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Executive Summary

India is following the Hydrochlorofluorocarbon Phaseout Management Plan (HPMP) as part of its international commitment under the Montreal Protocol to mitigate consumption of ozone depleting substances. This transition is almost complete in developed countries. However, the phaseout of Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) has largely resulted in a transition towards Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), which are potent greenhouse gases. Within India, almost all refrigeration and air-conditioning systems produced and marketed use HCFC-22. The impending transition away from HCFCs would in all probability lead to higher consumption and emission of HFCs in India.

If India moves towards HFCs across sectors, there will be significant increase in the emissions of HFCs. However, the pace and magnitude of these emissions is not well understood. The Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW, India) along with the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA, Austria) has initiated joint research to address this research gap. The research aims at understanding the following research questions:

a) What will be the global warming impact of high GWP HFC emissions from the residential, commercial, transportation and industrial sectors in India under the business-as-usual (BAU) or reference scenario?

b) What is the techno-economic feasibility of India adopting aggressive domestic policy measures to transition away from HFC emissions across sectors, given India’s current development context?

c) What is the maximum feasible reduction possible across HFC emission sectors based on the advanced control technologies/options (ACT) available globally and what is the cost optimal strategy for the same? Can India leapfrog high-GWP HFCs immediately?

d) What are the implications of a global deal on HFCs as per proposed MP amendments?

This report focuses on the first research question, that is establishing the ‘Business as Usual’ or ‘Reference’ scenario for understanding the magnitude of HFC emissions across sectors until 2050. We undertake this analysis within the integrated assessment modelling framework of Global Change Assessment Model (GCAM). GCAM models key energy service demands like cooling energy, refrigeration, as well as transportation. GCAM output informs us about the penetration of residential air-conditioning and refrigeration, commercial air-conditioning and refrigeration, and transportation modes like cars, buses, etc. We then develop a bottom up HFC calculation module to estimate long term HFC emissions based on output from GCAM. Our estimation process ensures that we meet the HPMP phase out targets in our reference scenario. We also model emissions for three key industrial sectors: foams, aerosols and solvents. The second phase of this research will focus on the next set of questions and aims at understanding the mitigation potential across sectors and potential cost of a transition away from HFCs. This analysis will be undertaken with the framework of Greenhouse Gas and Air Pollution Interaction and Synergies (GAINS) model, IIASA’s in-house model. One important element in our research has been continuous engagement with industry and civil society stakeholders. The industry experts have informed our technical assumptions as well as given feedback on the initial findings from our research. The civil society experts have given feedback on our modelling approach as well as key policy issues and challenges relevant for the HFC debate within India.

We find that with economic growth and increasing per-capita incomes, more and more people will buy air-conditioners, refrigerators, as well as personal vehicles. Higher penetration of all these technologies in the residential
and commercial sectors forms the key driver of higher consumption and emission of HFCs. If HFC’s consumption is not phased down, total HFC emissions will increase to 500 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. This is based on the assumption that HFCs used as alternatives in developed countries will replace HCFCs in India as well. The biggest share of HFC emissions will be taken up by the residential and commercial cooling sectors (~35% and ~28% respectively in 2050), followed by mobile air-conditioning in cars (~15%), and then commercial refrigeration (14%). All other sectors put together will have a low share in India’s total HFC emissions, which is consistent with findings from other international assessments.

Figure ES1: India’s long term HFC emissions across sectors

The HFC debate is part of a wider climate policy debate, and hence it becomes important to place India’s potential future HFC emissions in the context of India’s long term carbon dioxide emissions. We compare HFC and carbon dioxide emissions sector by sector and also present overall country level comparisons. At the sector level this means that we compare the indirect emissions from energy use in respective sectors with direct HFC emissions. We find that the share of global warming impact of HFC emissions compared to carbon dioxide emissions in 2050 is highest for the commercial refrigeration sector, at 50%, which is mainly due to the high leakage rates experienced in this sector. This is followed by the commercial cooling sector and then residential cooling sector, and the share of HFC’s global warming impact is over one-third for both these sectors in 2050. For mobile air-conditioning in cars, this figure stands at 22%. For all other sectors this share is fairly low. In terms of HFC’s contribution to India’s overall greenhouse gas emissions, HFCs contribute 5.4% of India’s combined carbon dioxide and HFC emission related global warming impact in 2050. The cumulative global warming impact of HFC emissions in India’s total carbon dioxide and HFC emissions between 2015 and 2050 is 3.9%.

Figure ES 2: Share of global warming impact of HFC emission in sectoral GHG emissions in 2050

Source: CEEW analysis
We also undertake sensitivity analysis on economic growth as well as leakage rates, which are the key variables determining our results. We find that for a lower economic growth scenario, India’s HFC emissions will be 324 MtCO$_2$-eq in 2050, and this figure is 35% lower compared to our Reference scenario HFC emissions. However, the share of India’s HFC emissions in the combined global warming impact of carbon dioxide and HFC emissions will still be 5.5% in 2050, which is similar to our reference case results. When we do sensitivity analysis on leakage rates, we find that relative to the reference leakage rate scenario, total HFC emissions in 2050 increase by 29% in the high leakage rate scenario, and decrease by 39% in the low leakage rate scenario and total emissions vary from 307 MtCO$_2$-eq to 645 MtCO$_2$-eq in 2050 depending on the assumptions around leakage rate.

With the help of our modelling based estimates of India’s long term HFC emissions, and the targets of phasing down India’s HFC consumption as expressed in India’s amendment proposal to the Montreal Protocol, we can estimate the potential of HFC emissions avoided if the Indian amendment proposal is accepted. Looking at emissions only until 2050 and assuming a linear phase-down schedule post the freeze in HFC consumption in 2030-31, the authors find that 4.2 GtCO$_2$-eq. is avoided between 2010 and 2050, which is 64% of the total HFCs that will be emitted between 2010 and 2050 if consumption is not frozen. Between 2050 and 2100, however, avoided HFC emissions amount to almost 41 GtCO$_2$-eq. We also discuss consumption of HFCs across some important sectors, and conclude our discussions by noting the limitations of our research as well as key issues for future research.

Since detailed sector-by-sector analysis of India’s long-term HFC emissions has not been conducted so far, our research is an important contribution to the literature. In the next steps of our research, we seek to have a deeper understanding of potential cost effective ways and strategies for mitigating HFC emissions in India and the maximum feasible reduction potential across sectors. Through our research, we hope to contribute to India’s HFC emission mitigation policy, as well as larger GHG policy choices amid international climate negotiations.
1. Introduction

Policies for mitigating greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for addressing global warming and climate change impact concerns are an important agenda in the current international discourse. Proposed policies range from supply side fuel switching options, to demand side management, to technology interventions related to geo-engineering strategies. A large part of action happening on the emission mitigation front is focused on mitigating carbon dioxide (CO$_2$). Non-CO$_2$ gases however are also important, and this importance will keep on growing as the low cost carbon mitigation options start getting exhausted (Höglund-Isaksson et al., 2012). One such critically important category of gases is hydrofluorocarbon (HFC). HFCs are potent greenhouse gases and are expected to contribute significantly to global warming by 2050 (IPCC/TEAP, 2005; Velders et al., 2009; Gschrey et al., 2011; Miller & Kuijpers, 2011; Höglund-Isaksson et al., 2013). The key underlying activity drivers for increased usage of HFCs is their use as refrigerants in air-conditioners and refrigerators, and in industrial processes as solvents and foaming agents. Cleaner alternatives for HFCs with much lower GWPs are already in the market though with limited penetration due to a variety of issues. With the right mitigation strategy and policy incentives, HFC emissions can be decoupled from the growth in underlying activities, and different sectors can move towards low global warming potential (GWP) alternatives.

India is expected to be a big contributor to future global GHG emissions. The proposed high impact policies for GHG emission mitigation are primarily on the supply side and focus either on increasing share of renewable energy, or increased reliance on nuclear energy. All the energy supply side strategies are by their nature focused on carbon dioxide, rather than HFCs, which are emitted mainly in the end use sectors- residential and commercial, transportation, and industrial sectors. With more and more people buying residential and commercial air conditioners (ACs) and air-conditioned vehicles, and a growing industry, the rate of HFC emissions will further increase in absence of any focused abatement policies. With continued strong increase in demand the release of HFCs is expected to increase manifold until 2050 (Akpinar-Ferrand & Singh, 2010).

Majority of refrigeration and air-conditioning systems produced and marketed in India today use HCFC-22, which is an ozone-depleting substance scheduled for phase-out under the Montreal Protocol. The current HCFC schedule for developing countries requires a freeze in consumption by January 2013 at 2009-10 average and cutting national consumption (domestic HCFC production, plus imports and minus exports) 10 percent by 2015, 35 percent by 2020, 67.5 percent by 2025, and 97.5 percent by 2030, with consumption after 2030 restricted to the servicing of refrigeration and air-conditioning equipment. By 2040, HCFC production and consumption for refrigerant uses will completely cease. Most Indian companies have reported that they are planning to change from HCFC-22 refrigerant to R-410a (a blend of HFC-125 and HFC-32), which has a GWP of 2088 (NRDC et al., 2013). Substitution of HCFC-22 by HFCs with high GWPs (e.g., R-410a or HFC-134a) will significantly increase the overall contribution of HFCs in India’s national GHG emissions. In contrast, replacement with existing alternatives to HFCs could reduce the global warming potential by up to 80-90 percent until 2050 (Purohit & Höglund-Isaksson, 2012). Therefore, policies and cost effective strategies for mitigation of HFCs are important issues for deliberation for India.

At present, India is in the early stages of phasing out HCFCs as per the revised Montreal Protocol. Due to the significantly high GWP of conventional alternatives like HFCs, it is critically important to understand the
growth in HFC emissions if no actions are taken to replace these in the different activities, and find the potential and associated costs for HFC reduction from different sectors. India has raised some concerns at multilateral forums regarding the availability of techno-economically feasible alternatives to HFCs for any action aimed at reducing HFC emissions in India. The final outcome of this research is to model alternative HFC mitigation scenarios to understand the transition cost and cost effective mitigation pathway. This report sets up the detailed reference (or business as usual- BAU) scenario for emissions across various HFC emission sectors as the initial step for moving towards the final outcome of this research. Throughout the report, BAU and Reference scenario have been used interchangeably.

Understanding growth of underlying service demands and technologies is the basis for understanding of growth in HFC emissions. HFCs are expected to be emitted across a variety of sectors. This document focuses on the sectors that are expected to be large contributors to Indian HFC emissions if HCFCs are replaced by HFCs. The methodological formulation and key assumptions are discussed in Section 2. The analysis has been undertaken within the framework of Global Change Assessment Model (GCAM). The next section on result discusses energy consumption, HFC emissions, and carbon dioxide emissions across various sectors. Section 4 then compiles all this information and gives the larger country level perspective on future long term HFC emissions for India and compares this with India’s carbon dioxide emissions. Section 5 discusses our results of sensitivity analysis on economic growth and leakage rates. Section 6 presents our estimates of future demand of HFCs across different sectors. This is followed by our analysis on the implications of India’s amendment proposal to the Montreal Protocol presented in Section 7. We then present some limitations of our study as well as key issues for future research.
2. Methodological Approach

2.1 Modelling Energy Service Demands Across Sectors

The reference scenario emissions are developed within the integrated assessment modelling framework of Global Change Assessment Model (GCAM, IIM Ahmedabad version) developed at the Joint Global Change Research Institute, USA. For the next leg of this research, alternative HFC emissions mitigation scenarios will be analysed within the framework of the Greenhouse Gas and Air Pollution Interaction and Synergies (GAINS) model, developed at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Austria.

GCAM is an energy sector focused integrated assessment model incorporating complex interactions between the energy, land use, and climate systems. The model is global in scale and GCAM-IIM version used in this study comprises of 14 aggregate world regions with India as a separate region, and models energy and emissions in 5 year time steps from 2005 to 2095. GCAM has been extensively used for scenarios regarding long term energy consumption and emissions, energy technology strategy analysis, land-use change and emissions, bio-energy, etc. The top down modelling framework of GCAM includes modelling of end use services in the building, transportation and industrial sectors. For details and model structure of GCAM and specific research applications, please refer Edmond & Reilly, 1983; Clarke & Edmonds, 1993; Clarke, et al., 2007; Clarke, et al., 2008; Krey, et al., 2012; Shukla & Chaturvedi, 2012; Shukla & Chaturvedi, 2013; Chaturvedi, et al., 2013; Hejazi, et al., 2013; Zhou, et al., 2013; Chaturvedi & Shukla, 2014; Chaturvedi, et al., 2015.

Figure 1: Coupling of top down modelling framework with bottom up HFC calculation module
Details of the residential and commercial building sector module of GCAM can be found in Eom, et al., 2012 and Chaturvedi, et al., 2014. Details of the transportation sector module of GCAM can be found in Kyle & Kim, 2011 and Mishra, et al., 2013. For the freight transportation sector, we have taken the estimates of total freight demand from NTPDC (2013). The current share of road based freight transport is 70%, and we have used this share for up to 2050. Thus in absolute terms both rail and road freight increase, though their share remains constant.

GCAM estimates service demand for residential and commercial cooling, residential and commercial refrigeration, and for different travel modes in the transportation sector. On the basis of other technology level assumptions, we first derive the actual number of units of different technologies for the base year as well as the future. We then apply information on HFC charge rates and leakage rates to estimate HFC emissions from different sectors. Figure 1 provides an overview of the selected methodology.

India’s GDP is expected to grow significantly owing to a low base. Our assumptions of India’s GDP growth are based on India’s integrated energy policy report (GoI, 2006), which assumes an average growth rate of 8% between 2007 and 2032, as well as the current expectations of India’s near term GDP growth. Beyond this period, the GDP growth keeps on decreasing. India’s GDP increases to 3.6 Trillion USD in 2025 and 18.3 Trillion USD in 2050 (in 2010 prices). Population grows from 1.13 billion in 2005 to 1.53 billion in 2050. In terms of per capita income, India’s income grows from less than 1,100 USD in 2010 to 1,900 USD in 2020 and 12,000 USD in 2050 (all prices are in 2010 USD), which is very low compared to current per capita incomes in the developed countries.

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Source: CEEW assumptions

Along with the growth assumptions that we include for our Reference case, we also explore the implications of a low economic growth scenario for India’s HFC emissions. The GDP assumptions for both scenarios have been summarised in Table 1.

The GAINS model, developed by the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) will be used for estimating state level HFC emission pathways and HFC mitigation policy scenario and strategies in the next phase of this research. GAINS describes the pathways of atmospheric pollution from anthropogenic driving forces to the most relevant environmental impacts. It brings together information on future economic, energy and agricultural development, emission control potentials and costs, atmospheric dispersion and environmental sensitivities toward air pollution. The model addresses threats to human health posed by fine particulates and ground-level ozone, risk of ecosystems damage from acidification, excess nitrogen deposition (eutrophication) and exposure to elevated levels of ozone, as well as long-term radiative forcing. These impacts are considered in a multi-pollutant context, quantifying the contributions of sulfur dioxide (SO$_2$), nitrogen oxides (NO$_x$), ammonia (NH$_3$), non-methane volatile organic compounds (VOC), and primary emissions of fine (PM$_{2.5}$) and coarse (PM$_{2.5-10}$) particles. GAINS also accounts for emissions of the six greenhouse gases that are included in the Kyoto protocol, i.e., carbon dioxide (CO$_2$), methane (CH$_4$), nitrous oxide (N$_2$O) and the three F-gases (HFC, PFC and SF$_6$). The Indian version of the model - GAINS India has a disaggregated representation of India in 23 sub-regions. Detailed bottom up estimates of HFC emissions under various scenarios and the optimal HFC emission mitigation strategies across different sectors would be analysed using GAINS model for India (Capros et al., 2013). For details on GAINS model structure and specific applications, please refer Amann et al. (2008a), Amann et al. (2008b), Klimont et al. (2009), Purohit et al. (2010), Amann et al. (2011), Hoglund-Isaksson et al., 2012, Wagner et al. (2012), Amann et al. (2013), Rafaj et al. (2013), Sanderson et al. (2013).
As mentioned, the next leg of research will be undertaken within the modelling framework of GAINS, where in energy service demand estimates at the state level based on GCAM analysis will be used within GAINS. This report focuses only on establishing the reference scenario.

**2.2 Methodology for Estimating Direct Emissions across Sectors**

HFC emissions occur at various stages of gas use and include both fugitive emissions and inadvertent release of these gases into atmosphere. Fugitive emissions occur during lifetime of equipment when HFCs leak from equipment during their operation. Inadvertent releases may occur when equipment is serviced during its operational life. Servicing emissions are especially high for the informal servicing sector which constitutes a large part of servicing market in developing countries. This is the reason for high leakage rate assumptions for many of the sectors. Additionally, equipment is not disposed through the manufacturer or certified e-waste handler at end of their life. The HFC emissions are calculated using the general methodology described in this section and applies for major sectors under the analysis. Wherever any deviations from this standard methodology may occur, they are dealt in relevant sections that follow.

**Table 2: Emissions during various stages of HFC life**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Production</th>
<th>Transport &amp; Distribution</th>
<th>Use</th>
<th>End of Life</th>
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<tr>
<td>Leakages at production site</td>
<td>Leaksages from handling gas containers</td>
<td>Leaksages at charging site</td>
<td>End of life emissions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Emissions from energy use for manufacturing</td>
<td>Energy use for transportation</td>
<td>Emissions during equipment operation</td>
<td>Energy use for gas recovery</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Atmospheric dispersion</td>
<td>Servicing emissions</td>
<td>Atmospheric dispersion</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Indirect emissions from energy use in equipment</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Atmospheric dispersion</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Source: CEEW analysis

HFC emissions from different sectors are calculated by emission factors approach where-in generalised assumptions for leakage rates, at different stages for gas-use and disposal at end of appliance and equipment life are used. In absence of national guidelines that exist for calculation of sectoral emissions from HFC end-use, IPCC guidelines for emissions of fluorinated substitutes for ozone depleting substances (IPCC, 2006) have largely been adapted for recent advancements and country specific information. They are further validated though interactions with various stakeholders and sector experts. These sector specific assumptions are summarised under the Section 2.3. Table 2 gives an overview of various stages of HFC emissions. Scope of emissions calculation for this study is restricted to the italicised elements in the table, during use phase and end of life phase for HFC gases. It should be noted that emissions during production, transportation and further distribution of chemicals, are not under the scope of this emissions analysis. Additionally, leakages during equipment charging (including initial charges at factory and subsequent servicing recharges) are ignored as their magnitude is understood to be relatively very low (IPCC, 2006) compared to other emissions during the use and disposal of equipment utilising HFC gases.

Under the reference or business as usual (BAU) scenario, BAU replacement options to ozone depleting substances, listed in Table 3, are applied to the sectors so that markets gradually transition towards these options to meet the HCFC Phase Out Management Plan (HPMP) targets. Key parameters important for HFC emissions are operational leakage rates, servicing and end of life recovery. End of life recovery is especially important for the applications like supermarkets and very large size chillers where HFC uptakes are very high and therefore even at the end of life the refrigerant banks are quite substantial.

Currently, there is no regulation and action on limiting gas releases during operation and servicing, and there is no recovery at the end of equipment life. But efforts to encourage servicing recovery in air-conditioning equipment
are underway (Ozone Cell, 2013). Emission factors used at different stages of HFC use (for instance, Table 6 and Table 8) for reference case are indicative of this business-as-usual scenario. It is observed that while aligning the aggregate HCFC consumption (from equipment, appliances and industrial applications) to reduction targets under HPMP, servicing recovery in commercial AC sector is required to attain a recovery rate of 60% on average in order to meet the HPMP targets. Another implicit assumption here is that 80% of the recovered chemical is available for reuse in HCFC applications. Figure 2 shows our estimates of future HCFC consumption, based on sector specific strategies and chemical level calibration while calculating HFC emissions, in comparison to HPMP targets. HFC consumption grows significantly across sectors following HPMP targets and is summarised under Section 6.

**Figure 2: Projection for HCFC consumption under HPMP**

Source: CEEW analysis

Various assumptions on different factors used for emission calculations are tabulated for various sectors under the Section 2.3.

Table 3 lists out the various HFCs considered under BAU with their corresponding Global Warming Potentials (GWP) and applications.

**Table 3: HFCs considered under BAU and their applications**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HFCs as ODS Substitutes under BAU</th>
<th>AR4 GWP (100 years)</th>
<th>Application</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>R-410a</td>
<td>2087.5</td>
<td>Stationary Air-conditioning units, Transport Refrigeration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>1430</td>
<td>Domestic Refrigeration units, Commercial Refrigeration Stand-alone units, Transport Refrigeration, Aerosol, Foam, Mobile Air-conditioning, HVAC Chillers,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R-404a</td>
<td>3921.6</td>
<td>Transport refrigeration, Centralised systems for Commercial refrigeration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HFC-152a</td>
<td>124</td>
<td>Aerosol, Foam</td>
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<tr>
<td>R-407c</td>
<td>1773.85</td>
<td>Transport Refrigeration</td>
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<tr>
<td>HFC-227ea</td>
<td>3220</td>
<td>Aerosol</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HFC-245fa</td>
<td>1030</td>
<td>Foam</td>
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<tr>
<td>HFC-43-10mee</td>
<td>1640</td>
<td>Solvent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HFC-365mfc</td>
<td>794</td>
<td>Solvent</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Source: IPCC (2007) & CEEW analysis
2.2.1 HFC Demand for Manufacturing and Operational Emissions

The initial charge in new equipment largely determines the yearly market demand of refrigerant for the manufacturing sector. Emissions during the initial charging of equipment (at the factory) are assumed to be very low (see Section 2.2), to significantly affect the overall HFC emissions from the sector. Segment of refrigerant market that meets the chemical demand of new equipment is calculated as given in Equation 1.

\[ D_{t}^{\text{manufacturing}} = r_{\text{charge}} \times Q_{c} \times N_{t} \]  

*Equation 1*

\( D_{t}^{\text{manufacturing}} \)  Refrigerant demand for manufacturing sector in year ‘t’ [tonnes of HFC]

\( r_{\text{charge}} \)  Technology specific charge rate (or HFC uptake of equipment) per unit cooling capacity [g/ kW]

\( Q_{c} \)  Cooling capacity of equipment [kW]

\( N_{t} \)  Equipment sales (or newly installed equipment) in year ‘t’ [million units]

The operational emissions originate from total stock of equipment in a year and include both new and vintage equipment. These emissions occur for each year of equipment’s life–time and are thus labelled as life-time emissions. They are calculated applying the annual average operational leakage rates as percentage of initial charge, for total stock of particular equipment in a year. Stock information for various equipment and appliances is validated from literature review (for instance, Table 5). The availability of literature and data, in order to deduce the required macro-level information, is very poor for the commercial refrigeration sector. This sector’s electricity consumption in the year 2005, therefore, is considered as a basis of base year calibration sector and the calibration process is detailed through the Section 2.3.4. The detailed process of base year validations for different sectors is described under relevant sections.

Equipment sales’ time-series and lifetime information (‘L’ years) form the most basic inputs for equipment vintage model that generates information on equipment stock, equipment under servicing and equipment at the end of its life in a particular year ‘t’. Individually validated or calibrated stock of an equipment, i.e. \( \sum_{t=1}^{N_{t}} \), grows with the demand growth in a sector that is determined within the GCAM framework as described in Section 2.1. Once the stock information for base year is validated or calibrated, the newly determined stock in each subsequent year gives the equipment sales in the same year as a result of integration of top-down and bottom-up information for different sectors.

![Figure 3: Operation leakages of key HFC applications](image)

Source: CEEW analysis based on IPCC/TEAP (2005); IPCC (2006); RTOC/UNEP (2010); RTOC/UNEP (2014) and stakeholder interactions
Figure 3 shows a range of operational leakages for key technologies under the reference scenario. Operational leakages are estimated from average information on developing countries from various sources (IPCC/TEAP, 2005; IPCC, 2006; RTOC/UNEP, 2010; TEAP/UNEP, 2014), manufacturers’ brochures and interaction with different stakeholders. As operational leakage is an important parameter for estimating emissions and chemical consumption, sensitivities on reference case operational leakages are performed to in order to analyse effect of operational leakages on overall emissions for a particular sector. Various operational leakages considered are summarised in Table 4, the medium scenario forms our reference case. Operational leakage rates have further repercussions for the servicing emissions and subsequently the chemical demand for servicing sector (see Section 2.2.2).

\[
E_{t}^{\text{operational}} = k_{\text{operational}} \times r_{\text{charge}} \times Q_{c} \times \sum_{t-L+1}^{t} N_{t}
\]

Equation 2

- \(E_{t}^{\text{operational}}\): Operational emissions in year ‘t’ [tonnes of HFC]
- \(k_{\text{operational}}\): Operation leakage rate for equipment [percentage of initial charge per year]
- \(r_{\text{charge}}\): As defined under equation 1 [g/kW]
- \(Q_{c}\): As defined under equation 1 [kW]
- \(L\): Equipment lifetime [years]
- \(\sum_{t-L+1}^{t} N_{t}\): Equipment stock (or equipment installed base) in year ‘t’ [million units]

**Table 4: Operation leakage for all sectors under low, medium and high leakage scenario**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sector</th>
<th>Application</th>
<th>Technology</th>
<th>Operational Leakage Rate Scenarios (%)</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Low</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Residential Buildings</td>
<td>Air-conditioning</td>
<td>Residential Window/ split AC</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Domestic Refrigerator</td>
<td>0.5%</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>HVAC Chiller</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Medium- Large DX</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Commercial Window/split AC</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Standalone Refrigeration Units</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Vending Machines</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Remote Condensing Units</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Centralised Systems</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Trucks and Marine Vessels for Refrigerated Goods</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Commercial Buildings</td>
<td>Air-conditioning</td>
<td>Mobile Air-conditioning Units in Cars, Buses and Rail</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Mobile Air-conditioning Units in Light Duty and Heavy Duty Trucks</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transport Refrigeration</td>
<td>Refrigeration</td>
<td>Mobile Air-conditioning Units in Light Duty and Heavy Duty Trucks</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Passenger Transport</td>
<td>Air-conditioning</td>
<td>Mobile Air-conditioning Units in Cars, Buses and Rail</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Freight Transport</td>
<td>Air-conditioning</td>
<td>Mobile Air-conditioning Units in Light Duty and Heavy Duty Trucks</td>
<td>15%</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Source: CEEW analysis based on IPCC/TEAP (2005); IPCC (2006); RTOC/UNEP (2010); RTOC/UNEP (2014) and stakeholder interactions
2.2.2 Servicing Emissions and Demand for HFCs

Leak tightness of a technology for specific application and servicing sector practices at large determine the servicing demand and servicing related emissions. As the charge level drops below a certain threshold (due to slow leakage over time), equipment is not able to deliver the service to required level and has to undergo servicing. We assume that all equipment types undergo recharging whenever the refrigerant charge declines to lower than 60% of initial charge levels. With higher operational leakages, requirement for servicing over the equipment life is even more frequent. Remaining charge at the time of servicing is slightly different for various equipment types depending upon their leakage rate assumptions. Key assumption for estimating servicing emissions is that, the units, whose residual charge is lower than threshold limit in a given year, emit all the residual refrigerant charge at the time of servicing unless the recovery practices are in place. Commercial air-conditioning is the only sector where servicing recovery is enabled and is set at 60%, minimum required in order to meet the HPMP reduction targets. It is therefore assumed that same servicing practices will prevail even after the transition from HCFCs to HFCs is complete.

While servicing, refrigerants are released during procedures for leak detection and at times, refrigerants are also used to rinse out any moisture, contaminants or air in the refrigerant loop (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). In wake of this additional use of refrigerant for servicing, our assumptions on servicing emissions bring forth only a conservative estimate of servicing sector’s emissions.

\[
E_{\text{servicing}}^t = r_{\text{servicing}} \times (1 - e_{\text{servicing}}) \times r_{\text{charge}} \times Q_c \times \left( \sum_{t-L+1}^{t} \text{Residual Charge} \text{<60%} \right) 
\]

\text{Equation 3}

\begin{align*}
E_{\text{servicing}}^t & \quad \text{Servicing emissions in year ‘t’ [tonnes of HFC]} \\
r_{\text{servicing}} & \quad \text{Remaining charge at the time of servicing} \\
& \quad \text{[percentage of initial charge]} \\
e_{\text{servicing}} & \quad \text{Servicing recovery efficiency} \\
& \quad \text{[percentage of residual charge at the time of servicing]} \\
r_{\text{charge}} & \quad \text{As defined under equation 1 [g/kW]} \\
Q_c & \quad \text{As defined under equation 1 [kW]} \\
\left( \sum_{t-L+1}^{t} \text{Residual Charge} \text{<60%} \right) & \quad \text{Units under servicing (residual charge below the 60% threshold) in the year ‘t’ [million units]} \\
\end{align*}

The yearly demand from servicing of equipment comes from recharging of equipment in a year ‘t’. Total refrigerant demand for this segment of market is calculated as in Equation 4.
\[
D_{t}^{\text{servicing}} = (1 - e_{\text{reuse}} \cdot r_{C}^{\text{servicing}} \cdot e_{\text{servicing}}) \cdot r_{\text{charge}} \cdot Q_{c} \cdot \left( \sum_{t-L+1}^{t} N_{t} \right)
\]

**Equation 4**

- \(D_{t}^{\text{servicing}}\): Refrigerant demand from servicing sector in year ‘t’ [tonnes of HFC]
- \(e_{\text{reuse}}\): Reuse efficiency for recovered HFC gas during servicing [percentage of HFC recovered during servicing]
- \(r_{C}^{\text{servicing}}\): As defined under Equation 3 [percentage of initial charge]
- \(e_{\text{servicing}}\): As defined under Equation 3 [percentage of residual charge at the time of servicing]
- \(r_{\text{charge}}\): As defined under equation 1 [g/kW]
- \(Q_{c}\): As defined under equation 1 [kW]
- \(L\): As defined under equation 2 [years]
- \(\left( \sum_{t-L+1}^{t} N_{t} \right)\): As defined under Equation 3 [million units]

### 2.2.3 End-of-Life Emissions and Recovery

For most of the equipment, there is no recovery at the end of equipment’s life and all the remaining charge gets released into the atmosphere. This is the case with no regulation on limiting HFC emissions at end of life. The e-waste regulations in India address majority of these air-conditioning and refrigeration appliances but implementation has so far been very poor and there is no incentive for the customers to get the products recycled through an authorised e-waste handler. The supermarket systems are an exception as the HFC uptake for this application is very high and there is an economic incentive to recover the refrigerant even in absence of regulation. Recovery rate for supermarket systems is assumed to be 20% but due to lack of reliable information on fate of recovered gas, it is assumed that recovered gas does not feed back into the value chain of chemical. In a simple vintage model, considered for emissions calculations across various equipment types, equipment sales in year ‘t-L’ enter the end of life in year ‘t’. Equation 5 represents the end of life emissions in a year that result from the retired equipment.
\[ E_t^{\text{End of life}} = r_c^{\text{end of life}} \times (1 - e_c^{\text{end of life}}) \times r_{\text{charge}} \times Q_c \times N_{t-L} \]  

Equation 5

- \( E_t^{\text{End of life}} \): End-of-life emissions in year ‘t’ [tonnes of HFC]
- \( r_c^{\text{end of life}} \): Remaining charge at end of life [percentage of Equipment’s initial charge]
- \( e_c^{\text{end of life}} \): End-of-life recovery efficiency [percentage of remaining charge]
- \( r_{\text{charge}} \): As defined under equation 1 [g/kW]
- \( Q_c \): As defined under equation 1 [kW]
- \( N_{t-L} \): Equipment at end of life in year ‘t’ [million units]

### 2.3 Data and Assumptions for Emissions calculations

#### 2.3.1 Residential Air-conditioning

The room AC stock in the base year i.e. 2010 was estimated from room AC sales’ time-series from PwC (2012). Further factors for share of residential sector in total window and split AC sales are applied on total sales. These factors are estimated from PwC and LBNL reports (PwC, 2012; Phadke et al., 2013). There are approximately 1.9 million residential AC units sold in 2010 with an average capacity of 5.07 kW and the stock, for the same year, amounts to 9.2 million units. Life time of an average room AC unit is assumed to be 10 years. Table 5 shows our detailed calculation for estimating the 2010 stock figures from market data:

**Table 5: Residential AC sales in base year**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>2003</th>
<th>2004</th>
<th>2005</th>
<th>2006</th>
<th>2007</th>
<th>2008</th>
<th>2009</th>
<th>2010</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Total room AC sales (A)</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>1.25</td>
<td>1.50</td>
<td>1.85</td>
<td>2.20</td>
<td>2.75</td>
<td>3.44</td>
<td>3.20</td>
<td>Million units</td>
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<tr>
<td>Share of split AC in room AC sales(^5) (B)</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>59</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Share of residential ACs in split AC sales (C)</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Share of residential ACs in window AC sales (D)</td>
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<td>80</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Residential split AC sales ((A \times B \times C))</td>
<td>0.27</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.41</td>
<td>0.51</td>
<td>0.65</td>
<td>0.85</td>
<td>1.12</td>
<td>1.08</td>
<td>Million units</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Residential window AC sales ((A \times (1-B) \times D))</td>
<td>0.36</td>
<td>0.45</td>
<td>0.54</td>
<td>0.66</td>
<td>0.72</td>
<td>0.84</td>
<td>0.96</td>
<td>0.82</td>
<td>Million units</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total residential AC sales</td>
<td>0.63</td>
<td>0.79</td>
<td>0.95</td>
<td>1.17</td>
<td>1.37</td>
<td>1.69</td>
<td>2.08</td>
<td>1.90</td>
<td>Million units</td>
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\(^5\) PwC (2012) gives 2009 and 2010 shares, shares for other years are assumed

Source: CEEW analysis based on PwC (2012) and Phadke et al. (2013)
The key information required for emission calculation is charge rates for room AC units. From the specification sheets of existing equipment (Rajadhyaksha, 2014), typical charge for HCFC-22 is found to be 0.75 kg for a 5.2 kW unit which means a charge rate of 144 g/kW. For cooling performance of refrigerants equivalent to HCFC-22, it is found that nominal charge rate for R-410a is found to be 97% of that of HCFC-22 (Virmani, 2014) amounting to 140.2 g/kW. For reference scenario (R-410a), 10% operational leakage rate demands recharging twice during unit’s lifetime. Based on this set of assumption for reference scenario, it is 4 years- and 8 years- old equipment that require recharging and add to the servicing- emissions and demand in that year. In case of low leakage scenario (5% leakage rate), servicing recharge only occurs once, when equipment is 7 years- old and remaining charge is around 65% in the 10th year. Technical assumptions under BAU have been summarised in Table 6. Residential AC stock Energy Efficiency Ratio (EER) is assumed to grow from 2.67 in 2010 to 3.5 in 2050. The EER for new equipment might be significantly higher in 2050 but assumed EER of 3.5 is a stock average number. There will be a distribution around this value with some equipments being more efficient and some being less efficient, with 3.5 EER being the mean value as per our assumption.

Table 6: Summary of BAU assumptions for residential AC

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Refrigerant under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate $r_{charge}$ [kg/kW]</th>
<th>Operational leakage $k_{operational}$ [% of $r_{charge}$]</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery $c_{servicing}$ [% of $r_{charge}$]</th>
<th>End of life Recovery $c_{end_of_life}$ [% of $r_{charge}$]</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>R-410a</td>
<td>0.1402</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Source: CEEW compilation based on Rajadhyaksha (2014), Virmani (2014), IPCC/TEAP (2005), RTOC/UNEP (2010) and stakeholder interactions

2.3.2 Domestic Refrigeration

The Euro monitor 2011 sales’ time-series for domestic refrigerators from ICF (2012) report was referred for base year calibration in 2010 which gives 7.9 million units sold in 2010 and domestic refrigerator stock of 48.5 million units. Domestic refrigerator lifetime is assumed to be 10 years.

Energy efficiency for domestic refrigerator in 2010 is calculated as given in Table 7. This is based on the efficiency levels (Prayas, 2011) for newly sold direct-cool and frost-free refrigerators, and their respective market shares (ICF, 2012). These values for efficiency of newly sold equipment were further included in the vintage model to calculate efficiency for the stock, taking into consideration the efficiency improvements in future. When compared to efficiency of domestic refrigerator in 2005, there is 66.67% improvement in the stock efficiency in 2050.

Table 7: Calibration of weighted average Unit Energy Consumption (UEC) for domestic refrigerator

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<tr>
<td>Direct cool UEC [kWh]</td>
<td>748</td>
<td>383</td>
<td>306</td>
<td>272</td>
<td>394.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Market share</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>25%</td>
<td>35%</td>
<td>79.4%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Frost free UEC [kWh]</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>579</td>
<td>463</td>
<td>411</td>
<td>454.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Market share</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>48%</td>
<td>41%</td>
<td>20.6%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weighted Average Domestic Refrigerator UEC [kWh]</td>
<td>406.5</td>
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</table>

Source: CEEW analysis based on Prayas (2011) and ICF (2012)

Due to lack of reliable information on share of refrigerators based on hydrocarbon (HC) and hydrocarbon blends, it is assumed that along the model time horizon, 50% of refrigerators are based on HC while the rest are based on HFC-134a. TEAP report notes that the penetration of low-GWP HC based refrigerators in domestic refrigerators is growing at significant rate and could be 50-75% in 2050 for developing countries, which is the basis for our assumption. The sector switched to non-ODS options HFC-134a, HC and HC blends as early as 2008 (RTOC/
UNEP, 2010). Domestic refrigerators are leak-tight and operational leakages are very low compared to other end-use sectors. Our assumption of leakage rate for domestic refrigerators is 1%. Charge rate for an average domestic refrigerator based on HFC-134a is assumed to be 150 g HFC-134a per unit (TEAP/UNEP, 2014). Charge rate for HC based equipment is found to be as low as 46 gram HC blend for a 250 litre unit (Godrej & Boyce, 2014). Both servicing and end-of-life recovery for this unit is assumed to be zero under the BAU scenario. Assumptions under BAU have been summarised in Table 8.

Table 8: Summary of BAU assumptions for domestic refrigerator

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Domestic refrigerator</th>
<th>Refrigerant under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate (g/unit)</th>
<th>Operational leakage (Percentage of $r_{charge}$)</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery (Percentage of $r_{charge}$)</th>
<th>End of life Recovery (Percentage of $r_{charge}$)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
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</table>

Source: CEEW compilation based on RTOC/UNEP (2010), TEAP/UNEP (2014) and stakeholder interactions

2.3.3 Commercial Air-Conditioning

The installed capacity of commercial air-conditioning in India in base year 2010 is validated from PACE-D, 2014 report (USAID & BEE, 2014) on HVAC. Estimated capacity of total commercial cooling installed in the country is approximately 52 TW in the year 2010, of which 85% is concentrated in seven big cities. Our base year calibration in 2010 shows that 9.3 TW of cooling capacity was added in 2010. The information available on commercial floor space in India is very limited, partly because it is largely unorganised. Total commercial floor space for the base year was taken from ECO-III 2010 report wherein it is estimated to be 520 million square meters in 2005 (Kumar et al., 2010). Commercial AC equipment has been classified broadly into three different types: medium to large DX, commercial sector room ac and chillers. The classification is based on size classes and equipment configuration. Hence it also relates to HFC uptake and emission characteristics respectively. Lifetime assumption is 10 years for commercial room AC and 20 years for chillers and medium to large DX equipment. The stock average EER for this sector is assumed to grow from 2.6 to 5.2 by 2050. This is based upon typical EER of various equipment in the base year and evolving market share of competing technologies as described in subsequent paragraphs.

Commercial Window and split AC

These are non-ducted type DX or essentially the split or window AC units. Although residential sector is a dominant user of this type of equipment, a comparatively smaller pool of equipment finds its use in office buildings. Room AC sales for commercial sector are estimated as shown in Table 9. The estimation approach is same as that used for estimating residential AC stock (see Section 2.3.1 and Table 5). The room AC share in total stock of commercial equipment in 2010 was 70% (although in terms of sales it was much lower). It is assumed that the share of room AC in commercial equipment stock will decline in future. It is assumed to decline to 30% of the total stock in 2050. Market for room ACs is speculated to shrink in the future (for commercial applications) for two reasons:

1. Room AC has lowest typical EER of all other technologies, approx. EER 2.4 compared to EER 6 for centrifugal chillers
2. Its application is limited to small office spaces. Market is already shifting towards centralised systems driven by expansion in large and organised commercial spaces.

The base year estimation for commercial room AC is calculated, as shown in Table 9. There were approximately 1.3 million units sold in the market in 2010. BAU replacement option for this application is same as residential room ac i.e. R-410a, and similar approach and emission factors have been applied for this sector in our study.
Table 9: Estimate on commercial room AC sales

<table>
<thead>
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<th>2003</th>
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<th>2008</th>
<th>2009</th>
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<th>Units</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total Room AC Sales (A)</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>1.25</td>
<td>1.50</td>
<td>1.85</td>
<td>2.20</td>
<td>2.75</td>
<td>3.44</td>
<td>3.20</td>
<td>Million units</td>
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<td>Split AC Share § (B)</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>59</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>68</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commercial Sector Share of Split AC Sales (C)</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commercial Sector Share of Window AC Sales (D)</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commercial Split AC (A<em>B</em>C)</td>
<td>0.27</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.41</td>
<td>0.50</td>
<td>0.64</td>
<td>0.85</td>
<td>1.11</td>
<td>1.08</td>
<td>Million units</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commercial Window AC [A*(1-B)*D]</td>
<td>0.09</td>
<td>0.11</td>
<td>0.13</td>
<td>0.16</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>0.20</td>
<td>0.24</td>
<td>0.20</td>
<td>Million units</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Commercial Sector Window and Split AC Sales</td>
<td>0.36</td>
<td>0.45</td>
<td>0.54</td>
<td>0.67</td>
<td>0.91</td>
<td>1.06</td>
<td>1.35</td>
<td>1.29</td>
<td>Million units</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

§ PwC (2012) gives 2009 and 2010 shares, shares for other years are assumed.

Source: CEEW analysis based on PwC (2012) and Phadke et al. (2013)

Medium to Large DX and VRF Equipment

This type constitutes packaged units and ducted type DX equipment. This kind of installation is typical for offices. Typical configuration is one installation per floor. Market trend, as seen in Table 10, is that the medium or large DX equipment are being replaced by more efficient variable refrigerant flow (VRF) or variable refrigerant volume (VRV) equipment. VRV/VRF equipment are categorised under same category for estimation purposes as HFC uptake and average cooling capacity across equipment population, are found to be similar, and as both VRV/VRV installations are essentially designed for similar applications. The information on population of equipment is estimated from market sales data of various equipment types in PACE-D program’s report on HVAC (USAID & BEE, 2014) and the future market trends are projected based on this sales’ time-series. It is assumed that, in 2050, all medium or large DX equipment will be replaced by VRF equipment.

Chillers for HVAC

Chillers are used for very large sized commercial buildings and utilise an additional cooling media for circulating cooling energy within the air-conditioned space. Share of water cooled chillers is increasing (Table 10) and these chillers are more efficient than air chillers although they are not a suitable option for water stressed regions. It is assumed that, applying the best possible EERs that are available in market today (through industry brochures) in different product categories, correspondingly stock EER will also double to 5.2 in 2050 relative to 2005. Relative share of VRF and Chillers is assumed to be same in 2050 and the market trends dictate the same.
Table 10: Market trends of different commercial AC segments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Market sales by type</th>
<th>UNITS</th>
<th>2010</th>
<th>2011</th>
<th>2012</th>
<th>2013</th>
<th>2014</th>
<th>2015</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total medium or large DX</td>
<td>TW</td>
<td>1.13</td>
<td>1.42</td>
<td>1.66</td>
<td>1.91</td>
<td>2.20</td>
<td>2.53</td>
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<tr>
<td>VRF systems</td>
<td>Percentage of med-large DX</td>
<td>61%</td>
<td>70%</td>
<td>76%</td>
<td>81%</td>
<td>84%</td>
<td>87%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chillers</td>
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<tr>
<td>100 kW TW</td>
<td>0.10</td>
<td>0.12</td>
<td>0.10</td>
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<td>0.12</td>
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<tr>
<td>100-350 kW TW</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.29</td>
<td>0.27</td>
<td>0.29</td>
<td>0.30</td>
<td>0.34</td>
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<tr>
<td>350-700 kW TW</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>0.39</td>
<td>0.33</td>
<td>0.34</td>
<td>0.37</td>
<td>0.39</td>
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<tr>
<td>&gt;700 kW TW</td>
<td>0.94</td>
<td>0.71</td>
<td>0.59</td>
<td>0.71</td>
<td>0.82</td>
<td>0.88</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water cooled chillers</td>
<td>Percentage of total chillers</td>
<td>43%</td>
<td>48%</td>
<td>47%</td>
<td>47%</td>
<td>48%</td>
<td>50%</td>
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Source: CEEW estimation based on USAID & BEE (2014)

R-410a is dominant alternative to HCFCs, in room ACs and medium to large DX type equipment. HFC-134a is considered as an option for replacement of HCFC-123 and HCFC-22. Assumptions under BAU have been summarised in Table 11.

Table 11: Summary of BAU assumptions for commercial AC

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Equipment type</th>
<th>Refrigerants under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate [kg/kW]</th>
<th>Operational leakage [% of ( R_{\text{charge}} )]</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery [% of ( R_{\text{charge}} )]</th>
<th>End of life Recovery [% of ( R_{\text{charge}} )]</th>
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<tr>
<td>Commercial window/split AC</td>
<td>R-410a</td>
<td>0.14</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>60%</td>
<td>0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Medium to large DX</td>
<td>R-410a</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>60%</td>
<td>0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chiller</td>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>0.38</td>
<td>15%</td>
<td>60%</td>
<td>0%</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Source: CEEW compilation based on IPCC/TEAP (2005), RTOC/UNEP (2010), manufacturers’ brochures and own analysis

2.3.4 Commercial Refrigeration

The energy consumption for commercial refrigeration in 2005 (0.01 EJ electricity) was taken from TERI energy roadmap (TERI, 2006). There is partial information on number of standalone display cabinets and remote condensers utilised by the sector from the Weide et al. (2014) report on mapping and benchmarking of the sector. Remaining equipment stock was determined by calibrating with TERI energy consumption figure, in addition to estimating number of supermarkets with floor space estimates. As per Weide et al. (2014) there are 445 thousand standalone units and 124 thousand vending machines. Based on Weide et al. (2014) and our assumptions as explained below, there were 442 thousand remote condensing units and 120 centralised systems in 2010 in India.

Vending machines are modelled separately from stand-alone units as refrigerant use/options and uptakes are different from other stand-alone units. HFC-134a has long been adopted as the most favoured option for small/medium-sized commercial refrigeration equipment in India and this includes stand-alone equipment, vending machines and remote condensing units. Centralised systems are not very prevalent in India at the moment but it will not be the same in the future and in subsequent text we present the estimates on evolution of market for these systems.

**Stand Alone Units**

Stand alone units include display cabinets, deep freezers, chest coolers, visi coolers, bottle coolers and integral reach-in coolers, which are sold as stand-alone or plug-in units. Deep freezers can either be glass top or hard top.
These units have cooling capacity less than 1 kW. Data on stocks and market sales of equipment is largely absent. We have relied on CLASP mapping and benchmarking of commercial and refrigeration equipment (Weide et al., 2014) estimates of existing equipment in the base year. According to the source, there were 53 million plug-in display cabinet units in India in 2009. Due to lack of any data or labelling of equipment for HFC charges, average HFC uptake of 260 grams per units for the stand alone equipment is assumed, based on UNEP’s RTOC report (RTOC/UNEP, 2006). This is validated from the fact that charges rate is in similar range as domestic refrigerator because of the fact that the cooling capacities are very similar.

**Vending Machines**

Base year data for the vending machines is also taken from CLASP report (Weide et al., 2014). The higher range of HFC uptake for stand-alone units is taken from UNEP report (RTOC/UNEP, 2006) and represents as average charge (300 grams per unit) in absence of data from manufacturers.

**Remote Condenser Units**

Remote condenser units could either be display type employed by large reits shops or it could as well be for storage of additional refrigerated goods. The display type units are based on data from Weide et al., 2014. Non display units have racks of condensing units placed in a small machinery room away from the display area. Estimation of the total number of non-display units is based on our estimates of total electricity consumption for these units and their unit energy consumption. Refrigerant charges for this equipment type are assumed to be 3 kg -HFC based on information from latest UNEP report on refrigerant options (RTOC/UNEP, 2010). It is assumed that HFC-134a is being used in India for all remote condensing units as opposed to R-404a as a result of HFC-134a’s better performance at ambient temperatures (RTOC/UNEP, 2010).

**Centralised or Supermarket Systems**

Supermarkets use centralised refrigeration systems where compressors racks are installed in a machine room. As a result, length of piping, containing liquid refrigerant from the machinery room and vapour phase refrigerant back from the sales area, increases significantly and could be up to several kilometres (RTOC/UNEP, 2010). This explains the high leakages that are prevalent in the supermarket systems. This coupled with the only refrigerant choice: R-404a, for the kind of systems, which has highest GWP among all end-use replacement options, exacerbates the direct HFC emissions.

**Figure 4: Supermarkets and hyper-markets per million population (2003)**

Source: CEEW compilation based on RTOC/UNEP (2006) and UN population data
Our estimation of supermarket/hypermarket systems consists of two steps:

(i) Estimating floorspace under organised food retail for the year 2010: Total commercial floor space in India is going to see a huge growth in future. It is estimated to grow from approximately 520 million-m² in 2005 to seven times in 2030 and twenty times in 2050. The share of retail in total commercial floor space is assumed to be constant at 20% (USAID & BEE, 2014) throughout the time horizon. Survey results of National Accounts Statistics 2007 indicate that large share of this retail is currently unorganised: 82% in 2005 (Rue du Can et al., 2009). It is assumed that the share of organised sector in retail increases form 18 % in 2005 to 50% in 2050. A large population in India still relies heavily on unorganised food retail. Although the share of food in total retail is over 50%, in case of organised sector it is miniscule at 1% (Kinght Frank, 2010).

(ii) Estimating number of supermarkets: Firstly, we develop an understanding of the probable saturation level of supermarkets per million population for 2050. Based on this understanding the saturation for supermarkets’ demand in 2050 (Supermarkets for 1 million population) was set to 2003 Europe levels of 92 supermarkets per million population which forms the key assumptions for estimating supermarkets in India in 2050. For hypermarkets, this level was 8 per million population. Secondly, we estimate the number of supermarkets/hypermarkets in the base year 2010. RTOC/UNEP (2006) gives representative supermarket sizes for different countries which is the basis of our assumption on average supermarket floor space area of 1,500 m². Similarly, hypermarket size is assumed to be 6,000 m². On the basis of estimate of floorspace under food retail, derived as explained earlier, and average supermarket/hypermarket size, we estimate the number of supermarkets/hypermarkets in India in 2010. Finally, we linearly grow the number of supermarkets between 2010 year estimate and 2050 saturation value.

Table 12: Assumptions under BAU for commercial refrigeration

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Equipment type</th>
<th>Capacity range</th>
<th>Refrigerants under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate</th>
<th>Operational leakage</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery</th>
<th>End of life Recovery</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Stand Alone</td>
<td>&lt;1 kW</td>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>0.26</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vending Machine</td>
<td>&lt;1 kW</td>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>0.30</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Remote Condenser</td>
<td>1-20 kW</td>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>3.00</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supermarket</td>
<td>20kW-1.5 MW</td>
<td>R-404a</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hypermarket</td>
<td>20kW-1.5 MW</td>
<td>R-404a</td>
<td>1200</td>
<td>30%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>20%</td>
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Source: CEEW compilation based on RTOC/UNEP (2006), RTOC/UNEP (2010) and stakeholder interactions

2.3.5 Passenger Transportation

Mobile Air-conditioning in Cars

The sales of passenger cars have grown from 0.5 million in 1999 to 2.5 million in 2013 (SIAM, 2014; MoRTH, 2009; MoRTH, 2013). We assume that with higher household income in the future, load factor for cars declines from 2.5 persons/car in 2005 to 2 persons/car in 2050, while it remains constant for SUVs at 3.5 persons/car. The Government of India maintains a database for number of registered vehicles (MoRTH, 2009). In most cases this data is an over-estimation of the actual number of in-use vehicles on the road (Mohan et al., 2014). It is estimated that in Delhi, the in-use fleet constitutes 59% of the registered vehicles (Mohan et al., 2014), and we use this estimate to calculate the actual number of vehicles on road in India from the total registered vehicles in 2010. Mohan, et al., 2014 also estimate the average annual vehicle transport kilometre (AVTK) for three different cities, ranging from small to big cities. AVTK is the average distance covered by each car in the stock annually. The AVTK
estimation ranges from 7,200 km for the smaller city to 12,500 km for Delhi. We expect that AVTK in cities that are small today will grow to the value of bigger cities as these cities become larger. However, as more and more rural areas become urbanised, we will see many new small towns and urban areas in India. For households that own cars in these newly urbanised areas we can expect the AVTK to be lower than 7,200 km. We have hence assumed that between 2010 and 2050, the average AVTK across new small towns, medium sized towns and bigger cities will be 7,200 km, though there will be a distribution around this number. These assumptions have been used to calculate base year stock from the model (GCAM) output which is in terms of passenger service. The time series sales data is used to calibrate base year stock figures. Base year stock is calculated to be 10.32 million. The lifetime of cars is assumed to be 12 years (Su, et al., 2015). Since 2010, 100% of cars sold have factory installed air-conditioning systems (Chaney et al., 2007), which means that in the future all the cars will be with ACs once the stock of 2009 year cars expires.

The switch from CFC-12 to HFC-134a was a global decision taken by automobile manufacturers in developed countries (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). By 1994 almost all vehicles sold in developed countries used this refrigerant (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). This transition in developing nations happened in the late 2000’s (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). India stopped production of CFC based MAC units in 2003 (Andersen et al., 2013). Thus, it is assumed that by 2010 all passenger cars have pre-installed HFC-134a based air-conditioning systems. The key information required for emissions calculations is charge rates for Mobile AC units. Through industry interaction it is found that average charge rate for cars and SUVs is 350 grams and 600 grams respectively. Operation leakage rates are 20% per annum of initial charge rate. In the reference scenario there is no servicing and end of life recovery of gases. Thus, all the residual gases during servicing and end of life are let out into the atmosphere.

**Mobile Air-conditioning in Buses**

Sales of buses have grown from 90,000 in 2001 to 98,000 in 2011 (PCRA, 2013). Data for number of registered buses from 1961 to 2012 was obtained from government database (MoRTH, 2013). Lifetime for buses is taken as 20 years. Stock figure for buses in the base year is calculated to be 1.21 million from government database. AVTK for buses has been assumed to be 105,000 km. Stock AVTK is assumed constant for the time frame. Load factor for buses is assumed to be 36 persons/bus. Data for sales of air-conditioned buses was not available. Hence, it has been assumed that AC bus sales started from 1990 and AC bus sales constituted 1% of total bus sales in 1990. The share of AC buses in overall bus sales grows by 1% per annum. The stock of AC buses grows from 17% in 2010 to 53% of total stock of buses in 2050.

Through industry interaction it was found that average charge rate in buses range from 1,200 gram to 4,600 gram. Based on interaction with industry, a charge rate of 2,400 gm/unit is assumed. Operational leakage rates range from 20% per annum of initial charge rate. In the reference scenario there is no servicing and end of life recovery of gases. Thus, all the residual gases during servicing and end of life are let out into the atmosphere.

**Mobile Air-conditioning in Passenger Rail**

The number of passenger coaches has grown from 30,000 in 1990 to 50,000 in 2010 (Indian Railways, 2014). Stock of coaches in 2010 is obtained from Indian Railways database (Indian Railways, 2014). Share of AC coaches in the total stock has grown from 4.64% in 1990 to 13.19% in 2010 (Indian Railways, 2014). For the reference scenario emission calculations share of AC coaches in the total stock is grown linearly to 50% in 2050. Lifetime of these units are assumed to be 10 years. AVTK is assumed to be 315,000 km. Stock AVTK is assumed constant for the time frame. Load factor of each coach is 50.62. This has been calculated from available data on stock and ridership of railways.

The key information required for emission calculation is charge rates for the railway coaches. Through stakeholder interactions it was found that each Indian Railways coach has two 5 TR direct cooling air-conditioners. These units are based on HFC-134a and have a charge rate of 3.5 kg. There was a lack of data on production, lifetime,
India’s Long Term Hydrofluorocarbon Emissions end-of-life of AC units used in rail coaches. Thus, number of coaches requiring servicing could not be estimated from available data. It has been assumed that 10% of stock each year needs to be serviced. Each year 10% of stock of previous year reaches end-of-life. Operational leakage rate of 20% per annum of initial charge rate has been assumed for emission calculations. In the reference scenario there is no servicing and end of life recovery of gases. Thus, all the residual gases during servicing and end of life are let out into the atmosphere. All assumptions under BAU have been summarised in Table 13.

**Table 13: Assumptions under BAU for mobile AC**

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<tr>
<th>Refrigerants under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate ([\text{kg/ unit]})</th>
<th>Operational leakage (k_{\text{operational}}) ([\text{Percentage of } r_{\text{charge}}])</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery (e_{\text{servicing}}) ([\text{Percentage of } r_{\text{charge}}])</th>
<th>End of life Recovery (e_{\text{end_of_life}}) ([\text{Percentage of } r_{\text{charge}}])</th>
<th>Annual Vehicle Transport Kilometre ([\text{AVTK}])</th>
<th>Lifetime ([\text{year}])</th>
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<tr>
<td>Car HFC-134a</td>
<td>350</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>0%</td>
<td>7,200</td>
<td>12</td>
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<tr>
<td>SUV HFC-134a</td>
<td>600</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>7,200</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>Bus HFC-134a</td>
<td>2,400</td>
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<td>0%</td>
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<td>1,05,000</td>
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<td>Rail HFC-134a</td>
<td>3,500</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>3,05,000</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Light Duty Trucks HFC-134a</td>
<td>475</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>16,866</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Heavy Duty Trucks HFC-134a</td>
<td>525</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>59,071</td>
<td>20</td>
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Source: CEEW compilation based on PCRA (2013), Mohan et al. (2014), Su et al. (2015), stakeholder interactions and own analysis

### 2.3.6 Freight Transportation

There are two types of trucks that have been considered in the freight sector- Light Duty Trucks (LDT) and Heavy Duty Trucks (HDT). The stock of total freight trucks in India was 6.35 million in 2010 (MoRTH, 2013). The inherent distribution of the stock between LDT and HDT was not available. This was calculated based on the sales data. Sales of LDT and HDT trucks have grown from 43,000 and 68,000 in 2001 to 411,000 and 271,000 in 2011 respectively (PCRA, 2013). Based on sales data stock of LDT and HDT in 2010 is 2.79 million and 3.50 million respectively. The average annual vehicle transport kilometres (AVTK) used for LDT and HDT were 16,866 km and 59,071 km respectively (PCRA, 2013). AVTK is assumed to be constant over the time frame. In the absence of reliable data for the penetration of air-conditioning in freight trucks, it is assumed that penetration in stock grows from 0% in 2010 to 50% in 2050. The lifetime of these trucks was assumed to be 20 years.

Through industry interactions it was found that average charge rate for LDT and HDT is 475 gram and 525 gram respectively. Operation leakage rates are 20% per annum of initial charge rate. In the reference scenario there is no servicing and end of life recovery of gases. Thus, all the residual gases during servicing and end of life are let out into the atmosphere.

### 2.3.7 Refrigerated goods

**Transport Refrigerated Trucks**

The base year stock of total refrigerated trucks in India was 7,000 units in 2010 (NCCD, 2013). It is assumed that the growth in the transport refrigeration sector will be in line with the growth in the commercial refrigeration sector.
Based on industry stakeholder interactions it is be assumed that average charge rate for transport refrigeration trucks is 3.5 kg/unit. Currently most refrigerated trucks use HCFC-22. There are a number of options available for transition away from HCFCs. These are HFC-134a, R-404a, R-407c and R-410a (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). In absence of reliable information on their respective shares in the base year, an equal share of these four gases has been assumed for the future in the reference scenario. Based on stakeholder interactions it was assumed that lifetime of these trucks is 10 years. The range of operational emissions from this sector is very wide, varying from 15% to 50% (IPCC, 2006). A mid-value of 32.5% has been chosen for our estimates. In the reference scenario there is no servicing and end of life recovery of gases. Thus, all the residual gases during servicing and end of life are let out into the atmosphere.

**Marine Refrigeration**

There was a lack of reliable data on the stock of marine refrigerated vessels. The consumption of chemical in the transportation refrigeration sector was obtained from HPMP. This included consumption by both refrigerated trucks and marine vessels. Based on our estimates of HCFC consumption in refrigerated trucks, the consumption of HCFC by marine vessels was estimated to be 33 tonnes in 2010. The growth rate of chemical consumption in this sub-sector was aligned to that of transport refrigerated trucks.

In the absence of specific information on various parameters, we have estimated the emissions from this sub-sector based on elasticity of HFC emissions with respect to chemical consumption for refrigerated trucks in each year. Three HFC options mentioned in RTOC/UNEP (2012) are considered for marine vessels. HFC-134a constitutes 50% of chemical consumption for this application and rest 25% each is met by R-404a and R-407c.

All assumptions under BAU have been summarised in Table 14.

**Table 14: Assumption for emission estimation under BAU for refrigerated transportation**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Transport Refrigeration</th>
<th>Refrigerants under BAU</th>
<th>Charge rate $r_{\text{charge}}$ [kg/unit]</th>
<th>Operational leakage $k_{\text{operational}}$ [Percentage of $r_{\text{charge}}$]</th>
<th>Servicing Recovery $e_{\text{servicing}}$ [Percentage of $r_{\text{charge}}$]</th>
<th>End of life Recovery $e_{\text{end_of_life}}$ [Percentage of $r_{\text{charge}}$]</th>
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<tr>
<td>Refrigerated Trucks</td>
<td>HFC-134a, R-404a, R-407c, R-410a</td>
<td>3.5</td>
<td>32.5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marine Refrigeration</td>
<td>HFC-134a, R-404a, R-407c</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>32.5</td>
<td>0</td>
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Source: CEEW compilation based on IPCC (2006), RTOC/UNEP (2012) and stakeholder interactions

**2.3.8 Industrial Sectors**

**Foams**

Foams are used for a number of applications. These applications include furniture cushioning, packaging and impact management (safety) foams, providing structural integrity, thermal insulation in appliances, buildings and transportation (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). HCFC/HFC is used in the manufacturing of foams as blowing agents. A blowing agent is present in a foam formulation to ensure that the polymer matrix expands prior to solidifying (UNEP, 2010).

Emissions are likely to occur during the manufacturing process or the in-use phase, with often the majority of emissions not occurring until end-of-life (IPCC, 2006). Emissions of HFCs from foam use in year $t$ is calculated as follows:-
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\[ E_t = M_t * EF_{FYL} + B_t * EF_{AL} + M_{(t-n)} * EF_{eol} \]  

\[ \begin{align*} 
E_t & \quad \text{emission from foam in year } t \ [\text{tonnes of HFC}] \\
M_t & \quad \text{total HFC used in manufacturing new foam in year } t \ [\text{tonnes of HFC}] \\
EF_{FYL} & \quad \text{first year loss emission factor, fraction HFC used in foam manufacturing between year } t \text{ and } t-n \ [\text{tonnes of HFC}] \\
B_t & \quad \text{annual loss emission factor } [\% \text{ factor}] \\
EF_{AL} & \quad \text{total HFC used in manufacturing new foam in year } (t-n) \ [\text{tonnes of HFC}] \\
EF_{eol} & \quad \text{end-of-life emission factor } [\% \text{ factor}] \\
n & \quad \text{lifetime of product } [\text{years}] \\
\end{align*} \]

Four sub-sectors within the foam industry are considered for emission calculations. These are discontinuous panel, continuous panel, integral skin and appliances. In 2010, these four sub-sectors accounted for 90% of all HCFC consumption in the foam sector in India. The emission factors used for these sectors are shown in Table 15.

