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## PREFACE

In response to a request from the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt, the government of Japan decided to conduct a development study on Feasibility Study on Installation of Steel Flat Products Complex (Phase2), and entrusted the study to the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

JICA sent to Egypt a study team headed by Mr. Nobuhisa Otani, NKK Coporation, three times between March 1997 and September 1997.

The team held discussions with the officials concerned of the Government of Egypt and conducted a field study at the study area. After the team returned to Japan, further studies were made. Then, a mission was sent to Egypt in order to descuss a draft report and the present report was prepared.

I hope that this report will contribute to the promotion of the project and to the enhancement of friendly relations between our two countries.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the officials concerned of the Government of Egypt for their close cooperation extended to the team.

December 1997



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Kimio Fujita

President

Japan International Cooperation Agency





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## Letter of Transmission

Dear Mr. K. Fujita:

We are pleased to submit to you the final report for the feasibility study on Installation of Steel Flat Products Complex in the Arab Republic of Egypt (Phase-2)

The purpose of the study is to select the most appropriate plant site among the candidates Egyptian counterpart proposed and to establish facility and operation plan, and to verify the construction of steel flat products complex In Egypt through environmental assesment and financial analysis based on the forecast of the flat product market in Egypt assuming that the plant will be put into operation in 2005.

The report consists of the following thirteen chapters.

- Chapter 1. GENERAL
- Chapter 2. STEEL PRODUCTION IN EGYPT
- Chapter 3. FLAT PRODUCT MARKET IN EGYPT
- Chapter 4. PLANT SITE SELECTION
- Chapter 5. EASIC FLAT PRODUCT PLANT CONCEPT
- Chapter 6. FACILITY PLAN
- Chapter 7. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
- Chapter 8. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
- Chapter 9. CORPRATIVE IMPLEMENTION PLAN
- Chapter 10. ESTIMATION OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT COST
- Chapter 11. ESTIMATION OF PRODUCTION COST
- Chapter 12. FINANSIAL ANALYSIS
- Chapter 13. CONSLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

As the result of the feasibility study, it is concluded that, although the total amount of investment will reach US\$ 1.1 billion, the materlization of a steel flat products complex in Egypt will be quite beneficial and feasible in terms of capital investment.

Construction and operation of a flat product plant will require great amount of construction materials, raw materials, utilities, spare parts, and maintenance of the equipment. It will generate employment opportunities among not only the company itself, but also subsidiary companies and supporting Industries.

Furthermore, domestic industries will be encouraged to improve their productivity by the supply of high quality flat products with reasonable delivery time. In consequence, their international competitiveness will be strengthened in both domestic and overseas market.

The production of flat products will conserve the out flow of foreign currency from Egypt. If a decrease in import is equal to the sales amount of the plant, US\$ 200 to 300 million will be saved annually.

Therefore materialization of the project will have quite beneficial effects of promoting expanded employment opportunities and development of surrounding industries in Egypt as well as improvement of international balance of foreign currency.

Consequently, the Study Team concluded that construction of steel flat products complex in Egypt is feasible and it will contribute to the development of the Egyptian economy as a whole.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry of Japan, and your Agency in the Arab Republic of Egypt, for valuable advice and support extended to the study. We also wish to express our deep appreciation to GOFI and relevant authorities in the Arab Republic of Egypt for close cooperation and assistance extended to the study.

Sincerely yours,



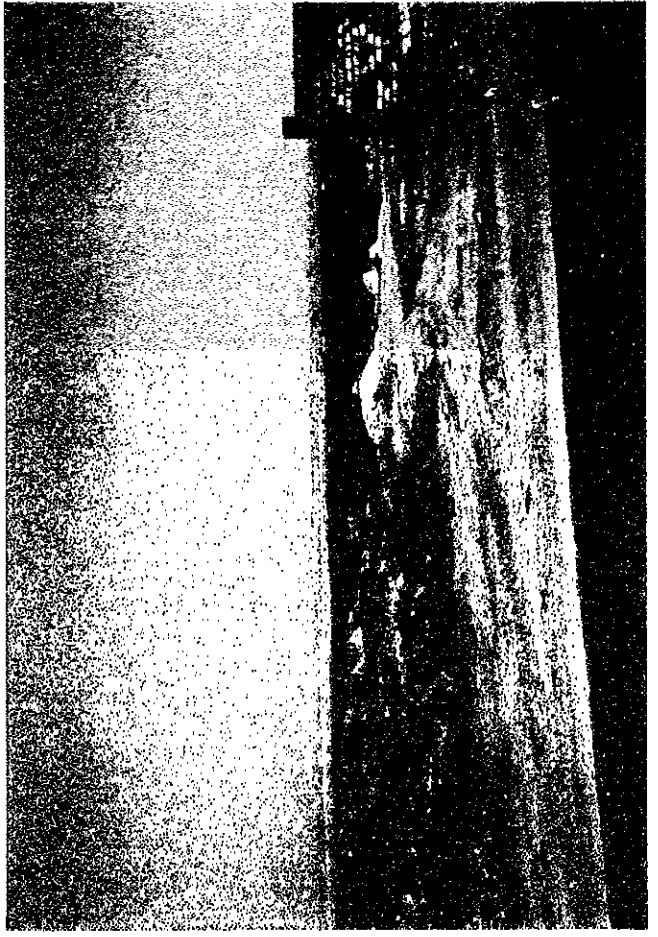
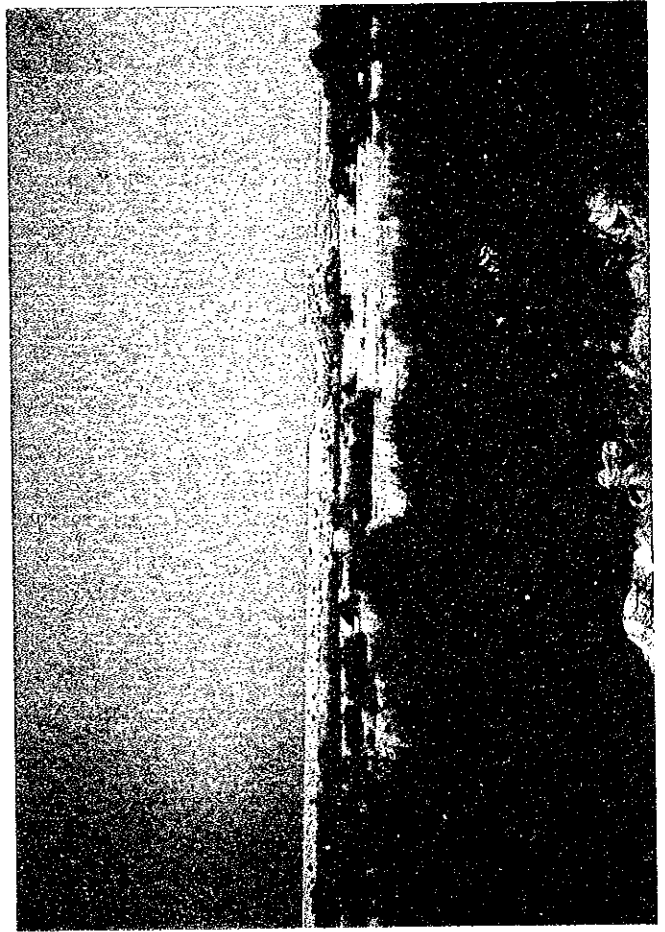
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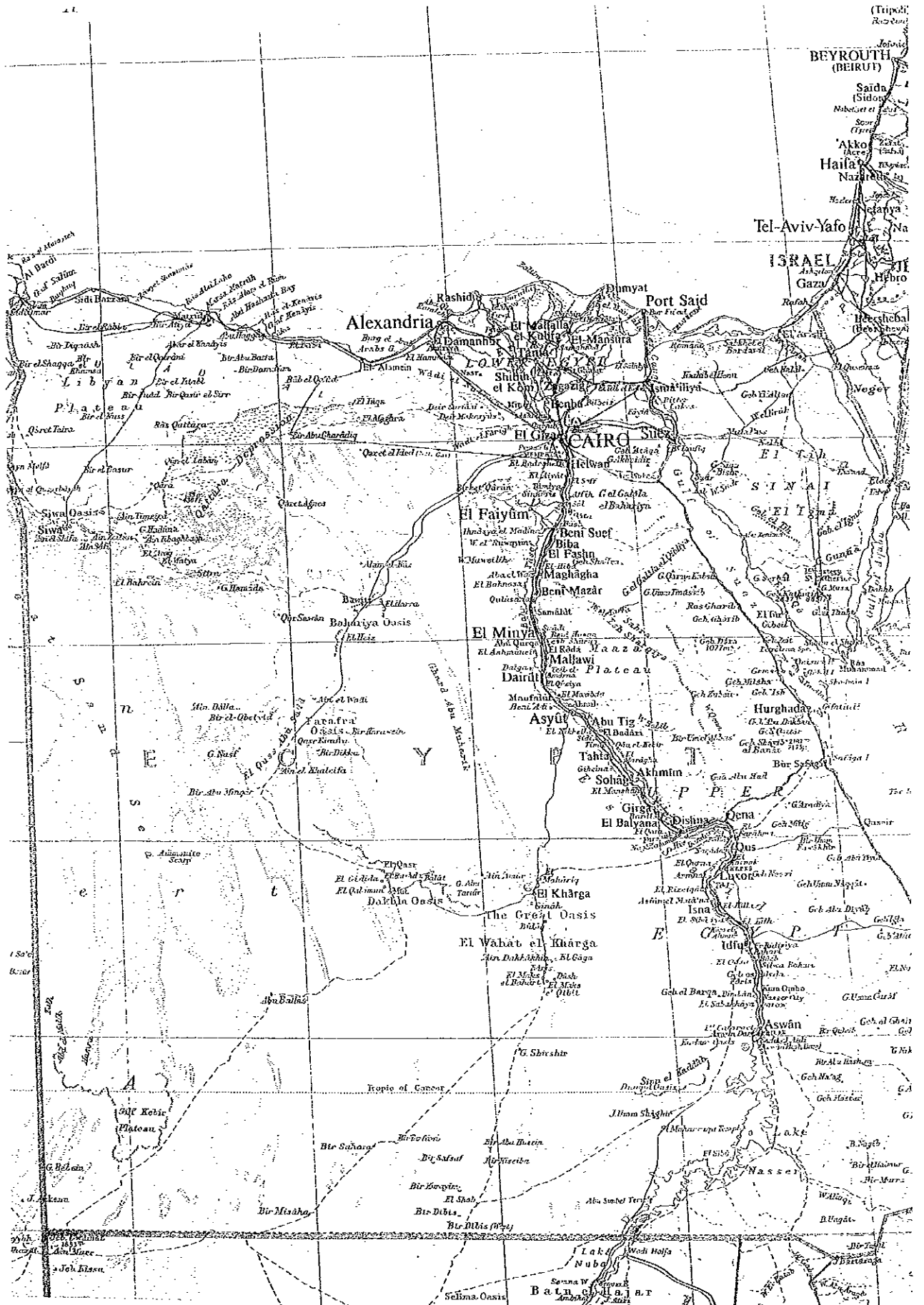
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Photographs of the Site





# Map of Egypt





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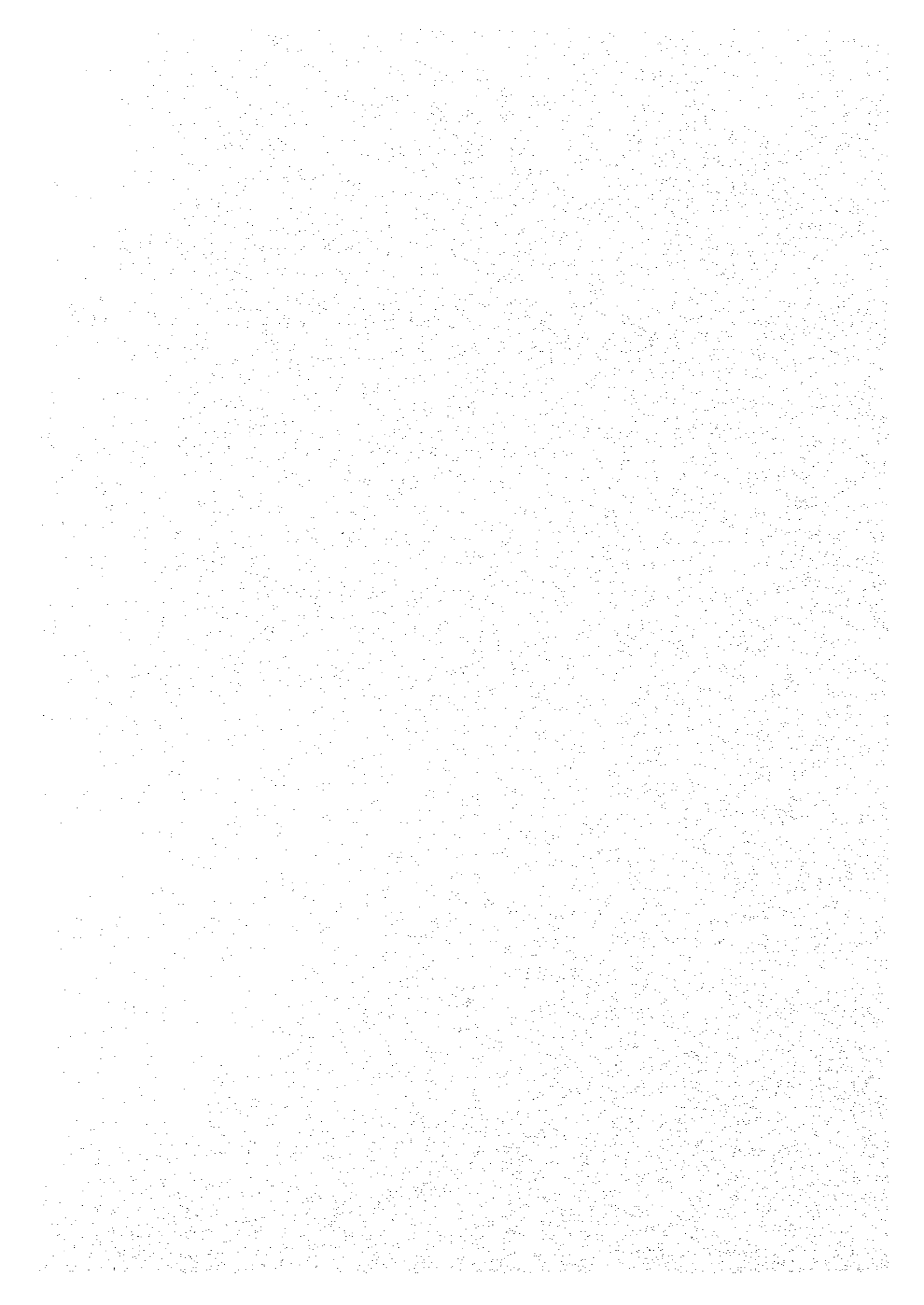
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## **Chapter 1. GENERAL**

### **1-1 Background and Purpose of the Study**

The third five-year economic development plan of Egypt ended at the end of June, 1997, and the subsequent fourth five-year plan has just started. These development plans have been carried out principally with the aims of promoting privatization, orientation to build the market economy and expanding employment opportunities. It is expected that with the progress of economic growth in Egypt, demand for quantity and high quality flat products will expand.

In this connection, in January 1995, the Egyptian Government requested the Government of Japan to implement a feasibility study on construction of a steel flat products complex (hereinafter referred to as flat product plant) in Egypt. In reply to that request, JICA dispatched a study team to Egypt in December 1995 and exchanged a scope of work (S/W) agreement between GOFI, in which the process and scope of the study was defined.

The result of Phase-1, which was conducted in 1996, shows that there will be enough demand for flat products to make the construction of the flat products complex feasible by the year of 2005. Consequently, JICA decided to conduct the Phase-2 study starting from February, 1997.

### **1-2 Study Team Member and Schedule**

The Study Team was organized by NKK Corporation in association with Kobe Steel, Ltd. consisting of 12 members. The feasibility study was conducted from February to November, 1997, including four times of site surveys and one additional survey in Egypt with cooperation and assistance of GOFI. Draft final report was prepared and submitted to GOFI in October for review and comment. The final report was submitted to GOFI in December 1997 after revision of the draft final report taking account of the requirements and comments from GOFI.

### **1-3 Principal Subject**

The study have been principally carried out on the following subjects.

- Present situation of the Egyptian steel industries
- Production and demand for flat products in Egypt
- Plant site selection
- Formulation of concept of the flat product plant
- Environmental assessment
- Operation plan for the flat product plant
- Financial and economic analyses

#### **1-4 Consideration on Construction of Flat Product Plant**

During the feasibility study on construction of flat product plant, the Study Team conducted the study by taking account of the following local conditions.

##### **1) Market and project size**

- To minimize the project size and construction budget of the plant:

Great flat product market can not be expected in Egypt and the plant size shall be of an appropriate size.

##### **2) Process selection**

- To select the most appropriate process taking into account of domestic natural resources such as natural gas, electric power and water supply:

Abundant natural gas and electricity shall be utilized. But water is scarce, and high quality iron ore is not available. Scrap generation is limited.

##### **3) Operation cost**

- To minimize operation cost with the latest technology and small size of organization for management and operation:

The plant shall be internationally competitive against imported products.

##### **4) Plant site selection**

- To make due consideration on location of present and future major market in Egypt:

Transportation cost of products will affect seriously on the operation cost and price.

- To study on availability of port facilities for unloading imported iron ores:

If new exclusive port for the plant is constructed, it will affect seriously on the feasibility of the project.

- To study carefully on the existing and future construction plan of infrastructure:  
Utilization of existing infrastructure is indispensable for making investment cost lower.
- To pay attention on the environment of resort area:  
Most area of the sea shore, especially on the Red Sea, are designated as resort area for tourism and plant constructions are not allowed.

The study results are outlined below.





## **Chapter 2. STEEL PRODUCTION IN EGYPT**

### **2-1 Outline of the Egyptian Steel Industry**

#### **(1) Existing plants**

There are fifteen steel companies in Egypt, six of which have steelmaking shops and produce crude steel. Crude steel production in Egypt was three million tons in 1994. However, more than 80 % of crude steel was produced by the two major companies EISCO (Egyptian Iron and Steel Co.) and ANSDK (Alexandria National Iron and Steel Co.). EISCO is the only company which produces flat products in Egypt. Production of flat products is almost 0.5 million tons per year and the remaining products are mostly bars and rods for construction.

#### **(2) Future expansion and construction**

In addition to the existing steel companies, recently, there are plans for expansion of existing plants and construction of new ones. In 2000, when these projects are completed, production capacity of crude steel is expected to reach five million tons per year. Future provisions for crude steel production are shown in Table 2-1-1.

#### **(3) Locations**

Most of these steel works are located near Cairo including Kalioubia. Some companies are constructing new steel works in the new industrial zone of Sadat City and 10th of Ramadan City. Locations of these steel works are shown in Figure 2-1-1.

### **2-2 Flat Products Production and Demand**

The supply of and demand for flat steel products are shown in Table 2-2-1. Apparent average consumption was 0.77 million tons during six years from 1990 to 1995. Flat steel products of approximately 0.56 million tons per year are produced only in EISCO. Accordingly, imports of flat products are approximately 0.21 million tons per year. Exports of flat steel products are negligible excepting welded pipes.

Table 2-1-1 Crude Steel Production in Egypt

Unit: 1,000 ton

| Company                              | Process | Location        | 1995         | 2000         | Products      |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Existing plant</b>                |         |                 |              |              |               |
| ANSDK                                | DR/EAF  | Alexandria      | 1,306        | 1,789        | Bar & rod     |
| EISCO                                | BF/BOF  | Cairo           | 1,151        | 1,270        | Flat, Section |
| NMI                                  | OHF,EA  | Kalioubia       | 192          | 260          | Bar           |
| DSC                                  | F       | Kalioubia       | 144          | 160          | Bar           |
| ECW                                  | EAF     | Alexandria      | 151          | 160          | Bar           |
| El Termish                           | EHF     | Kalioubia       | 37           | 37           |               |
|                                      | EAF     |                 |              |              |               |
| <b>Under construction or planned</b> |         |                 |              |              |               |
| ARCO Steel                           |         |                 |              |              |               |
| El EZZ Steel                         | EAF     | Sadat City      | -            | 165          | Special steel |
| Abu Zaabal                           | EAF     | Sadat City      | -            | 316          | Bar           |
| Suez Steel                           |         | Kalioubia       | -            | 42           |               |
| Al Atiwo Co.                         | EAF     | Suez            | -            | 632          | Billet        |
| Boshay                               |         |                 | -            | 85           | Bar           |
| Kouta                                |         | Sadat City      | -            |              | Bar           |
|                                      |         | 10th of Ramadan | -            |              |               |
| <b>Total</b>                         |         |                 | <b>2,981</b> | <b>4,916</b> |               |

Source : JICA Phase-1 report

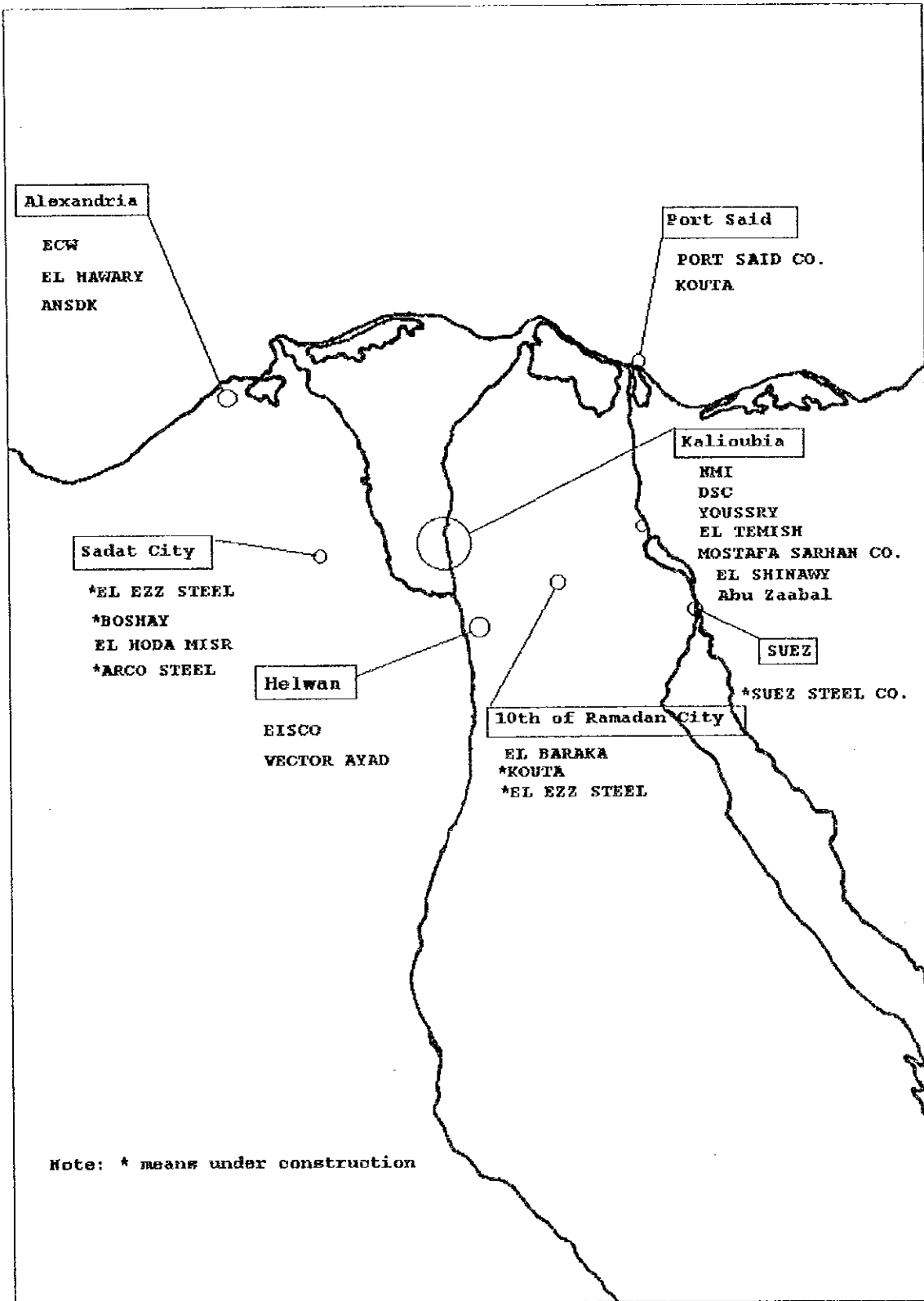
Table 2-2-1 Apparent Consumption Trend of Flat Products

Unit: 1,000 ton

|                      | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995  | Ave. |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Production           | 514  | 609  | 422  | 516  | 583  | 729   | 562  |
| Import               | 201  | 192  | 182  | 209  | 171  | 295   | 208  |
| Export               | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     | -    |
| Apparent Consumption | 715  | 801  | 604  | 725  | 754  | 1,024 | 770  |

Source : IISI 1996 report

Figure 2-1-1 Steel Works Locations





## Chapter 3. FLAT PRODUCT MARKET IN EGYPT

### 3-1 Consumption of Flat Products

Trends of production and import of flat products for the last six years are shown in Tables 3-1-1 and 3-1-2 respectively. Export of flat steel products is negligible.

The apparent flat product consumption (production + import - export) in Egypt is indicated in Table 3-1-3. The total consumption was 600,000 - 800,000 tons per year.

Table 3-1-1 Production Trend of Flat Products

Unit: 1,000 ton

| Product                  | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | Ave. |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Hot rolled coil & plate  | 387  | 409  | 281  | 380  | 412  | 522  | 399  |
| Cold rolled coil & sheet | 123  | 195  | 137  | 133  | 169  | 205  | 160  |
| Galvanized coil & sheet  | 4    | 5    | 4    | 3    | 2    | 2    | 3    |
| Total                    | 514  | 609  | 422  | 516  | 583  | 729  | 562  |

Source: JICA Phase-1 report (revised by IISI 1996 report)

Table 3-1-2 Import Trend of Flat Products

Unit: 1,000 ton

| Products                  | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | Ave. |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Hot rolled coil & plate   | 54   | 57   | 52   | 77   | 105  | 124  | 78   |
| Cold rolled coil & sheet  | 42   | 34   | 25   | 27   | 27   | 71   | 38   |
| Galvanized coil & sheet   | 34   | 1    | 35   | 31   | 28   | 37   | 28   |
| TIN & TFS sheet           | 56   | 62   | 58   | 55   | -    | 47   | 46   |
| Electrical sheet          | 5    | 2    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 2    | 3    |
| Other coated coil & sheet | 9    | 36   | 10   | 15   | 7    | 13   | 15   |
| Total                     | 200  | 192  | 183  | 208  | 171  | 294  | 208  |

Source: JICA Phase-1 report (revised by IISI 1996 report)

**Table 3-1-3 Apparent Flat Product Consumption**

Unit: 1,000 ton

| Product                   | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | Ave. |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Hot rolled coil & plate   | 441  | 466  | 333  | 457  | 517  | 646  | 477  |
| Cold rolled coil & sheet  | 165  | 229  | 162  | 160  | 196  | 276  | 198  |
| Galvanized coil & sheet   | 38   | 6    | 39   | 34   | 30   | 39   | 31   |
| TIN & TFS sheet           | 56   | 62   | 58   | 55   | -    | 47   | 46   |
| Electrical sheet          | 5    | 2    | 3    | 3    | 4    | 2    | 3    |
| Other coated coil & sheet | 9    | 36   | 10   | 15   | 7    | 13   | 15   |
| Total                     | 714  | 801  | 605  | 724  | 754  | 1023 | 770  |

Source: JICA Phase-1 report (revised by IISI 1996 report)

### **3-2 Current Steel Consumption by Consumers and End Users**

#### **(1) Outline of surveyed consumers**

The Study Team selected some representative companies from each product category and visited their factories in order to define flat product specifications.

Quality and size requirements by these consumers are summarized in Table 3-2-1.

Table 3-2-1 Quality and Dimension Request to Flat Products

| Flat Products               | End use & Consumers            |                                | Delivery | Quality and Dimension Request  | Necessary Dimensions |               |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------|--|----------------------|---------------|
|                             | End use                        | Company                        |          |  | Thickness            | Width         |
| Plate & Hot rolled products | Construction (Steel Structure) | Ferrometalco                   | Sheet    | * Plates wider than 1,500mm from the local market  | 3-60mm               | 1,000-2,500mm |
|                             |                                | the Arab Contractors           | Sheet    | * Improvement shape for thicker plates (>8mm)<br>* Good quality of thicker material (>20mm)<br>* Uniform thickness<br>* Grade ST37, ST52 |                      |               |
|                             | Shipyards                      | Suez Shipyards                 | Sheet    | * No special requirements  | 8-30mm               |               |
|                             | Steel pipe                     | EL-NASR Steel Pipes & Fittings | Coil     | * No special requirements  | 2.5-12.7mm           | Max.1,500mm   |
|                             | Automobiles                    | NASCO                          | Sheet    | * Grade ST37, ST44, ST52<br>* Sheets wider than 1,000mm from the local market  |                      | Max.1,500mm   |
| Cold rolled products        | Home appliances                | IDEAL                          | Sheet    | * No special requirements  | 0.5-1.5mm            | Max.1,000mm   |
|                             | Metal furniture                | MOHM                           | Sheet    | * Normal carbon steel from the local market<br>* Products of good surface steepness  | 0.5-2.0mm            | 720-1,250mm   |
|                             |                                | Mobica                         | Sheet    | * Good surface finished products<br>* Uniform bending formability<br>* Deep drawing quality  |                      |               |

| Flat Products       | End use & Consumers              |                                     | Delivery     | Quality and Dimension Request   | Necessary Dimensions |             |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|---|----------------------|-------------|
|                     | End use                          | Company                             |              |   | Thickness            | Width       |
|                     |                                  |                                     |              | * Grade SPOC, SPCD, SPCE<br>* Sheets wider than 1,000mm from the local market             |                      |             |
|                     | Automobiles                      | Suzuki Egypt                        | Sheet        | * Good quality for automobiles<br>* Deep drawing quality                                  |                      |             |
|                     |                                  | NASCO                               | Sheet        | * Grade ST14, ST12  |                      | Max.1,000mm |
|                     |                                  | Engineering Co. for Exhaust Systems | Sheet        | * No special requirements   | 1.0-3.0mm            | Max.1,250mm |
| Galvanized products | Construction (Corrugated sheets) | Egyptian Italian Co.                | Sheet & Coil | * No special requirements   | 0.5-1.25mm           | Max.1,250mm |
|                     |                                  | ALPHAMETAL                          | Sheet & Coil | * No special requirements   | 0.3-1.1mm            | Max.1,300mm |
|                     | Home Appliances                  | IDEAL                               | Sheet        | * No special requirements   | 1.25-1.5mm           | Max.1,000mm |
|                     | Metal Furniture                  | MOHIM                               | Sheet        | * No special requirements (for construction use)  | 0.3-0.8mm            | Max.1,250mm |
|                     | Automobiles                      | Suzuki Egypt                        | Sheet        | * No special requirements (for exhaust pipe)  |                      |             |
|                     |                                  | Engineering Co. for Exhaust Systems | Sheet        | * Aluminized products & Zn-Ni coated Sheets<br>(Consumption of galvanized is very small.) | 0.6-1.5mm            | Max.1,250mm |
| TIN & TFS products  | Canned Food                      | EL-NASR Canned Food                 | Sheet        | * Hardness control<br>* Uniform thin oil film   | 0.18-0.28mm          | 515-720mm   |
|                     |                                  | The Edfina Co. for Preserved Foods  | Sheet        |   | 0.18-0.20mm          | 730-760mm   |

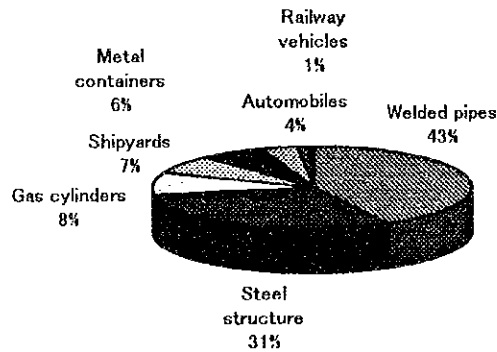


**(2) Consumption of flat products by end use category**

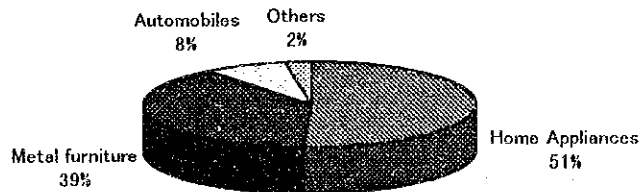
Table 3-2-2 shows flat product consumption by product category in 1995 and also shows the flat product required.

From Table 3-2-2 the following can be drawn.

- 1) Consumers of hot rolled products including plate are manufacturers of;



- 2) Consumers of cold rolled products are manufacturers of;



- 3) Consumers of galvanized products are constructors, home appliances and automobiles.

- 4) Consumers of TIN & TFS are manufacturers of food cans.

Table 3-2-2 Consumption by Product Category

| Use of Flat Product | Consumption t/y in 1995 | Rate (%) | Products |               |               |            |     |
|---------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----|
|                     |                         |          | Plate    | Hot rolled    | Cold rolled   | Galvanized | Tin |
| Steel structure     | 176,350                 | 21.1     | x        | x             |               |            |     |
| Corrugated sheet    | 13,500                  |          |          |               |               | x          |     |
| Ship yards          | 41,700                  | 5.0      | x        | x             |               |            |     |
| Welded pipe         | 246,889                 | 29.6     |          | x             |               |            |     |
| Home appliances     | 72,249                  | 8.7      |          |               | x<br>(91 %)   | x<br>(9 %) |     |
| Automobiles         | 31,787                  | 3.8      |          | x<br>(67.5 %) | x<br>(32.5 %) |            |     |
| Food cans<br>(Note) | 17,279                  | 2.1      |          |               |               |            | x   |
| Metal furniture     | 50,000                  | 6.0      |          |               | x             |            |     |
| Pressure vessels    | 1,350                   | 0.2      | x        | x             |               |            |     |
| Railway vehicles    | 6,338                   | 0.8      | x        | x             |               |            |     |
| Gas cylinders       | 48,960                  | 5.9      |          | x             |               |            |     |
| Metal containers    | 10,000                  | 1.2      |          | x             |               |            |     |
| Other government    | 26,200                  | 3.1      |          | x             | x             |            |     |
| Other               | 91,313                  | 10.9     |          | x             | x             | x          |     |
| Total               | 833,915                 | 100.0    |          |               |               |            |     |

Source: JICA Phase-1 report

Note: As for the flat products consumed for food cans, galvanized products are listed in the Phase-1 report, but as a result of visiting food can companies it turned out that they were not consuming galvanized products. Therefore the Study Team excluded it and regarded all consumption to be TIN & TFS.

### (3) Consumption of flat products by location

In order to investigate consumption in each area, the Study Team analyzed data from the JICA Phase-1 report. Figure 3-2-1 shows total flat product consumption in 1995 in major industrial zones.

As shown in Figure 3-2-1, currently nearly 80 % of flat products are consumed in the Cairo area (including 10th of Ramadan City and 6th October City). 99 % is consumed within 250 km of

Cairo.

Consequently, the location of the steel plant, whether it is chosen to be the Suez I.F.Z. or El Dekhiela in Alexandria, does not have any major impact on operating costs from the view point of transportation costs.

#### **(4) Consumers quality requirement for flat products**

During the first and second field survey, the Study Team visited fifteen major flat product consumers.

The following are typical requirements from these customers.

##### **1) Plate and hot rolled products ;**

- supply of wider plates and coils from local supplier (The width available in the local market is less than 1,000mm)
- improved quality of shape, surface flatness, surface texture and component homogeneity of plate thicker than 8 mm
- supply of special steel such as ST52 from local supplier

##### **2) Cold rolled products ;**

- supply of good quality products from local supplier (surface finish, steel components, etc.)
- supply of deep drawing quality products from local supplier

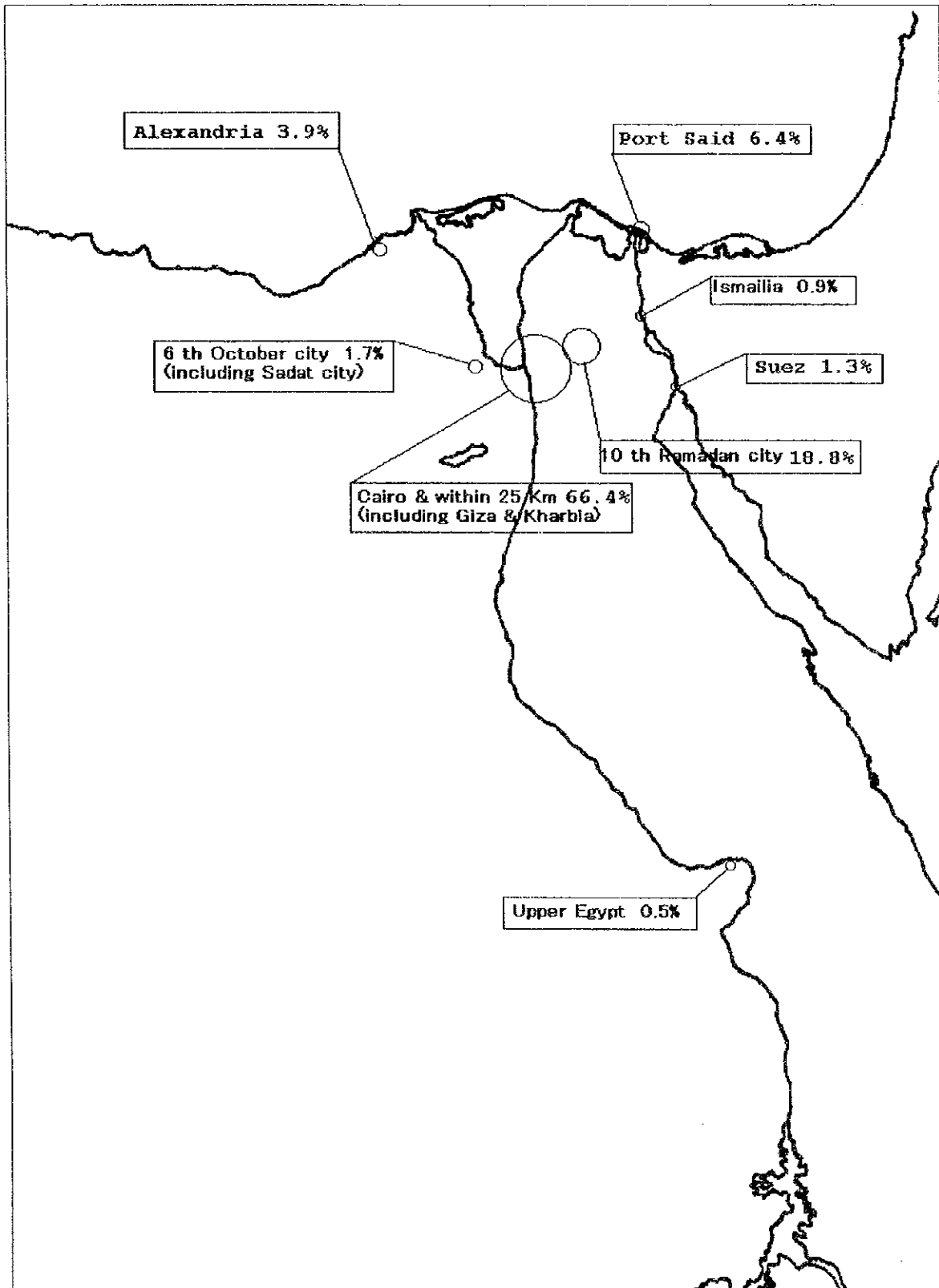
##### **3) Galvanized Products**

In the first and second field surveys, it turned out that more than 30,000 ton/year of galvanized products were consumed for construction. Galvanized sheets are roll-formed into corrugated sheets and shipped to construction sites or end users. In the case of corrugated sheet it will require only commercial quality with 200-300 g/m<sup>2</sup>(both sides) of coating weight.

##### **4) Timplates**

At present no tinplate is produced in Egypt and all of it imported. With regard to imported tinplate they have some small quality problems excepting products imported from Japan. In Egypt usage of glass and plastic bottles is increasing rapidly. Can use will not increase in future.

Figure 3-2-1 Consumption of Flat Products by Location (in 1995)



## Chapter 4. PLANT SITE SELECTION

At the initial stage of site selection in March 1997, GOFI proposed eight areas, three areas in Safaga, three areas in Suez and two areas in Alexandria. However, these areas are not appropriate for construction of the flat steel plant.

After the stage-1 of the second field survey, conducted by GOFI with assistance of the Study Team, GOFI proposed three sites of Suez (Adabiya Free Zone and Bir Odeib) and Alexandria (El Dekhiela) taking into due consideration the requirement and specification of the plant site.

Based on the proposal, the Study Team visited following authorities of Cairo, Suez and Alexandria, together with the personnel in charge of GOFI, to investigate the possibility of the construction of the flat steel plant at each proposed site.

|                   |   |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| Suez              | : | Suez Governorate<br>Red Sea Port Authority                   |
| Alexandria        | : | Alexandria Governorate<br>Alexandria Port Authority<br>ANSDK |
| Other authorities | : | GAFI, GASCO, NOPWASD, etc.                                   |

### 4-1 Importance of plant location

In constructing a steel plant with production capacity of one million ton of flat steel products a year, a huge amount of investment will be required. Furthermore, if infrastructure necessary for a steel plant such as port facilities, road, electric power, natural gas and industrial water supply, sewage, housing, etc. are constructed simultaneously, the investment for these facilities will reach twice as much capital as construction of a steel plant.

Every aspect of the plant operation activities is greatly influenced by the regional area and geographical location of the plant.

The plant site requires vast land with solid soil.

Port facilities for unloading raw materials and steel scrap, and the same for shipping products and road network are dominant conditions of the site.

Energy supply and utilities such as electric power, natural gas, industrial water and waste water sewer are also indispensable for operation of the plant.

Furthermore great impact with respect to employment and relevant city facilities can be given to the surrounding area by construction and operation of a steel plant. Operation of the plant requires expertise of management, technologies and a large number of skilled labors.

Construction of a steel plant will facilitate new relevant industry to grow. It is necessary to assure that no deterioration of environment nor bad influence to the ecosystem are generated by construction and operation of a new steel plant.

It is obvious that if all amount of investment for infrastructure are imposed on or borne by the steel plant, the project of the steel plant shall no longer be feasible. Dominant conditions to be investigated in selecting the most appropriate site include regional development plan and implementation schedule of infrastructure.

## **4-2 Specification and Requirement of the Plant Site**

### **(1) Land**

The ideal plant site area necessary for construction of the plant is,

1st stage : 0.8 - 1.0 million m<sup>2</sup>

2nd stage : 1.2 - 1.5 million m<sup>2</sup>

The plant site area could be reduced to a certain extent according to the conditions of the specific site.

### **(2) Port facility**

Raw material berth

- Iron ore and pellet : 20 m depth, 320 m length  
for 120,000 DWT vessel

- Scrap : 11 m depth, 200 m length

Products shipping berth

- Products : 7.5 m depth, 130 m length

### **(3) Energy, natural resources and utilities**

- Electric power : 200 MW
- Natural gas : 55,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/hr
- Industrial water : 36,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day (Make up water)
- Waste water sewer: 24,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day

## **4-3 Proposed Site Information and Data**

### **(1) Site condition (Location and area)**

Location and features of the proposed sites are summarized as follows (Refer to Figures 4-3-1 and 2):

#### **1) Suez**

Suez is located to the east of the Nile Delta and to the north west of the Suez Gulf about 140 km east of Cairo.

The proposed site for the steel plant site in Suez is situated in the Adabiya Industrial Free Zone which lies on the western coast of the Suez Gulf. It is about 12 km from the center of Suez City.

The Adabiya Industrial Free Zone was planned as one of the zones of the Suez Bay Coastal Area Development. The area of the proposed site is about 662,000 m<sup>2</sup> (excluding about 180,000 m<sup>2</sup> of the business center zone and surrounding public road area) and located 4-5 km from Adabiya port. The shape of the area is rectangular about 800 m wide and 1,000 m length. Since the industrial zone lies at the foot of the Ataq mountains, topography of the area is very steep for the site of a steel plant. The difference in elevation between the lowest and the highest point is about 30 m.

The proposed site is allocated as industrial free zone for small and medium scale enterprises, and the area is divided into eight blocks and already graded. The each block is surrounded by paved road where drainage pipe, electric power and telephone cables have been already installed.

According to the Red Sea Port Authority, the port facilities for steel plant use are planned for construction in Adabiya port. Details of the facilities, and the issues how to construct and implement the project, etc., are under consideration.

Land acquisition cost in the Suez area will be LE 30/m<sup>2</sup>.

In addition to the Addabiya Industrial Free Zone, GOFI proposed to study on Bir Odeib area located at 60 km south of Suez City.

However, the Study Team disregarded to study on the site. Because, the development plan of Bir Odeib has just started and any concrete plan for infrastructure and utilities has not been decided.

## 2) Alexandria

Alexandria, which has a population of three million, and is the center of industrialization in Egypt, is located at the coast of the Mediterranean Sea.

Agriculture, chemical, steel and tourist industries are under development in this district, thus the area offers exceedingly easy access to public facilities and infrastructure such as roads, railways, port, natural gas, industrial water and electric power supply, etc. Alexandria National Iron and Steel Company (ANSDK), which is one of the biggest and most modern integrated steel plant in the Middle East, is located some 15 km west of the city of Alexandria.

The proposed site for the steel plant is located at the north west part of lake Maryut and beside the ANSDK steel plant.

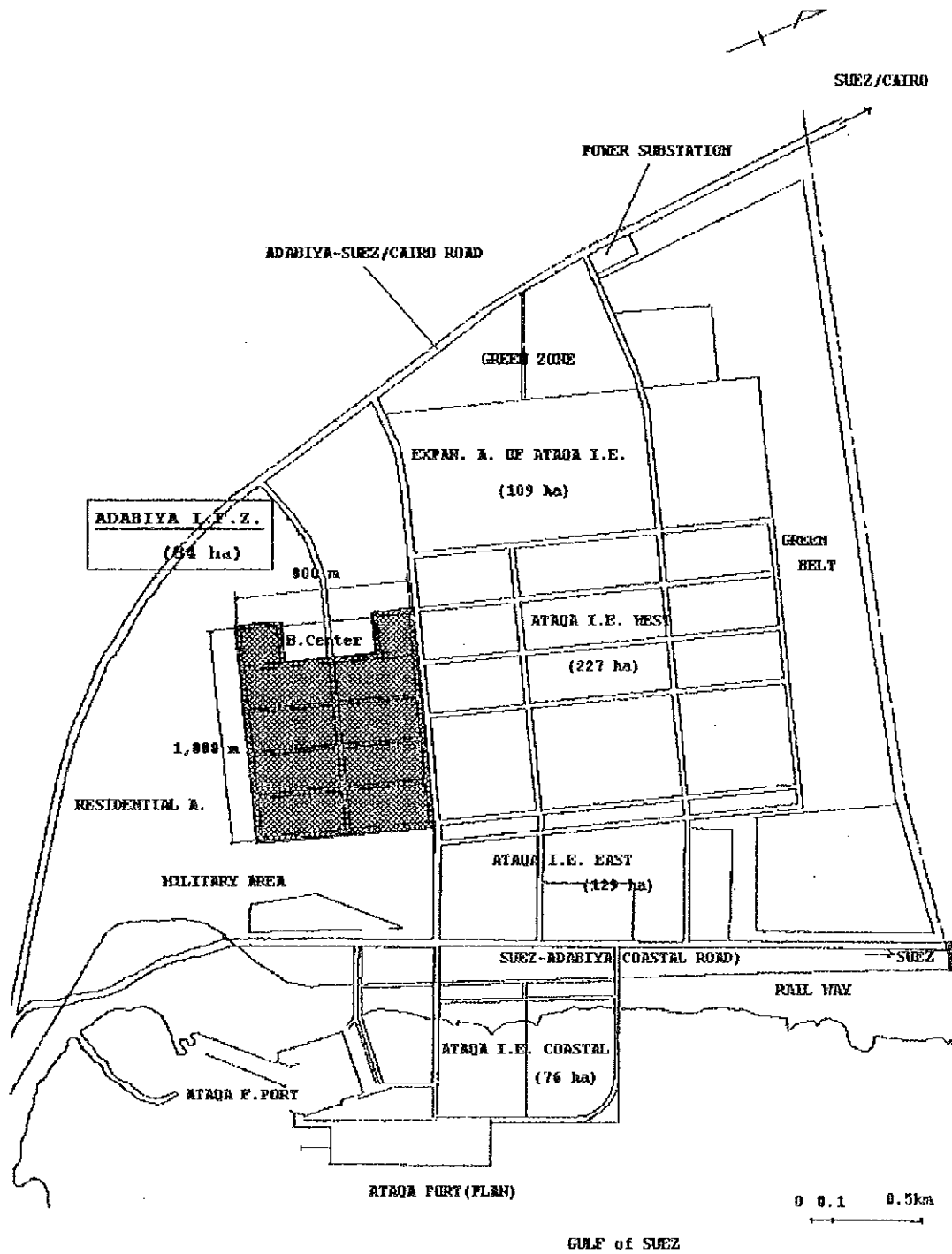
The proposed site, with an area of about 600,000 m<sup>2</sup>, is faced to the El Dekhiela port and shape of the land is rectangular .

The ground level at the site is very low and seems to be reclaimed land on lake Malyut. Since the upper layer of subsoil is silty clay of which bearing capacity is very limited, piled foundation for heavy machine and building shall be applied.

The land acquisition cost in Alexandria area will be LE 150/m<sup>2</sup>.

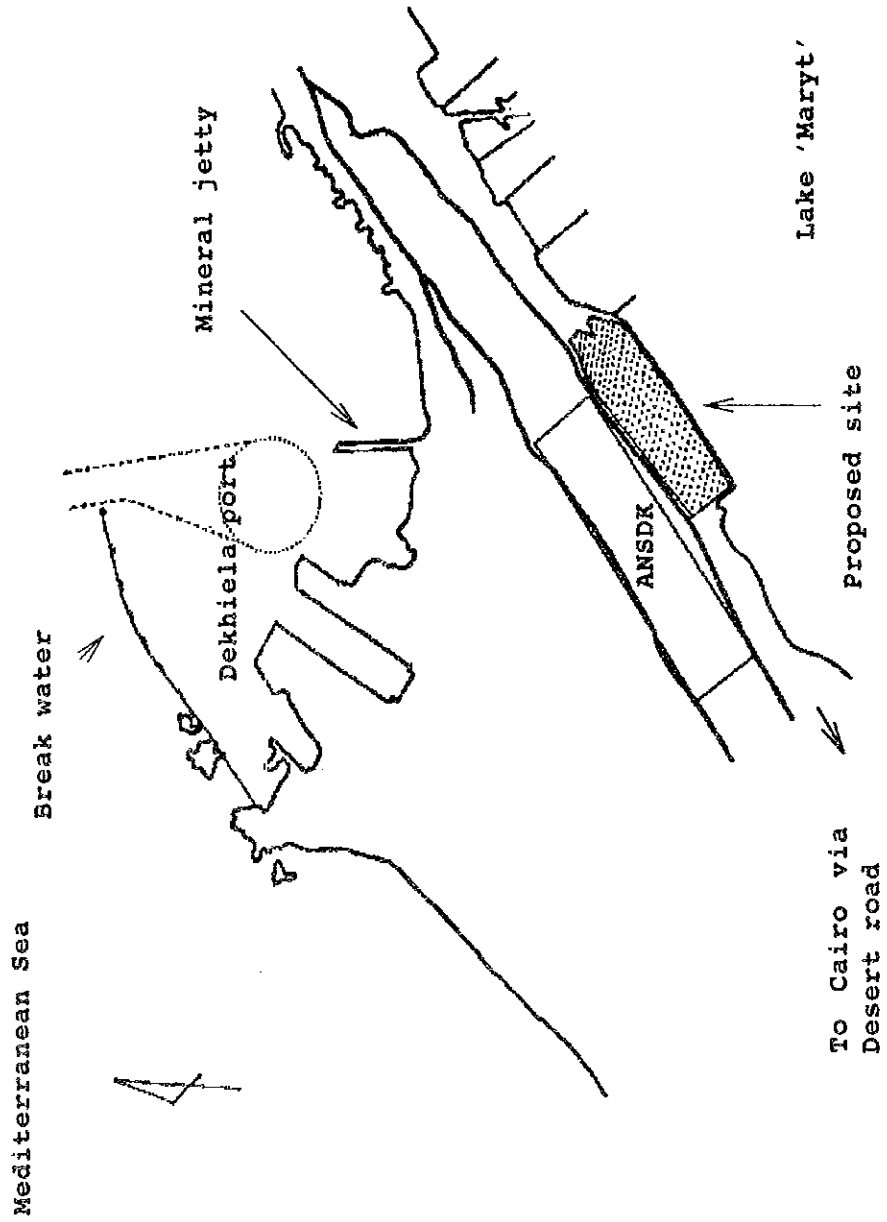


Figure 4-3-1 Location of the Proposed Site at Adabiya Industrial Free Zone



Source: JICA Report of the Suez bay coastal area development '93

Figure 4-3-2 Location Plan (El Dekhiela)  
(Non-scale)



## (2) Social conditions

As for the development plan, the government has executed the first to third Five Year Plan (from fiscal 1982 to 1997 ).

According to the regional development plan, the government has not been presented the development plan for Cairo and Alexandria up to this time. It seems that the government is anxious about overpopulation and increase of mass industries in these two areas. On the contrary, the government has enlisted infrastructure plan for the development of industries in Suez since 2nd Five Year Plan (from 1988 to 1992 fiscal year) so that Suez may have one million population in 2000. Suez has been gradually experiencing fulfillment of infrastructures under such development plan as the Development Plan of Suez Bay Coastal Area.

As for labor force, social service sectors and the agriculture sector have many surplus employees in Egypt. Generally speaking, manufacturing sector has the capability of absorbing new job opportunities. However, in Egypt, the scale of manufacturing is very small. Labor market is thought to be in oversupply for these years. In both cities, a new steel company, which can pay higher wages, will be able to employ with ease less than 2,000 employees necessary for flat product plant. Because of the population scale, it will be easier for the steel company to be located in Alexandria to employ workers than in Suez.

