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Power Factor Correction by Implementation of Reactive Power Compensation Methods of 220 KV Substation MPPTCL Narsinghpur

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Abstract - In an electric power system, which is AC (alternating current) by nature forms the most advantageous, the equipments and other industrial inductive loads draw reactive power and suffer with the problem of power factor improvement. This also greatly affects and deteriorates the voltage profile of the system. Low voltage profile may cause power losses in the system, low performance in the appliances and industrial machineries. Sometimes it may cause severe damage to the appliances and loss in productions.
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I.   INTRODUCTION

An electric power system is known to be comprised of electrical network components used to supply, transfer and use of electric power. An example of an electric power system is the network that supplies a region's homes and industry with power- for sizeable regions, hence power system is known as grid and can be broadly divided into:

A.   Generators that supply the power.
B.   The transmission system that carries the power from the generating centers to the load centers &
C.   The distribution system that feeds the power to nearby homes and industries

Smaller power systems are also found in industry, hospitals, commercial buildings and homes. The majority of these systems rely upon three – phase ac power .The standard for large- scale power transmission and distribution across the modern world.

II. METHODOLOGY

Most ac electric machines draw apparent power in terms of kilovolt amperes (KVA) which is in excess of the useful power, measured in kilowatts (KW), required by the machine. The ratio of these quantities (KW/KVA) is called the power factor cos ∅ and is dependent on the type of machine in use. A large proportion of the electric machinery used in industry has an inherently low pf, which means that the supply authorities have to generate much more current than is theoretically required. In addition, the transformers and cables have to carry this high current. When the overall pf of a generating station's load is low, the system is inefficient and the cost of electricity correspondingly high. To overcome such conditions of low power factor supply authorities often impulse penalties.

220 KV substation MPPTCL Narsinghpur is one of transmission company's substations and is located at Narsinghpur district. It is a major and vital transformation and switching substation of the company. It is established in the year 1995 having total installed capacity of 320MVA (2x160MVA auto-transformer) at 220/132 KV level. Along with this there are 83MVA capacity (1x63MVA and 1x20MVA two winding transformer) at 132/33 KV level as shown in single line diagram.

III. PRIOR APPROACH

In 220 KV Narsinghpur sub-station it has been observed that 132 KV bus has 6 export feeders (load) and only 2 import feeders (source). The load flow study by past software tool shows that maximum reactive load of Narsinghpur district flows at 132 KV bus of 220 KV sub-station Narsinghpur.

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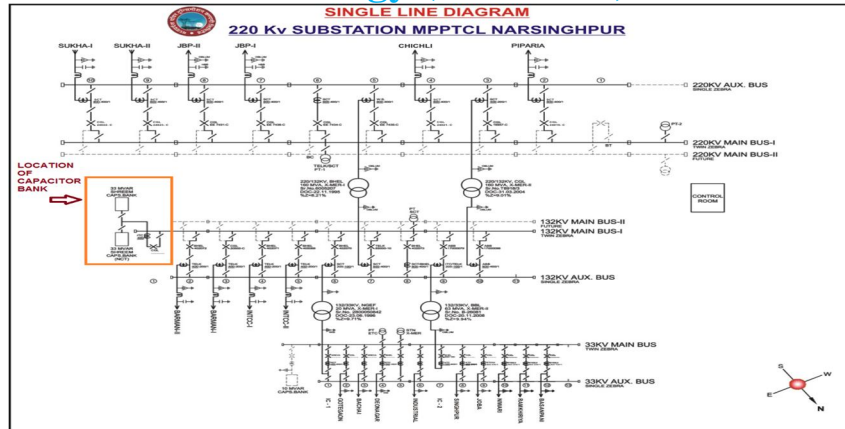

Figure 1. Single line diagram for 220 KV Narsinghpur

A.   Issues related to power factor at site

For better efficiency and economic operation of a system, it is desirable that load should draw a small reactive power from the system and its power factor be improved. The cosine of the phase angle between   KVA and KW represents the power factor of the load. The   KVAR drawn by capacitor is "leading" i.e. In phase opposition of lagging   KVAR of the load. Thus, the resultant KVAR is now smaller and the new power factor (**cos ó₂**) is increased. The improved value of power factor from cos ó₁ to cos ó₂ is controlled by the KVAR rating of capacitor connected with the load.

