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## **PULSE MILLING**

#### **TYPES OF PULSES**



## INTRODUCTION

- **Pulses** are the dry, edible seeds of plants in the legume family, including chickpeas, lentils, dry peas and beans.
- Pulses are rich in protein and consumed in the form of dehusked split pulses.
- Madhya Pradesh is India's largest pulse producing state, which accounts for 23% of total pulse production in the country.
- India is the largest producer, consumer and importer of pulses in the world.

# • Major pulses grown in India are chickpeas (gram), pigeon pea (tur or arhar), moong beans, urd dal, masur (lentil), peas and various kinds of beans.

- Pigeon pea is the 2nd important pulse crop after the Chick pea.
- The average % of husk in Arhar is 15% and endosperm is 85%.
- Chick pea husk content is 10-12%.

## MILLING OF PULSES

- Milling of pulse means removal of outer covering or husk and splitting the grain into equal halves.
- The husk is tightly held by kernel so dehusking becomes difficult.
- Therefore the method of alternate wetting and drying is used to facilitate dehusking and splitting.
- Methods are milling :
- 1. Wet Milling
- 2. Dry milling
- 3. Jabalpur method
- 4. CFTRI method
- 5. Pantnagar method
- 6. CIAE method

>Dry milling is more popular and used in commercial mills.

## **DRY MILLING**

The <u>steps</u> are as follows: (It require 3-4 days)

- 1. Cleaning
- 2. Pitting
- 3. Pretreatment with oil
- 4. Conditioning
- 5. Dehusking and splitting
- 6. Polishing

≻It results in 75% of dhal recovery

Cleaning: is done by a reel type or rotating sieve type cleaner.

### ➢Pitting :

- It is the process which results in cracking and scratching of husk that facilitate oil penetration and loosening of husk.
- For this, clean pulses are passed through emery roller machine. The machine consists of roller and cage(housing).
- The clearance between the roller and cage gradually narrows towards the outlet and due to this friction occurs between the pulse and emery .
- Thus results in cracking and and scratching of pulse.

#### ≻Pretreatment with oil:

- The scratched pulses are passed through a screw conveyor and mixed with edible oil like linseed oil @ 1.5-2.5kg/tonne of pulse.
- Then they are kept for diffusion for 12 hours.

#### Conditioning :

- It is done by alternate wetting and drying.
- After sun drying for certain period, moisture is added and tempering is done for 8 h.
- This process is done for 2-4 days till they are sufficiently conditioned.
- Then drying is done to reduce the MC to 10-12%.
- Dehusking and splitting:
  - Gota machine is used for dehusking.
  - About 50% pulses are dehusked in one pass and then dehusked pulses are splited.
  - Generally two-three pass results in complete dehusking.

Polishing :

- Small quantity of oil or water is added .
- Grading of dal: Done using sieve.

# WET MILLING

#### Steps are as follow: (It requires 4-5 days)

- 1. Cleaning
- 2. Soaking- It is done for 3-12 h
- 3. Mixing the soaked pulses with 3-5% red earth and heaped for 12 h
- 4. Sun Drying and tempering for 2-4 days
- 5. Separation of red eath: by sieving
- 6. Dehusking and splitting- 95-98 % are dehusked
- 7. Grading

≻It results in 72% of dhal recovery

#### **DAL MILLING MACHINE**





## Milling efficiency

The overall efficiency of the pulse milling system can be estimated with the of the following equations.

1. 
$$E = \left(1 - \frac{M_{uh}}{M_t}\right) \left(1 - \frac{M_b}{M_t}\right) \times H_I \times 100$$

 $H_l = \frac{H_a}{M_t H_t}$ where,

E =milling efficiency

 $M_{uh} = \text{mass of unhulled grains}$ 

 $M_t$  = mass of grains fed to the system

 $M_b = \text{mass of brokens}$ 

 $H_a$  = actual mass of husk removed during milling

 $H_t$  = theoretical husk content of the grain

The theoretical husk content of common Indian legumes are given in Table

Husk content of Indian legumes	
Grain	Husk Content,%
pigeon pea	13.0–15.0
green gram	12.0
black gram	12.0
lentil	11.5
Bengal gram (chick pea)	11.5–13.0

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#### Milling of pulses in M.P.( JABALPUR method)

Pigeon-pea

Cleaning with sieves  $\rightarrow$  chaff, dirt etc.

Carborundum roller scratching  $\rightarrow$  Chuni, small brokens

Linseed oil mixing @ 150 ml/100 kg of grain, held for overnight

Sun drying for 10 hours

Carborundum roller, 2-4 passes

cleaning  $\rightarrow$  ret, chuni, small brokens

(grain and gota)

Linseed oil mixing by aunger

@ 100 ml/100 kg of grain and water

@ 250 ml/100 kg of grain, held overnight

Sun drying in thin layer of 1" thickness for 10 hours

Sheller (burr mill)

Aspirator cleaner  $\rightarrow$  ret, brokens

Dhal

## **CFTRI method of pulse milling**

- This method eliminates mixing of oil and water for loosing of husk.
- Clean and graded grains are conditioned by dry heat treatment in 2 passes in LSU dryer with 120°C hot air.
- Grains are tempered for 6 h after completing each pass. The flowchart of CFTRI method is given:

