

Renewable Energy Substitution in Lieu of Fossil Fuel Based Energy For India



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Abstract: Rapid globalization and industrialization is witnessed across the globe. This has led to a rapid increase in energy demand. In India, it is found that energy consumption is growing exponentially. A sustainable energy model that helps in optimizing the energy consumption is the need of the hour. The model should help policymakers to put proactive plans in place. A two-step process has been carried out. A demand prediction model is proposed to forecast the fossil based energy demand for India upto 2040-41. 92 econometric models have been were developed and the best fit was found. The requirement was found to be coal and lignite = 32203.42 pJ oil = 20396.92 PJ, natural gas = 3460.77 pJ and electricity = 9887.71 pJ. The total energy requirement in 2040-41 will be 65948 pJ in 2040-41. Using constraints such as energy return on investment, acceptability, reliability and CO2 emissions a multi-objective optimization model that maximizes efficiency and minimizes cost is developed. Renewable energy substitution scenarios are developed. Solar energy is expected to dominate and polices have to designed to ensure that the naturally available solar energy is being utilized to a larger extent. Smart grid technology is at its nascent stage of development in India. Research and development has to be done to enhance the use of smart grid so that decentralized energy generation from renewable energy can be increased.

Index Terms: energy model, optimization, renewable energy substitution, smart grid.

I. INTRODUCTION

India stands third in position in terms of energy consumption[1]. The coal reserves in India are found only in certain regions in abundance namely in the east and south-central part. The energy reserves [2] as on 31.03.18 are as follows: coal 319.04 billion tonnes (BT), lignite 45.66 BT, crude oil 594.49 million tonnes (MT), natural gas 1339.57 billion cubic meters (bcm). However the energy being supplied is not sufficient to meet the requirement and energy is being imported to meet the demand. This is a great strain on the foreign reserve position of the country. A major consumption of commercial energy consumption for India during 2017-18 [3], [4] was from coal – 424 million tonnes oil equivalent (Mtoe) and oil 221.1 Mtoe. The other energy sources were only nominal with natural gas 46.6 Mtoe, hydroelectricity 30.7 Mtoe, renewable energy 21.8 Mtoe and nuclear energy 8.7 Mtoe.

To augment the requirement, the government is taking active measures by installing renewable energy systems. India, being situated in the tropics has sunshine throughout

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the year. Also with a vast coastline, it has abundant potential for wind and biomass. India has the world's fourth-largest wind energy system of which the major installations are present in southern India. In addition, plans are in progress to increase the installation capacity of solar energy to hundred GW by 2020 [5].

The energy use per capita has an increasing trend yet in terms of quantum it is very low (Figure 1). For developed countries, it is found that energy use per capita is almost constant or is having a declining trend. The energy use per capita is almost double than that of the United Kingdom or Japan. However, for clean sustainable energy use, it is advocated to be low and to have a declining trend. Measures need to be taken to provide sufficient energy to the users without detrimental to the environmental. This calls for a major shift over from the conventional sources to renewable energy sources.

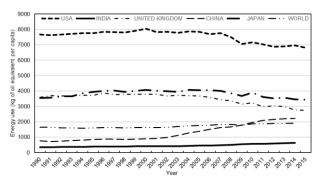


Fig 1. Per capita energy consumption

The energy intensity is compared across the various countries (Figure 2). The energy intensity is declining over the years for the Indian subcontinent. Though this is a positive sign, however, the rate of decline needs to be improved, since the rate of energy consumed needs to be far lesser against the national income of the country. This is mainly because of the large amount of fossil fuel imports. If the import of fossil fuel is restricted and to that extent, if renewable energy is used, then, far lesser energy intensity for the country will be witnessed.

The renewable energy was studied. A steady increase was witnessed. However in terms of percentage contribution, there is a decrease over the years. This is seen from the Figure 3. Measures have to be taken at a massive level so that the renewable energy is being utilized in a commercial manner and it is available to the consumers as an easy, cheap energy option. Until this happens it is very difficult. Policymakers should strategize the renewable energy utilization so that it is readily available to the common man as an alternative energy to electricity.

