problems

## The Calculated Risk Taker

We have a budget for problems

## The Confident

Problems? With all these investments?

## The Innocent

We have done everything right

## The Proactive

We invest in keeping network healthy

## The Futuristic

Here are our PQ goals!

We cannot  
progress  
without  
'excellence'  
mindset.

# 6 things you should consider taking up. Sustain the success by being regulatory compliant.

**1**

**Monitor** extended range of PQ parameters, continuously

**2**

**Measure** saving opportunities beyond PF and Harmonics

**3**

**Add to** energy efficiency with PQ improvement initiatives

**4**


**Comply** to the present and upcoming PQ regulations

**5**

**Avoid** investing in pseudo solutions to solve PQ issues

**6**

**Adopt** System Solution rather than product solution



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