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## Modular Ready-to-Fit Steam Conditioning Solution!!!

### Introduction

Most modern boilers generate steam at high pressures & temperatures. High pressure steam has lesser volume than steam at atmospheric pressure, thereby translating into smaller boiler size & lower diameter of steam piping. Also, high temperature (superheated) steam has more energy, which translates into higher efficiency for power generating steam turbines.

On the other hand, all process industries use low pressure low temperature saturated steam, primarily due to the following reasons:

- Saturated steam has the highest heat transfer efficiency.
- Lower pressures & temperatures translate into thinner pipes, lighter flanges & less expensive materials thereby significantly reducing initial plant cost.

In any industry, steam is required at different locations, but the required steam pressure & temperature at each location varies according to the application. Therefore, high pressure superheated steam is generated at a central location (boiler), distributed to various locations in the plant through a steam piping network, and then reduced to the operating pressure & temperature just upstream of the usage points.

IndiTech PRDS station is a modular steam conditioning unit to reduce the steam pressure & temperature at the point of usage, and it can be directly installed into your existing steam network.

Some applications of PRDS stations are enumerated below:

- 1) PRDS for process heating / cooling applications in sugar, food, textile, paper etc. plants
- 2) Deaerator, Ejector PRDS for boiler
- 3) Turbine bypass PRDS

## **Technical Data**

Inlet Pipe Size	1" to 24" NB
Outlet Pipe Size	1" NB and above
Pressure Rating	ANSI #150 to #2500
Design Standard	ASME B31.1 ASME B31.3
PRDS Station Configurations	Separate Steam Control Valve; Water Control Valve and Desuperheater Combined Steam Control Valve + Desuperheater; Separate Water Control Valve Combined Water Control Valve + Desuperheater; Separate Steam Control Valve
End Connections	Flanged Socket Weld Butt Weld
Valve Body Materials	A216 WCB / WCC; A105; A217 WC6 / WC9; A182 F11 / F22 / F91
Piping Materials	A106 Gr. B; A335 P11 / P22 / P91
Instrument Options	Pressure Transmitter Temperature Transmitter Pressure Gauge Temperature Gauge Flow Meter PID Controller Control Panel Junction Box

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#### Standard Bill of Materials

- 1 Steam Inlet Isolation Valve
- 2 Steam Outlet Isolation Valve
- 3 Steam Bypass Valve
- 4 Stop Valve for Drain / Instruments (Inlet)
- 5 Stop Valve for Drain / Instruments (Outlet)
- 6 Steam Inlet Pressure Gauge
- 7 Steam Outlet Pressure Gauge
- 8 Steam Inlet Dial Thermometer
- 9 Steam Outlet Dial Thermometer (Loose Supply)
- 10 Steam Pressure Control Valve
- 11 Safety Valve
- 12 Steam Piping

- 13 Desuperheater
- 14 Water Inlet / Outlet Isolation Valve
- 15 Water Bypass Valve
- 16 Non-Return Valve
- 17 Water Strainer
- 18 Water Flow Control Valve
- 20 Water Inlet Pressure Gauge
- 21 Water Piping
- 22 Pressure Transmitter
- 23 Temperature Transmitter (Loose Supply)
- 24 PID Controller Optional (Loose Supply)
- 25 Control Panel / Junction Box (Loose Supply)

Note: Interconnecting pipe from water line to desuperheater is not a part of IndiTech's standard scope of supply, but can be supplied on request.

## **Operation Principle**

The high pressure high temperature steam enters the PRDS station as shown in the figure. The steam pressure control valve (10) reduces the pressure of the steam. The spray water enters the water line as shown in the figure. The water flow control valve (8) regulates the quantity of the spray water going into the spray nozzles. The desuperheater (3) lowers the temperature of the steam to the required outlet temperature by injecting atomized water in the form of a very fine mist into the steam flow. The pressure transmitter (22) and temperature transmitter (23) sense the outlet steam pressure and temperature respectively and give a proportional current signal as output to the PID controller (24). The PID controller (24) then compares the measured value with a set point, and generates an error signal, which is then given to the positioner of the steam pressure control valve (10) and water flow control valve (18).