As for future housing conditions in Suez and Alexandria, Suez may have some advantages than Alexandria due to social policy such as the Development Plan of the Suez Bay Coastal Area.

As for incentives, etc., the government has been constructing new towns as "New Communities," in the area away from the major center of Cairo and Alexandria. It is said that extremely generous incentives are available to attract investment into these new towns. Suez is not included in New Communities. The government established "Free Zones" in 1974 to promote manufacturing. This investment system is not so attractive as "New Communities" in terms of incentives. One of the proposed sites for flat steel product plant is in the public free zone of Suez. But this project intends to sell flat steel products mainly in the domestic market, so a site in the free zone is not necessarily advantageous.

As for supporting industries, the steel works generally needs a lot of commodities, which range from office supplies, construction materials, production supplies to machinery. Special and large-scale machinery or plant will be supplied from abroad. In the construction stage, domestic companies will be employed as building and civil engineering contractors. In Egypt major domestic supporting companies are located at Cairo, partially at Alexandria, and scarce at Suez. These conditions will be going on for next

ten to fifteen years.

### **(3) Transportation and port facilities**

#### 1) Port facility

##### (a) Adabiya port in Suez

The port is situated on the coast of the head of Suez Gulf and about 5 km south of the proposed site of steel plant. The capacity of the port is outlined as follows:

- Total number of quays: 10 quays
- Total length of quays: 2,140 m:
- Quay depth: up to 13 m
- Port total productive area: 6.3 million ton/year
- Total storage capacity cereals store: 15,000 m<sup>2</sup>

In addition, there is a plan of new container quay construction of 1,000 m length and 14.5 m depth in view. Adjacent to this new container quay, a planning for the construction of mineral jetty for the steel plant shall be developed.

##### (b) El Dekhiela port

The port is situated on the coast of Mediterranean Sea and 15 km west of Alexandria port and has a function of unloading general cargo, iron ores for ANSDK and coal for EISCO. The capacity of the port is outlined as follows:

##### (Overall)

- Total number of quays : 13 quays
- Total length of quays : 3,510 m
- Quay depth : up to 20 m
- Port total productive area : 8.4 million ton/year
- Total storage capacity areas : 869,000 m<sup>2</sup>

##### (Mineral jetty)

- Berth : 300 m long and 14 m deep  
300 m long and 20 m deep
- Unloader : 1,000 t/hr x 2
- Stacker : 1,000 t/hr x 2
- Reclaimer : 800 t/hr x2

#### 2) Road and railway

##### (a) Road transport

Egypt has 45,000 km of roads, of which 17,000 km are inter-city roads in relatively fair and good condition. Cairo is connected by roads with several cities such as Alexandria, Suez, Ismailia, Port Said and other delta towns, and Aswan as far as the High Dam. The private sector plays a major role in land transport.

(b) Railway transport

Egypt has 5,300 km of railways which are connected to main cities. Railways transport is mainly used for passengers. Egyptian National Railways (ENR), a public sector company, monopolizes railway transport. ENR has more than 70,000 employees, and is chronically embarrassed by deficit. ENR is studying its privatization and its restructuring. EISCO uses the railway to transport material and steel products. Most other steel mills except EISCO do not use the railway to transport materials and steel products. They do not have directly connected railway lines within their works as EISCO has.

(c) Domestic transportation for flat steel works

As it is difficult that ENR under restrictions will invest new lines for private steel companies, only transport by road, that is by truck, has been studied for domestic transport for flat product plant. Domestic transport for flat product plant is mainly divided into that of domestic materials and that of flat steel products. The Study Team learned the freight charges of main road transport from a representative private agency. These are shown as follows:

|                             |                             |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| - Suez - Cairo              | : 16 - 18 L.E./ton (134 km) |
| - Alexandria - Cairo        | : 16 - 18 L.E./ton (221 km) |
| - Suez - 10th Ramadan       | : 18 - 20 L.E./ton (170 km) |
| - Alexandria - 10th Ramadan | : 18 - 20 L.E./ton (284 km) |
| - Alexandria - Suez         | : 20 - 21 L.E./ton (355 km) |

These do not necessarily show freight charges in proportion to distance. Availability of return cargo has a big impact on freight.

**(4) Water supply, sewage and waste water treatment**

1) Water supply

The flat product plant at the 1st stage will require a large volume of fresh water as follows;

36,000 m<sup>3</sup>/d (1,500 m<sup>3</sup>/hr) for raw water

1,000 m<sup>3</sup>/d for drinking water

(a) Water resource

Information on water resources from Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources is as follows;

Water intake: from canal

Case-A: - Water brought from canal to the flat product plant directly.

- Responsibility belongs to Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources.
- Cost of construction of water intake facilities shall be borne by the steel plant.

Case-B: - Water brought from canal via a water clarification system to the steel plant.

- Responsibility belongs to water authorities.
- The pipe line from water clarification system to the steel plant shall be borne by water authorities.

(For example, this was the case for ANSDK.)

(b) Supply facilities of potable and raw water

a) Potable water

Potable water is available in both the sites.

b) Raw water

Supply facilities for two proposed sites are briefly summarized as follows:

Table 4-3-1 Raw Water Supply Facilities for Two Proposed Sites

|   | Requirement<br>for flat steel plant | Suez                                  | Alexandria |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Pipe line for raw Water                         |                                     | Not available<br>(Future plan exists) | Available  |
| Construction of pipe Line                       |                                     | Case-B                                | Case-B     |
| Water quality                                   |                                     |                                       |            |
| - pH  |                                     | 8.27                                  | 7.6-8.6    |
| - Turbidity (NTU)                               |                                     | 18                                    | -          |
| - Total hardness as CaCO <sub>3</sub><br>(mg/l) | <90                                 | 224                                   | 150 - 220  |
| - Chloride ion (mg/l)                           | <70                                 | 500(117)                              | 38 - 67    |
| - TDS (mg/l)                                    | <300                                | 733                                   | 245 - 344  |
| - Alkalinity (mg/l)                             |                                     | 174                                   | 160        |
| Unit price of raw Water<br>(LE/m <sup>3</sup> ) |                                     | Not yet set up                        | 1.02       |

Source : NOPWASD, Suez Governorate and ANSDK

**-Suez**

As for raw water quality from Suez sweet water canal, chloride ion is much higher than the required value.

Desalination plant shall be required so that raw water quality will meet with requirements of flat product plant.

**-Alexandria**

As for raw water quality which is available in Alexandria, chloride ion is almost same as the required value.

Desalination plant is not required and only water softener is required for reducing total hardness.

**2) Sewage and industrial waste water**

Disposal quantity of sewage and industrial waste water from the flat product plant under study is estimated as follows:

Sewage : 1,000 m<sup>3</sup>/d  
 Industrial waste water : 24,000 m<sup>3</sup>/d (1,000 m<sup>3</sup>/hr)

(a) Law and regulation for sewage and waste water

Egyptian Environmental Law No.4 for 1994 was received from GOFI. According to the above law, standard and specification of some elements in disposal water are specified, and the following laws stipulate where the disposal water should be discharged respectively.

Egyptian Law No.4 for 1994 : To the sea  
Egyptian Law No.48 for 1984 : To the Nile  
Egyptian Law 93 for 1962 : To the sewage

(b) Facilities of sewage and waste water

The facilities of sewage and waste water in two candidate sites were investigated, and facilities in each site are summarized as follows:

a) Suez

The sewage treatment station of the capacity of 55,800 m<sup>3</sup>/d is located beside the proposed area.

Industrial waste water will be treated here also.

The standard value of elements of waste water shall be in accordance with Egyptian Law 93 for '62.

b) Alexandria

Industrial waste water and sewage system are available now and waste and sewage can be discharged to the sea after being treated in the fpat product plant.

The capacity of discharge system to the sea in ANSDK is 1,860 m<sup>3</sup>/h and currently 170 m<sup>3</sup>/h is used, so it has enough capacity.

The discharge quality of waste water, circulation water which after being treated by water treatment station is much better than those of standard value in accordance with Law No.4 for 1994.

(5) Natural resources and energy

1) Electric power

(a) The power supply grid

The power supply grid supplying power to the whole country is interconnected at 500 kV, 220 kV and 132 kV.



- (b) The annual report of electric statistics of Egypt  
 Egyptian Electric Authority (EEA) has been publishing the annual report of electric statistics of Egypt for promotion of electrical energy and its growth since last year. Important data extracted from EEA annual report are shown in Tables 4-3-2 and 4-3-3.
- (c) Power supply to the proposed site  
 Power supply for both sites, Alexandria and Suez, can be sufficient.  
 For the further detailed data, refer to Table 4-3-4.

**Table 4-3-2 Expected Projects within Two Years-  
 Networks (Sub-Station)**

| Name of Project   | kV           | Capacity (MVA) |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 500 kV Substation |              |                |
| - New Suez        | 500/220/11   | 1 x 500        |
| 220 kV Substation |              |                |
| - Loxur Shark     | 220/66/20    | 2 x 75         |
| - Zaafrana        | 220/22       | 2 x 75         |
| - Maghagha        | 220/66/33/11 | 2 x 75         |
| - Taba            | 500/400/22   | 1 x 75         |
|                   | 500/220/22   | 1 x 500        |
| - Safaga          | 220/66/22    | 2 x 75         |
| - Marsa Matrouh   | 220/66/11    | 2 x 75         |
| - Nowebaa         | 220/66/22    | 2 x 75         |
| - Sharm El Shiekh | 220/66/22    | 2 x 75         |

(Source: EEA)

Table 4-3-3 EEA Medium Term Plan for Capacity Addition of Generation  
Plants from 1994/1995 to 2005/2006

| Plant             | 94/95 | 95/96 | 96/97 | 97/98 | 98/99 | 99/00 | 00/01 | 01/02 | 02/03 | 03/04 | 04/05 | 05/06 |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Talkha Ext.       | 210   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Assult            | 2x300 | 300   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Cairo West        |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2x325 |       |       |       |       |
| Mahmodia C.C.     |       | 100   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Damanhour Ext.    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 325   |       |
| Damanhour C.C.    |       | 50    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Cairo South C.C.  | 165   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Kurimat           |       |       | 650   | 650   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Sidi Krir         |       |       |       |       | 325   | 325   |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Ayon Mousa        |       |       |       |       |       |       | 325   | 325   |       |       |       |       |
| Attaka(Pumps St.) |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 325   | 325   |       |       |
| Cairo North G.T.  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Delta North G.T.  |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Nobaria C.C.      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2x300 | 300   |
| Suez Gulf         |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 325   | 325   |       | 325   |
| El Teblen G.T.    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 2x100 |       |       |
| Total             | 975   | 450   | 650   | 650   | 325   | 325   | 325   | 975   | 650   | 850   | 925   | 625   |

Source: GOFI (JICA phase-1 report)

Table 4-3-4 Evaluation of Power Supply for Proposed Sites

| No. | Description  | Site             |                  |
|-----|--|------------------|------------------|
|     |  | Alexandria       | Suez             |
|     |  | El Dekhiela      | Ataqa            |
| 1   | Requirement of Power                                     |                  |                  |
|     | a) Average maximum demand (MW)                           | 200              | 200              |
|     | b) Power supply capacity (Back power) (MVA)              | 1000             | 1000             |
| 2   | Existing Major Power Stations Capacity                   |                  |                  |
| 2.1 | Alexandria site  |                  |                  |
|     | a) Damanhour Power Station                               |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                | 300              |                  |
|     | * Load factor (%)  | 60               |                  |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   | 120              |                  |
|     | b) Kafr El Dawar Power Station                           |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                | 270              |                  |
|     | * Load factor (%)  | 30               |                  |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   | 189              |                  |
|     | c) Abo Qir Power Station                                 |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                | 871              |                  |
|     | * Load factor (%)  | 56               |                  |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   | 382              |                  |
| 2.2 | Suez site  |                  |                  |
|     | a) Ataqa Power Station                                   |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                |                  | 850              |
|     | * Load factor (%)  |                  | 57               |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   |                  | 365              |
|     | b) Suez Power Station                                    |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                |                  | 106              |
|     | * Load factor (%)  |                  | 64               |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   |                  | 38               |
|     | c) Abu Soltan Power Station                              |                  |                  |
|     | * Installed capacity (MW)                                |                  | 575              |
|     | * Load factor (%)  |                  | 50               |
|     | * Excess capacity (MW)                                   |                  | 287              |
| 3   | Total Excess capacity (MW)                               | 691              | 690              |
| 4   | Distance from Substation to site (m)                     | Approx. 200-300  | 1000             |
| 5   | Supply voltage level (kV)                                | 220              | 220              |
| 6   | Line configuration                                       | Double line      | Double line      |
| 7   | Power supply condition in terms of reliability such as : |                  |                  |
|     | -Voltage   | 205-220 kV       | 205-220 kV       |
|     | -Frequency   | 49.9-50.2 Hz     | 49.9-50.2 Hz     |
|     | -Power failure (Instantaneous)                           | 0.1-0.5 sec.     | 0.1-0.5 sec.     |
|     | -Power failure (Frequency stoppage)                      | 5-15 min/2-3year | 5-15 min/2-3year |
| 8   | Result of evaluation                                     | ufficient        | Sufficient       |

## 2) Natural gas

The flat product plant under study will require about 55,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/hr of natural gas.

### (a) Back ground

During the survey, information on “ An overview of Egypt’s Oil and Gas Sectors “ issued by American Chamber of Commerce in Egypt was received as back ground data and information. It is briefly summarized as follows:

#### a) Reserves

In 1990, Egypt had known gas reserves of 12 trillion cf., including 8.5 trillion cf. of non-associated gas reserves. Current reserves of natural gas amount is estimated at 21.4 trillion cf. due to a sharp increase over 1992.

The government’s objective is to discover new reserves, averaging 1.35 trillion cf. annually over the next twenty years. This will eventually maintain reserves at the current level while meeting domestic demand, which is forecast at 27 trillion cf., over the period.

#### b) Production

Until 1992, natural gas production has been averaged 1.1 billion cf./d.

EGPC (Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation) has forecast that production will reach at 1.6 billion cf./d in 1996/97 at the end of the current Five Year Plan.

Natural gas production in 1994 is indicated in Table 4-3-5.

Table 4-3-5 Natural Gas Production in Egypt(In 1994)

Unit : 1,000 ton

| Natural Gas         | Quantity |
|---------------------|----------|
| Abu Madi            | 2,632    |
| Abu Qir/Naf         | 1,199    |
| Abu Al-Gharadiq     | 547      |
| Badreddin 1         | 129      |
| Shukeir (Suez Gulf) | 1,254    |
| Badreddin 2,3       | 2,408    |
| Sinai               | 103      |
| Khalda              | 24       |
| Abu Sinai           | 186      |
| Across Gulf         | 246      |
| El-Qaraa            | 786      |
| TOTAL               | 9,514    |

Source: American Chamber of Commerce in Egypt

(b) Natural gas supply

The following data is received from GASCO (Egyptian Natural Gas Company):

a) Capacity of the existing supply sources

Required quantity for the flat product plant is 55,000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/hr and GASCO has enough supply sources.

b) The existing supply pipe lines

Net work of supply line exists respectively in Alexandria and Suez.

Supply pipe line up to factory boundary shall be installed by Egyptian Natural Gas Company (GASCO).

c) The required quality of natural gas for flat product plant project

The required quality of natural gas for flat product plant is indicated in Table 4-3-6.

**Table 4-3-6 Required Quality of Natural Gas for Flat Product Plant**

| Item            | Requirement   |
|-----------------|---|
| Supply capacity | 55,000 Nm <sup>3</sup> /hr  |
| Service         | Feed to DRP (Direct Reduction Plant)<br>Fuel gas  |
| Composition     | C <sub>5</sub> + (Heavy hydro carbon) < 0.5 (mol. %)<br>Sulfur (as H <sub>2</sub> S) = 5 - 10 ppm |

Sales gas analysis from GASCO was received and is indicated in Table 4-3-7.

Analysis value will meet with the requirements for flat product plant project.

As for H<sub>2</sub>S content, natural gas which is under production in Alexandria is less content and is preferable for DR plant.

**Table 4-3-7 Sales Gas Analysis**

| Composition      | Mol %         |
|------------------|---------------|
| N <sub>2</sub>   | 0.65 - 1.06   |
| CO <sub>2</sub>  | 1.87 - 0.45   |
| C <sub>1</sub>   | 77.51 - 92.00 |
| C <sub>2</sub>   | 13.37 - 3.69  |
| C <sub>3</sub>   | 6.02 - 1.65   |
| IC <sub>4</sub>  | 0.27 - 0.39   |
| NC <sub>4</sub>  | 0.26 - 0.39   |
| IC <sub>5</sub>  | 0.03 - 0.15   |
| NC <sub>5</sub>  | 0.03 - 0.15   |
| C <sub>6</sub> + | 0.01 - 0.1    |
| G. C. V (BTU/FT) | 1183 - 1077   |

Source : GASCO

d) Unit price of natural gas

Unit price of Natural gas is linked with international price and is the same for both proposed sites.

The unit price which will be used for feasibility study calculation of the flat product plant, which will start in 2005, is indicated in Table 4-3-8.