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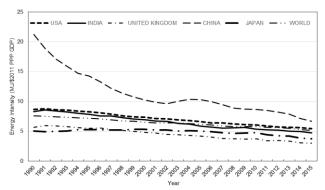


Fig. 2. Energy intensity

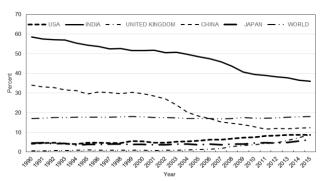


Fig. 3. Percentage of renewable energy utilization

Research has been done on how to enforce increased renewable energy utilization. Energy forecasting and optimization has been carried out to identify strategies for increasing renewable energy substitution. The energy Prediction of various fossil based energy fuels requirement is made upto 2040-41. This will help policymakers to proactively plan their requirement. Strategies are proposed to commercialize the renewable energy utilization.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Review of literature was undertaken in the domain of energy forecasting and optimization. The meta-analysis carried out by Suganthi and Samuel [6] highlights the energy planning models used. It includes from time series, regression and econometric models. Furthermore, autoregressive integrated moving average (ARIMA) have also been used for load forecasting wherein variations are hourly, daily and monthly. In addition soft computing tools have also been used namely particle swarm optimization (PSO), grey prediction, unit root test and co-integration models, support vector regression. Hybrid models such as artificial neural network, neuro-fuzzy, have also used.

Review indicated regression models are being used for energy forecasting [7],[8]. A hybrid model of ARIMA with particle swarm optimization has also been proposed for better forecasting accuracy [9]. To improve on the accuracy, more complex models have also been developed.

Econometric models were also being used to predict energy demand. Several researchers have worked on econometric models for prediction of energy demand [10],[11]. The supremacy of each model is presented based on their prediction accuracy.

Several soft computing techniques are also being used. ANN has been used to predict monthly, hourly electric demand [12]. Also, vector autoregressive (VAR) models and internal multilayer perceptron (iMLP) are also being used in electric demand prediction [13]. Genetic algorithm (GA) has been used for forecasting monthly electricity demand considering population, gross domestic product and other variables [14]. Simulation process have also been explored for prediction.

Independent component analysis and ICA- SVR [15] was used for oil price prediction. Neuro-fuzzy inference system was used to forecast wind energy [16] while stochastic dual dynamic programming was used to predict hydro energy needs. The review indicated that adopting sophisticated models result in a higher degree of accuracy.

Linear optimization models [17], [18] try to optimize the different energy needs based on the energy demand. In some instances models were developed for specific energy needs, for instance.

From the review of literature the following inferences were drawn. Firstly energy return on investment that includes energy per capita and energy intensity have not been studied in detail in energy planning models. Secondly, the energy constraints of a country have to be given importance. Thirdly optimization model that considered targeted renewable energy substitution have not been developed.

These research gaps are being addressed in this research work.

III. METHODOLOGY

The data regarding energy consumption for past three decades was collected from government published statistics [2]. The constraints used in the optimization model was determined [19]. Energy return on investment was also collected [20] for various renewable energy sources.

A. Energy Forecasting

Time series models were built to find the best fit energy demand. Then using the results of time series models, econometric models were determined for 2040-41. The fossil fuel based energy requirement was found. The time series model used linear, logarithmic, power, exponential and quadratic models. The parameters used in the econometric model include

 E_{best} = Best fit time series energy demand.

 E_{t-1} = Demand in the preceding year t-1.

 PR_i = Wholesale price index.

HC = Human capital.

NI = Gross National Product Index.

i = energy in terms of coal and lignite, oil and gas, electricity.

FER = Forecasted energy requirement.

The various models proposed are given in Table 1. Additive and multiplicative models were found totaling 91 models. The best fit is determined considering the R^2 , squared error and Durban Watson statistic. The fossil fuel based energy requirement till 2040-41 is predicted using the best fit.

