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Customer:	M/s. Ashapura Group.
Process:	Rotary IR Heating System for drying of Bentonite Granules

TEST REPORT No: 56/KRDC/LAB/17 Mum 10/03/2022

Date Sample reception : 05/03/2022 ID : 56/LAB/10

SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:

Sampling : As Requested Sample Condition : Acceptable

Quantity : 5kg of Bentonite Granules (treated 3kg)

Sampling date : 08/03/2022

Product : Bentonite Granules of 0.4-3mm size. Requirement : Moisture content less than 1%

Start test Date : 08/03/2022 End test Date : 10/03/2022

LABORATORY EXPERIMENTAL SETUP:











LAB ROTARY IR HEATING SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS:

Infrared Power	5 kW
Type of Infrared Emitters	Quartz Infrared
Rotary Drum Size	Ф324 mm x 800 mm long x 3mm Thk.
Thermal Monitoring	Single Channel Fiber Optic: Range -40 to 250°C
System Exhaust	Exhaust port with manual
LAHdust	damper
Air Circulation Fan	Radial Fan FHP 0.5HP

ENVIRONMENT-LABORATORY AMBIENT CONDITIONS:

Temperature (degree	30°C (±5°C)
C)	
Humidity (%)	≤67% RH
Pressure (kN/m2 or	Not
kPa)	recorded

Note for recommendation: Environmental conditions have a direct impact on test results. Accuracy and consistency of test data are affected by the laboratory conditions.







EQUIPMENTS USED:

Name of Equipment	Picture of Equipment	Specifications
Compact Thermal Imaging Camera		Model:FLIR E-30 Resolution: 160x 120IR Thermal sensitivity of 0.10°C
Thermo Hygrometer	THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE	Model No: HTC-2 Temperature accuracy: ±°C (1.8°F) Temperature resolution: 0.1°C (0.2°F) Humidity range: 10%~99% RH Humidity accuracy: ±5% RH Humidity resolution: 1% RH
Moisture Analyzer		Make: Axis Balance Description: Moisture range: 1%(sample 0.02/0.05g), 0.1% (Sample 0.5/5g), 0.01%(Sample>5g)





SAMPLE PREPARATION AND METHOD/PROCEDURE:

The experiment has been performed on given sample i.e. Bentonite Granules for drying treatment. For this experimental run, given sample is passed through continuous rotary IR heating system at various set parameters. Multiple passes are given to achieve desired output. The observations are made on the basis of moisture reduction and physical changes in product samples.

<u>Method use to increase moisture content</u>- The dry mass and water mass of original sample was calculated followed by calculating total humidified sample mass. Then the amount of water should be added was calculated i.e. total humidified sample mass subtracted with initial sample mass.

(500g sample + 70 ml water) = moisture increase by 9% approx.

Before and after photo of sample-





BEFORE AFTER



ANALYTICAL RESULTS:

Trial No. 1:

Initial Weight: 1kg
Initial Moisture: 13.8%
IR set temperature: 300°C

Drum speed:100%

Sr. No.	Cycle Time (minutes)	Product Temp. (°C)	Moisture Content. %	Remarks.
1.	33min.	(50-69) °C	3.6%	Partially dried.
2.	66min.	(80-98) °C	0.8%	Dried as desired.

Final weight:815g
Final Moisture:0.8%

Total cycle time: 1hr 6 min.

Trial No. 2:

Initial Weight: 1kg
Initial Moisture: 13.8%
IR set temperature: 300°C

Drum speed:50%

Sr. No.	Cycle Time (minutes)	Product Temp. (°C)	Moisture Content. %	Remarks.
1.	36min.	(60-85) °C	2.3%	Partially dried.
2.	72min.	(95-125) °C	0.9%	Dried as desired.

Final weight:840g
Final Moisture:0.9%

Total cycle time: 1hr 12 min.





Trial No. 3:

Initial Weight: 500g
Initial Moisture: 22.3%
IR set temperature: 350°C

Drum speed:70%

Sr. No.	Cycle Time (minutes)	Product Temp. (°C)	Moisture Content. %	Remarks.
1.	24min.	(87-98) °C	2%	Partially dried.
2.	48min.	(100-139) °C	0.6%	Dried as desired.

Final weight:382g
Final Moisture:0.6%
Total cycle time: 48 min.

Trial No. 4:

Initial Weight: 500g
Initial Moisture: 22.9%
IR set temperature: 350°C

Drum speed:50%

Sr. No.	Cycle Time (minutes)	Product Temp. (°C)	Moisture Content. %	Remarks.
1.	18min.	(87-99) °C	2.3%	partially dried.
2.	36min.	(100-147) °C	0.9%	dried as desired.

Final weight:365g
Final Moisture:0.9%
Total cycle time: 36 min.





BEFORE AND AFTER PICTURES OF TREATED SAMPLE:

Sample with moisture content below 20%

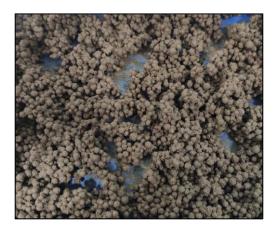


a) Untreated



b) Treated

Sample with moisture content above 20%



a) Untreated



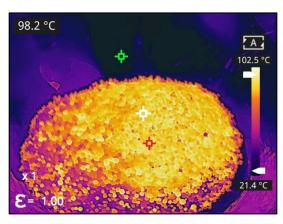
b) Treated

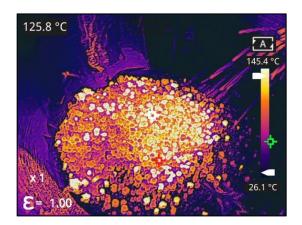




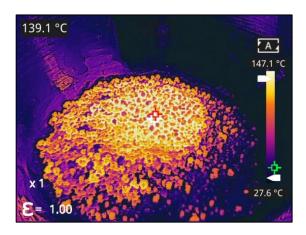
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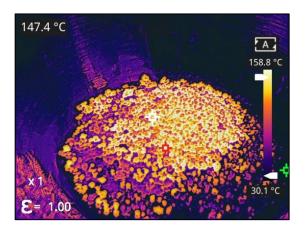
Sample with moisture content below 20%





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MOISTURE ANALYSIS REPORTS:

Sample with moisture content below 20%



Sample with moisture content above 20%



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OBSERVATIONS:

The heating behavior of Bentonite Granules has been investigated under the Rotary IR Heating System. The heating rate is found to be increasing with respect to increasing cycle time. Also, it has been found that the colour of granules has becomes lighter. Complete product is dried as desired.

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Tested By