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An Environmental Management Equipment in Indian Industry (Special Reference to TATA Group)

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Abstract:

Human activities, such as industrialization, construction, and research and development, are causing environmental degradation. The increasing population and the activities to meet their needs are negatively impacting the environment. Sustainable development is necessary to balance development and environmental conservation. Various environmental prevention and conservation activities have been initiated worldwide through legislative measures. India is a member of the United Nations Development Programs (UNDPs) and is working towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Indian government has taken many initiatives through legislative measures to prevent environmental degradation. Businesses also need to align and comply with these policies and measures. The research paper reviews the equipment/tools used by industrial organizations to comply with these legislative measures, using the TATA group as a case study. The TATA group is a trustworthy industrial organization with a wide range of activities and a strong legacy of ethical, moral integrity, and Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR).

Keywords: *Cleaner Production, Clean Production Agreement (CPA), Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS), Energy Conservation, Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), Environmental Management System (EMS), ISO 14001, Environmental Accounting and Reporting, Environmental Auditing, Environmental Resource Management (ERM), Environmental Management equipment, TATA Group, Equipments or Tools.*

Introduction:

The Indian Environmental Management Program was initiated in 1972 with the aim of tracking polluting industries and controlling pollution. The program was established through the National Committee on Environmental Planning and Coordination (NCEPF) to coordinate and integrate the environmental policies and programs of the Indian government. To control pollution, the Water Prevention and Control of Pollution Act (1974) and the Air Prevention and Control of Pollution Act (1981) were passed. The Environmental Protection Act (1986) was enacted for comprehensive environmental protection, along with the Hazardous Wastes Management and Handling Act (1989).

To promote cleaner production, the Indian government introduced the Cleaner Production Policy (1992), which aimed to legislate and regulate fiscal incentives, voluntary agreements, educational programs, and information campaigns. The Indian government's attitude towards environmental management is reflected in various legislative measures and

policies, which serve as environmental management tools. These tools are important for eliminating the adverse effects of industrial activity and provide guidelines to preserve the environment amid industrial pollution and carbon emission chaos. The researcher has reviewed these important Environmental Management Equipments or Tools in this research paper.

These are some important equements/tools:

1. Cleaner Production:
2. Clean Production Agreement (CPA)
3. Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (ESMAS)
4. Energy Conservation
5. Environmental Impact Assessment
6. Environmental Management Scheme
7. Environmental Accounting and Reporting
8. Environmental Auditing
9. Environmental Quality Management
10. Environmental Resource Management

These tools or Environmental Management Equipments can be explored one by one as below:

1. **Cleaner Production:**

Cleaner Production is defined as the continuous and rigorous use of industrial processes and products to prevent pollution, reduce waste at the source, and minimize risks to the human population and the environment. This is a preventive, company-specific environmental initiative. Developing countries face the dual challenges of encouraging industrialization to improve their GDP, while also preserving natural resources and maintaining ecological balance. To balance these needs, the Indian Government has adopted the policy of Cleaner Production, which includes strategies to promote cleaner production.

A workshop focusing on cleaner production was organized in Paris in June 1993 by the United Nations Environment Programme Industry and Environment Centre (UNEP/IE) in collaboration with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). Cleaner Production helps achieve economic welfare, seize new opportunities, and meet the targets set out in AGENDA 21 (Action Plan for Sustainable Development).

The advantages of Cleaner Production include:

- Minimizing waste and emissions.
- Increasing production output while preserving the environment.
- Reducing energy consumption.
- Improving efficiency.
- Aiding in the recovery of precious by-products.

2. **Clean Production Agreement (CPA):**

The Clean Production Agreement (CPA) is an environmentally friendly instrument developed in Chile. It initiates the implementation of cleaner production through productive promotions. The National Council for Clean Production, an undertaking of the Ministry of Economy in Chile, coordinates the processes and implementation related to it. The CPA serves as a benchmark for setting goals and planning actions to promote cleaner production. The Chilean Government sponsors this instrument, covering costs related to the diagnosis of sectors for

sustainable development, internal audits, technology assistance, training programs, and certifications. However, the National Council for Clean Production does not finance the purchase and acquisition of technology.