Table 15: Emission factors for foam sub-sectors

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sub-sector</th>
<th>Lifetime</th>
<th>First year loss emission factor</th>
<th>Annual loss emission factor</th>
<th>End of life emission factor</th>
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<tr>
<td>Discontinuous Panel</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>12.5</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>62.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Continuous Panel</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>65</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Integral Skin</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>2.5</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Appliance</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>85.5</td>
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Source: UNEP (2010)

A number of low-GWP foam blowing agents such as water, hydrocarbons and CO\(_2\) have come up in the recent decades (UNEP, 2011). Even though thermal efficiency of hydrocarbon-based foams has improved in recent years as a result of development focus, foam manufacturers in developed countries have still been reluctant to make the onward transition from HCFCs to zero-ODP alternatives (UNEP, 2010). These factors led to an uptake of HFCs as replacement for HCFCs in the early 2000’s (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). Since then the market share of hydrocarbon technologies has grown significantly (TEAP/UNEP, 2014). The blowing efficiency of hydrocarbon blowing agents is substantially better than that of its precursors, CFCs and HCFCs (TEAP/UNEP, 2014). Due to these reasons, a 50% uptake of HFCs is anticipated in the foam industry (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). For estimation of emissions a 50% uptake of HFCs by the appliance sub-sector is considered. The HFCs considered in BAU are HFC-134a, HFC-152a and HFC-245fa.
Solvents

Solvents are widely used as process agents in a variety of industrial manufacturing processes although they are not contained in the final products to consumers (TEAP/UNEP, 2014). These are used in textile and garment industries, metal/electronic cleaning and for chemical manufacturing (Ozone Cell, 2010) The major application is in cleaning – which includes precision where dust is mainly cleaned, electronics where fuse is mainly cleaned and metal cleaning where metal working oil, grease, pitch wax, etc are cleaned (IPCC/TEAP, 2005).

HCFC consumption in the solvent industry is estimated to be at 286 tonnes in 2010 (Ozone Cell, 2013). The two major HCFCs used within the industry were HCFC-123 (Ozone Cell, 2009) and HCFC-141b (UNEP, 2012). Overall chemical demand (HCFC, HFC or any other alternative) in the industry has been assumed to grow along with GDP. GDP assumptions are used from the GCAM model. Replacement of HCFCs by other alternatives has been taken as 1:1 by weight of chemical. Historically, emissions from solvent applications generally have been considered prompt emissions because 100 percent of the chemical is typically emitted within two years of initial use (IPCC, 2006).

Emissions of HFCs from solvent use in year t are calculated as follows,

\[ E_t = M * EF + M(t-1) * (1 - EF) \]

\( E_t \) emissions in year t [tonnes of HFC]

\( M_t \) quantity of solvents manufactured in year t [tonnes of HFC]

\( M_{(t-1)} \) quantity of solvents manufactured in year t-1 [tonnes of HFC]

\( EF \) emission factor [% factor]

In the absence of country-specific data, it is good practice to use a default emission factor of 50 percent of the initial charge/year for solvent applications (IPCC, 2006). Due to higher cost of HFCs and ready availability of other low cost and acceptable alternatives, IPCC projects that less than 3% of solvent chemical demand could be met by HFCs (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). The HFCs considered under BAU are HFC-43-10mee and HFC-365mfc.

Aerosols

Aerosols can be divided into two major categories- medical and non-medical. Non-medical aerosol are majorly used in perfumes, shaving foams, insecticides, paints, pharmaceuticals etc (Ozone Cell, 2010). Medical aerosols are used in Metered Dose Inhalers (MDI). HCFC consumption in the aerosol industry in 2010 was estimated to be 114 tonnes (Ozone Cell, 2013). Over all chemical demand (HCFC, HFC or other alternatives) within the industry is assumed to grow along with the GDP. GDP estimates are taken from the GCAM and mentioned in Table 1. HCFC replacement is assumed to be 1:1 by weight.

Aerosol emissions are considered prompt because all the initial charge escapes within the first year or two after manufacture (IPCC, 2006). During the use of aerosols, 100 percent of the chemical is emitted (IPCC, 2006). Emissions of HFCs from aerosols use in year t are calculated as follows,
$$E_t = M \times EF + M_{(t-1)} \times (1 - EF)$$

Equation 8

$E_t$  emissions in year $t$ [tonnes of HFC]

$M_t$  quantity of solvents manufactured in year $t$ [tonnes of HFC]

$M_{(t-1)}$  quantity of solvents manufactured in year $t-1$ [tonnes of HFC]

$EF$  emission factor [% factor]

Majority of the conversions of non-medical aerosols encouraged by the Montreal Protocol in the developed countries have been to ozone- and climate-safe propellants such as hydrocarbons (HC), dimethylether (DME), CO$_2$, or nitrogen (N$_2$) (IPCC/TEAP, 2005). The HFCs considered under BAU are HFC-134a, HFC-227ea, and HFC-152a (IPCC, 2006). The use of HFCs in this sector is limited.
3. Results at the Sectoral Level

3.1 Emissions from Residential Sector: Air-Conditioners and Refrigerators

With increasing urbanization and growth, more and more Indians are moving in bigger homes and buying appliances required for an urban and higher income lifestyle. This shift in behaviour, largely induced by income, is bound to impact the demand for electricity. In fact, it is the residential sector which can be expected to be the primary driver of future electricity demand in India, as the other two big sectors transportation and industry depend heavily on direct application of fossil fuels rather than electricity.

Total electricity demand in India across end use sectors will grow by six and a half times between 2010 and 2050, which is a huge growth, but likely as India’s per capita electricity consumption is still less than 900 KWh/capita. A large part of this growth is fuelled by increasing demand from the residential and commercial sector. Total per capita electricity production in India even in 2050 is 4,000 KWh. The average developed country’s consumption is 7,000-8,000 KWh/capita/year. The residential and commercial building sector’s share in India’s electricity demand grows from 40% in 2010 to 57% in 2050.

Total electricity consumption in India’s residential sector grows significantly, and stands at 1,813 TWh in 2050, which is 11 times of the consumption in 2010. In terms of electricity per unit floorspace, consumption grows from 12 KWh per m² in 2010 to 43 KWh per m² in 2050. The low figure of consumption in 2005 is because it also includes large rural floorspace, for which the electricity consumption intensity is abysmal due to low and erratic supply of power. Though the increase in electricity consumption, controlled for floorspace growth, is three and a half times across 40 years, the growth in service is much more as all electricity appliances, including room ACs, refrigerators, lighting, and other appliances, all become more and more efficient with time.

A large part of the growth in residential sector’s electricity consumption is due to increase in air conditioning (Figure 5). As incomes grow, more and more people buy ACs. Impact of rising temperatures exacerbate this behaviour. In terms of share, AC electricity consumption increases from 9% of total residential electricity in 2010 to 30% in 2050. Though refrigerator use will keep on growing in the future, this service is expected to consume 8% of residential electricity consumption in 2050, which is also a significant number. Even though the stock of domestic refrigerators and ACs is not very different, energy consumption by refrigerators is low due to their lower unit energy consumption compared to ACs, which consume significant energy even with efficiency improvements.

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1 The interim results for residential air-conditioning sector were presented in the working paper ‘Chaturvedi V & Sharma M. 2014. Modelling long term HFC emissions from India’s residential air-conditioning sector. CEEW Working paper 2014/7’.
The stock of residential refrigerators in India grows from 48.5 million units in 2010 to 83 million units in 2020 and 353 million units in 2050 (Figure 6). Compared to this, the stock of ACs grows at a much faster pace. AC stock increases from 2.6 million units in 2005 to 38 million units in 2020, and further to 445 million units in 2050 (Figure 5). The stock of ACs in a high income India is higher than the stock of refrigerators in residential sector of India, which is most likely and is supported by what is already observed in terms of household behaviour. A given high income household will in all likelihood own only one fridge, but can own two or even three ACs for cooling separate rooms.

Comparing our results with the results from other studies, our forecast for the stock of ACs in India is well within the range of estimates by other studies. Our estimates of future stock of refrigerators in India are lower than estimates from other studies. Figure 7 compares estimates from our study with estimates from other studies. It should be noted here that the underlying assumptions of economic growth, energy prices, and efficiency improvements might be different between these different studies. However looking at the final results on the number of ACs in India in the future, our estimates are broadly midway as compared to the range based on other studies.
If all the ACs move towards using HFC-410a as the alternative refrigerant instead of HCFC-22, HFC emissions from residential ACs will grow from less than 1 MtCO₂-eq in 2015 to 175 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. Indirect emissions from carbon dioxide use will grow from 24 MtCO₂-eq in 2015 to 318 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. This implies that the share of HFC emissions in the global warming impact of residential AC sector will be 35% in 2050.

In contrast to this, global warming impact of HFC emissions from the residential refrigeration sector will be 3.5% in 2050. Total direct and indirect emissions from this sector will be 91 MtCO₂-eq in 2050, one-fifth of that of the residential AC sector. Smaller refrigerant charge rates per unit, as well as low leakage rates from domestic refrigerators are the key reasons for the small share of future HFC emissions from this sector.

### 3.2 Emissions from Commercial Sector: Air-Conditioners and Refrigerators

Huge growth in commercial floorspace is expected, which is an important underlying reason for total growth in commercial electricity demand. Total commercial floorspace in India grows from 520 million m² in 2005 to 10,600 million m² in 2050. Consequently, total electricity consumption in India’s commercial sector grows significantly as well, and stands at 1,132 TWh in 2050, up from 85 TWh in 2010. In terms of electricity per unit floorspace, consumption grows from 67 KWh per m² in 2005 to 107 KWh per m² in 2050. Commercial sector appliances are also expected to gain from enhanced energy efficiency improvements.

The installed capacity of commercial air-conditioning increases significantly from 51 TWh in 2010 to 1,489 TWh in 2050 (Figure 8). The increase in installed capacity is one and a half times the increase in commercial floorspace, implying that cooling intensity of commercial floorspace increases rapidly with higher incomes and temperature. This is something already evident in the growing number of commercially build space including offices, malls, hotels, and many other establishments. The nature of commercial floorspace is significantly different in rural and urban areas. With increase in urbanization, India will also witness a transition from informal commercial establishments in rural areas to formal businesses and service delivery in urban areas, which is bound to increase the cooling intensity of floorspace which is evident in our results.
Commercial refrigeration is an interesting category consisting of stand-alone units, vending machines, and remote condensing units. The growth of this category depends critically on an increase in supermarkets and hypermarkets. With a change in consumer preferences and food habits, the Indian market is already witnessing a move towards frozen foods, especially in urban areas. We can expect this category to grow significantly in the future. By 2050, the total number of units in the market is expected to cross 25 Million units. Of this 45% each will be stand-alone units and remote condensing units. In terms of HFC emissions, this sector is expected to have a significant share due to the high leakage rates. Total HFC emissions from this sector will increase to 71 MtCO₂-eq in 2050, which is 14% of total HFC emissions from India in 2050.

Cooling energy takes 34% share of commercial sector electricity consumption in 2010, its share fluctuates around this figure throughout the next 40 years. Commercial refrigeration-related electricity consumption share also increases from 8% in 2015 to 11% in 2050 of total commercial sector electricity consumption. Energy consumption for cooling commercial floorspace grows substantially from 24 TWh in 2010 to 384 TWh in 2050. Both floorspace, and electricity per unit floorspace grow significantly for the commercial sector. Efficiency for cooling appliances is expected to double by 100% between 2005 and 2050, which implies much higher cooling service delivered with lower increase in electricity consumption.

As is the case with residential AC sector, the global warming impact of HFC emissions from the commercial AC sector is also significant. HFC emissions from the commercial AC sector increase from 1 MtCO₂-eq in 2015 to 125 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. Corresponding indirect carbon dioxide emissions from electricity usage increase from 30 MtCO₂-eq in 2015 to 226 MtCO₂-eq in 2050, implying that the share of global warming impact of HFC emissions in commercial sector’s total global warming impact will be 35% in 2050. In the case of commercial refrigeration,
this impact is even higher. Due to high leakage rates, HFC emissions from this sector are almost equal to the indi-
rect carbon-dioxide emissions in 2050, each being almost 70 MtCO₂-eq.

3.3 Emissions from Mobile Air-Conditioning: Passenger Cars, Buses and Railways

The share of transportation sector in India’s energy consumption as well as emissions is lower compared to the resi-
dential and industrial sector. However, it is expected that the growth in energy demand and emissions will be highest for this sector. Along with air-conditioners, cars is another personal asset which has been showing tremen-
dous growth with rising incomes in India. In fact, there are a number of options in the Indian car markets which
cater to the need of different income segments. First time buyers of middle income families have the option of buying small cars, which are the main stay of the Indian market. Families that graduate to a higher level of income have the option of buying bigger and more expensive cars. With successive governments investing heavily in road infrastructure, particularly long distance highways, passenger road travel is becoming increasingly comfortable. Increasing personal incomes as well as macro-economic activity is the primary driver for increasing passenger transportation service demands.

