

# Experiment Investigation on Distillation of Brackish Water by a Parabolic Solar Concentrator

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**Abstract** – The warm change of sun based vitality by methods for sunlight based concentrators makes it conceivable to achieve high temperatures ready to heat up the salted water with weights higher or equivalent to the environmental one. So as to test these concentrators in the salty water desalination field, we have planned, dimensioned and worked in our lab a little sun based desalination unit outfitted with a paraboloid concentrator. We utilized sun based vitality, which is a limitless, free and clean type of vitality, for salty water desalination. To this end, we planned, figured and manufactured a little working sun powered unit with an explanatory concentrator. To assess the unit's presentation, we built up a model to figure the distillate stream rate as a component of sunlight based light.

Average Hourly yield through solar still (kg/h) = 6.144687 kg/h. This work is just a start and the outcomes are just a beginning stage to improve our desalination unit so as to extrapolate it on a mechanical scale.

**Key Words:** Parabolic Solar Concentrator, Solarimeter, Anemometer, Digital TDS meter, pH meter etc.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The absence of drinking water has been an extraordinary test for mankind which proceeds to the present and will proceed later on [1,2]. The absence of drinking water is legitimately identified with 80% of the world's diseases and to half of absolute juvenile demise [3]. Around the world, the circulation of drinking water isn't relative to the requirements for every zone. This is converted into an overflow of water in certain territories while others have critical deficiencies. To look for answers for this issue, a few procedures were proposed among which is sunlight based desalination with its two transformation modes.

The principal transformation utilizes level plate authorities, for the most part utilized for a temperature lower than 100°C [4–7]. So as to achieve a higher temperature (>100°C), sunlight based concentrators are required and this is the second change [7,8].

### 1.1 HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF SOLAR DISTILLATION

Refining has for some time been viewed as a method for making salt water drinkable and cleansing water in remote areas. As right on time as the fourth century B.C., Aristotle portrayed a strategy to dissipate tainted water and after that consolidate it for consumable use. Bedouin chemists were the most punctual realized individuals to utilize sunlight based refining to deliver consumable water in the sixteenth century. In any case, the primary archived reference for a gadget was made in 1742 by Nicolo Ghezzi of Italy, despite the fact that it isn't known whether he went past the reasonable stage and really fabricated it. The principal present day sunlight based still was worked in Las Salinas, Chile, in 1872, by Charles Wilson (Hay, 1973). It comprised of 64 water bowls (an aggregate of 4,459 square meters) made of darkened wood with slanting glass covers. This establishment was utilized to supply water (20,000 liters for each day) to creatures working in mining tasks. After this zone was opened to the outside by railroad, the establishment was permitted to fall apart however was still in activity as late as 1912-40 years after its underlying development. This plan has framed the reason for most of stills worked since that time.

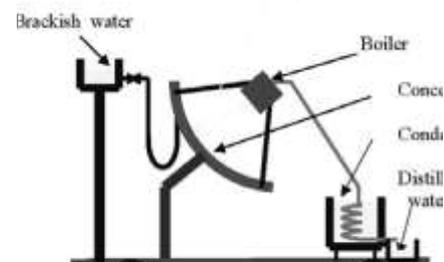


Figure.1 Experiment Unit

### 1.2 CLASSIFICATION OF SOLAR STILL

Sunlight based refining frameworks (sun oriented stills) are grouped comprehensively into two classifications: latent and dynamic sun oriented stills as appeared in Figure 2.1. Inactive frameworks are those in which sun powered vitality is gathered by the structure components (bowl liner) for dissipation of saline water. Different kinds of detached sun oriented stills are portrayed in the writing like traditional sun based still, vertical sun based stills, plastic sun based stills, course type sun based stills, multi wick sun based still, multi impact or multi arrange sun oriented still, multi bowl sun oriented still, nursery type sun powered still, round sun

based still and so on. On account of dynamic sun powered still, an extra warm vitality by outside mode is required for quicker dissipation. The additional vitality might be acquired from a level plate sun based gatherer, extra condenser, reversed safeguard. The order of these improvement systems are tended to and abridged beneath.

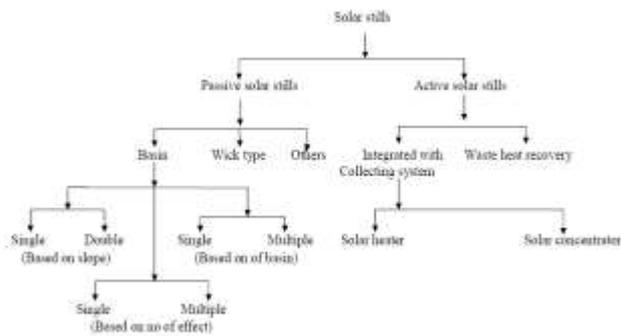


Figure.2 Classification of Solar Still

**2.1.1 PASSIVE SOLAR STILLS**

Solar radiation is the input energy of the passive solar stills, but the efficiency of the system is low.