Table 4-3-8 Unit Price of Natural Gas

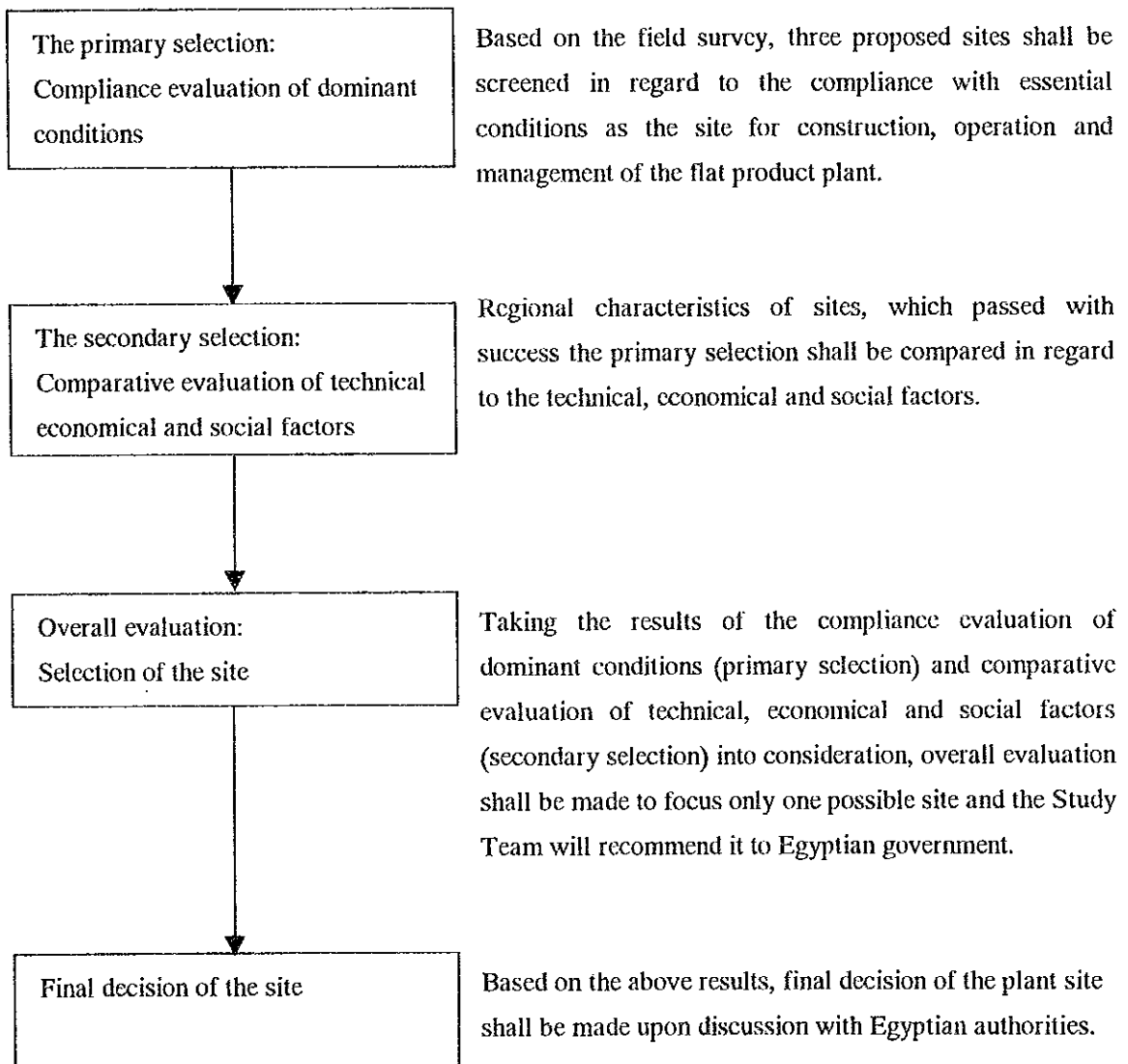
(Unit: 0.01 US\$/Nm<sup>3</sup>)

| Proposed site    | Unit price |
|------------------|------------|
| Suez, Alexandria | 8.4        |

Source : GASCO

#### 4-4 Evaluation Criteria

##### (1) Flow of site selection



##### (2) Primary selection

To evaluate compliance of proposed sites with essential conditions for the flat product plant construction, compliance evaluation of dominant conditions shall be made. The compliance evaluation criteria was prepared based on the following concept.

Energies, utilities and relevant infrastructures shall meet requirements of the steel plant quantitatively and qualitatively.

The plant is assumed to start its operation in 2005. Development of energies, utilities and infrastructures shall also meet the implementation schedule.

### **(3) Secondary selection**

#### **1) Technical evaluation**

All possible proposed sites, which successfully passed through primary selection shall be evaluated with Check List for Site Selection - Technical evaluation for Secondary Selection.

#### **2) Economical comparison**

In the field survey including observation of the actual site, it is helpful for site selection study to collect data on energy costs, utility charges and land purchase prices. Based on these data, calculation shall be made site by site to figure out influence of the initial investment amount, and long term operation costs generated from regional differences. Then, economical comparison among candidate sites shall be carried out.

#### **3) Social factor evaluation**

Social factor shall be evaluated in accordance with Check List for Site Selection, Social factors evaluation for Secondary Selection .

### **(4) Overall evaluation**

After the secondary selection of technical, economical and social factor evaluation, the overall evaluation shall be made.

## **4-5 Results and Recommendation**

The results and recommendation of the Study Team can be summarized as follow;



**(1) Primary and secondary evaluation**

Both proposed sites of Suez and Alexandria(El Dekhiela) are passed primary and secondary evaluation.

**(2) Conclusion of the Site selection**

After due consideration of the features and results of the technical and economical evaluation on both sites of Suez and Alexandria, it is concluded that El-Dekhiela area of Alexandria site is more appropriate for conducting feasibility study.

Following are the briefing of the conclusion.

**1) Technical evaluation**

Both sites of Suez (Adabiya F.Z.) and Alexandria (El Dekhiela) are technically acceptable as the flat product plant site.

**2) Economical evaluation**

- Investment of the Suez site is higher by around LE 270,000,000 (US\$ 80,000,000) than Alexandria site.
- Operation cost of Suez is higher by around LE 30,000,000 (US\$ 9,300,000) per year than Alexandria.

**3) Site condition**

**(a) Suez**

There are some unpredictable factors surrounding Suez site such as;

- Future port availability
- Land acquisition issue under the regulation of Free Zone
- Industrial water supply and its price

**(b) Alexandria**

Proposed area are owned by Military of Ddefense, Alexandria governorate and ANSDK.

All of these parties concerned have to agree to sell the land to the project.

**4) Recommendation**

Alexandria site (El Dekhiela) is more appropriate for conducting further feasibility study.



## Chapter 5. BASIC FLAT PRODUCT PLANT CONCEPT

### 5-1 Production and Products

The production plan of the new flat product plant is prepared based on the future consumption of flat products in Egypt predicted in the JICA Phase-1 report with some modifications incorporated from the results of the Phase-2 field survey described in Chapter 3.

#### (1) Production estimate

##### 1) Estimation from the JICA Phase-1 Study

Consumption of flat products in Egypt was investigated through the Phase-1 JICA Feasibility Study and shown in the JICA Phase-1 report submitted in 1996. According to the report, for the case of medium growth rate, consumption of flat products in Egypt will be 1,734,000 tons per year in 2005 and reach 2,528,000 tons per year in 2015 as shown in Table 5-1-1 and Figure 5-1-1. Estimated breakdown of each product at 2005 is shown in Table 5-1-2.

Although consumption for high and low growth rates were also shown in the report, the following study will be conducted based on the estimated consumption for the medium growth rate.

##### 2) Salable flat steel product estimate

Salable products from the new flat product plant in 2005 are estimated by rearranging the data of the Phase-1 report and by subtracting the following product items (f) and (g) from the total estimated consumption shown in Table 5-1-3.

##### (a) Hot and cold rolled products (thickness < 3.0mm)

Products of thickness less than 3 mm in the category, "hot & cold," were already divided into two categories by the Phase-1 report, about 50 percent for hot rolled products and 50 percent for cold rolled products.

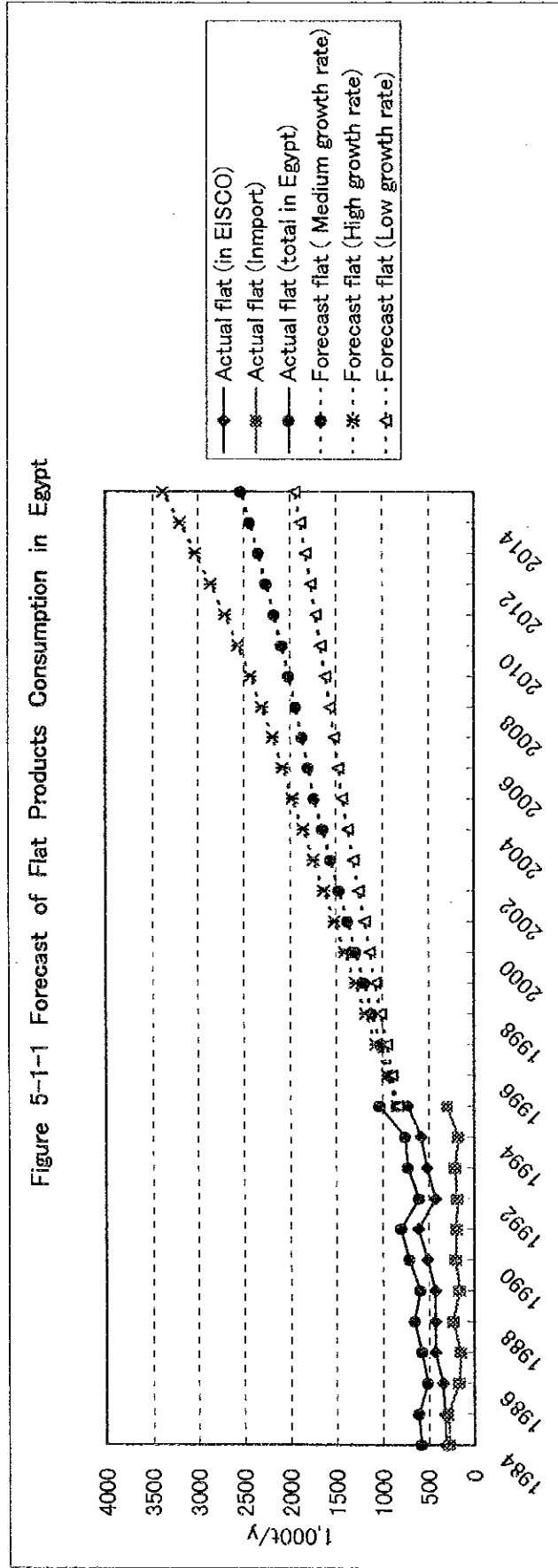
Table 5-1-1 Forecast of Flat Products Consumption in Egypt

Unit : 1,000 t/y

|                                     | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |      |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| Actual flat (in EISCO)              | 311  | 322  | 346  | 427  | 428  | 429  | 514  | 609  | 422  | 516  | 583  | 729  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |
| Actual flat (Inmport)               | 271  | 290  | 167  | 150  | 229  | 163  | 201  | 192  | 182  | 209  | 171  | 295  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |
| Actual flat (total in Egy)          | 382  | 612  | 513  | 577  | 657  | 592  | 715  | 801  | 604  | 725  | 754  | 1024 | 834  | 924  | 1014 | 1104 | 1194 | 1284 | 1374 | 1464 | 1554 | 1644 | 1734 | 1865 | 1936 | 2086 | 2167 | 2251 | 2339 | 2431 | 2528 |      |      |  |  |
| Forecast flat ( Medium growth rate) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 834  | 948  | 1061 | 1175 | 1288 | 1402 | 1516 | 1629 | 1743 | 1856 | 1970 | 2073 | 2184 | 2302 | 2428 | 2562 | 2706 | 2860 | 3024 | 3199 | 3386 |  |  |
| Forecast flat (High growth rate)    |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 834  | 893  | 953  | 1012 | 1071 | 1131 | 1190 | 1249 | 1308 | 1368 | 1427 | 1471 | 1517 | 1564 | 1612 | 1663 | 1715 | 1769 | 1825 | 1882 | 1942 |  |  |
| Forecast flat (Low growth rate)     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |  |

Source: Actual Flat Consumption based on IISI 1997

Forecast Flat Demand based on JICA Phase-1 Report 1996



(b) Hot rolled products (thickness = 3.0-24 mm)

Hot rolled products of thicknesses “between 3.0 and 24 mm” shall be divided into two categories, hot rolled products with thicknesses from 3.0 to 13mm and plate with thicknesses from 13 to 24 mm.

(c) TIN and TFS

Products in the category “coated” are composed of galvanized products, tinplate (including TFS), color coated products and a small amount of other products.

Demand for tinplate, which is categorized as “Cans”, is estimated to be 36,281 tons per year. However, judging from the results of the Phase-2 field survey, the sum of average consumption of tinplate between 1990 and 1995 was about 45,000 tons per year. Moreover, this number seems to be unchanging until 2020 due to the increase of consumption of substitute materials.

(d) Demand for metal containers

The results of the Phase-2 field survey showed that the consumption of 28,346 tons per year of “metal containers” was actually used for corrugated sheet. Therefore, this amount shall be transferred to the category, “Construction”.

(e) Coated products

Coated products excluding “Cans” are regarded as galvanized products, color coated products and a small amount of other products. Judging from the ordinary coated product market, it is assumed that 85 % of the coated product would be galvanized products and remaining 15 % would be color coated products and others.

(f) Production at EISCO

It is assumed that production of flat products by EISCO will be kept at the same level as the average production during the year of 1990 to 1995.

Actual production will be as follows;

Hot rolled products

- Production : 400,000 tons/year including;
  - Hot rolled coil = 320,000 tons/year
  - Plate = 80,000 tons/year
- Nominal capacity : 600,000 tons/year

Cold rolled products

- Production : 160,000 tons/year
- Nominal capacity : 250,000 tons/year

(g) Exclusions

The following products shall be excluded from the products of the new flat product plant because of the small size of the market or decreased demand.

- Hot rolled products of widths over 1,500 mm
- Hot rolled products of thickness over 24 mm
- Tinline and TFS products
- Other coated sheets

(h) Skinpassed coil

Fifty percent of hot rolled coil under 3 mm shall be processed by a skinpass line to correct flatness.

As a result of the adjustments described above, the demand forecast and estimated salable products were calculated and shown in Tables 5-1-3, 5-1-4 and Figure 5-1-2.

Table 5-1-2 Demand Forecast for Flat Products in 2005 (Medium growth case)

| Thickness  | Width <1500mm |            |         |          |             |         |        |         |        |           |        | W>1500mm | Total     |
|------------|---------------|------------|---------|----------|-------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|----------|-----------|
|            | Construc      | Ship yards | W.Pipe  | Gas cyl. | Metal Cont. | Railway | Auto   | Home    | Can    | Furniture | Gov.   |          |           |
| Hot & Cold | 6,215         | 12,598     | 317,447 |          |             | 1,050   | 24,825 | 136,669 |        | 104,985   | 8,399  | 99,395   | 711,583   |
| Hot        | 278,695       | 19,737     | 211,633 | 102,801  | 20,997      | 11,179  | 41,918 | 1,380   |        | 45,983    |        | 18,574   | 859,581   |
| Hot        | 20,144        |            |         |          |             | 1,079   |        |         |        |           | 630    |          | 46,087    |
| Non Coated | 305,054       | 32,335     | 529,080 | 102,801  | 20,997      | 13,308  | 66,743 | 138,049 |        | 104,985   | 55,012 | 117,969  | 1,486,333 |
| Coated     |               |            |         |          | 28,346      |         |        | 13,652  | 36,281 |           |        | 38,006   | 116,285   |
| Total      | 305,054       | 32,335     | 529,080 | 102,801  | 49,343      | 13,308  | 66,743 | 151,701 | 36,281 | 104,985   | 55,012 | 155,975  | 1,733,536 |

t<3mm : Hot 342,549, Cold : 369,034

Source : JICA Phase-1 Report 1996

Table 5-1-3 Demand Forecast for Flat Products in 2005 Revised by the Study Team

| Thickness    | Width <1500mm |            |         |          |             |         |        |         |        |           |        | W>1500mm | Total     |
|--------------|---------------|------------|---------|----------|-------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|----------|-----------|
|              | Construc      | Ship yards | W.Pipe  | Gas cyl. | Metal Cont. | Railway | Auto   | Home    | Can    | Furniture | Gov.   |          |           |
| Cold         |               |            |         |          |             |         | 21,886 | 136,669 |        | 104,985   | 6,299  | 99,395   | 369,034   |
| Hot          | 6,215         | 12,598     | 308,728 |          |             | 1,050   | 3,138  | 0       |        | 0         | 2,100  | 0        | 333,829   |
| Hot          | 139,348       | 9,869      | 211,633 | 102,801  | 20,997      | 11,179  | 41,918 | 1,380   |        | 45,983    |        | 18,574   | 657,023   |
| Plate        | 139,348       | 9,869      |         |          |             |         |        |         |        |           |        |          | 202,558   |
| Plate        | 20,144        |            |         |          |             | 1,079   |        |         |        |           | 630    |          | 46,087    |
| TIN & TFS    |               |            |         |          |             |         |        |         | 45,000 |           |        |          | 45,000    |
| Galvanized   | 24,094        |            |         |          |             |         | 11,604 |         |        |           |        | 32,305   | 68,003    |
| Color coated | 4,262         |            |         |          |             |         | 2,048  |         |        |           |        | 5,701    | 12,001    |
| Total        | 333,400       | 32,335     | 520,361 | 102,801  | 20,997      | 13,308  | 66,742 | 151,701 | 45,000 | 104,985   | 55,012 | 155,975  | 1,733,536 |

(a) Hot Rolled Products of 3.0-24.0mm thickness are divided into 3.0-13.0mm and 13.0-24.0mm segments, over 13.0mm will be considered plate

(b) 50% of Hot Rolled Products under 3.0mm will be skippassed coil

(c) Coated products for cans are TIN & TFS products. Consumption will be 45,000 t/y (the same average consumption as 1990-1995) see Table 3-1-2 Chapter 3.

