Energy and Low Income Tropical Housing

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Wednesday 14th: Tour of Mbezi and Ando Factories - All

Tour of NHBRA Workshop - All

Workshop - 20 Things learnt & 20 Questions - All













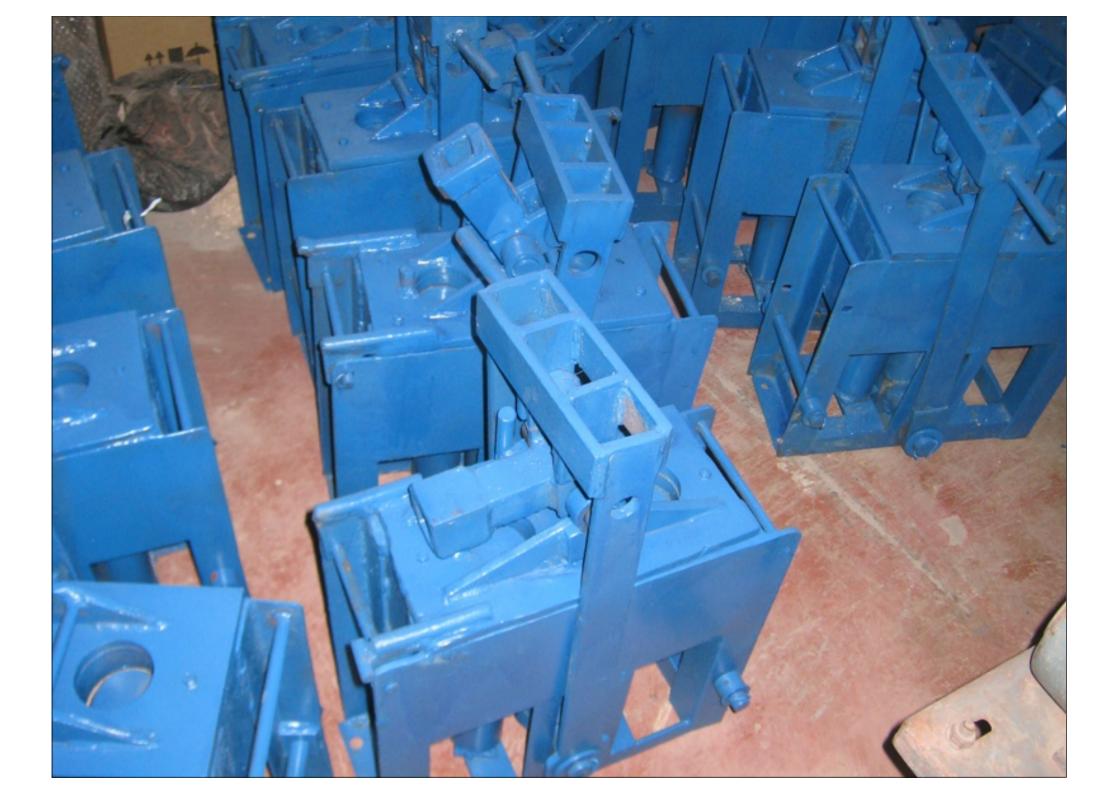




















WORKSHOP 20 Things Learnt 20 Questions



LONDON BEATS

Learnt:

- 1. Embodied energy
- 2. Green house gases
- 3. Types of energy
- 4. Heat capacity & specific heat capacity of building materials
- 5. Natural cooling of residential houses
- 6. Maximum day light in houses
- Embodied energy of sand cement & mud bricks (comparison)
- 8. Utilization of geothermal energy for domestic uses
- 9. Processing and use of solar energy
- 10. Utilizations of hydropower energy
- 11. Storage of solar energy
- 12. Calculations of embodied energy in houses (residential)
- Energy comparison between embodied energy during construction and demolition (end of house)
- 14. Used of biogas energy in housing
- 15. Comparison of embodied energy in burning bricks by gas and coal (Level of pollution)
- 16. Reducing embodied energy in transportation
- 17. Utilization of energy in refrigeration
- 18. The importance of forests in relation to embodied energy
- 19. Green house gases that have great impart to human beings
- 20. Useful conservation of embodied energy

- 1. What is the difference between energy & embodied energy?
- 2. What is meant by green house?
- 3. How global warming is related to embodied energy?
- 4. What are the advantages of wind energy as compared to other types of energy?
- 5. Why do we consider the embodied energy in houses?
- 6. What is the importance of knowing energy issues in housing (building industry)?
- 7. What are the proper uses of energy?
- 8. What is the effect of embodied energy to our health?
- 9. Mention the useful and harmful embodied gases?
- What are the cost implications of embodied energy to housing
- 11. How can we minimize embodied energy in houses?
- What house will be cool inside? The one with low embodied energy or with high level of embodied energy
- 13. Why do we consider embodied energy in housing only, and not in other areas?
- 14. Is it possible to design a cool house so that even vegetable and fruits can be stored safely? How?
- 15. What is the energy produced by human being and energy produced by building products?
- What is the effect of gravitational force to emission of embodied energy
- 17. Does altitude affect the embodied energy
- 18. Nitrogen & sulfar?