**2.1.2 ACTIVE SOLAR STILLS**

In active solar distillation, an additional source of thermal energy is required for faster evaporation inside the same passive solar still.

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(i) Single-impact Stills: These are the most well-known and least difficult stills. Just a single interface is important to pass on the vitality and gather the condensate.

(ii) Multi-impact Stills: They require twofold the exertion concerning guaranteeing tight seals and can be increasingly hard to clean, however they can fundamentally expand the generation of refined water.

(iii) Basin-type Stills: They contain the water in an impenetrable material that is a part of the whole walled in area and these are the most well-known sort.

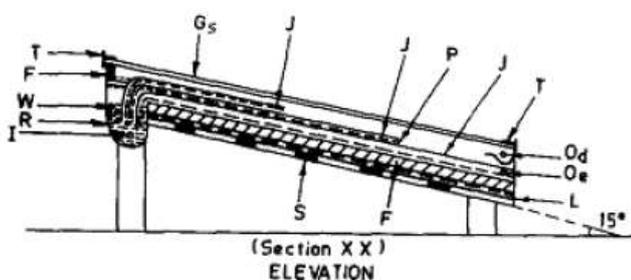


Figure.3 Wick Stills

(iv) Wick Stills: Use fabric like materials that utilization fine activity to proliferate the water through the framework.

(v) Multi-wick Stills: These stills, similar to wick and multi-impact stills, extraordinarily increment the efficiency by expanding the affected surface territory exponentially.

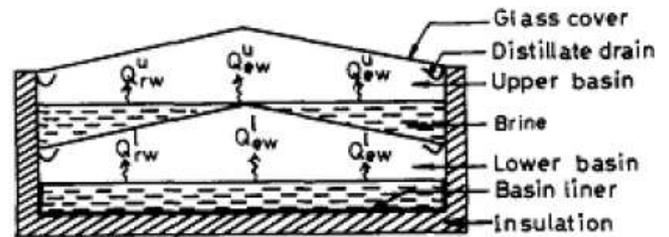


Figure.4 Multi-wick Stills

(vi) Diffusion Stills: They utilize the thoughts presented by the multi-impact and wick stills and are a further headway of both. They comprise of a progression of intently space parallel parcels in contact with saline-doused wicks and they have extraordinary potential in light of their high profitability and effortlessness.

**2.1.3 FACTORS INFLUENCING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE STILL**

- (i) Water Capacity and Inclusion of Dyes
- (ii) Cooling of Condensing Cover and Water Flow in the Basin
- (iii) Effect of Condensing Chambers
- (iv) Solar Still with Internal Heat Exchanger
- (v) Solar Still with Absorbing Medium
- (vi) Surface Treatment of the Glass Cover
- (vii) Effect of Condensing Surface Area
- (viii) The Effect of Back Fins and Crossing Tubes
- (ix) Effect of Wind Velocity
- (x) Effect of Removal of Water Vapor inside the Still
- (xi) Effect of Condensing Cover Slope

**2.1.4 STATUS OF SOLAR DESALINATION IN INDIA**

India, being a tropical nation, is honored with a lot of daylight. The normal every day sun oriented radiation fluctuates between 4 to 7 kWh per square meter for various pieces of the nation. There are on a normal 250 to 300 clear bright days a year. In this way, it gets around 5,000 trillion kWh of sun powered vitality in a year. The yearly worldwide radiation changes from 1600 to 2200 kW/m<sup>2</sup> (Khanna et al 2008). The most noteworthy yearly worldwide radiation is gotten in Rajasthan and northern Gujarat. Disregarding the confinements of being a weakened source and irregular in nature, sun based vitality has the potential for gathering and enhancing different vitality necessities. Sun based vitality frameworks being secluded in nature could be introduced in any way according to the prerequisite.

**3. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP**

The trial gadget is made out of a sun based explanatory gatherer type. The help of the allegorical concentrator is made of formed fiberglass with 0.5 m in dish gap measurement. This dish surface was secured with rectangular tempered steel sheet sections with a thickness of 1 mm. The acquired reflecting surface introduces a few flaws because of the blemished connection of the sheets to the mother dish. The safeguard is mounted at its center, which is molded like a tube shaped vase, with an accepting surface of 0.012 m<sup>2</sup>. This safeguard is totally protected with the exception of the part lit by the sun based beams reflected by the illustrative surface. The sun following component for this sun based distiller has two tomahawks as indicated by past research. The saline water supply to the safeguard is maintained consistent in control to keep a steady volume of water in the safeguard. The steam created goes in a curl condenser where it is consolidated. The cooling water course with counter flow in the shell and with salt water stream of 35 L/h. Buildup is made inside the level copper cylinders and it is out of film. Similarly, it works at the barometrical weight and it is trailed by a phase of under-cooling.

