## 6/4 MEV DUAL ENERGY LINAC FOR INDIAN CARGO SCANNER

## 1. INTRODUCTION

- The primary objective of the project is to develop through indigenous design efforts cargo scanning technology and establish domestic manufacturing base.
- Such cargo scanners are required in large numbers in Indian seaports, airports and border check posts for screening incoming and outgoing cargo.
- Linac-based cargo-scanning systems have three basic components - the x-ray source, the detector array and the conveyor.



6/4 MeV Portal Single Energy Cargo Scanner System \& 3-D Model of the X-Ray Source

Table 1 Specifications of $\mathbf{6 / 4} \mathbf{M e V}$ Dual EnergyLinac
based x-ray source

| Beam Energy | $: 6 / 4 \mathrm{MeV}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Average beam power | $: 600 \mathrm{~W}(\mathrm{max})$ |
| X-ray dose rate @ $1 \mathrm{~m} @ 200 \mathrm{~Hz}$ | $: \geq 1.6 \mathrm{~Gy} / \mathrm{min}$ |
| X-ray beam focal spot size $(\mathbf{F W H M})$ | $: \leq 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| Pulse repetition rate | $: 200 \mathrm{~Hz}$ |
| Length of linac | $: 0.6 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| RF Frequency | $: 2856 \pm 2 \mathrm{MHz}$ |
| Injection voltage | $: 22-50 \mathrm{kV}$ |

Photograph of 6/4 MeV Dual Energy X-Ray Source

2. X-RAY SOURCE CHARACTERIZATION

Measured Bremsstrahlung Spectra in High (HE) and Low(LE) Energy mode


Measured X-Ray Spot Size in High (HE) and Low(LE) Energy mode


## 3. QUALIFICATION TEST OF DUAL ENERGY LINAC FOR CARGO SCANNER

X Ray Source Qualification as per ANSI N42.46
Material discrimination scan table as per IEC62523

| ANSI N42.46 | Test Results |
| :--- | :--- |
| Penetration: $\mathbf{3 3 0} \mathrm{mm}$ Steel | SS $\mathbf{3 0 0} \mathbf{~ m m}$. |
| Contrast Sensitivity : 1\% | Measured $\mathbf{1 \%}$. |
| Spatial Resolution : $\mathbf{2} \mathbf{~ m m}$ | 2 mm. |
| Wire in air: SWG $\mathbf{1 8 ~ ( 1 . 2 ~ m m ) ~}$ | 1.2 mm. |


| Material | Thickness |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | T1(mm) | T2(mm) | T3(mm) | T4(mm) | T5(mm) |
| Al | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{8 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 0}$ |
| Pb | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{6 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ |
| SS | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ | $\mathbf{6 0}$ | $\mathbf{9 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ |
| Perspex | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{6 0 0}$ | NA |

- 6/4 MeV Dual Energy X-Ray Source is Stably running at 200 Hz PRF, Dose rate $>1.6$ Gy/m@ 1 m
- Further Qualification Test is in Progress as per ANSI and IEC Standards.