3. **Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS):**

EMAS is a voluntary Environmental Management instrument developed by the European Commission in 1993. Over 4,000 organizations and 10,000 sites have registered with EMAS. Its main objective is to continuously improve the environmental performance of companies and other organizations. It allows organizations to evaluate, improve, measure, and report their environmental performance.

EMAS assists in legal compliance and aligns the organization with policy targets. It provides transparency in organizational achievements by reporting annual environmental statements, which are confirmed by autonomous verifiers.

EMAS is suitable for all private and public organizations, promising less environmental impact, better efficiency, and reliable data.

The advantages of EMAS include:

a. **Improved Environmental Performance:** EMAS enhances the environmental performance of the organization by complying with legal requirements and addressing all relevant environmental issues.
b. **Improved Legislative Compliance**: EMAS aligns the environmental and organizational policy and strategy with legal compliance, resulting in better compliance with the organization's legal requirements.
c. **Better Identification of Corporate Responsibility:** EMAS identifies the roles and responsibilities regarding the environmental performance of the organization, leading to better corporate image.
d. **Fewer Environmental Accidents:** EMAS improves the environmental performance of the organization, reducing environmental disasters and accidents.
e. **Cost Saving:** EMAS improves production by reducing waste, expanding energy efficiency, cutting penalties, reusing, recycling, and effectively utilizing resources.
f. **Improvement in Relations with Stakeholders:** EMAS establishes better relationships with stakeholders by providing more transparency and higher return on capital employed through effective resource utilization and cost-saving.
g. **Regulatory Relief:** EMAS aids in compliance with the organization's legal requirements, leading to relief in inspections by legal authorities.
h. **EMS as an Integral Part of EMAS:** EMS plays a crucial role in environmental preservation and has become an integral part of EMAS.

4. **Energy Conservation:**

Energy Conservation is the strategic use of energy to reduce the energy requirements per unit output. It plays a vital role in human life and overall environmental management. The resources for energy generation are limited, and most are non-renewable, such as petrol, diesel, coal, and natural gas. Excessive use of these resources impacts nature and the environment, making resource degradation a pressing issue.

Efforts are made to save energy and reduce its consumption in production and organizational use. These efforts can be supplemented with efficient and effective utilization, waste management, reduction in losses, technological upgradation, improved operation and

maintenance, and population control. Energy conservation can be achieved through green engineering, which cares for both the environment and energy conservation, and sustains natural resources.

Energy conservation is part of the concept of Eco-Sufficiency. Effective use of energy can lead to environmental conservation, national security, and higher saving of resources. It helps in achieving sustainable development by allowing for future generations' needs with minimal degradation of their resources. The Government of India has issued detailed standard guidelines for energy conservation. Thus, energy conservation not only helps organizations grow but also leads to sustainable development.

5. **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)**

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a crucial tool used by governments and organizations to assess the potential environmental impacts of industrial activities and new start-ups. It aims to minimize adverse impacts on the environment and achieve sustainable development. Here are the key points:

Definitions of EIA:

The Centre for Science and Environment defines EIA as the study to predict the effect of a proposed activity/project on the environment.

The Indian Economic Service (IES) views EIA as a management tool to minimize the adverse impact of developmental projects on the environment.

The Ministry of Environment and Forest sees EIA as a major tool for minimizing the adverse impact of industrialization on the environment.

Role of EIA: The EIA plays a major role in environmental conservation. It helps governmental agencies in saving natural resources.

EIA Process: Detailed reports of the assessment or evaluation of the project are presented to stakeholders and concerned authorities. If a project is found to be harmful to the environment, its harmful aspects must be lessened. Once the project is deemed safe for the environment, it is approved and sanctioned for implementation.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA): EIA is based on the SEA as a tool of environmental management. It is a decision support process integral to project approval and decision making.

