# **SPV Water Pumping Systems**

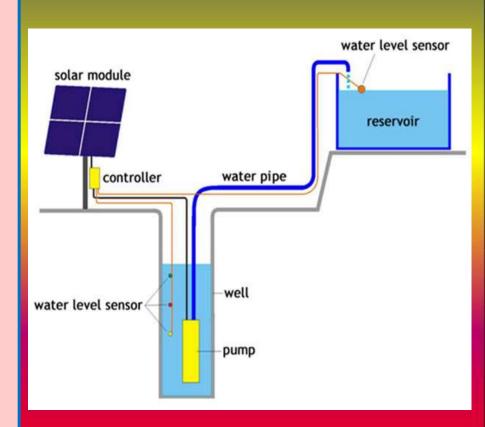
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# **SPV Pumping: Principle**

- Sunlight electricity power - motor pump
- Online or storage
- Varying power input
   varying water
   output
- Reliable stand-alone systems
- Requires no fuel and very little attention



# **Applications**

## Water supply

- Villages, schools, hospitals, homes
- Resorts, hotels and farmhouses
- Animal farms and poultries
- Housing societies and apartments

## Irrigation

- Farms, fields and greenhouses
- Govt. forest departments
- Corporate/ industry parks
- Sprinklers and drip irrigation

#### Decorative

- Fountains
- Water parks
- Swimming pool recirculation
- Watering of golf courses

# **Components: Typical solar pump system**

- Pump and motor set
- Solar power conditioning unit (SPCU)
- Solar PV modules
- Support structure
- Pipes and cables
- Foundation
- Earthing kit

# **Advantages**

### Low operating cost:

- No fuel required e.g. electricity or diesel
- Operating cost is minimal

#### Low maintenance:

- A well-designed solar system requires little maintenance
- Just cleaning of the panels once a week
- Spares easily available

#### Harmonious with nature:

- Maximum water when most needed hot and dry months
- Slow solar pumping allows us to utilize low-yield water sources

## Flexibility:

- Freedom regarding the placement of panels
- Auto start and stop as per solar intensity with manual switch also

## Additional source of power:

- Optional use as battery charger cum booster
- Charge battery a) morning & evening hours, b) when not running
- Output can be used at night for CFLs, fans, TV etc

# **Limitations**

### Low yield:

- Not suitable for high requirement
- Smaller capacities

### Variable yield:

- Out put uncertainty
- Difficult planning irrigation

### Dry operation:

- Surface pumps very sensitive to dry run
- 15 minutes or more can cause considerable damage

## Water quality:

- Works best if the water is clean
- Filter at immersed pipe end required

#### · Theft:

- Theft of solar panels a problem in some areas
- Needs insurance theft as well as natural hazards

# **MNRE Technical Specifications**

#### PV array:

- 200 Watt to 5 KWp
- Stable structure: facility of tracking the sun
- Suitable for bore-well, open well, water reservoir, water stream

## Motor Pump Set:

- Surface DC motor pump with brush and brushless
- Submersible DC motor pump with brush and brushless
- Surface AC induction motor pump with electronic controller
- Submersible AC induction motor pump electronic controller
- Mono block: driving unit and impeller on a common shaft

#### Electronics:

- Solar power conditioning unit
- Maximum Power Point Tracker (MPPT)
- Controls and protections

#### Accessories:

- Interconnect Cables and "On-Off" switch
- Water level sensor

# **Types of Motor Pumps**



Deep well submersible



Open well submersible



Shallow well Submersible



Shallow well surface pump

# **SPV Modules**

- Mono/ multi crystalline silicon solar cells
- SPV array: Series and parallel combination of modules
- Each module: Minimum 74 Wp at STC
- Output: IEC 61215 certified
- Safety qualification: IEC 61730 Part I and II certified
- Minimum efficiency: 14%
- Minimum fill factor: 70%
- Output wattage Warranty:
  - Minimum 90% at the end of 12 years
  - Minimum 80% at the end of 25 years