(d) Coated products except tin consist of 85% galvanized and 15% color coated products

(e) Coated products for metal containers mean galvanized sheet for walls and roofing of buildings and should be categorized as "construction"

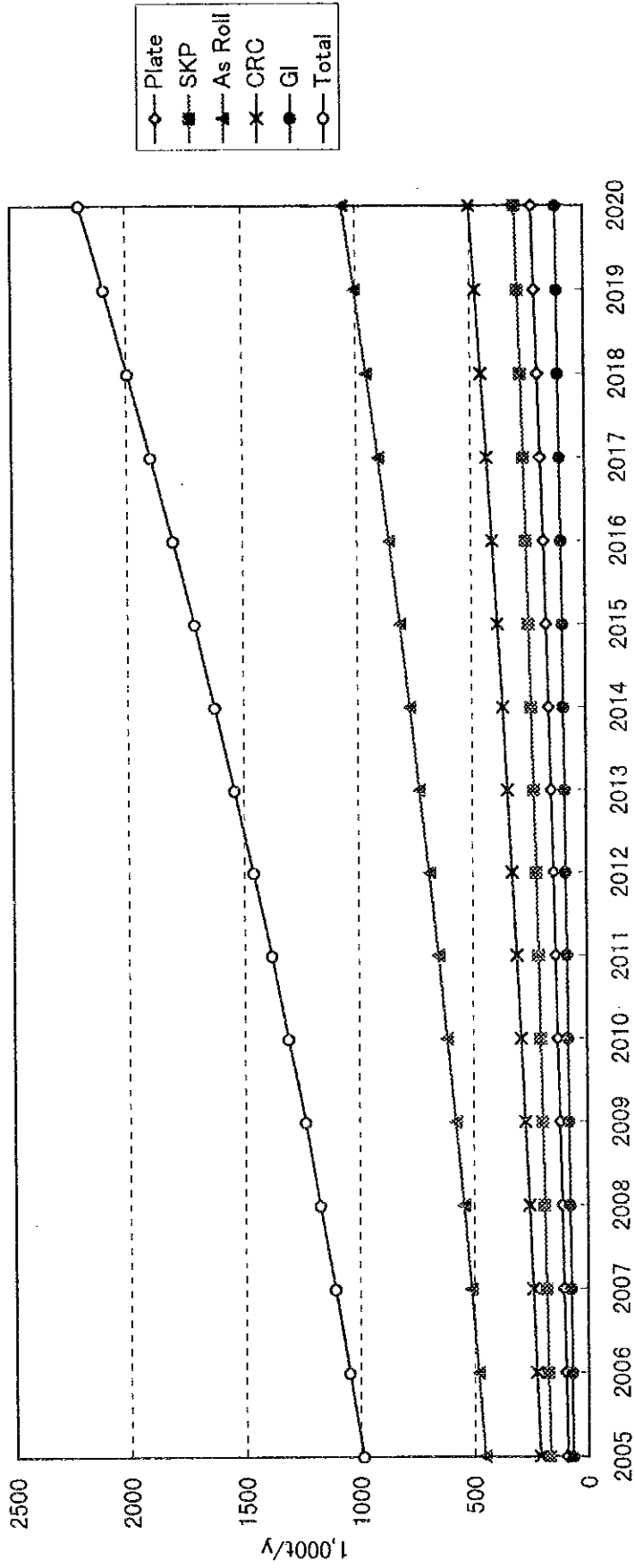
Table 5-1-4 Forecast of Salable Domestic Flat Products in the Flat Product Plant

Unit : 1,000 t/y

| year | Demand Forecast of Flat products in Egypt |     |        |       |     |     |       |        |       |      | EISCO's Production |       |      |       |     | Salable Domestic Flat Products in New Flat Project |     |     |       |  |
|------|---|-----|--------|-------|-----|-----|-------|--------|-------|------|--------------------|-------|------|-------|-----|--|-----|-----|-------|--|
|      | Cold                                      | t<3 | t=3-13 | Plate | TIN | GI  | Color | W>1500 | Total | Cold | Hot                | Plate | year | Plate | SKP | As Roll  | CRC | GI  | Total |  |
| 2005 | 369                                       | 334 | 604    | 171   | 45  | 68  | 12    | 131    | 1734  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2005 | 91    | 167 | 451  | 209 | 68  | 986   |  |
| 2006 | 384                                       | 347 | 627    | 177   | 45  | 71  | 12    | 136    | 1798  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2006 | 97    | 173 | 480  | 224 | 71  | 1046  |  |
| 2007 | 398                                       | 360 | 651    | 184   | 45  | 73  | 13    | 141    | 1865  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2007 | 104   | 180 | 511  | 238 | 73  | 1106  |  |
| 2008 | 413                                       | 374 | 676    | 191   | 45  | 76  | 13    | 147    | 1936  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2008 | 111   | 187 | 543  | 253 | 76  | 1171  |  |
| 2009 | 429                                       | 388 | 702    | 199   | 45  | 79  | 14    | 152    | 2009  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2009 | 119   | 194 | 577  | 269 | 79  | 1238  |  |
| 2010 | 446                                       | 404 | 730    | 207   | 45  | 82  | 15    | 158    | 2086  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2010 | 127   | 202 | 612  | 286 | 82  | 1308  |  |
| 2011 | 464                                       | 420 | 759    | 215   | 45  | 85  | 15    | 165    | 2167  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2011 | 135   | 210 | 649  | 304 | 85  | 1382  |  |
| 2012 | 482                                       | 436 | 789    | 223   | 45  | 89  | 16    | 171    | 2251  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2012 | 143   | 218 | 687  | 322 | 89  | 1459  |  |
| 2013 | 501                                       | 454 | 820    | 232   | 45  | 92  | 16    | 178    | 2339  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2013 | 152   | 227 | 727  | 341 | 92  | 1540  |  |
| 2014 | 521                                       | 472 | 853    | 242   | 45  | 96  | 17    | 185    | 2431  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2014 | 162   | 236 | 769  | 361 | 96  | 1624  |  |
| 2015 | 542                                       | 491 | 888    | 251   | 45  | 100 | 18    | 193    | 2528  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2015 | 171   | 246 | 813  | 382 | 100 | 1713  |  |
| 2016 | 564                                       | 511 | 923    | 261   | 45  | 104 | 18    | 200    | 2627  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2016 | 181   | 255 | 858  | 404 | 104 | 1803  |  |
| 2017 | 586                                       | 531 | 960    | 272   | 45  | 108 | 19    | 208    | 2729  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2017 | 192   | 265 | 905  | 426 | 108 | 1897  |  |
| 2018 | 610                                       | 552 | 998    | 283   | 45  | 112 | 20    | 216    | 2835  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2018 | 203   | 276 | 954  | 450 | 112 | 1994  |  |
| 2019 | 634                                       | 574 | 1037   | 294   | 45  | 117 | 21    | 225    | 2946  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2019 | 214   | 287 | 1004   | 474 | 117 | 2095  |  |
| 2020 | 659                                       | 596 | 1079   | 305   | 45  | 121 | 21    | 234    | 3061  | 160  | 320                | 80    | 2020 | 225   | 298 | 1057   | 499 | 121 | 2201  |  |



Figure 5-1-2 Forecast of Saiable Domestic Flat Product from Flat Product Plant



## (2) Product mix and production plan

### 1) Product mix

As shown in Section 5-1, the products to be produced by the flat product plant shall be hot rolled coil, plate, cold rolled coil and galvanized coil. Annual production of the products to be produced is shown in Figure 5-1-3.

### 2) Sizes and specifications of products

The present size mix of flat products was investigated and reported by the JICA in Phase-1. For the time being, the average width of flat products in Egypt is rather narrow compared to the international market due to the fact that most flat products are supplied by EISCO and maximum width of the hot and cold rolled products is limited to 1,000 mm. However, it is supposed that this will be changed to wider products to improve operating efficiency and yield in the near future when the new flat product plant starts production.

Therefore, it will be more appropriate to estimate the future size mix based on the international market.

Size mix and specifications of products are estimated and shown in Tables 5-1-5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

Table 5-1-5 Slab Size Mix

| Width<br>(mm) | Mix<br>(%) | Remarks      |
|---------------|------------|--------------|
| 650-800       | (5.0)      | Slitted slab |
| 850-1,100     | 33.0       |              |
| 1,150-1,300   | 36.0       |              |
| 1,350-1,600   | 31.0       |              |
| Total         | 100.0      |              |

Note 1. Average slab width = 1,195 mm

2. Slab 800 mm and under in width shall be produced from double width slab by gas cutting

3. 5 % of slabs are assumed to be surface conditioned

4. Hot charge rolling ratio is assumed to be 60 %

**Table 5-1-6 Hot Strip Mill Size Mix**

(Unit: %)

| Thickness<br>(mm) | Width (mm) |           |             |             | Total |
|-------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------|
|                   | 610-799    | 800-1,099 | 1,100-1,299 | 1,300-1,600 |       |
| 1.6- 2.9          | 4.0        | 14.0      | 15.0        | 4.0         | 37.0  |
| 3.0-12.9          | 1.0        | 19.0      | 21.0        | 12.0        | 53.0  |
| 13.0-24.0         | 0          | 0         | 0           | 10.0        | 10.0  |
| Total             | 5.0        | 33.0      | 36.0        | 26.0        | 100.0 |

Note : Average = 7.0 x 1,158 mm

**Table 5-1-7 Cold Strip Mill Size Mix**

(Unit: %)

| Thickness<br>(mm) | Width (mm) |             | Total |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
|                   | 610-1,099  | 1,100-1,250 |       |
| 0.4-1.0           | 27.5       | 27.5        | 55.0  |
| 1.0-1.6           | 11.0       | 19.0        | 30.0  |
| 1.6-2.5           | 7.5        | 7.5         | 15.0  |
| Total             | 44.0       | 54.0        | 100.0 |

Note : Average = 1.08 x 1,028 mm

**Table 5-1-8 Galvanizing Line Size Mix**

(Unit: %)

| Thickness<br>(mm) | Width (mm) |             | Total |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
|                   | 610-999    | 1,000-1,250 |       |
| 0.4-1.0           | 35.0       | 35.0        | 55.0  |
| 1.0-1.6           | 15.0       | 15.0        | 30.0  |
| Total             | 50.0       | 50.0        | 15.0  |

Average = 0.88 x 1,015 mm

**Table 5-1-9 Hot Rolled Coil Specifications**

(Unit: %)

| Specification | Final products |                                    |
|---------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| St-12,13,14   | 36.0           | Cold rolled or Galvanized products |
| St-33         | 4.0            | Hot rolled coil or plate           |
| St-37         | 54.0           |                                    |
| St-44,50,52   | 6.0            |                                    |
| Total         | 100.0          |                                    |

**3) Production plan and start-up production program**

The production plan was decided and is shown in Table 5-1-10. Production of the flat product plant is defined by the production of slab which will be one million tons per year from the second year after start-up of the plant. However, it will be 60 % of full capacity, i.e. 600,000 tons of slab per year in the first year, 2005.

**(3) Material flow**

The flow for full operation in 2007 is shown in Figures 5-1-3.

**Table 5-1-10 Production Plan and Start-up Program**

| Product                     | 2005    | 2006      | 2007      |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| DRI                         | 700,000 | 900,000   | 1,000,000 |
| Burnt lime                  | 24,000  | 40,000    | 40,000    |
| Slab                        | 600,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Hot rolled coil (As rolled) | 221,000 | 368,000   | 368,000   |
| (Skinpassed)                | 104,000 | 173,000   | 173,000   |
| Plate                       | 58,000  | 97,000    | 97,000    |
| Cold rolled coil            | 134,000 | 224,000   | 224,000   |
| Galvanized coil             | 42,600  | 71,000    | 71,000    |
| Total of flat products      | 560,000 | 933,000   | 933,000   |

**(4) Coil service center**

The market for flat products is much more varied compared to that for re-bar. Therefore, for the convenience of the consumers the coils are normally delivered from steel plants to the

service center where the coils are stocked and delivered to consumers by slitting in width or cutting in length just after receipt of an order from the end user.

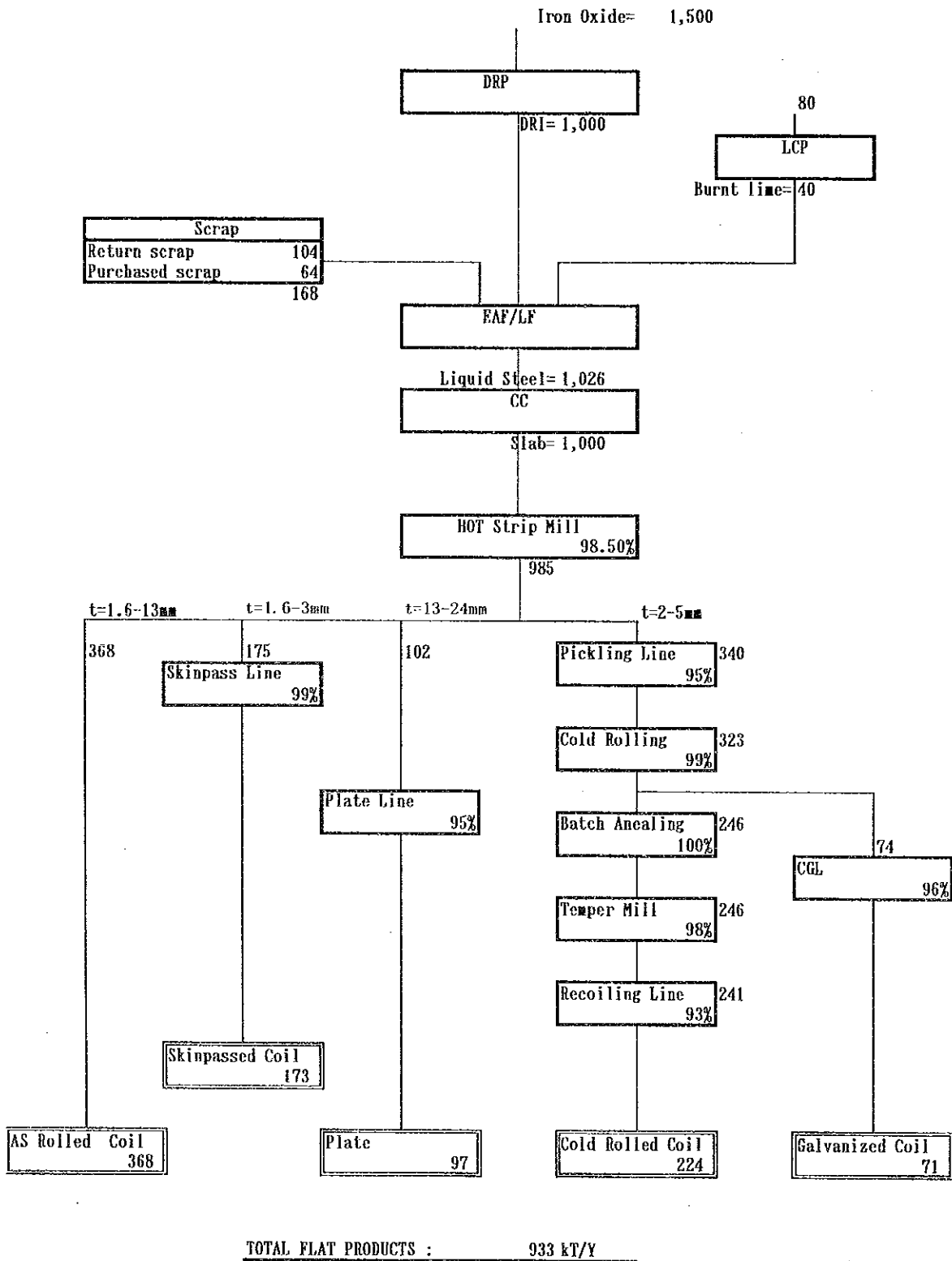
It is assumed for this study, that service centers will be constructed outside the flat product plant and adjacent to the major market at a distance from the flat product plant.

Reasons why the coil center are expected to be constructed outside the flat product plant are as follows;

- a) A short delivery time can be expected for orders of great size and grade variety
- b) Some service centers are already operating adjacent to the major market and future expansion can be expected
- c) The scale of the storage yard and facilities is rather small and can be updated step by step in accordance with market demand

Figure 5-1-3 Material Flow Sheet in 2007 (Full Operation)

unit : 1,000t/y



## 5-2 Outline of Principal Project Facilities

The flat product plant will consist of the main production plants shown in Table 5-2-1 along with the auxiliary facilities such as the lime calcining plant, power and distribution facilities, utilities, in-works transportation facilities, analysis and inspection facilities, maintenance shop and administrative facilities.

Table 5-2-1 Outline of Principal Plant

| Plant  | Description  |
|--|--|
| 1. Direct reduction plant (DRP)              | - Type: Midrex process, MEGAMOD®<br>- Number of units: One set   |
| 2. Steelmaking plant (SMP)                   |  |
| 2.1 Electric arc furnace (EAF)               | - Type: DC (direct current) arc furnace with EBT (eccentric bottom tapping system)   |
| 2.2 Ladle furnace (LF)                       | - Number of units: One set<br>- Type: AC (alternating current) of three phase type   |
| 2.3 Slab continuous casting machine (SL-CGM) | - Number of units: One set<br>- Type: Vertical progressive bending type with multi-point unbending<br>- Number of units: One set |
| 3. Hot strip mill plant (HSMP)               | - Type: Semi-continuous type<br>- Number of units: One line  |
| 4. Cold strip mill plant (CSMP)              | - Type: Four Hi single stand reversing mill<br>- Number of units: One line   |

## 5-3 Selection of Process

### (1) Direct reduction process

#### 1) Representative processes

The steel making processes by the direct reduction - EAF route presently occupy the second largest share in operation throughout the world. Among direct reduction processes, the following are the representative processes industrially proven or commercially available.

Natural gas based process:

- MIDREX Process
- HYL-III Process
- FINMET (former FIOR) Process
- IRON CARBIDE Process

Coal based process

- SL/RN Process

2) Selection of the direct reduction process

Comparison of main features of the representative processes is given in Table 5-3-1. In this study, the MIDREX process was selected because of the following reasons:

- (a) MIDREX process has the largest number of commercial plants installed all over the world.
- (b) MIDREX process has the largest accounts for the total capacity of production of direct reduced iron all over the world.
- (c) MIDREX process is only one direct reduction process which was commercially installed in Egypt and has been operating about ten years in stable.

Figure 5-3-1 shows schematic process flow diagram of the MIDREX process.