Indian Ministry of Earth Sciences: This ministry looks after various environmental impacts. It aims to evaluate environmental conditions associated with deep-sea minerals, evaluate sediment ecosystems and biogeography in abyssal areas, understand the interplay between geo-bio-chemical processes in these areas, develop environmental data to mine deep-sea mineral resources, and prepare an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the first generation mine (FGM) site.

The Indian Ministry of Earth Sciences has set several objectives related to environmental impact assessment (EIA), including evaluating environmental conditions associated with deep-sea minerals, understanding geo-bio-chemical processes in abyssal areas, and preparing an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the first generation mine (FGM) site.

EIA in India started in 1976-77 as an initiative of the Planning Commission to examine river-valley projects from an environmental perspective. Initially, these were administrative decisions lacking legislative support. To strengthen the process and ensure environmental sustainability, the Government of India enacted the Environment (Protection) Act on 23rd

May 1986, making environmental assessment statutory. A notification was issued on 27 January 1994, making EIA statutory for 30 activities. This was later superseded by the EIA Notification 2006. The Government of India continues to issue notifications and OMs related to EIA to preserve the environment amid industrial activities.

6. **Environmental Management System (EMS)**

Environmental Management System (EMS) is a system developed to manage and reduce the environmental impact of organizations. Here are the key points:

EMS: It is a recognized management system that improves the environmental performance of an organization. It introduces industrial personnel to management procedures that help reduce the organization's environmental impact.

Definitions: The International Standard Organisation (ISO) defines EMS as a system that helps organizations identify, manage, monitor, and control their environmental issues in a holistic manner. BSI defines EMS as the organizational structure, responsibility, practices, procedure, process, and resource for determining and implementing environmental policy.

Purpose: EMS is adopted by industrial organizations to improve their environmental performance, leading to waste reduction, cost-saving, and a better corporate image. It assists organizations in complying with various local and international legal regulations and improves their ability to meet suppliers' requirements.

ISO Guidelines: The International Standard Organisation has issued ISO Guidelines and certification for the EMS i.e., ISO 14001. These are accepted worldwide for implementing EMS. The ISO 14001 helps organizations operate on a more sustainable level, leading to brand creation, reputation increase, cost-saving, and improved employee reliance.

Benefits: The adoption of EMS and ISO 14001 offers several competitive advantages, including improved environmental performance, good corporate and green corporate image, waste reduction and management, conservation of natural resources and environment through pollution control, risk mitigation of environmental disasters, market capture by complying with local and international legal requirements, cost-saving, and improved employee reliance and productivity.

Adopting the Environmental Management System (EMS) and ISO 14001 can lead to several benefits for both the organization and its customers & stakeholders:

For the Organization: It can gain government recognition and incentives, such as those offered by the Pollution Control Board for the adoption of EMS ISO 14001.

For Customers & Stakeholders:

- They can receive eco-friendly products.
- They can get better products at affordable prices.
- They can enjoy an improved environmental atmosphere.
- They can be informed about the environmental performance of the organization through reports.
- They can see more return on their capital employed.
- They can experience better status and improved belongingness.

They can have improved reliance on the organization as an investor.

7. **Environmental Accounting and Reporting**

Environmental Accounting and Reporting is a system that records and reports the environmental costs associated with an organization's activities. Here are the key points:

Accountability: In a general sense, accountability refers to responsibility or credibility. In a commercial context, accounting is the systematic recording, classifying, analyzing, and reporting of financial transactions.

Environmental Accounting: This refers to the recording of the environmental costs of an organization, i.e., the financial cost of environmental management practices. These practices are necessary to maintain a healthy environment and can lead to cost savings, better products, waste reduction, and recycling.