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Table 1. Econometric Models

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1	$FER = f(E_{best}, PR_i, NI)$
2	$FER = f(E_{t_l}, PR_i, NI)$
3	$FER = f(E_{best}, PR_i, NI, HC)$
4	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_{i}, NI, HC)$
5	$FER = f(E_{best}, NI)$
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8	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i)$
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17	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI, HC)$
18	$FER = f(PR_i, NI, HC)$
19	$FER = f(E_{best}, PR_i/NI)$
20	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_{t}/NI)$
21	$FER = f(E_{best}, NI/PR_i)$
22	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/PR_i)$
23	$FER = f(E_{best}, PR_i/HC)$
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26	$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/HC)$ $EER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/HC)$
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B. Optimization model

Using the fossil fuel energy requirement in 2040-41, the percentage renewable energy to be substituted is determined. An optimization model is constructed. The combination of different renewable energy sources to be utilized are determined. Consumer acceptance, demand, potential, reliability, CO_2 emissions, human capital availability and energy return on investment are the constraints. The model is run with 38 variables and 32 constraints to find the maximum amount of renewable energy distribution in 2040-41

The objective function is as follows

Maximize
$$\sum_{j=1}^{6} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \left[\frac{C_{ij}}{\eta_{ij}} \right] X_{ij}$$

subject to the following constraints

i. Social acceptance .. 6 constraints

$$\sum_{i=1}^{6} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{l} \frac{X_{ij}}{S_{ij}} \ge D_j \right]$$

ii. Demand .. 6 constraints

$$\sum_{j=1}^{6} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{l} X_{ij} \ge D_{j} \right]$$

iii. Potential .. 6 constraints

$$\sum_{k=1}^{6} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} X_{ik} \leq P_k \right]$$

iv. Reliability 6 constraints

$$\sum_{k=1}^{6} \left[R_k \sum_{i=1}^{m} X_{ik} \le P_k \right]$$

v. CO₂ emission .. 1 constraint

$$\left[E_n \sum_{k=1}^{6} \sum_{i=1}^{m} X_{ik} \le T_n\right]$$

vi. Human capital availability .. 1 constraint

$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^{6}\sum_{i=1}^{l}F_{ij}X_{ij} \leq Pop\right]$$

vii. Energy return on investment .. 6 constraints

$$\sum_{k=1}^{6} \left[EROI_k \sum_{i=1}^{m} X_{ik} \le P_k \right]$$

where

 $\eta = efficiency of the system$

C = cost of the system

D = renewable energy demand

E = emission factor

EROI = energy return on investment

F = employment factor

P = potential

Pop = population

R = reliability

S = Consumer acceptance

T = target emission

X = quantum of renewable energy



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Subscripts

i = renewable energy system

j = enduse

k = resource

 $n = emission from CO_2$

1 = number of systems in respective enduses

1 = 5 for lighting

1 = 7for cooking

1 = 7for pumping

1 = 7for heating

1 = 6for cooling

1 = 6for transportation

m = renewable energy

m = 16 for solar

m = 6 for wind

m = 6 for biomass gasifier

m = 2 for biomass direct combustion

m = 6 for biogas

2 for ethanol m =

Renewable energy substitution at 40, 50 and 60% in the total energy scene has been determined. Strategies are proposed for commercial utilization of renewable energy.

IV. RESULTS

A. Prediction of Energy demand

Time series models are used to predict the fossil fuel based energy. The energy demand is predicted using year as the dependent variable. The best fit for energy demand E_{best} was selected using R² and SE.

In almost for all types of fossil based energy, quadratic equation dominated the scene indicated an exponential growth in energy consumption as shown in Appendix 1. The best fit time series model is used as one of the variables in the econometric models.

Econometric models was used with the past data to find the model equation. The variables used were best fit demand, energy price, GNP and population. The various models given in Table 1 were fitted using regression equation in SPSS. R², SE and DW was used to validate the models. Though there are several methods used for validation, in this research these three techniques were adopted. A combined rank was used and the top ranking models identified. The details are given in Appendix 2. t-test was used to find the best fit and the results are presented in Appendix 3 for coal. Similarly it is carried out for other fossil fuel based energy sources.

The best fit econometric models is given in Table 2. Additive models emerged as the best fit models. Looking at the models, it is inferred that energy consumption pattern is strongly dependent on the preceding year's energy consumption. Coal consumption is strongly dependent on price and population. Oil consumption is dependent on the national income and population. Natural gas is influenced by population and national income. Electricity consumption is dependent on national income and price.