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## **Alternate Configuations**



PRDS Station with Combined Steam Control Valve + Desuperheater



PRDS Station with Combined Water Control Valve + Desuperheater



# **Pressure Reducing (PRS) Station**



#### Standard Bill of Materials

- 1 Inlet Isolation Valve
- 2 Outlet Isolation Valve
- 3 Bypass Valve
- 4 Stop Valve for Drain / Instruments (Inlet)
- 5 Stop Valve for Drain / Instruments (Outlet)
- 6 Inlet Pressure Gauge
- 7 Outlet Pressure Gauge

- 10 Pressure Control Valve
- 11 Safety Valve
- 12 Piping
- 22 Pressure Transmitter
- 24 PID Controller Optional (Loose Supply)
- 25 Control Panel / Junction Box (Loose Supply)

### **Operation Principle**

The high pressure fluid enters the PRS station as shown in the figure. The inlet pressure gauge (6) indicates the fluid inlet pressure. The pressure control valve (10) reduces the pressure of the fluid. The inlet isolation valve (1) along with the outlet isolation valve (2) is used to isolate the pressure control valve (10), whenever maintenance of the control valve is to be carried out. The bypass valve (3) allows fluid flow at reduced pressure to continue when the pressure control valve (10) is under maintenance or becomes inoperable. The pressure transmitter (22) senses the outlet pressure and gives a proportional current signal as output to the PID controller (24). The PID controller (24) then compares the measured value with a set point, and generates an error signal, which is then given to the positioner of the pressure control valve (10). The safety valve (11) opens and relieves excess pressure whenever the fluid pressure goes above a certain set value, and re-closes and prevents the further release of fluid after normal conditions have been restored.



# **Desuperheating (DSH) Station**



#### DSH Station with Separate Water Control Valve and Desuperheater

#### Standard Bill of Materials

- 1 Steam Inlet Dial Thermometer (Loose Supply)
- 2 Steam Outlet Dial Thermometer (Loose Supply)
- 3 Desuperheater
- 4 Water Inlet / Outlet Isolation Valve
- 5 Water Bypass Valve
- 6 Non-Return Valve
- 7 Water Strainer

- 8 Water Flow Control Valve
- 9 Stop Valve for Instruments
- 10 Water Inlet Pressure Gauge
- 11 Water Piping
- 12 Temperature Transmitter (Loose Supply)
- 13 PID Controller Optional (Loose Supply)
- 14 Control Panel / Junction Box (Loose Supply)

**Note:** Interconnecting pipe from water line to desuperheater; and steam line with mounting stub is not a part of IndiTech's standard scope of supply, but can be supplied on request.

### **Operation Principle**

The spray water enters the DSH station as shown in the figure. The water strainer (7) at the inlet prevents entry of foreign particles into the water control valve & desuperheater spray nozzles. The water inlet pressure gauge (10) indicates the pressure of the spray water. The water flow control valve (8) regulates the quantity of the spray water going into the spray nozzles, depending on the steam load. The water inlet / outlet isolation valves (4) are used to isolate the water control valve (8), whenever maintenance of the control valve is to be carried out. The water bypass valve (5) allows spray water flow to continue whenever the water flow control valve (8) is under maintenance or becomes inoperable. The non-return valve (6) prevents back flow of steam into the water pipe line. The desuperheater (3) lowers the temperature of inlet high temperature steam to the required outlet temperature by injecting atomized water into the steam flow. This is achieved by means of spray nozzles that atomize water into a very fine mist. The temperature transmitter (12) senses the outlet steam temperature and gives a proportional current signal as output to the PID controller (13) then compares the measured value with a set point, and generates an error signal, which is then given to the positioner of the water flow control valve (8).



# **Desuperheating (DSH) Station**

## Alternate Configuration



DSH Station with Combined Water Control Valve + Desuperheater

### **Engineering Guidelines for PRDS and DSH Stations**

- Controllable outlet steam temperature is saturation temperature + 7°C.
- The recommended minimum straight length after water injection is 4 meters.

**NOTE:** Inadequate straight pipe length can cause incomplete vaporization of water, thereby leading to water impingement on the downstream pipe. This may result in thermal shock & premature failure of equipment.

• For precise steam temperature measurement, the temperature sensor should be mounted at a minimum distance of 12 meters from the point of water injection.

**NOTE:** Inadequate distance between the desuperheater and the temperature sensor can cause erratic temperature measurement.

- It is recommended to install a steam trap module just upstream of the temperature sensor to remove any water carry-over.
- There should be no branching out from or into the steam line between the desuperheater and temperature sensor.
- Strainer with 40 mesh screen must be installed in the spray water line.

NOTE: Failure to provide strainer may result in clogging of the nozzles, thereby leading to poor process control.

- It is recommended to use clean and filtered boiler feed quality spray water.
- Ensure that the nozzles are oriented in the direction of the steam flow.

• Ensure that the nozzle is centered in the steam pipe. In case of multiple nozzles, ensure that the central nozzle coincides with the centerline of the steam pipe.





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