

# ELECTROTHERM FURNACES

#### INDIA'S BEST : GLOBALLY ADMIRED

Induction Furnace

Metal Refining Konverter

Ladle Refining Furnace

**Continuous Casting Machine** 





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## **Quality Steel Production through Integrated Induction Steel Plants**

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#### Various routes of steelmaking in





#### **Quality of Steel**

- Quality of steel is summation of how well steel meets its
  - specified chemistry
  - mechanical properties
  - cleanliness
- The quality is specified to determine the ability of steel to perform its designed function.



#### Types of steels

- Construction grade steel
- Low alloy steel
- High alloy steel
- Stainless steel



#### Construction grade TMT bars IS 1786

Constituent	Percent, Maximum						
	Fe 415	Fe 415D	Fe 500	Fe 500D	Fe 550	Fe 550D	Fe 600
Carbon	0.30	0.25	0.30	0.25	0.30	0.25	0.30
Sulphur	0.060	0.045	0.055	0.040	0.055	0.040	0.040
Phosphorus	0.060	0.045	0.055	0.040	0.050	0.040	0.040
Sulphur and phosphorus	0.110	0.085	0.105	0.075	0.100	0.075	0.075



#### **Integrated Steel Plants**



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- The plant which has facilities of conversion from iron ore to steel is called integrated steel plant
- The facilities may include
  - Beneficiation, pelletization, sintering
  - Production of hot metal / pig iron
  - Sponge iron making
  - Steelmaking
  - Steel refining
  - Steel casting
  - Rolling mill



#### Various routes of steel making











Sponge iron /pig iron /scrap

#### EAF steelmaking route





#### INTEGRATED INDUCTION FURNACE BASED STEEL PLANTS



#### Ordinary Induction Furnace based steel plants



**Induction Furnace** 







#### Integrated induction steel plants





Sponge iron + pig iron

#### Integrated induction steel plants



**Induction Furnace** 





## ELdFOS<sup>™</sup> Technology



#### Melting in induction furnace and tapping





#### Slag removal and LRF station





#### Main features

- Act as a buffer in between melting and casting equipment
- Improving homogeneity of chemical composition and temperature
- Removes dissolved gases and inclusions
- Desulphurization (40 points)
- Dephosphorization (90 points)



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### Concluding remarks

- Like integrated steel plants, induction furnace based steel plants are becoming popular now a days
- The plants use iron ore as a basic raw material
- Such integrated induction plants use very low amount of scrap
- BF-BOF and EAF based plants used LRF for final refining of steel
- In the same way, induction furnace based steel plants also use LRF for final refining of steel



#### Concluding remarks

- ELdFOS<sup>™</sup> technology uses LRF to remove P and S from steel
- Use of integrated induction steel plants help produce construction grade TMT bars as per IS 1786
- The quality in terms of chemical and mechanical properties of TMT bars is same as that of BF-BOF route and EAF route
- Use of LRF makes the steel independent of initial steelmaking route to produce the steel as per IS 1786.