Passenger transportation service is expected to increase with increasing per capita incomes, as has been observed in many other regions of the world. Total passenger service demand, across motorized and non-motorized transport modes, increases from 5 trillion pass-km in 2010 to 20 trillion pass-km in 2050. There are many modes of travel that service this demand, and most of the passenger service demand is met through motorized road and rail travel which meet 81% of the travel service demand in 2050. Rest is largely met by aviation sector. However, in terms of energy consumption, the aviation sector is most energy intensive and hence ends up taking a major share in India’s passenger transport sector fuel consumption, 52% in 2050 up from 12% in 2010.

Figure 10: Car-stocks, energy consumption and emissions

A huge increase is witnessed in the ownership of cars with rising Indian incomes. Car stock increases from 10 mil-
lion units in 2010 to 43 million units in 2020 and 245 million units in 2050 (Figure 10). Growth in car stock is par-
cularly high between 2015 and 2035 between which a high growth rate is assumed which will propel sales of
cars. High growth in the overall transport sector demand ensures that the share of energy consumption from cars in total transportation sector energy consumption does not increase beyond 31% in 2050.
Comparing our results with the results of other studies, we find that our estimates for both service demand as well as stock of cars in the future is more on the conservative side (Figure 12 and Figure 13). Our estimates are above the low growth estimates of other studies, but lower compared to the high growth results from other studies, which is also an assumption in our reference case. Our estimates of the future stock of buses is much lower compared to all other high growth scenarios (Figure 13). Comparing the results, we can conclude that our estimates are well within the range, though more on the conservative side.

Source: CEEW analysis

Figure 12: Comparison of passenger service for cars and buses from various sources

Source: CEEW analysis

Figure 13: Comparison of stocks of cars and buses from various sources

Source: CEEW analysis
In a developing country like India, public transportation is an important service. Buses, along with Indian Railways have provided the role of providing public transportation service. Buses meet 60% of current passenger service demand in India, and even with more and more people shifting towards cars, buses will meet almost half of total passenger service demand in India in 2050. Buses are very important from the perspective of meeting travel demands of a large concentration of population, many of which are lower or lower-middle income class. Hence from a developing country perspective, even though car ownership will grow many folds in the future, importance of bus service for meeting travel demand of a large and populous country is unlikely to be diminished. The stock of buses increases by two and a half times between 2010 and 2050.

Railways have played an important role in India, especially for meeting long distance transportation needs. Passenger service delivered by railways is expected to more than double between 2010 and 2030. However, beyond this time, it is expected to be stagnant or decline slowly as with higher incomes more and more people shift to air travel. However, in terms of the scale of India’s railways passenger transportation, we don’t expect any decline in its magnitude and significance. Total energy consumption by Indian railways increases, but its share in total transportation energy consumption decreases significantly from 6% in 2010 to only 1% in 2050. Number of railway coaches will follow the trend of total passenger service. In 2005, total railway coaches in India were 40,000 which is expected to increase to 1,25,000 coaches at its peak in 2025/30.

With a high increase in the ownership of cars, HFC emissions from cars increase significantly to 75 MtCO₂-eq in 2050, up from 1.6 MtCO₂-eq in 2010. Corresponding emissions from buses are 2.6 MtCO₂-eq in 2050, and that from AC railway coaches are .27 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. This shows that in the mobile air-conditioning sector, cars are going to take a lion’s share in the HFC emissions. Carbon dioxide emissions from oil consumption in cars are much larger, and increase from 13.7 MtCO₂-eq in 2010 to 263 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. Thus the global warming impact of HFC emissions in the total emissions from cars in 2050 will be 22%. For buses, this share is merely 3% in 2050, and for railways it is will be negligible.

### 3.4 Freight Transport Emissions

Freight transportation is a critical part of economic activity. As the economy grows, demand for produced final goods as well as raw material grows, which leads to higher energy consumption and emissions. Clearly, it is the economic activity that determines demand for freight transportation services.

**Figure 14: Trucks: Stocks, energy consumption and emissions**

Freight transportation in India is driven either by goods trains of the Indian Railways, or through trucks. There are different types of trucks used for transportation of goods. Broadly speaking, these can be categorized in heavy duty and light duty trucks. As far as HFC emissions are concerned, trucks are the most relevant category. A ma-
Major part of the current stock of Indian trucks is old and inefficient, without any air-conditioning available for the driver. However in the future with increased incomes, we do expect a higher share of trucks fitted with ACs for the driver’s compartment.

Total road and rail freight transportation demand is expected to grow by seven and a half times between 2010 and 2050, to 8,900 billion Ton-Km in 2050. The share of freight transported by road has been increasing in the past and was 70% (NTDPC, 2013) in 2012. This share was assumed to be constant over the time horizon. Total stock of light and heavy duty trucks will increase from 6.3 million trucks in 2010 to 46.8 million trucks in 2050, and a similar rate of growth will be seen in the associated energy consumption (Figure 14).

Comparing our results with the results of other studies, we find that our estimates for both service demand as well as stock of freight trucks in the future is more on the conservative side (Figure 15). Our estimates of freight service from trucks is lower than estimates of other studies (Figure 15). Our estimates of the future stock of trucks is much lower compared to other estimates (Figure 15). Literature on the future of freight sector in India is very limited and more research is required for this sector.

As highlighted earlier, currently the share of trucks with air-conditioning is negligible in India. As the penetration rate of ACs in trucks increases, HFC emissions increase by over a thousand times between 2015 and 2050. However, in absolute terms, HFC emissions from this sector are still negligible. Especially when compared to the carbon emissions from this sector, HFC emissions even in 2050 are only 1.5% of the carbon dioxide emissions.

### 3.5 Emissions from Industrial Sectors and Refrigerated Transport

Industrial sector GHG emissions in India are expected to grow by leaps and bounds as industrial activity grows. However, there are only few industries that deal with HFCs and which are the source for HFC emissions. Mainly these are foams, medical and non-medical aerosols, and solvents. Our study assumes that the consumption of HFCs in these industrial sectors will grow with GDP. But HFC emissions across these sectors grow differently because of the different leakage rates.

Highest growth in emissions is observed in the foam sector (Figure 16). The share of HFC emissions from the foam sector in total HFC emissions from key industrial sectors grows from 13% in 2015 to 81% in 2050. Though medical aerosols constitute of 55% of all industrial HFC emissions in 2015, their share will be 6.5% in 2050 as these can be expected to grow only with population and not with GDP. Non-medical aerosols, like those used in deodorant sprays etc. can be expected to grow with GDP and hence increase their share over medical aerosols. HFC emissions from solvents is going to be negligible throughout the future.
Figure 16: Emissions from industrial sectors and transport refrigeration

Transportation refrigeration is a category that has the potential for growing fast and the Indian consumer food market is already witnessing a paradigm shift towards refrigerated products. Currently, a large part of the refrigerated transportation stock is for transporting dairy products that have a short shelf life. Dairy demand will definitely grow in the future with more and more people who graduate to middle income group from a lower income group increasing their intake of dairy products. At the same time, Indian market is expected to witness an increase in other refrigerated products.

Increase in commercial refrigeration is a very good indicator of the kind of growth that refrigerated transportation will witness. Using the same growth rate, and sector specific refrigerant and leakage rates, we find that HFC emissions from transport refrigeration will grow hugely, even though in terms of absolute emissions, the level would be low. In 2050, HFC emissions from this sector would be less than Five MtCO₂-eq.
4. Overall HFC Emissions and Carbon Dioxide Emissions

Our research aims at estimating future trajectory of HFC emissions across sectors for India. We undertake this assessment for residential, commercial, transportation, and industrial sectors and up to time period 2050. The analysis is undertaken within the integrated assessment modelling framework of Global Change Assessment Model (GCAM). We first estimate the increase in penetration of different energy service technologies like air-conditioners and cars based on assumptions around economic activity, and then estimate the HFC emissions from these sectors based on refrigerant charge rates and leakage rates. Apart from estimating the time path of HFC emissions across sectors, we also compare these to the indirect emissions from energy use in these sectors to get a perspective on how big are future HFC emissions going to be compared to the indirect energy use emissions across sectors as well as in totality for India. We focus only on emissions during the lifetime of equipment including the end of life emissions.

Figure 17: HFC emissions across sectors

The first key finding is that HFC emissions grow significantly if India transitions from HCFCs to HFCs across sectors. Currently the key HCFC consumption sectors are moving away from these. Transportation sector has already shifted away from HCFCs towards HFC-134a. Consequently, even if economic activity is constant, there is going to be an increase in HFC emissions that replace HCFC emissions. However, the increase in HFC emissions for India comes from the significant growth in usage of energy service technologies. As people become wealthier, there is a high penetration of residential and commercial space cooling and refrigeration appliances, as well as personal cars. Consequently HFC emissions also increase, and are equal to 500 MtCO₂-eq in 2050 (Figure 17). Cumulative HFC emissions across sectors between 2010 and 2050 for India stand at 6.65 Billion tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent.
In terms of sectoral share of emissions, the four big sectors contributing to emissions are residential cooling, commercial cooling, mobile air-conditioning in cars, and commercial refrigeration. In 2050, these sectors respectively are responsible for 35%, 28%, 15% and 14% of overall HFC emissions for India. For the first three sectors, the key driver of increasing emissions is undoubtedly increase in economic activity that leads to higher penetration of household and commercial appliances and vehicles. For the fourth sector however it is the high leakage rate that results in a significant share of the emissions from this sector. Industrial sectors in total account for only 5% of all HFC emissions in 2050.

Figure 18: Share of global warming impact of HFC emission in sectoral GHG emissions in 2050

On comparing direct HFC emissions from various sectors to indirect emissions from energy use, we find that operational and end of life HFC emissions from the residential cooling sector are responsible for 35% of the global warming impact from this sector in 2050 (Figure 18). Though direct HFC emissions from the commercial sector are smaller than that of the residential cooling sector, in terms of GHG impact these are 38% of the global warming impact of this sector. Interestingly it is the commercial refrigeration sector that has the highest global warming impact of direct HFC emissions, which amounts to 50% of the total impact of this sector. For all other sectors, the global warming impact of direct HFC emissions is very low. This is especially true for the industrial and freight trucks sectors, where energy use and consequent carbon dioxide emissions are very high.

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In terms of total global warming impact of HFC emissions in India, the share is 5.4% in 2050 when compared to total carbon dioxide and HFC emissions from India (Figure 19: Share of global warming impact of HFC emissions in total GHG emissions from India in 2050). Apart from the HFC consumption sectors, there are many sectors that use energy from primary energy fuels as well as electricity and contribute to carbon dioxide emissions. E.g. industrial sector is a big contributor to carbon dioxide emissions, but there are only few sub sectors emitting HFCs. So even if for individual sectors the share of HFC emissions in total GHG emissions could be big, in terms of the national contribution carbon dioxide emissions take a share of almost 95% in 2050. We should note here that emissions from other potent greenhouse gases like methane are not included in this assessment. With additional GHGs coming into the picture, this share of HFCs can only be expected to be lower.

Figure 19: Share of global warming impact of HFC emissions in total GHG emissions from India in 2050

Source: CEEW analysis

2 Chaturvedi and Sharma (forthcoming), in their analysis of the residential air-conditioning (RAC) sector HFC emissions for India, find that the global warming impact of HFC emissions from the RAC sector will be 36% of total GHG emissions from this sector, higher than the 35% reported in the current study. The difference of 1% is because Chaturvedi and Sharma (forthcoming) also include HFC emissions during transportation and distribution of HFCs for usage in RAC sector, while this is excluded in our study which focuses only on operational and end of life emissions.
5. Sensitivity Analysis: Economic Growth and Leakage Rates

How the future will unfold is impossible to predict. We still try to understand how the future might shape itself given our best understanding of how the economy and technologies will evolve in the future. Our Reference scenario explores our best understanding of economic growth for India, as well as how efficiencies will change. We have however assumed that charge rates as well as leakage rates will stand as they do currently to the best of our understanding. Though this gives us a solid understanding of how HFC emissions across sectors can be expected to grow in the future, we do recognise that there are two critical variables that have a large impact on the future HFC emission trajectories. One is economic growth rates, and the other is leakage rates.

In the past 20 years, economic growth in India has fluctuated widely. Growth slowly started picking up by mid 1990s, however there was a dampening impact of the east Asian crisis by the end of last century. Post that period, the benefits of economic reforms started becoming evident and Indian real GDP growth reached a high of over 9% for three consecutive years post 2005. Post 2010 this growth rate however decelerated to below 5% in the last fiscal year due to international economic conditions as well as stalling of domestic economic reforms within the country. Growth rate has already started picking up with expectations of a new set of economic reforms. Analysts and experts expect growth to move beyond 8% in the near term, and this is what our Reference scenario reflects. However, past experience has shown us that economic growth can also slow down, which will impact our results of future HFC emissions. Table 1 in the methodology section already highlights the high and low economic growth assumptions.