## MOUNTING STRUCTURES/TRACKING SYSTEM

## Mounted on metallic structure:

- Angle iron: Minimum 50x50x5 mm
- Mild steel, hot dipped galvanized (120 micron)
- Withstand wind speed of 150 Km/hr

# **Tracking system:**

- Auto tracking suggested
- Manual tracking must:
- Angle adjustment provision
- 10 to 40 degrees steps of 10 degree
- Seasonal tilt angle adjustment
- Three times manual tracking in a day

## **Electronic Controls and Protection**





## **Maximum Power Point Tracker**

- The motor input power is instantaneously and automatically adjusted by varying the operating frequency to match the maximum output power available from the Solar PV panels at different sun intensities
- Efficiency: solar panel, pump and motor maximized

#### **Electronic Protections**

- Dry run protection
- Under voltage and over voltage protection
- Reverse polarity protection
- Soft start for the ac induction motors
- Output short circuit protection
- Protection from lightning

# **Water Discharge Norms**

| Model I    | Model II  | Model III   |  |
|------------|---|---|--|
| PV-900W,   | PV-1800W,   | PV-2700W,   |  |
| TDH-12m    | TDH-15m   | TDH-25m   |  |
| 90,000 lpd | 1,80,000 lpd  | 1,48,000 lpd  |  |
| at 10 m    | at 10 m   | at 20 m   |  |
|            |   |   |  |
| 81,000 lpd | 1,62,000 lpd  | 1,35,000 lpd  |  |
| at 10 m    | at 10 m   | at 20 m   |  |
|            |   |   |  |
| Model IV   | Model V   | Model VI  | Model VII  |
| PV-1200W,  | PV-1800W,   | PV-3000W,   | PV-4800W,  |
| TDH-45m    | TDH-45m   | TDH-70m   | TDH-70m  |
| 42,000 lpd | 63,000 lpd  | 63,000 lpd  | 1,00,000 lpd   |
| at 30 m    | at 30 m   | at 50 m   | at 50 m  |
|            |   |   |  |
| 38,000 lpd | 57,000 lpd  | 57,000 lpd  | 91,000 lpd   |
| at 30 m    | at 30 m   | at 50 m   | at 50 m  |
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<sup>\*</sup>Under the "Average Daily Solar Radiation" condition of 7.15 KWh/ sq.m.

# **Special Instructions**

- Whole system:
  - 5 years warranty
  - Spares: provide with system
- Prefer 'Surface Motor Pump sets": 10m depth
- Pump must match total dynamic head requirement of the site
- Must meet water discharge norms
- Select <u>appropriate model</u> as per <u>site requirement</u>

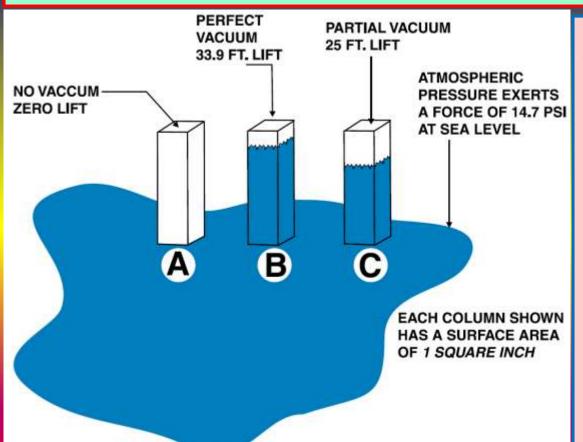
Two big questions?