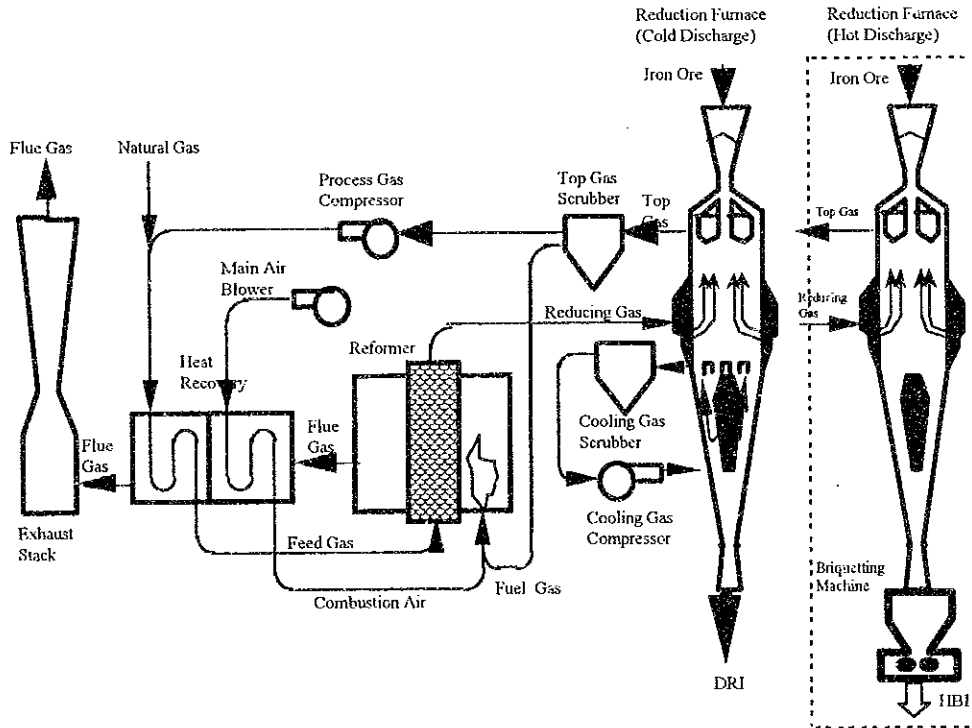


Table 5-3-1 Comparison of the Representative Processes

|   | Gas based                       |                                 |                                |                                | Coal based                  |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | MIDREX                          | HYL-III                         | FINMET<br>[forme]<br>FIOR      | IRON CARBIDE                   | SL/RN                       |
| Status  | Industrial                      | Industrial                      | Industrial                     | Industrial                     | Industrial                  |
| Iron source   | Pellets<br>Lump                 | Pellets<br>Lump                 | Fines<br>Size: sinter<br>feed  | Fines<br>Size: 0.1-1mm         | Pellets<br>Lump             |
| Fuel source   | Natural gas                     | Natural gas                     | Natural gas                    | Natural gas                    | Coal                        |
| Pressure<br>(kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )                         | Atmospheric                     | 5                               | 11 - 12                        | 0.8                            | Atmospheric                 |
| Typical plant<br>capacity<br>(x10 <sup>3</sup> tons/y)    | 1,000                           | 1,000                           | FINMET: 1,000<br>FIOR: 400     | 320                            | 150 - 250                   |
| Plant installed<br>(modules)                              | 39                              | 13                              | 1                              | 1                              | 8**                         |
| Total capacity<br>installed<br>(x 10 <sup>3</sup> tons/y) | 20,010                          | 6,370                           | 400                            | 300                            | 1,320**                     |
| Selective<br>evaluation*                                  | I<br>The most<br>spread process | I<br>Less plants<br>than MIDREX | II<br>Few industrial<br>plants | II<br>Few industrial<br>plants | II<br>Small<br>scale plants |
| Commercial<br>operation in<br>Egypt                       | Yes                             | No                              | No                             | No                             | No                          |
| Result of<br>selection                                    | Representative<br>process       |                                 |                                |                                |                             |

\*I: Representative process      \*\*: SL/RN plants of production over 150,000 tons/y  
 II: Next representative process  
 III: Not mature

Figure 5-3-1 MIDREX Process Flow



## (2) Electric arc furnace

### 1) Differences of two types

There are two types of electric arc furnace for steelmaking, the AC (alternating current) arc furnace and the DC (direct current) arc furnace.

The major difference between AC and DC arc furnaces is the use of alternating or direct current for generation of the arc.

In the arc furnace, scrap is melted by the arc. The arc is generated by an alternating current going to and from three graphite electrodes, through the scrap or molten steel, in the AC arc furnace. In the DC arc furnace, a direct current goes from an anode electrode installed in the bottom of the furnace to a single graphite cathode electrode through the scrap or molten steel.

Accordingly, equipment configuration is different. Figure 5-3-2 shows the equipment configuration of a DC arc furnace.

Major equipment differences of the DC arc furnace from the AC arc furnace are;

- addition of the thyristor rectifier and bottom electrode, both of which are not required in the AC arc furnace, and
- a single graphite electrode and corresponding electrode lifting device, both of which require three sets for the AC arc furnace.

### 2) DC arc furnace needs

Historically the AC arc furnace began with "UHP (Ultra High Power) operation" and development continued to scale-up furnace size and utilize oxygen gas. Furthermore, new technologies; EBT (eccentric bottom tapping), SPH (scrap pre-heating) and operation in combination with a LF (ladle furnace) were introduced, along with improved operational techniques such as long arc and foamy slag operations.

Now traditional AC arc furnaces seem to have reached the final development stage. It is difficult to make further improvements and the flicker problem, which prevents scaling-up input power can not be escaped.

The DC arc furnace has been studied and developed in Europe. In 1985, MAN-GHH constructed the first commercial DC arc furnace in the world at Nucor Steel, USA and NKK constructed the largest (130 t) DC arc furnace at that time in the world at Tokyo Steel in 1989, the success of which established the DC arc furnace's reputation. After that,

promoting construction of DC arc furnace began in the world.

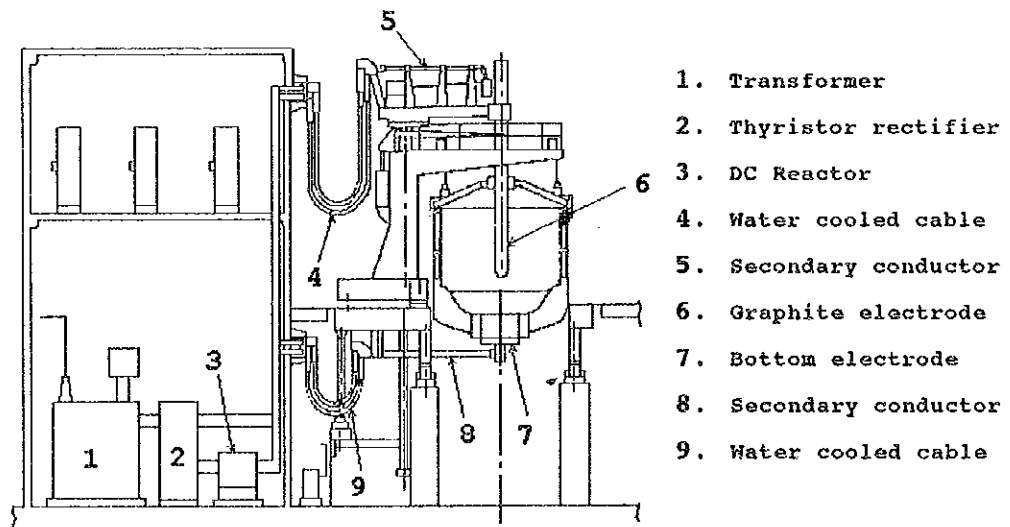
### 3) Advantages of the DC arc furnace

Due to the nature of the direct current use, the DC arc furnace has advantages, compared with the AC arc furnace, such as achievements of uniform melting and strong bath stirring, easy long arc and foamy slag operation, superior heating efficiency, half level of flicker occurrence.

### 4) Conclusion

Due to the above mentioned considerations, the DC arc furnace is more appropriate for the flat product plant.

Figure 5-3-2 DC Arc Furnace Equipment Configuration



### (3) Continuous casting machine (CCM) and hot strip mill (HSM)

There are many CCM - HSM processes in the world. In order to select most appropriate process the following combination process are studied.

- The Thin Slab CCM & HSM process (TSP)
- The Medium Slab CCM & HSM process (MSP)
- The Conventional Slab CCM & HSM process (CVP)

Schematic drawings of TSP, MSP and CVP are shown in Figure 5-3-3. It is assumed that DRI and high quality scrap will be provided as raw material in this project. The technical features of the three processes are compared taking into consideration the actual conditions in Egypt as shown in Table 5-3-2 and 5-3-3.

Conclusion : The Conventional CCM process is recommended.

The reasons are as follows :

- TSP can not produce plate of 13 - 24 mm in thickness.
- MSP technology is still under development at present.
- TSP and MSP are not suitable for producing narrow strip (610 - 800 mm in width) due to low productivity.
- Both TSP and MSP are not suitable for production of high grade steel such as DDQ (Deep Drawing Quality), EDDQ (Extra Deep Drawing Quality), automobile body parts, etc.

The outline of the CCM & HSM are shown as follows :

- Slab thickness : 210 mm
- Slab conditioning : applicable
- Max. hot rolled product width : 1,600mm \*1
- Max. hot rolled product weight : 28 ton max. \*2

\*1 Width of Hot rolled products

Considering market demand in Egypt, 93 % of flat products are of width under 1,500 mm. The reason for the 1,500 mm borderline is the existing plant restriction (Maximum plate width from EISCO is 1,500mm). Generally "five feet" implies 1,524 mm in the international steel business and

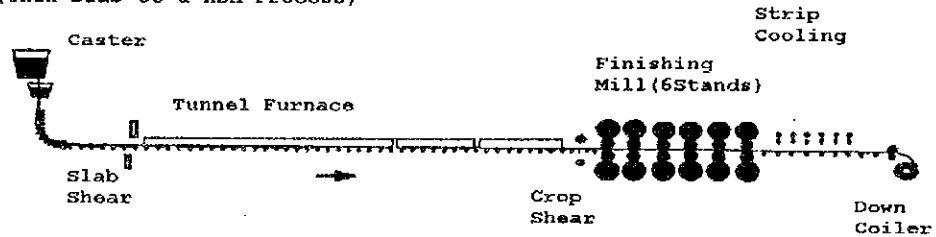
approximately 30 - 50 mm will be added at the hot rolling mill. Consequently the maximum width at hot rolling shall be 1,600 mm considering five feet of hot rolled products.

\*2 Coil weight

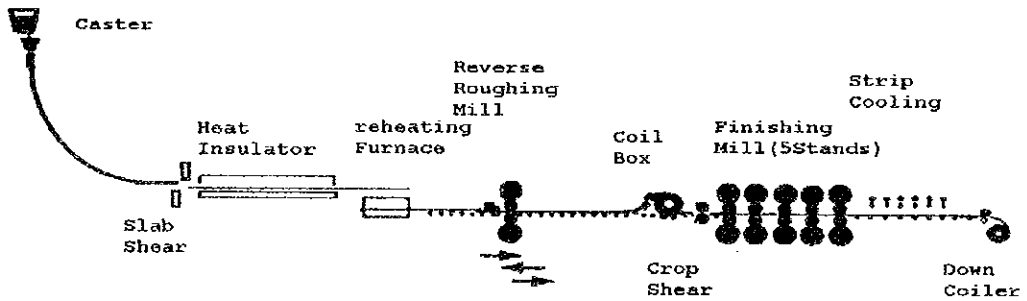
Generally 1,000 PIW (pound per inch width) is the standard of modern hot strip mills (= 17.8 kg/mm). In the case of 1,600 mm maximum width, weight of the hot rolled coil is 28 tons.

Figure 5-3-3 Schematic Drawing of TSP, MSP and CVP

(a) TSP (Thin Slab CC & HSM Process)



(b) MSP (Medium Slab CC & HSM Process)



(c) CVP (Conventional Slab CC & HSM Process)

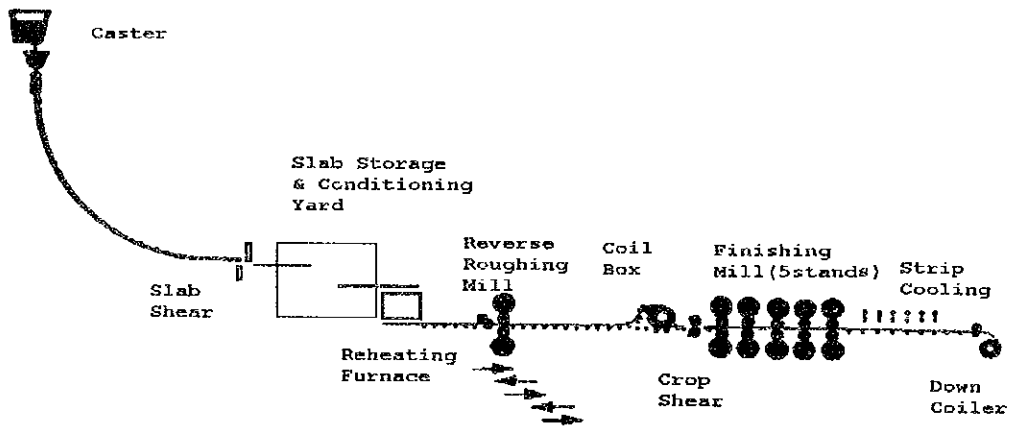


Table 5-3-2 Comparison of Specification of CCM and HSM

|  |  | TSP              |   |   | MSP  |  |  | CVP |  |
|--|--|------------------|---|---|--|--|--|-----|--|
| 1. Products in the flat product plant                  |  | Products         | Thickness   | Width   | Production tons per year   |  |  |     |  |
|  |  | Hot rolled coil  | 1.6 - 13.0 mm   | 610 - 1,600 mm  | approx. 370,000  |  |  |     |  |
|  |  | Skinpassed coil  | 1.6 - 6.0 mm  | 610 - 1,600 mm  | approx. 170,000  |  |  |     |  |
|  |  | Plate            | 13.0 - 24.0 mm  | 610 - 1,600 mm  | approx. 100,000  |  |  |     |  |
|  |  | Cold rolled coil | 0.4 - 2.5 mm  | 610 - 1,250 mm  | approx. 220,000  |  |  |     |  |
|  |  | Galvanized coil  | 0.4 - 1.6 mm  | 610 - 1,250 mm  | approx. 70,000   |  |  |     |  |
| 2. Main equipment                                      | <p>EAF x 1 (DRI 90%)<br/>Thin slab CC x 1 (t=50mm)<br/>HSM Tunnel Furnace x 1</p> <p>Finishing Mill x 6std<br/>Down Coiler x 1</p> | <p>V=5mpm</p>    | <p>EAF x 1 (DRI 90%)<br/>Mid Slab CC x 1 (t=90-150mm) V=2.5-3.5mpm<br/>HSM<br/>WB Furnace x 1<br/>Roughing Mill x 1std<br/>Coil Box x 1<br/>Finishing Mill x 5std<br/>Down Coiler x 1</p> | <p>EAF x 1 (DRI 90%)<br/>Conventional CC x 1 (t=210mm)<br/>HSM<br/>WB Furnace x 1<br/>Roughing Mill x 1std<br/>Coil Box x 1<br/>Finishing mill x 5std<br/>Down Coiler x 1</p> | <p>Av=1.8mpm</p>   |  |  |     |  |
| 3. Capacity  | (one furnace) approx. 1,000,000 t/y<br>(two furnaces) approx. 2,000,000 t/y  |                  | (one furnace) approx. 1,000,000 t/y<br>(two furnaces) approx. 2,000,000 t/y   |   | (one furnace) Over 1,000,000t/y<br>(two furnaces) Over 2,000,000t/y        |  |  |     |  |
| 4. Works in operation (Example)                        | Nucor (USA)<br>Hamboo (Korea)<br>POSCO (Korea)   |                  | BHP/North star (USA)<br>Trico (USA)   |   | Almost integrated works adopted  |  |  |     |  |
| 5. Available products                                  | 1. Mainly commercial quality<br>2. not suitable for tin & automobile outer parts<br>3. Width > 800 mm                              |                  | 1. high quality is difficult due to impossibility of slab conditioning<br>2. Suitable for all use (not clear in actual plant)   |   | 1. high quality possible)<br>2. Suitable for all use.                      |  |  |     |  |
| 6. Flexibility of small orders                         | Difficult to accept small orders due to no edger (width can not be changed at HSM)   |                  | Difficult to accept small orders due to weak edger (difficulty of width change at HSM)  |   | Possible to accept small orders due to edger (width can be changed at HSM) |  |  |     |  |
| 7. Capital cost  | Low  |                  | Middle  |   | High   |  |  |     |  |
| 8. Operating Cost (CC & HSM) (Yield, Energy, Manpower) | Base   |                  | Higher<br>Base +0.5-1.0 us\$/t  |   | Higher<br>Base + 1.0-2.0 us\$/T  |  |  |     |  |

Table 5-3-3 Comparison of TSP, MSP and CVP (Summary)