For reducing the transmission / distribution losses and also for voltage improvements, the reactive power drawls from the system should be as minimum as possible. When the reactive power drawls is more, current increases and with increased current, the voltage drop increases thereby the voltage is reduced at the supply point, this condition is expressed stating that power factor is poor. The improved power factor of load has one or more of the following advantages:

1)   Voltage profile improvement at remote end.
2)   Reduced losses in 160MVAx2 220/132/33 KV transformers connected between 220 KV and 132 KV bus inside the substation
3)   Release of   KVA capacity in the transformer for same KW, thus permitting additional loading. Line loss reduction.

IV. OUR APPROACH

The most economical and reliable method of compensation and improvement of power factor is installation of shunt capacitors. As far as energy data is recorded, the two sources at 132 KV bus namely 160MVA transformers imports 75 MVAR(approx) of reactive power and 320MVA apparent power from 220 KV grid to 132 KV bus for supplying the loads of whole Narsinghpur district (log records attached).

A.   Study of power inflow and outflow at 132 KV bus
1)   Log sheet data before pf correction

Table I. Data before Power Factor Correction

S. No	Name of feeder / transformer bay at 132 KV bus	MW input at 132 KV bus	MW output at 132 KV bus	MVAR input at 132 KV bus	MVAR output at 132 KV bus
1	160 MVA BHEL transformer	100 MW	0	36 MVAR	0
2	160 MVA CGL transformer	100 MW	0	34 MVAR	0
3	132 KV barman-1 feeder	0	40 MW	0	14 MVAR
4	132 KV barman-2 feeder	0	40 MW	0	14 MVAR
5	132 KV Narsinghpur-1 feeder	0	25 MW	0	8.75 MVAR
6	132 KV Narsinghpur-2 feeder	0	25 MW	0	8.75 MVAR
7	Narsinghpur area local s/s load	0	70 MW	0	24.5 MVAR
	Total bus balance	200 MW input	200 MW Output	70 MVAR Input	70 MVAR Output

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Table II Bus Voltages and Power Factor before Addition of Capacitor Bank

Bus Standard Voltage	Bus Voltage Before Pf Correction	Bus Power Factor Before Pf Correction
132 KV bus	132.02 KV	0.82
33 KV bus	32.9 KV	0.81

Table 3 Log Sheet Data after Power Factor Correction

Sr. No.	Name of feeder / transformer bay at 132 KV bus	MW input at 132 KV bus	MW output at 132 KV bus	MVAR input at 132 KV bus	MVAR output at 132 KV bus
1.	160 MVA BHEL transformer	100 MW	0	2.5 MVAR	0
2.	160 MVA CGL transformer	100 MW	0	1.5 MVAR	0
3	132 KV barman-1 feeder	0	40 MW	0	14 MVAR
4	132 KV barman-2 feeder	0	40 MW	0	14 MVAR
5	132 KV Narsinghpur-1 feeder	0	25 MW	0	8.75 MVAR
6	132 KV Narsinghpur-2 feeder	0	25 MW	0	8.75 MVAR
7	Narsinghpur area local s/s load	0	70 MW	0	24.5 MVAR
8	33 MVAR x 2 capacitor bank	0	0	66 MVAR	0
	Total bus balance	200 MW input	200 MW Output	70 MVAR Input	70 MVAR Output

Note: reduction in MVAR drawn from 2x160MVA transformers has been recorded.

Table IV Bus Voltages and Power Factor after Addition of Capacitor Bank

Bus standard voltage	Bus voltage after power factor correction	Bus power factor after power factor correction
132 KV bus	137.5 KV	0.97
33 KV bus	34.5 KV	0.98

Table V Bus Voltages And Power Factor Before And After Addition Of Capacitor Bank

Bus standard voltage	Bus voltage before pf correction	Bus power factor before pf correction	Bus power factor after pf correction
132 KV bus	132.02 KV	0.82	0.97
33 KV bus	32.9 KV	0.81	0.98

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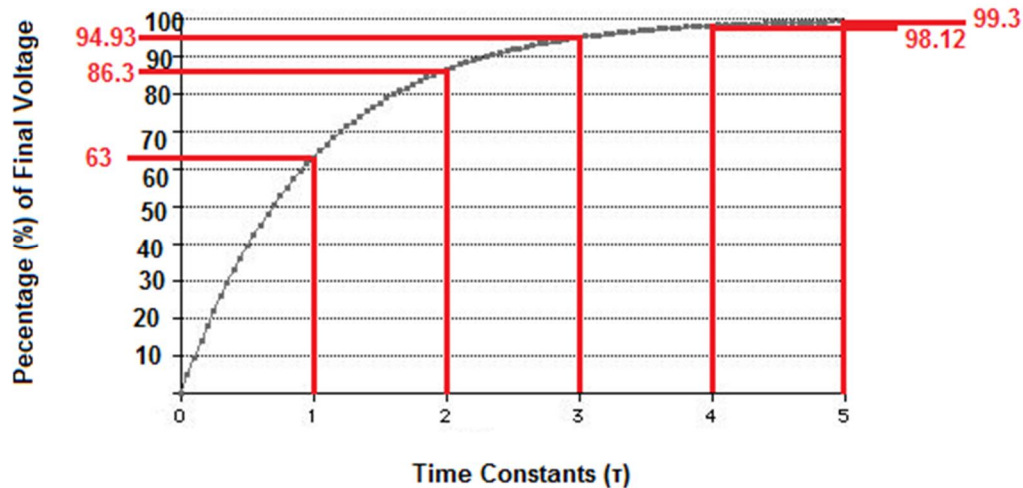