# **Motor and Pump Combination**



- Motor provides spinning action
- Pump creates vacuum or pressure
- Proper combination is necessary

## **Basics of Pump**

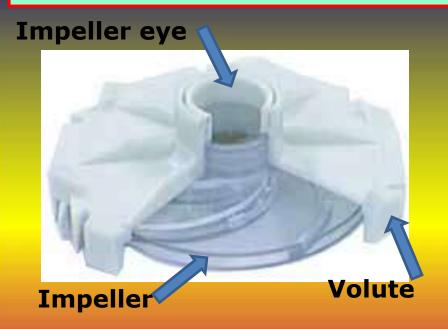


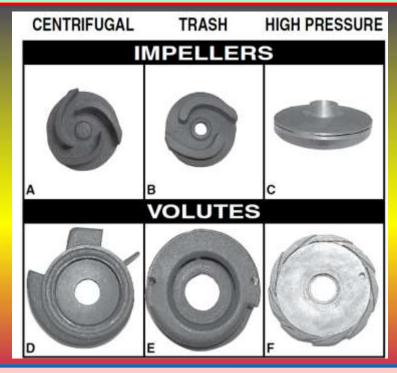
# Calculation of Theoretical Suction Lift:

- •Atmospheric pressure at sea level: 14.7 (lb/in²)
- Density of water: .0361 (lb/in³)
- 14.7 (lb/in<sup>2</sup>) ÷ .0361 (lb/in3) = 407.28 (in)
- 407.28 (in) ÷ (12 in/foot) = 33.9 (ft)

- 33.9 ft (10.33m) maximum theoretical height water can be lifted under perfect conditions at sea level
- 25 ft(7.62m) practical suction lift, attainable for cold water (60°F) at sea level by creating a partial vacuum

# **Centrifugal Pump**





## **Pump capacity**

- Impeller diameter
- Number of impellers
- Eye or inlet opening size,
- Speed of the shaft rotation
- Capacity 1psi = 2.31 ft

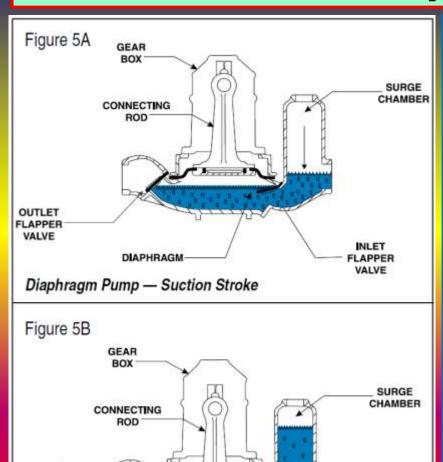
#### Impeller: Rotating disk

- •Set of vanes coupled to motor shaft
- Produces centrifugal force

#### Volute: Stationary housing

- •Impeller rotates in it
- Collects and re-circulates water
- Vacuum/ pressure created
- Water moved through casing

## **Positive Displacement Pump**



- Uses piston or diaphragm
- Positive displacement design
- Pump specific amount of flow per stroke, revolution or cycle
- Motor shaft turns connecting rod
- Connecting rod alternately raises (expands) and lowers (contracts) the diaphragm
- Expansion-contraction pumps water
- Inlet and outlet valves used alternatively

DIAPHRAGN

Diaphragm Pump — Discharge Stroke

OUTLET

VALVE

INLET

VALVE

## **Submersible Pumps**

- Centrifugal type
- multi-stage
- Motor joined/submerged in water
- Most energy: to push water rather
- Mounted on a single shaft
- Each impeller passes the water to the eye of the next impeller
- The pump and motor assembly lowered into the well
- Pump always filled with water (primed) and ready to pump



Impeller/ Diffuser Stack

# **Comparision**

- Piston and diaphragm type
  - Complex with lots of moving parts
  - Needs lubrication pollution
  - Useful for shallow well
- Centrifugal pumps
  - Simple
  - Low maintenance
  - Can work with variable speed
  - Useful: both low and high water table
  - Useful for surface and submerged application
- MNRE Choice:
  - Mono block: driving unit and impeller on a common shaft
  - Naturally centrifugal preferred