Impact on Corporate Image: Environmental practices can enhance a company's corporate image. Eco-friendly products are preferred by customers and are in demand in international markets.

Legal Compliance: Compliance with local and international environmental regulations can be achieved through environmental management practices.

Reporting: After implementing the Environmental Management System (EMS) in an organization, a statement showing environmental costs is prepared. This statement is reported to various authorities, customers, stakeholders, and management for decision-making. These statements are verified by an external auditor to ensure their authenticity and trustworthiness.

8. **Environmental Auditing**

Environmental Auditing is a process designed to identify and understand the gaps between environmental compliance and the implementation of an environmental management system (EMS). Here are the key points:

Purpose: Environmental Auditing includes compliance audits and management systems audits. It involves the identification and auditing of environmental media (air, water, waste, etc.) and operational aspects of a company.

Tools and Technology: Tools for environmental auditing are not specific and are developed by the organization itself based on its needs and compliance requirements. Auditing agencies develop their own protocols or checklists for effective EMS implementation.

Features of Environmental Audit: These include management tools, aim of the audit, Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), systemic process, documentation, periodic evaluation, objective evaluation, and environmental performance.

Environmental Auditing Process: The process involves planning, choosing an audit team, inspecting the site/collecting data, analyzing audit results, and evaluating the audit.

Benefits of Environmental Audit: The benefits include improved EMS efficiency, adherence to environmental laws and standards, risk mitigation, stakeholder satisfaction, reduced operational inefficiencies, encouragement of continual improvement, adherence to certification requirements, increased employee awareness, and improved decision-making.

9. **Environmental Resource Management (ERM)**

Environmental Resource Management (ERM) is a field that focuses on the interaction and impact of human societies on the environment. Here are the key points:

Purpose: ERM aims to ensure the protection and management of ecosystem services, which are crucial for safeguarding future generations and maintaining ecosystem integrity. It does this through ethical, economic, and scientific methodologies and procedures.

Scope: ERM is connected to environmental protection, environmental sustainability, and environmental management. It covers a wide range of perspectives, including the management of the biophysical environment (both living and non-living) and their relationships with their natural habitat. It also considers the socio-cultural, political, economic, and religious aspects of the human environment.

Stakeholders: ERM involves various stakeholders, including the public sector, private sector, and civil society. It utilizes the tools of the ISO 14001 series for effective management.

Objectives of Environmental Impact Statement (EIS): The EIS aims to identify the prior impacts of a developmental project on the environment, society, and economy before deciding on its implementation. It also aims to minimize the harmful impact by mitigation to maximize the beneficial impact.

Environmental Management equipment/Tools in Indian Industries:

The environmental protection measures and equipment used in large, medium, and small-scale industries in India. Here are the key points:

Industrial Growth: The adoption of the Liberalization, Privatization, and Globalization (LPG) policy has led to remarkable growth in Indian industries. However, this rapid growth and increasing population have raised concerns about sustainable development.

Sustainable Development: The text emphasizes the need for development that does not compromise the needs of future generations. While industrial development allows for rapid economic growth, it can also lead to the extraction of non-renewable resources and environmental degradation.

Environmental Protection Initiatives: Industries are taking initiatives to protect the environment and preserve non-renewable resources. These initiatives are part of their environmental management practices, which aim to protect, conserve, and improve environmental performance.

Review of Environmental Practices: The text mentions a review of the annual reports of the most dominant industries in India to understand their recent environmental practices. This review covers environmental management practices in small, medium, and large-scale industries in India.

Initiatives of TATA Groups of Companies and their Environmental Management Tools:

The Tata Group, a multinational conglomerate, has implemented several environmental initiatives across its companies, emphasizing environmental and ecological issues as part of its corporate social responsibility. Here are the key points:

Tata Group: The group adheres to environmental procedures drawn up by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), operating under the United Nations. The group follows a policy of "Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle."