The shell has a width of 0.25 m, the cylinder length of condenser is 4.33 m, and the distance across of the cylinder is of 0.015 m with a thickness of 0.001 m. The distillate is gathered in an appropriate compartment permitting the estimation of its rate every hour. The saline solution coming about because of this desalination task is sent towards the sewer. All parts of the sunlight based desalination framework were worked in our research facility at the Sachdeva Institute of Technology, Farah, Mathura, India. The solarimeter Testo 454 was utilized in the examinations of the sun powered refining unit, with an estimation scope of 0 to 1400 W/m<sup>2</sup> and an exactness of 0.1%. Temperature was estimated utilizing type K thermocouples which were associated with a Testo 935 advanced temperature marker. The scope of temperature reaches out from - 40°C to 900°C with an exactness of 0.7°C. The water distillate stream rate was estimated with an estimating container.

#### 4. OBSERVATIONS

The experimental setup was placed on the top of the college, Sachdeva Institute of Technology, Farah, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh, building. The experimental procedure started at 8:00 am.

Hourly yield through solar still (kg/h)

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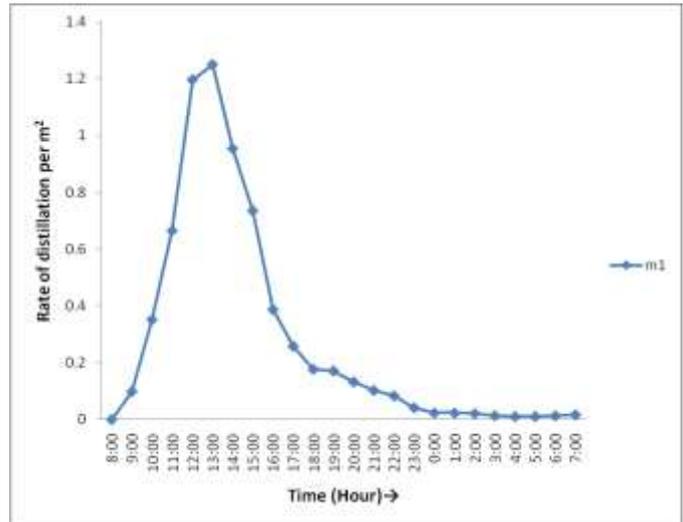


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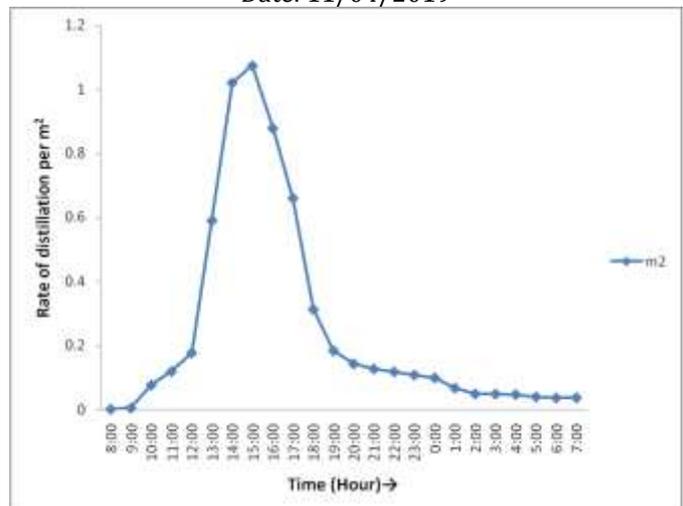


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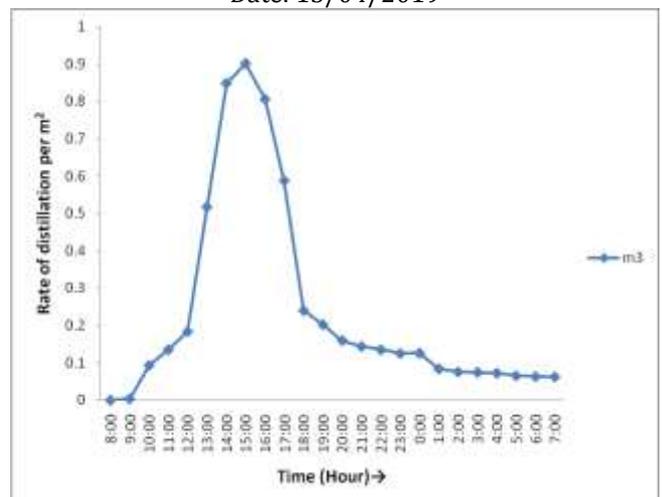


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## 6. CONCLUSIONS

There are following conclusions have been drawn:

We utilized sun based vitality, which is a limitless, free and clean type of vitality, for salty water desalination. To this end, we planned, figured and manufactured a little working sun powered unit with an explanatory concentrator. To assess the unit's presentation, we built up a model to figure the distillate stream rate as a component of sunlight based light.

The acquired outcomes concerned the varieties of the refined water stream rate, the normal temperature of the safeguard illuminated face, the immediate worldwide productivity and sunlight based light as indicated by the nearby time.

Hourly yield through solar still (kg/h)

- ▶ On first Experiment = 6.73412
- ▶ On Second Experiment = 5.997594
- ▶ On Third Experiment = 5.702346

Average Hourly yield through solar still (kg/h) = 6.144687 kg/h

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