## **Motor Drive**

| Feature                 | Brushed             | Brushless       | AC induction        |  |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--|
| Commutation             | Mechanical          | Electronically  | Electronically      |  |
| Maintenance             | High                | Low             | Low                 |  |
| <b>Electrical Noise</b> | High                | Low             | Low                 |  |
| Life                    | Shorter             | Longer          | Longer              |  |
| Speed/Torque            | Moderately flat     | Flat            | Flat                |  |
| Characteristics         |                     |                 |                     |  |
| Efficiency              | Medium              | High            | Low                 |  |
| Motor Size              | Larger              | Smaller         | Smaller             |  |
| Speed ranges            | Commutator limits   | Can rotate high | Can rotate high     |  |
|                         | speed               | speeds          | speeds              |  |
| Audible noise           | High at high speeds | Low             | Low                 |  |
|                         | because of brushes  |                 |                     |  |
| Cost                    | Less expensive      | Expensive       | Inexpensive         |  |
| Control                 | No controller       | Controller      | Controller required |  |
| Requirements            | required for fixed  | required        |                     |  |
|                         | speed               |                 |                     |  |

- DC brushless: highly desirable
- AC induction: good compromise

# **Cost and Subsidy**

## **MNRE Benchmark cost:**

- DC Pump:
  - Rs. 190/- per watt i.e. Rs. 1,90,000/- per kW
- AC Pump:
  - 15% less as compared to DC
  - Rs. 161.5/- per watt i.e. Rs. 1,61,500/- per kW
- Subsidy:
  - 30% of benchmark cost of actual whichever is less
- Net cost:
  - DC Rs. 1,33,000/- per kW
  - AC Rs. 1,13,050/- per kW

# **Pump Terminology and Concepts**

- Static Suction Lift Water level to impeller axis
- Dynamic Suction Head Static suction lift + pipe friction (Also known as Total Suction Head)
- Static Discharge Head Pump outlet to water tank
- Dynamic Discharge Head Static discharge head + friction in the discharge line (Also known as *Total Discharge Head*)
- Total Dynamic Head The Dynamic Suction Head plus the Dynamic Discharge Head (Also known as Total Head)

# \* TDH important for pump selection

## **Designing**

## Housing society water pumping system:

- Number of flats: 20
- Number of persons per flat: 5
- Total occupancy: 100 persons
- Water requirement per person: 150 lpd
- Total water requirement: 15000 lpd
- Lower storage tank: Underground 3 m depth
- Motor position: 1 m above ground
- Storage Tank height: 12m
- Total static head: 16m
- Friction head loss (2" dia GI pipe): 0.15-0.20 ft per ft
- Add pipe friction head loss: 4m (approx.)
- Total Dynamic head: 20m

## **Designing**

Water pumped (in '000 litres per day)

|       | 150Wp | 300Wp | 600Wp | 900Wp | 1200Wp | 1800Wp | 2400Wp |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| 10 m  | 7.5   | 18.7  | 37.1  | 54.5  | 70.9   | 87.5   | 94.6   |
| 30 m  | 3.6   | 7.8   | 15.1  | 26,5  | 35.6   | 50.9   | 57.8   |
| 50 m  | 2.3   | 5.0   | 9.6   | 14.2  | 21.1   | 34.1   | 45.6   |
| 60 m  |       | 4.3   | 8.0   | 12.3  | 16.6   | 27.0   | 38.1   |
| 80 m  |       | 3.1   | 5.9   | 8.7   | 12.3   | 18.5   | 21.2   |
| 100 m |       |       | 4.4   | 5.4   | 8.6    | 14.7   | 18.3   |
| 120 m |       |       | 3.0   | 4.8   | 5.2    | 10.5   | 15.1   |
| 150 m | j.    |       |       | 2.9   | 3.9    | 5.0    | 9.2    |

- Solar DC shallow well water pumping system
- 900 Wp or 1hp pump preferred as safe option
- Extra capacity can be used to charge battery

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