Tata Steel: The company emphasizes creating a green environment around its plants and utilizes waste generated in the steel manufacturing process. Solid waste management is considered a business opportunity, with efforts made to increase waste reuse and recycling.

Tata Tea: The company's "Aranya" project employs and trains disabled youngsters to extract dyes from natural resources. Tea waste is used to create green dyes, and packaging scrap is recycled.

Tata Chemicals: The company's growth is guided by the principles of "Replace, Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle" in the field of energy, water, and other natural resources. It replaces the use of fresh water with seawater or treated seawater wherever possible. The company's sewage water treatment plant treats sewage generated by the township, which is then reused.

Indian Hotels: The company has developed a waste minimization program implemented across all its hotels. The program is divided into five groups, with a strict watch on how waste is disposed of or recycled. All hotels strive to minimize the use of paper and stationery in their offices, and all organic waste is sent to the biogas plant or used for composting.

The environmental protection measures and initiatives taken by the Tata Group and its companies. Here are the key points:

Waste Management: The Tata Group treats wastewater and uses it for cooling towers and gardening, among other things. Used oils are disposed of only to authorized dealers. Water is recycled wherever possible, and slurry from the wastewater plant is dried and used in the generation of manure. The company also tries to minimize gaseous wastes.

Energy Conservation: The group has several built-in programs for energy conservation. It monitors measurement systems and installs energy-efficient machinery when old machines are replaced. It uses innovative methods, such as separate off-line filters for cooling tower circuits, to reduce the frequent cleaning of condenser coils.

Climate Change Mitigation: The Tata Group has a comprehensive plan to combat climate change and is committed to reducing carbon emissions. It aims to reduce greenhouse gases and revive nature's ability to heal itself. The group addresses these issues through the Tata Code of Conduct 2008 and a climate change initiative run through Tata Quality Management Services (TQMS).

Leading from the Front: Various Tata companies have taken significant steps towards environmental sustainability. For instance, Tata Steel recycles more than 80% of the waste generated, Tata Chemicals has water recycling processes and sewage treatment facilities, and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) is committed to building green offices. Several Tata companies have registered projects under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) instituted by the UNFCCC, focusing on areas such as waste heat recovery power generation, supercritical technology for power generation, fuel switch, methane capture, energy efficiency improvements, and setting up renewable energy power generation farms.

The Tata Group, a multinational conglomerate, has implemented several environmental initiatives across its companies. Here are the key points:

Tata Steel: The company recycles more than 80% of the waste generated, with the rest dispatched into safe landfills.

Tata Chemicals: The company has water recycling processes and sewage treatment facilities to reduce dependence on fresh water. It also invests in saving the whale shark, an annual visitor to the Mithapur plant.

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS): TCS is committed to building green offices, with its buildings rated by the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.

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Tata Motors: The company has been an early adopter of environmentally friendly practices. It has converted a rocky and arid wasteland close to the Pune campus into a mini forest, developed a nature trail within the forest, and protects a lake that is home to various marine species.

Biodiversity Reserve Plantation Project: Tata Chemicals runs this project, which aims to create a botanical reserve for endangered plant species and a seed bank for their mass regeneration.

Tata Tea: The company safeguards the rich and diverse flora and fauna around its estates in Munnar, Kerala, and has taken on the challenge of protecting the Eravikulam National Park.

Code of Conduct: The Tata Group's code urges all companies to exercise caution in their use of natural resources and their impact on pollution levels. It mandates a change in approach and outlook, with a steering committee set up to guide all companies on mitigation activities.

Carbon Footprint Assessment: The group has decided to assess and benchmark its global carbon footprint and work towards its subsequent phased reduction. External consultants Ernst & Young and McKinsey & Company have been appointed to measure the current and future carbon footprint of the group companies and help them establish cost abatement curves and develop high-level mitigation strategies.

The Tata Group is actively involved in environmental protection and sustainability, with a focus on waste management, energy conservation, and climate change mitigation. user summarise this Leading from the front.