INTERLOCKING GROUP

THINGS LEARNT FROM TRIP

- 1. Material used for making roman concrete roofing tiles
- 2. Procedure of making roman concrete roofing tiles
- 3. Materials used to make paving blocks
- 4. Curing process of the roman concrete roofing tiles
- Plants and equipment used for making roman concrete tiles
- Sources of raw materials for making roman concrete roofing tiles
- Quality control and assessment of both raw materials and products
- 8. Procedure for making concrete blocks
- Varieties of concrete blocks
- 10. Production rate of concrete blocks
- 11. Energy used for production of concrete blocks
- 12. Amount of water used
- 13. Bulk cement storage
- 14. Cement storage capacity in the silo
- 15. Packing and transportation of paving blocks
- 16. Procedure for making kerbstones
- 17. Surface renewal of aged concrete roofing tiles
- 18. Procedure for making granules used as coating material
- 19. Different types of roofing tiles produced at Ando tiles
- 20. Sources of raw materials used for making Ando tiles

QUESTIONS

- 1. What is the difference (in terms of quality and durability) between the Ando roofing tiles and others?
- 2. How much energy is used for production of roofing tiles, concrete blocks as well as paving blocks?
- 3. What is the life span of Roman concrete roofing tiles?
- 4. What is the life span of the Ando roofing tiles?
- Maintenance
 - Deformation of the colour (defeats) which appears after 10-15 years there are special machines for cleaning.
 - If tiles breaks there are replacement with the rewores
- 6. End of life

HADIJA GROUP

Learnt

- 1. Addition of aluminium and zinc to steel sheets
- 2. They add natural stone chips to both walling and roof
- 3. Printing on steel sheets
- 4. Salt air affects binding resin
- 5. Steel sheets can be coated in different colours
- Average span life is between 15 20 years (Ando long and Ando tiles)
- Steel sheet gauges ie 28 gauge 0.4mm, 26 gauge (strength)0.3mm
- Sources of raw material, stone chips from Arusha, pigment from England, steel sheets from Korea, Japan and Taiwan
- 9. Energy consumption 300shs/m for sheets, 400shs/m for tiles
- 10. Steel sheets can take the load of 12 MPA
- Production of sand cement blocks paving blocks using automatic machines
- Production of tiles using sand, cement and pigment (350 kg sand, 100 kg cement and 4 kg pigment gives 102 tiles).
- Source of material for Mbezi tiles are from Kisarawe (TZ) pigment from Germany
- 14. Energy used for blocks production about 100 units
- 15. Manual curing for blocks and curing chambers for tiles
- 16. They used aluminium mould for tiles production
- 17. Production of interlock bricks(soil-cement bricks)
- 18. I bag of cement produces 90 100 bricks

- Claus content if soil determine cement content (ratio) which ranges from 10 – 40%
- 20. Compressive strength is 4 MPA average, weight 7 kg
- 21. Ratio for roofing tiles (1:2.5)
- Raw materials for tile include sand, cement and sisal fibres (pigment)
- 23. Curing in water chambers not less than 14 days

- 1. How much water used for production process of both blocks and tiles?
- 2. What is the life span for BRA products?
- 3. How so they control the constant quality of raw materials?
- 4. What is the different between curing chambers and open air curing?
- 5. What is the best curing method?