Figure 20: Emission from sectors in reference case and low growth scenario

Our results for the low economic growth scenario show that even with lower income growth, HFC emissions will increase to 324 MtCO₂-eq in 2050. This figure is 35% lower compared to our Reference scenario HFC emissions. Figure 20 shows emissions from different sectors in our reference case and low growth scenario. The share of different sectors in overall HFC emissions remains the same irrespective of the growth scenario. Interestingly, if we compare direct HFC emissions to indirect carbon dioxide emissions from energy use, we find that the share
of HFC emissions in the global warming impact of Indian emissions remains almost the same, irrespective of the
growth scenario. Lower economic growth means lesser number of air-conditioner and cars, consequently lesser
energy consumption and hence lesser resultant carbon dioxide emissions from energy use. Thus irrespective of the
economic growth, the share of India’s HFC emissions in total carbon dioxide and HFC emissions will be 5.5%-5.6% in 2050.

Given an economic growth trajectory and penetration of ACs or cars in the market, HFC emissions can vary de-
pending on leakage rates. Leakage rates is an important variable as this determines how many times an equipment
will need to be recharged within its lifetime. The current understanding is that recovery rate of refrigerant left in
the equipment is very low, close to zero. This is because there is no incentive for the service personnel to conserve
refrigerant. So leakage rates do matter, and our assumptions around high, low and reference leakage rates across
HFC emission sectors are mentioned in the methodology section (Table 4).

Figure 21: HFC emission from different sectors in reference case, low and high growth scenario

We find that relative to the reference leakage rate scenario, total HFC emissions in 2050 increase by 29% in the
high leakage rate scenario, and decrease by 39% in the low leakage rate scenario. In absolute terms, total emissions
vary from 307 MtCO₂-eq to 645 MtCO₂-eq in 2050 depending on the assumptions around leakage rate. In terms
of percentage of total GHG emissions from India, the global warming impact of overall HFC emissions varies
from 3.5% to 7.3% in 2050. In the reference scenario this impact is 5.4%. These numbers have been estimated for
the reference growth assumptions, and as highlighted earlier should be valid for the low growth scenario as well.
Figure 21 summarises HFC emission from residential, commercial and transportation segments in low, medium
(reference case) and high leakage scenarios.
6. Estimates of Consumption of HFCs

The Indian industry is following the HCFC phase-out management protocol and moving towards alternatives to HFCs. If India moves towards HFCs as happened in developed countries, we will see increasing demand and consumption of these chemicals. Based on our research, we estimate the consumption of different HFC refrigerants in different sectors. This estimation depends on the underlying distribution of different technologies and refrigerants and our assumptions on these are highlighted in the methodology section. These estimates don’t include HFCs required for feedstock purposes. Also, there is no publicly available information/data on HFC consumption in 2010 or any other year thereafter. So the numbers for 2010 and 2015 are also our own estimates. It should be highlighted that even if base year data for calibration is not available, our methodology of estimating future HFC emissions based on number of equipment, charge rates, and leakage rates ensures that the lack of base year data on HFC consumption does not affect our estimates for the future.

As is the case with emissions, we find that if all the sectors move towards HFCs, biggest HFC consumers will be the commercial and residential air-conditioning sector (Figure 22). This will be followed by consumption demand
from the mobile air-conditioning sector which has already shifted completely towards HFC-134a, and the commercial refrigeration sector due to high leakages in this sector. In the industrial sectors, foam sector will be the one with the largest demand for HFCs with consumption of 30,000 Tonnes of HFCs in 2050.

The Indian amendment proposal proposes that HFC consumption in Article 5 countries peaks in 2030-31 and then declines to 15% of the baseline value in 2050. Figure 22 also shows the consumption of various HFCs across sectors in 2030. We can expect this magnitude of demand for various HFC chemicals in India in 2030. Beyond 2030, demand for these chemicals will depend on the result of international negotiations and a globally accepted HFC phase-down pathway. Even if HFC consumption is frozen in 2030, our estimates are a good pointer to the magnitude of long term demand for alternatives to high GWP HFCs.
If the Indian market follows the trend observed in developed countries, then a steep rise in HFC consumption could be expected, as a result of the rise in residential and commercial cooling and refrigeration technologies. HFCs are one of the highly potent greenhouse gases, which have been largely left out of the mitigation discussion in India until now. Recognising the criticality of mitigating HFCs, and for sending a strong signal to the Indian markets to prepare for the transition, the government has recently proposed an amendment to the Montreal Protocol for the inclusion of HFCs within its legal framework. If the Government of India’s proposal is accepted, it would mean that consumption of HFCs in India will peak in 2030-31, and will need to decline to 15% of the peak value by 2050. The proposal highlights a key change in India’s stand on greenhouse gas mitigation, particularly HFCs.

It is critical to quantify the carbon dioxide equivalent mitigation potential of HFC mitigation if the Indian amendment proposal is adopted. Our study is first of its kind HFC modelling analysis for India and quantifies HFC emissions in the scenario when HFCs replace HCFCs following the phase-out management protocol. We find that cumulative HFC emission over the next 35 years will be 6.55 Gt CO\textsubscript{2}eq across all HFC emission sectors.

A freeze in HFC consumption in 2031 implies that market transitions will have to start much earlier because servicing related consumption will be a big component of India’s HFC consumption. Equipment sold in 2025 will need HFCs for servicing requirement for 10 or even 20 years post 2025, depending on the technology and sector. As there is a lag between HFC consumption and HFC emissions, freeze in consumption in 2031 as per the Indian amendment proposal will mean that HFC emissions will peak around 2035-36. Indian HFC emissions should decline to 15% of the peak value in 2055-56, if the Indian amendment proposal is accepted.

The phase-down schedule between 2031 and 2051 could be stepwise, as in the case with HPMP. Looking at emissions only until 2050 if we assume that the phase-down schedule is linear, CEEW study finds that 4.2 GtCO\textsubscript{2}eq is avoided between 2010 and 2050, which is 64% of the total HFC which will emitted between 2010 and 2050 if consumption is not frozen. Between 2050 and 2100 however, avoided HFC emissions amount to almost 41 Gt-CO\textsubscript{2}eq. The following table (Table 18) gives the details.
Table 16: Indian HFC emissions under the reference and Indian amendment scenarios

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<th>Year</th>
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Source: CEEW analysis

Clearly, the Indian government has made a positive move in global HFC mitigation discussion, and this move will definitely result in significant avoidance of HFC emissions. What is important for now is to keep focusing on the issues of safety and technical performance. Further, energy efficiency while transitioning towards alternative low GWP refrigerants is also important, but that accounting will end up being counted as a mitigation of carbon dioxide emissions, even though it is propelled by a move towards low GWP refrigerants.
8. Limitations and Future Research

8.1 Limitations

Modelling future pathway for any variable depends on a whole range of socio-economic as well as technical variables. The study has addressed two most important uncertainties, one arising out of the future economic growth, and the other due to lack of information about leakage rates. There can however be other variables also that impact the future penetration of ACs, cars and growth in different HFC emission sectors. Some of these are:

- **Urbanization rate**: Urbanization is an important part of the development story of any country. With economic growth, countries around the world have seen significant transformations across decades with more and more cities coming into being and existing cities expanding beyond their traditional peripheries. There are significant differences in urban and rural lifestyles, purchasing power, and consumption patterns. India’s current urbanization rate stands at below 30%. Our paper assumes that by 2050, urbanization rate in India would be 53%. We do recognize that the relationship between urbanization rate and economic growth is strong, but quantification of this relationship is unclear at best. A higher or lower urbanization rate will impact the demand for floorspace as well as air-conditioning and future HFC emissions. Available estimates of urbanization rates of other countries with their GDPs validate our assumption.

- **Cooling degree days**: Cooling degree days (CDDs) is an aggregate variable that represents the duration and intensity of cooling required within a given geographical region in a year. Constant cooling degree days would mean that the climate of future would be the same as current climate. However, business as usual energy consumption and emissions would result in global warming and rising temperatures and consequently increase the number of cooling degree days. Our study hence incorporates the impact of changing climate. It is however challenging to understanding the impact of rising atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases, and average temperature increases across different regions of the world. The temperature sensitivity is a parameter that is not well understood and research is ongoing for a better understanding of this parameter. Our modelling approach considers the impact of increasing temperature on cooling energy demand, however at the same time we do recognize the challenges in estimation of future cooling degree days. What is important is that the CDDs used by us have been derived using the same methodology for the base year as well as future years till 2050, which makes CDD estimates consistent across years. Thus growth in cooling energy for building sector depends on the growth rate in CDDs, and not their absolute value per se. Irrespective of the absolute value of CDDs, if the future growth in CDDs is similar to our assumptions, our estimates should not be affected.

- **Charge rates**: Charge rates of refrigerants along with the leakage rates determine HFC emissions. Charge rates depend on the refrigerant characteristics as well as equipment design. e.g. Charge size for HFC-32 is lower than R-410A. Historically, as air-conditioners have moved from CFCs to HCFCs to HFCs, charge rates have also declined. The decline is a function of the refrigerant characteristics itself as well as improvements in technology and design of equipment. Decline in charge rates has been achieved in refrigerators as well as air-
conditioners. We might expect that charge rates will decline in the future as well. However, what will be the speed and magnitude of this potential decline is speculative at best at the current moment. Due to this reason, our study does not get into sensitivity analysis around charge rates, but assumes that current charge rates will hold in the future. If charge rates do decline, estimates of HFC emissions will also decline in the future.

- **Efficiency assumptions**: We have assumed more than modest increases in efficiencies of residential and commercial appliances, building stock, as well as that of vehicles which have been mentioned in the section on methodology. We however assume in our reference scenario that future appliances on an ‘average’ will not be super-efficient. Such super-efficient appliances can definitely penetrate the Indian market in a big way if there are strong policies driving these. Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) has launched the super-efficient appliance programme which is designed to facilitate a rapid market transformation to these super-efficient models. Presently it focuses only on fans, but in the future when it is extended to other appliances, it would result in more aggressive energy efficiency improvements (EEI) in future that those envisaged under BAU scenario in our analysis. The assumed EEI trajectories in our model apply on the stock number. This hence implies that there will be a distribution around this mean value and the best available efficiency in 2050 might as well be much higher than the actual stock average efficiency in 2050 as assumed in our study. For instance, the LBNL estimates that classic energy efficiency options could mean 60-72% (Shah et al., 2011) more efficient room air conditioner from base case model (average EER 2.8 on 2010-11), whereas our assumption on ‘average’ stock efficiency improvement is 35%. It should be highlighted here that our efficiency assumptions don’t affect our estimates of future HFC emissions. Efficiency assumptions only impact energy consumption related carbon dioxide emissions. If the stock average efficiency ends up being higher than our assumptions, this would imply lower carbon emissions and hence a higher share of HFCs in the global warming impact of India’s greenhouse gas emissions.

### 8.2 Future Research

Our research is a first step towards quantification of mitigation potential and cost of leapfrogging way from high GWP HFCs in India. This report sets the baseline level of emissions till 2050 for different HFC emission sectors. We also explore key sensitivities around our estimates. Our report seeks to set the agenda for more insightful HFC research for aiding policy makers in making decisions. Following issues are important for future HFC research within India:

- **Cost of Transition**: India’s amendment proposal to the Montreal Protocol signal’s clear intent on the part of Indian government that high GWP HFCs will be eventually phased down. However this transition will require investment at the industry level as well as across the value chain. In the amendment proposal, Indian government has highlighted that funding will be required for the ‘total’ cost of transition, as against the ‘incremental’ cost of transition. Thus funding requirement will include investment in research and development, capacity development and training of human resources, as well as cost of a double transition if it happens. Estimating costs for all of these components is indeed very challenging. However estimating industry level cost is doable with the help of information from industry as well as a set of complementary assumptions. The Technical and Economic Assessment Panel (TEAP) already reports average estimates for the cost of transition towards alternative refrigerants across sectors. However these numbers are global averages. India specific research on estimating cost is required for a better understanding of this issue and informing policy makers.

- **Implications of various amendment proposals**: Currently there are five amendment proposals submitted to the Montreal Protocol- Indian, North American, European, African, and Small Island States (Micronesian) proposal. International negotiations will determine what is going to be the ultimate shape of any amendment, and what elements from different proposals are reflected in the final amendment, if it happens. It is hence important to understand the implications for Indian industry as well as policy of not just the Indian amendment proposal, but also other proposals on the table in terms of HFC phasedown pathways for different sectors and the associated cost and technical challenges.
• **Regulatory framework for facilitating transition:** India has rich experience of CFC phasedown, which was facilitated through a domestic regulatory framework. If India wants to ultimately phase down HFCs, it has to develop a similar regulatory framework sooner or later. Research on regulatory frameworks adopted by other nations, and how this experience and information can be aligned to Indian policy priorities and market situation will be useful for informing India’s regulatory policy.

• **Understanding technical challenges:** Though there are low GWP alternatives available for high GWP HFCs across sectors, there are technical challenges that impede the transition towards these. E.g. HC-290 is a low GWP refrigerant, but is flammable which makes higher charge rates like those required in commercial establishments unfeasible due to safety considerations. Similarly low GWP alternatives for the mobile air-conditioning sector also need to satisfy technical requirements. Understanding these challenges, how is the Indian industry preparing to deal with these, international developments on these issues, and insights for Indian policy makers are critical for transitioning away from HFCs in India.
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