- Tata Steel recycles more than 80 per cent of the waste generated and the rest is despatched into safe landfills.
- At Tata Chemicals, water recycling processes and sewage treatment facilities have cut down the dependence on fresh water. It also invests time and resources in saving the whale shark that is an annual visitor to the Mithapur plant.
- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has committed to building green offices; its buildings will be rated by LEED or the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System which is the internationally accepted benchmark for green buildings.
- Tata Steel, Tata Motors, Tata Chemicals, Tata Power, Tata Sponge, and Tata Metaliks have registered projects under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) instituted by the UNFCCC.
- The major areas under CDM projects are: 1. Waste heat recovery power generation 2. Super critical technology for power generation 3. Fuel switch 4. Methane captures 5. Energy efficiency improvements 6. Setting up of renewable energy power generation farms using wind, solar, etc.

- Tata Motors has been an early adopter of environmentally friendly practices. Way back in 1964, the company took over 800 acres of rocky and arid wasteland close to the Pune campus and converted it into a mini forest with more than 1.5 lakh trees belonging to 188 species. The company has developed a nature trail within the forest and protects a lake that is home to an assortment of fish and other marine species.
- Tata Chemicals runs a biodiversity reserve plantation project, driven by volunteer employees. The objective of the project is to create a botanical reserve that will be a stronghold for endangered plant species and a seed bank for their mass regeneration. The plantation provides a safe breeding ground for Caspian Terns, migratory aquatic birds that visit every winter.
- Tata Tea safeguards the rich and diverse flora and fauna around its estates in Munnar, Kerala. It has assumed responsibility for conservation of 1,100 hectares of swamps and streams inside and near its estates and helps protect shola grasslands in the region.

The company has also taken on the challenge of protecting the 97 square kilometre Eravikulam National Park. The code urges all companies to exercise greater caution in the way they use natural resources and in the manner in which they impact upon pollution levels. In the clause on health, safety and environment, the code says: “It (a Tata company) shall prevent the wasteful use of natural resources and be committed to improving the environment, particularly with regard to the emission of greenhouse gases, and shall endeavour to offset the effect of climate change in all spheres of its activities.” While the code mandates a change in approach and outlook, a steering committee and a group to lead the CCI has been set up to guide all the companies on mitigation activities. As a first step, the group has decided to assess and benchmark its global carbon footprint and work towards its subsequent phased reduction. To that end, two external consultants, Ernst & Young and McKinsey & Company have been appointed. Ernst & Young will measure the current carbon footprint and extrapolate the futuristic carbon footprint of the group companies. Five major Tata companies have been identified for the first stage Tata Steel, Tata Motors, Tata Power, Tata Chemicals and TCS. McKinsey & Company will help the companies establish cost abatement curves and develop high level mitigation strategies. The two consultants will also train many champions in the Tata group who can then cascade the initiative into other Tata companies. As per the plan, the carbon footprint will initially be mapped at the factory level and for major processes. In the second phase, it will be extended to minor processes. The climate change agenda is also being pursued through initiatives such as: intensive awareness. The Tata Group, a multinational conglomerate, has implemented several environmental initiatives across its companies. Here are the key points:

- They have undertaken several environmental conservation steps for their Indian operations, including achieving Zero Effluent Discharge (ZED) status at 27 out of 46 operating sites, reducing dust by 55%, reducing CO2 intensity by 7%, and increasing waste utilization by 11%.
- The group has obtained certifications for various quality management systems, such as ISO 9000, ISO 14000, OHSAS 18000, TS 16949, and ISO 27000.
- Tata Communications has obtained ISO/IEC 27001 (information security) and ISO/IEC 20000 (IT services management) certifications for managed services and data centers.