UMOJA GROUP

Lessons

- Private companied/owner are doing much better than government
- The cost of a material (eg. Roofing tile) can be brought down by 40% - 75% without compromising quality
- 3. We process of manufacturing bricks. Pavers, tiles and blocks
- Private firms are capital intensive compared to say NHBRA who are labour intensive
- 5. Curing tiles in air controlled rooms instead of using water
- A lot of the materials and equipment are imported from Korea, China, Australia, German etc
- Zn + Al are used to protect against rust and a volcanic compound from Arusha/Kilimanjaro against decolouration and ilicreane lifespan 10 between 15 and 30 years
- No clay soil for burnt brick in Dar the source is as far as Iringa, Songea, Mbeya, Morogoro
- Cost @ sqm of tiles ANDO (15,500 to 158,500 Tshs)/ NHBRA (Tsh 5200)
- 10. Sand is got from a distance of 40km 60 km?
- 11. NHBRA Cement soil (1:16/ Mbezi cement ands (1:-?
- 12. 26 gauge CGS sheets are user in industrial buildings compared to 28 gauge in residential building to support difference in spanning of pulling + ralters

- How can a researchers organisation/agency enter mainstreams business?
- 2. What is the cost of investment ? what'/who could be potential investor?
- 3. What possibilities and who is available for public private veutures?
- 4. What lessons can we learn of private companies disclipiline at work?
- 5. What plans does NHBRA have for labour efficiency and technology?
- 6. How come ANDO haw many more cadies than Mbezi?
- 7. Are we aware of who else in the EAC is attempting what NHBRA is doing? If so, who?
- 8. What are some successful on going projects that are employing technology from NHBRA?
- 9. How many NHBRA bricks/blocks per day are feasible for completion of a simple dwelling in 9months?
- 10. How much is one likely to save against purchasing Mbezi blocks?
- 11. Are Mbezi/ANDO aware of the concept of embodied energy?
 If so, how do they deal with it a
- 12. Can the tiles/bricks/blocks be made lighter?

ONE MAN TEAM

Learnt

- 1. How they control the quality of bricks
- 2. The process is more mechanised
- 3. How they mix the materials
- 4. I found that they made 600 bricks per day
- 5. The accuracy of roofing tiles sizes
- 6. Curing process of the tiles
- Energy and water used in production of bricks: 900 lts of water and 100 kwH for producing 3000 blocks for 6 hours
- 8. They produce different types of bricks heavy duty and normal
- 9. The stand by generator is producing a lot of noises
- 10. Roofing tiles are produced using locally available material
- 11. The sand is being sieved before used for making tiles
- 12. Repeatedly testing of blocks for each batch
- 13. They produce different tiles varieties
- 14. The machines depends much on power (electrical power) for production
- 15. Tiles maintenance is free Eg. cleaning

- 1. Aluminium zinc +?
- 2. We intend to produce a mould which will produce 3 tile at a time – which/how does that work?
- What is the amount of energy used in production of Mbezi roofing tiles
- 4. What the energy used or producing NHBRA tile?
- 5. How much energy in soil transportation to Chamanzi
- 6. How much energy used to produce the concrete block
- 7. What energy used for production of NHBRA bricks
- 8. Is 15 years roof tile life time enough?
- 9. Is 75 kgs supported by NHBRA tiles enough?
- How do they categorised the heavy duty from light duty blocks? (Mbezi Tiles)
- Is the source of sand for tile production at Mbezi tiles not far? (Mwakanga Kisarawe)
- 12. What is the thickness of coat for and roofing tiles
- 13. Is mining stones in Arusha (Ando tiles) does not increase the cost of the tile?
- 14. What type of toxication where produced in tiles productions

FOOTBALL GROUP

MBEZI TILES

- A. Block paving production unit
 - Material used
 - Specification fire sand
 - Cement/Portland Cement
 - Production Machines
 - Hopper
 - Scaling
 - Mixture
 - Computer
 - Colour Machine
 - Quarry Pits
 - Colour
 - 2. Production
 - Machines used producing blocks (various)
 - Usage

Blocks are used in various building purposes

- Harder blocks used for foundation
- Normal blocks used for walling etc.
- B. ROOFING TILES
 - 1. Materials used (technical specification
 - Fine sand
 - Cement
 - Colour/pigment 25kg per bag from German... Other colour
 - Red/Green/Yellow/Brown/Slate/Grey/Black

- Moulding
- 2. Production
 - Rationing
 - 450kg of cement & 4 kg pigments from Germany + sand 350kg gives a total of 102 pcs
- 3. Usage
 - Tiles are used for roofing covering material
 - Fixation: distance between portion should be 345 to 420 centimetre (cm)
- 4. Design

As per specified module profile & technical specification

- One bag of cement produce how may blocks?
- 2. At what ratio of sand & cement produce 8 blocks at once
- 3. What is the cost of transporting materials from quarry site to the factory?
- 4. What knowledge do machine operators have?
- 5. How may days from production to final product?
- 6. How many days required for a proper curing process in order to get a quality product?
- 7. What is the cost of producing one block?
- 8. What are the results of blocks you have tested?
- 9. Which energy used in machine operations
- 10. How many labour in block/paver production unit?

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