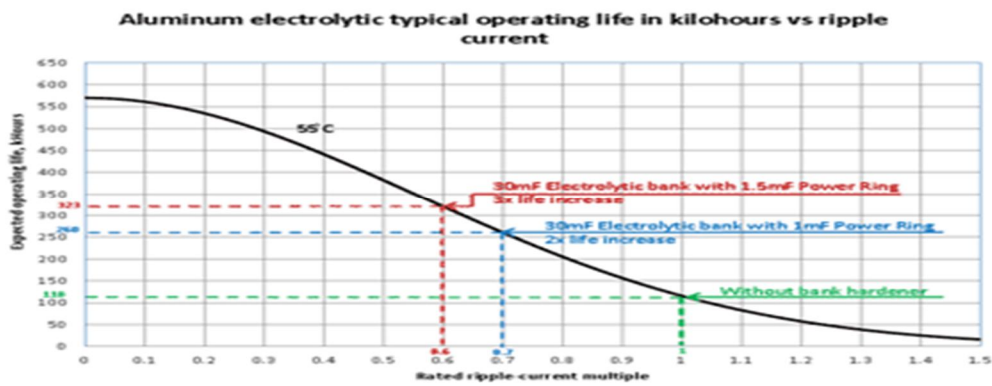Figure 2. Voltage Curve With Respect to Time
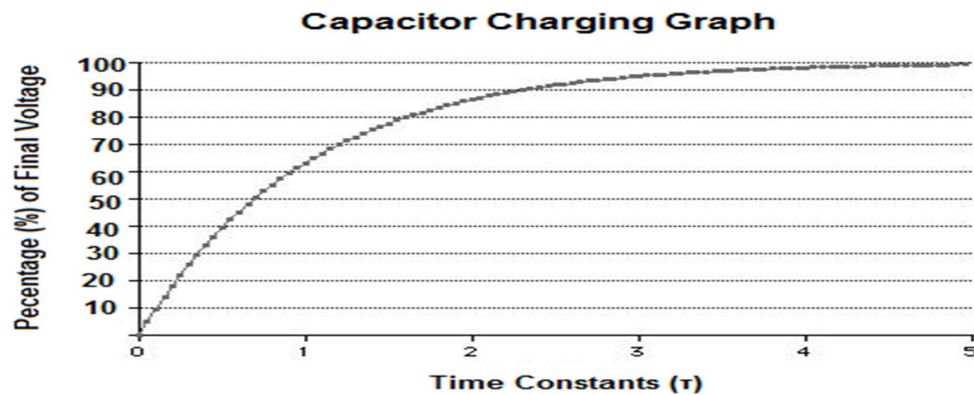

Figure 3.Current Curves With Respect to Time

Figure 4. Capacitor Voltage With Respect to Time

V. CONCLUSION

From all the previous discussion and observations of 220 KV sub-station MPPTCL Narsinghpur, we can conclude that reactive power compensation is a must for improving the performance of the ac system. By reactive power compensation we can control the power factor, reduce the consumption of electricity, minimize the transmission losses resulting in increased overall system power transmission efficiency, reduced loading of power transformers, reduced current flow over long lines, and many other advantageous

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aspects of power system.

To maintain the system reliability it is necessary to compensate the reactive power and thereby the selection of reactor (capacitor or inductor) bank is required. This work is solely devoted to develop a fast and simple algorithm for the computation of capacitor and inductor bank size for static var compensator. In traditional method several trials and errors are to be done each of which comprises several iterations which make this method complicated and time consuming, whereas the proposed method of computation needs a trivial computation which is less time consuming and simple. It is very tough to implement the time consuming and complicated traditional method for online capacitor or inductor bank computing purpose. On the other hand, being extremely fast, the proposed method of computation has high opportunities to be used for online capacitor or inductor bank computation purpose.

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