- Tata Steel and Tata Motors have obtained ISO 9001 certification and implemented ISO/TS 16949 (quality management for automotive production and relevant service parts).
- Several Tata companies, including Tata Communications, Tata Steel, Tata Motors, Tata Consultancy Services, Tata Chemicals, Tata Tea, Tata Autocomp Systems, and Tata BP Solar, have adopted the international standard for environmental management, ISO 14001, to ensure high standards on emissions, waste disposal, and natural resource conservation.
- Recently, the group set up a formal structure to work on mitigating the dangers of climate change.
- Rallis India, a Tata enterprise, is a leading player in the agricultural inputs and agro-chemical business. The company is committed to sustainable business practices and supports rural India. They are developing more water-based formulations to reduce environmental impacts.

Agro Chemical: Rallis India

Rallis India not only has a green portfolio but also supports farmers through initiatives like the More Pulses Programs (MOPU). Sustainability is a strong pillar of the company, with a focus on the environment, corporate social responsibility, affirmative action initiatives, natural resource management, and employability through skill development. The company's efforts towards sustainability have been recognized by various forums. Their achievements in 2013-14 include the National Energy Conservation Award, ICC Award for Best Compliant Company for Process Safety Code under Responsible Care, Golden Peacock Eco-Innovation award, and two awards for appreciable performance during TATA Volunteer Week.

Rallis India's health and safety management is robust. They hold the Responsible Care Logo, have ISO-50001 certification, and practice zero liquid discharge from their manufacturing unit. Their focus on process safety management and behavior-based safety has set them apart from other organizations. All units of Rallis India are certified for ISO-14001 & OHSAS-18801. The unit at Dahej is certified for ISO-50001 (Energy Management). Two units at Ankleshwar & Lote have won the BSC Five-star award in the past.

Conclusion:

EMS and ISO 14001 adoption can lead to a win-win situation for both the organization and its stakeholders, promoting environmental sustainability and economic efficiency. In short, the cost of environmental management in an organization can be measured by the accounting and auditing process. This system allows organizations to be transparent about their environmental impact, leading to better decision-making and improved environmental performance. The Environmental Auditing is a crucial process that helps organizations improve their environmental performance, adhere to environmental laws and standards, and achieve their environmental goals. ERM is a significant field that helps shape the nature of human societies, people, animals, and biodiversity around the earth. It plays a crucial role in managing and conserving natural resources amid conflicts arising from meeting necessities. Sustainable development in the context of India's industrial growth and the initiatives taken by industries to protect the environment and conserve resources.

The Tata Group has implemented comprehensive environmental management practices across its companies, focusing on waste reduction, recycling, and sustainable resource management. The Tata Group is actively involved in environmental protection and sustainability, with a focus on waste management, energy conservation, and climate change mitigation. The Tata Group is actively involved in environmental protection and sustainability, with a focus on waste management, energy conservation, and climate change mitigation. Tata Steel recycles more than 80 per cent of the waste generated and the rest is despatched into safe landfills. At Tata Chemicals, water recycling processes and sewage treatment facilities have cut down the dependence on fresh water. It also invests time and resources in saving the whale shark that is an annual visitor to the Mithapur plant. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has committed to building green offices; its buildings will be rated by LEED or the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System which is the internationally accepted benchmark for green buildings. Tata Steel, Tata Motors, Tata Chemicals, Tata Power, Tata Sponge, and Tata Metaliks have registered projects under the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) instituted by the UNFCCC. The major areas under CDM projects are: 1. Waste heat recovery power generation 2. Super critical technology for power generation 3. Fuel switch 4. Methane captures 5. Energy efficiency improvements. The Tata Group is actively engaged in environmental management and climate change mitigation. The Tata Group's corporate goal is to improve environmental performance, and environmental protection is integral to their business operations. Their approach to environmental management is embedded in their vision and policies, guided by the Tata Code of Conduct, Climate Change Policy, Sustainability Policy, and UN Global Compact Principles. They have implemented environmental management systems in their manufacturing and mining operations to achieve excellence in environmental performance. All major sites are ISO 14001 certified.

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