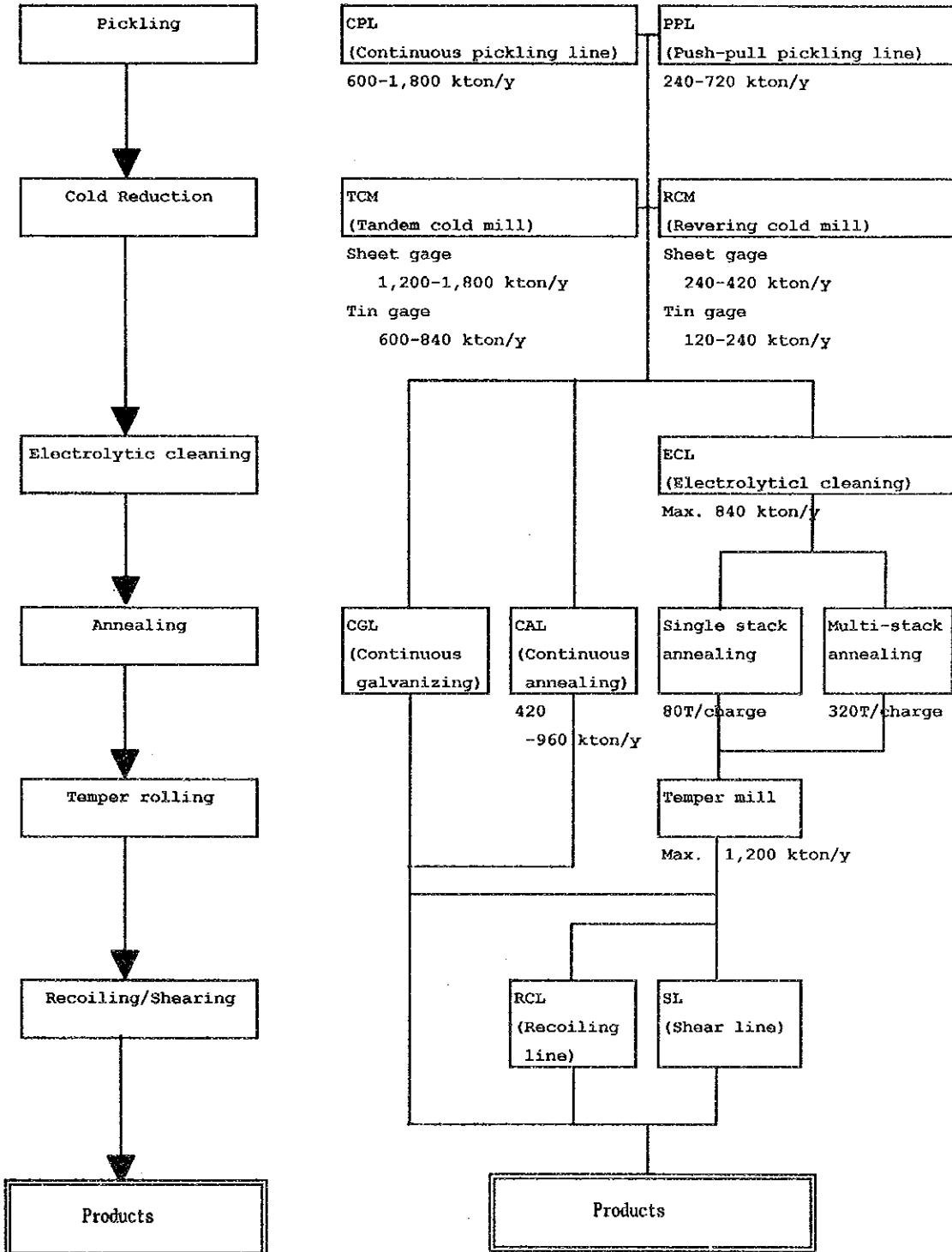
|                 | TSP  | MSP  | CVP   |
|-----------------|--|--|---|
| 1. Advantage    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Energy saving &amp; low operating cost</li> <li>2. Low initial equipment cost</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Middle Quality (Higher than CSP)</li> <li>2. Middle equipment cost between TSP &amp; CVP</li> <li>3. Equipment cost per steel ton may be the lowest</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High quality</li> <li>2. Easy to change Strip width at HSM</li> <li>3. High productivity of narrow slab casting (Double width casting is possible)</li> </ol>   |
| 2. Disadvantage | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Difficulty of slab conditioning</li> <li>2. Width adjustment at HSM is impossible.</li> <li>3. Usage for Tin and Automobile is not possible</li> <li>4. Can't use tapered slabs</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Difficulty of slab conditioning</li> <li>2. Under development process</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. High initial equipment cost</li> <li>2. High operating cost</li> </ol>  |
| 3. Comment      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Strip width should be 800-1600mm</li> <li>2. Kind of strip width should be minimized</li> <li>3. Very useful process under 1.0 million tons per year.</li> <li>4. Suitable for production of commercial products mainly for building construction in large markets such as USA etc.</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hot Rolled Coil Quality is not clear (Under development)</li> <li>2. Suitable for small production of medium class products in medium or large markets.</li> <li>3. This technology is still under development. No good process for EGYPT flat project at present</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Very useful process to produce narrow size (especially TMBP) and wide range of strip width</li> <li>2. Best process for high quality products and high production.</li> <li>3. Suitable for small production of various products in small or medium markets.</li> </ol> |



(4) Cold strip mill

1) Process and equipment for cold rolled and galvanized products

The following shows some representative equipment.



2) Selection on appropriate equipment

(a) Pickling process

The PPL (Push pull pickling line) shall be selected taking the production capacity into consideration.

(b) Cold rolling process

The RCM (Cold reversing mill) shall be selected due to the production capacity. However, as the maximum production by the RCM is about 350,000 ton/year, additional RCM or the alternative equipment should be considered in the 2nd stage.

(c) Electrolytic cleaning process

This process shall be omitted because tin plate is not planned in this project. (Severe surface cleanliness is not required.)

(d) Annealing process

Among CAL (Continuous annealing line), UAS(Uniflow annealing system), Multi-stack annealing furnaces and single stack annealing furnaces, the single stack annealing furnaces shall be selected taking the product mix and capacity into account.

(e) Temper rolling process

As a single stand temper mill has much surplus capacity, the combination type temper mill shall be selected so that it can be used as a reversing mill also in the 2nd stage.

(f) RCL(Recoiling line) and SL(shearing line)

One RCL shall be installed but SL shall not be installed because it is considered more cost-effective to make some profilers have the function.

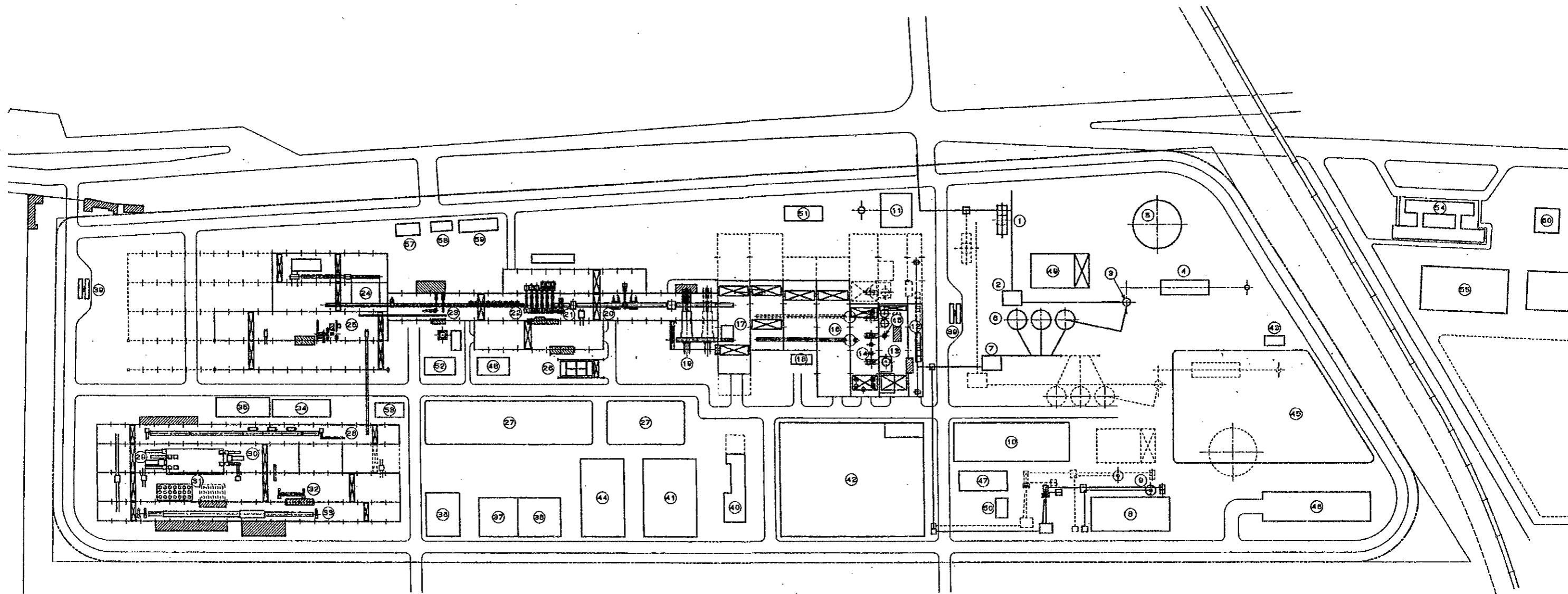
(g) CGL

Among recently popular four types - Wheeling type, Horizontal NOF type, Vertical RT type, Vertical DFF type -, Horizontal NOF type shall be selected considering quality and capacity.

## 5-4 Plant General Layout

The general plant layout is shown in Figure 5-4-1.





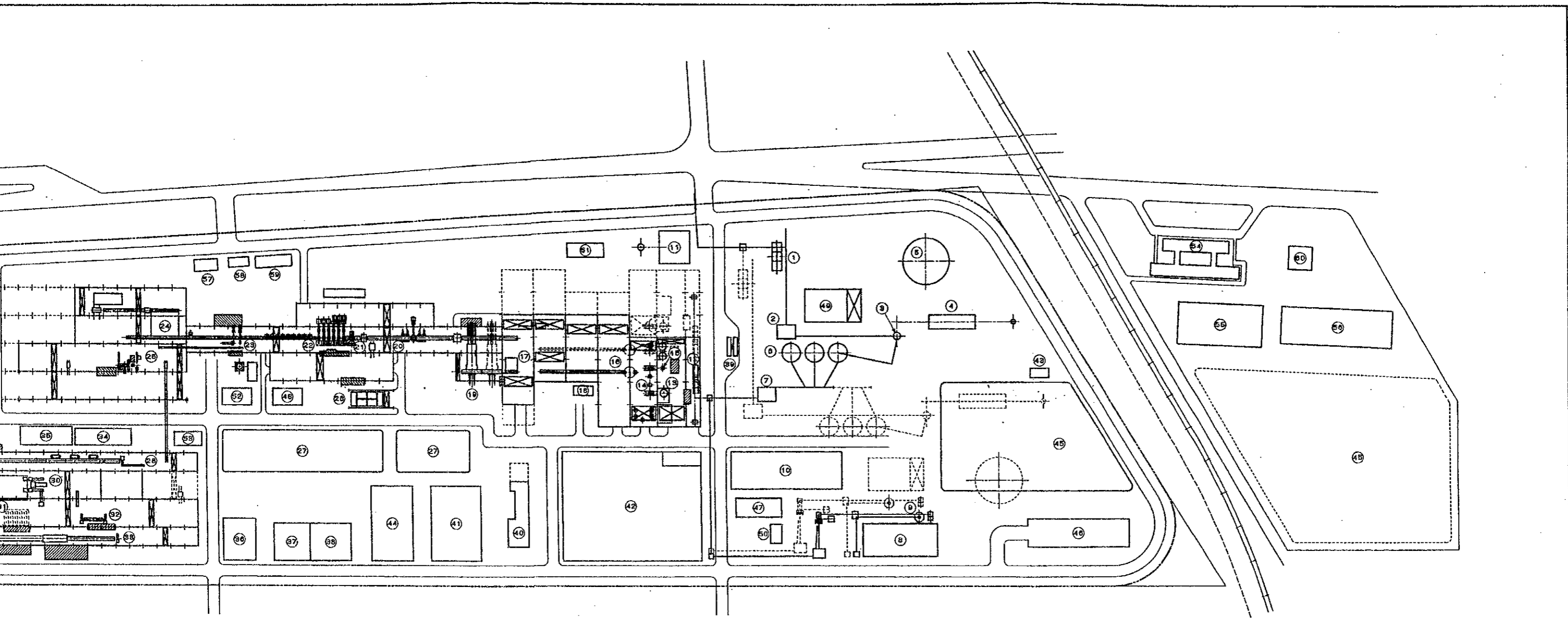
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|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ① OXIDE PELLET STORAGE BIN | ⑪ DUST COLLECTOR           | ⑳ COIL BOX                | ㉑ BATCH ANNEALING FURNACE   | ④① RAW WATER RECEIVING STATION   | ⑤① SMP OFFICE             |
| ② OXIDE PELLET SCREEN      | ⑫ MATERIAL HANDLING SYSTEM | ㉒ FINISHING MILL          | ③② RECOILING LINE           | ④② MAIN SUBSTATION               | ⑤② HSM OFFICE             |
| ③ REDUCTION FURNACE        | ⑬ ELECTRIC ARC FURNACE     | ㉓ DOWN COILER             | ③③ HOT DIP GALVANIZING LINE | ④③ NATURAL GAS RECEIVING STATION | ⑤③ CRM OFFICE             |
| ④ REFORMER                 | ⑭ LADLE TRANSFER CAR       | ㉔ PLATE LINE              | ③④ ACID REGENERATION        | ④④ SEWAGE TREATMENT STATION      | ⑤④ MAIN OFFICE            |
| ⑤ CLARIFIER                | ⑮ LADLE FURNACE            | ㉕ SKINPASS MILL           | ③⑤ UTILITY PLANT            | ④⑤ SCRAP YARD                    | ⑤⑤ MAINTENANCE SHOP       |
| ⑥ DRI STORAGE BIN          | ⑯ SLAB CASTER              | ㉖ SCALE PIT FOR HSM       | ③⑥ WATER TREATMENT FOR CRM  | ④⑥ SLAG YARD                     | ⑤⑥ REFRACTORIES WAREHOUSE |
| ⑦ DRI SCREEN               | ⑰ SLAB CONVEYOR            | ㉗ WATER TREATMENT FOR HSM | ③⑦ OIL STORE                | ④⑦ ADDITIVE WAREHOUSE            | ⑤⑦ GUARD OFFICE           |
| ⑧ LIME STONE STORAGE YARD  | ⑱ SCALE PIT FOR CCM        | ㉘ PICKLING LINE           | ③⑧ WASTE STORE              | ④⑧ LABORATORIES                  | ⑤⑧ CLINIC                 |
| ⑨ LIME CALCINING PLANT     | ⑲ REHEATING FURNACE        | ㉙ REVERSING MILL          | ③⑨ TRUCK SCALE              | ④⑨ DRP OFFICE                    | ⑤⑨ FIRE FIGHTING STATION  |
| ⑩ WATER TREATMENT FOR SMP  | ⑳ ROUGHING MILL            | ㉚ TEMPER MILL             | ④⑩ AIR COMPRESSOR ROOM      | ④⑩ LCP OFFICE                    | ⑤⑩ RESTAURANT             |

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Note: Future expansion plan is shown by dotted lines.

|             |                             |                            |                             |                                  |                           |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| STORAGE BIN | 11 DUST COLLECTOR           | 21 COIL BOX                | 31 BATCH ANNEALING FURNACE  | 41 RAW WATER RECEIVING STATION   | 51 SMP OFFICE             |
| SCREEN      | 12 MATERIAL HANDLING SYSTEM | 22 FINISHING MILL          | 32 RECOILING LINE           | 42 MAIN SUBSTATION               | 52 HSM OFFICE             |
| FACE        | 13 ELECTRIC ARC FURNACE     | 23 DOWN COILER             | 33 HOT DIP GALVANIZING LINE | 43 NATURAL GAS RECEIVING STATION | 53 CRM OFFICE             |
|             | 14 LADLE TRANSFER CAR       | 24 PLATE LINE              | 34 ACID REGENERATION        | 44 SEWAGE TREATMENT STATION      | 54 MAIN OFFICE            |
|             | 15 LADLE FURNACE            | 25 SKINPASS MILL           | 35 UTILITY PLANT            | 45 SCRAP YARD                    | 55 MAINTENANCE SHOP       |
|             | 16 SLAB CASTER              | 26 SCALE PIT FOR HSM       | 36 WATER TREATMENT FOR CRM  | 46 SLAG YARD                     | 56 REFRACTORIES WAREHOUSE |
|             | 17 SLAB CONVEYOR            | 27 WATER TREATMENT FOR HSM | 37 OIL STORE                | 47 ADDITIVE WAREHOUSE            | 57 GUARD OFFICE           |
| ORAGE YARD  | 18 SCALE PIT FOR CCM        | 28 PICKLING LINE           | 38 WASTE STORE              | 48 LABORATORIES                  | 58 CLINIC                 |
| PLANT       | 19 REHEATING FURNACE        | 29 REVERSING MILL          | 39 TRUCK SCALE              | 49 DRP OFFICE                    | 59 FIRE FIGHTING STATION  |
| T FOR SMP   | 20 ROUGHING MILL            | 30 TEMPER MILL             | 40 AIR COMPRESSOR ROOM      | 50 LCP OFFICE                    | 60 RESTAURANT             |

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Figure 5-4-1

|                               |                      |       |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------|--|
| FLAT PRODUCT PROJECT OF EGYPT |                      |       |  |
| TITLE                         | PLANT GENERAL LAYOUT |       |  |
| DWG NO. EFP-PGL-001           |                      |       |  |
| DATE                          | JUL.31.1997          | SCALE |  |



## 5-5 Raw Materials

The raw materials required in a direct reduction process (DR) of iron oxide and an electric arc furnace (EAF) route of a steel making plant include iron ores (lump ore and oxide pellet), scrap and sub-materials such as limestone, ferro-alloys, aluminum and fluorite.

Typical standard quantities of the raw materials required for the flat product plant of one million tons per year production basis are shown in Table 5-6-1.

Table 5-5-1 Main Raw Materials for Flat Product Plant

(Unit: tons/y)

| Raw Materials |                | Quantity  | Remarks  |
|---------------|----------------|-----------|--|
| Iron ores     | Lump ore       | 300,000   | Mixing ratio of lump ore and pellets will be 20% and 80%, respectively |
|               | Oxide pellets  | 1,200,000 |  |
| Scrap         |                | 170,000   | Return scrap = 104,000 t/y<br>Purchased scrap = 64,000 t/y             |
| Limestone     |                | 80,000    |  |
| Ferro-alloys  | Ferromanganese | 3,500     |  |
|               | Ferrosilicon   | 200       |  |
| Aluminum      |                | 600       |  |
| Fluorite      |                | 500       |  |

Generally, feasibility study is based on the principle that these raw materials are of local origin or production. However, in this study, with consideration given to the present status of the resource researches and the developments being conducted in Egypt, the raw materials are classified into three categories as follows, depending on supply sources:-

- 1) Domestic supply
  - a) Limestone
  - b) Fluorspar
  - c) Ferro-silicon
  - d) Aluminum (shot and bar)
  
- 2) Domestic and importation, together
  - a) Ferro-manganese
  - b) Refractories
  
- 3) Importation
  - a) Iron ore and oxide pellet
  - b) Scrap

c) Graphite electrode

The required iron ores in the DR/EAF route must be of high quality (67 % Fe content or more preferably). Consideration was given to the properties of iron ores and also to other industrial and economic factors, and in conclusion, iron ores have been selected as supply sources from other countries in this study.

Although locally produced scrap and ferro-manganese are utilized in the domestic industries, their quantities do not suffice more than that required by the existing Egypt steel industry, so it has been concluded that these raw materials are also imported.

Limestone, fluorspar, ferro-silicon and aluminum are produced in Egypt. Limestone and ferro-silicon have been exported for chemical industry and steel making use and they are the most reliable ones among all the raw materials in respect of the supply capacity.