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Customer:	M/s. Zydex Industries Private Limited.
Process :	Batch Microwave + Convection Heat Treatment for Drying of Fertilizer

# TEST REPORT No: 48/KRDC/LAB/48 Mum 01/12/2021

Date Sample reception : 01/12/2021 ID : 48/LAB/02

### **SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:**

Sampling : As Requested Sample Condition : Acceptable

Quantity : 1 kg

Sampling date : 26/11/2021 Product : Fertilizer

Requirement : Final Product must be dried fully and moisture content should be less

than 5%

Start Date test : 26/11/2021 End Date test : 26/11/2021





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# **LABORATORY EXPERIMENTAL SET UP:**



### LAB BATCH MICROWAVE+CONVECTION HEATING SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS:

Microwave Power	2 KW (CW)	
Frequency	2450 MHz ± 50	
Convective Power	3.5 KW (airflow 350 I/min	
	at 20°C )	
Microwave Exposure Zone	1 Cubic meter	
(Cavity)		
Mode Stirrer	One	
Thermal Monitoring System	Single Channel Fiber Optic:	
	Range -40 to 250°C	
Exhaust Power	1 HP	
Tray size	450*950*50 mm	
(width*height*depth)		





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### **ENVIRONMENT-LABORATORY AMBIENT CONDITIONS:**

Temperature (°C)	30°C (±5°C)
Humidity (%)	≤74% RH
Pressure (kN/m2 or kPa)	Not 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: 160 x 120 IR Thermal sensitivity of 0.10°C
Moisture Analyzer		Make: Axis Balance Description: Moisture range: 1%(sample 0.02/0.05g), 0.1% (Sample 0.5/5g), 0.01%(Sample>5g)







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Thermo Hygrometer



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

# **SAMPLE PREPARATION AND METHOD/PROCEDURE:**

The experiment has been performed on fertilizer to speed up the drying rate. For this experimental run, given sample has been placed on PTFE trolley in MW + Convection heating system with suitable parameters. Observations are made after decided time period on the basis of weight of the product, moisture content and appearance.

### PICTURES DURING TREATMENT OF SPECIMEN SAMPLE:







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# **ANALYTICAL RESULTS:**

Initial Wt. of Fertilizer: 1000g

Cycles	Specifications of Microwave	Cycle Time	Product
		(min.)	Temp.(°C)
C1	Magnetron Power: 1.2 kW;	30	(61-65) °C
	Set temp. of Heater: 70°C;		
	Fan speed: 100%		
C2	Magnetron Power: 1.2 kW;	30	(71) °C
	Set temp. of Heater: 70°C;		
	Fan speed: 100%		
С3	Magnetron Power: 1.2 kW;	20	(74-75) °C
	Set temp. of Heater: 70°C;		
	Fan speed: 100%		
C4	Magnetron Power: 1.2 kW;	20	(77) °C
	Set temp. of Heater: 70°C;		
	Fan speed: 100%		
<b>C5</b>	Magnetron Power: 1.2 kW;	20	(80) °C
	Set temp. of Heater: 70°C;		
	Fan speed: 100%		

Final wt. of fertilizer – 721g
Final moisture of fertilizer –3.3%
Total Time taken for Drying – 2 Hrs.





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# **BEFORE & AFTER PICTURES OF TREATED SPECIMEN SAMPLE:**



a) UNTREATED



b) TREATED



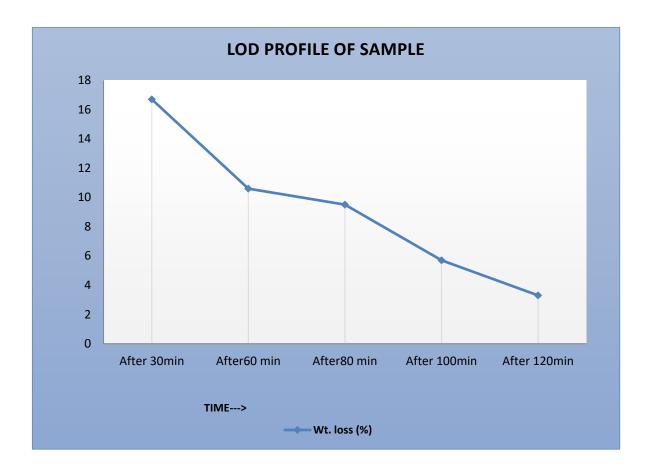


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# **GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF DRYING PARAMETERS:**







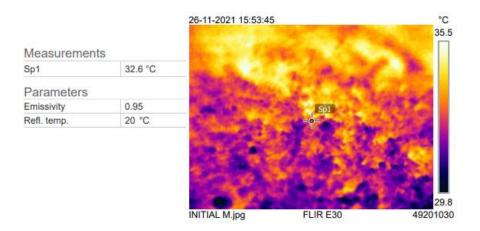
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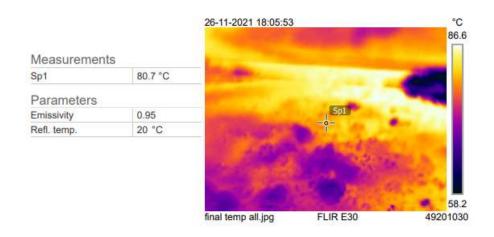
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# **THERMAL ANALYSIS REPORTS:**

# **BEFORE TREATMENT:**



### **AFTER TREATMENT:**





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# **MOISTURE ANALYSIS REPORT:**

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Product 1 Dryging Easperature 1 105.0 °C	Drying temperature ( 18519 TC	
Breams growth a standard to the standard to th	Brying profile s standard forder. s Short mode Calculation i ((w0-m)/m0)#100% Finished i 3 samples	
Initial weight : 1.534 g	Initial weight : 0.828 %	
Final weight : 1.048 g	Final weight : 0-793 %	
Prying time 3 00:19:00s Dampling Interval 2 20 sec	Drying time : 00:04:20s Sampling interval : 20 sec	
isture : 31.7 I	Moisture : 3.3 %	
Initial Moisture	NOTE final moisture.	
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### **OBSERVATION:**

The drying behavior of fertilizers has been investigated under the Microwave + Convection heating system. The drying rate is found to be increasing with respect to increase in time. It has been found that the product's weight decreases with respect to increase in setting temperature. As per physical investigation, it has been observed that the product is dried without charring.

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