Table 2. Best fit Econometric Model

Sourc	Best fit Econometric Model
e	
Coal	$FER = -406808 + 0.566*(E_{t-1}) -$
	$4305.961*(PR_i) + 1751.455*(HC)$
	$R^2 = 0.8410$ $SE = 70115.080$ $DW = 2.13$
Oil	$FER = -1097830 + 0.377*(E_{t-1}) +$
	27949.563*(NI/HC)
	$R^2 = 0.995$ SE = 66496.02 DW = 1.451
Natura	$FER = -106930 + 646958.3*(E_{t-1}/HC) +$
1 gas	2388.004*NI
	$R^2 = 0.986$ $SE = 29268.12$ $DW = 1.866$
Electri	$FER = 56249.564 + 1.003*(E_{t-1})$ -
city	14413.5*(NI/PR _i)
	$R^2 = 0.998$ $SE = 13919.88$ $DW = 1.091$

The energy demand is predicted until 2040-41 using the best fit model. The total fossil fuel based energy needs in 2030-31 is for coal & lignite = 23729.91 petajoule (pJ), oil =16224.78 pJ, natural gas = 2884.62electricity=7242.38 pJ. In 2040-41 it is expected to be coal & lignite =32203.42 pJ oil =20396.92 pJ, natural gas =3460.77 pJ and electricity=9887.71 pJ. The total energy requirement in 2030-31 will be 50081 pJ and in 2040-41 it will be 65948 pJ. If this is the total energy requirement, the contribution from renewable energy sources is calculated and the results are taken as input into the optimization model.

B. Optimization model

The optimization model is run for 40%, 50% and 60% renewable energy penetration in 2040-41 in the total energy scene using solver add-in in Excel. If 40% of renewable energy has to be used in the total energy scene in 2040-41 the proportion of various renewable sources in different enduses have been determined and given in Figure 4.

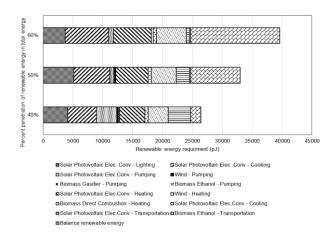


Figure 4. Renewable energy distribution pattern in 2040-41

The results clearly indicate that solar energy utilization is the mostly preferred resource considering the various constraints. Necessary steps have to be taken to ensure solar energy utilization is commercialized.





V. RECOMMENDATIONS

Considering the energy requirement in 2040-41 and the optimization plan proposed it is found that solar energy is the most optimal resource. To implement solar energy at a large scale, it is suggested that smart grid is the best solution. Implementing smart grid technology requires the support of several technologies like sensors, robotics, and advanced analytics, which together form advanced, interconnected systems. These technologies need to be capable of receiving and transferring enormous amount of data. Also it requires analysis of the data for optimally understanding the requirements and transferring the power. These systems are very sensitive and critical. They are the brain behind the smart grid operation. It needs to be flexible and agile to quickly decipher the large quantum of data getting transferred through the systems. As it processes and decides on the data the system learns and become intelligent in the process thus becoming smart. analyzing large amounts of data. Furthermore, with the advent of internet of things, there emerges a suite of technologies which aid in integrating the various devices to communicate among themselves.

In earlier days, when the electricity goes off, it was the responsibility on the part of the customer to inform the electricity board. Presently with sensors on the electricity line, when the electricity line goes off, an alert is immediately sent out. This aids in immediately rectifying the problem. Similarly when the utilities are equipped with smart gird technologies, it will help in delivering qaulity power from the grid to the consumers. Furthermore the power from the smart grid will be clean and renewable in nature. However, the communication system network is evolving. Research and development is being carried out to bring in wireless connectivity and thus offer better quality of life. With the new revolution happening in the IoT front, the comunications network is becoming an enabler of smart gird adoption. Utilities are hence able to offer more efficient customer service.

Smart grid enabled IoT offers opportunities for utilities to efficiently and effectively utilize the research innovations. The performance of the power grid using IoT enabled smart grid can be improved through three stages: (i) by collecting the data from the various devices and sensors and analyzing the data to make the grid more robust (ii) to ensure the utilities are optimally using the solar and wind energy being received from various generation points and (iii) allowing an optimal decision support system to intelligently manage and decide the energy resource to be used at a point in time for the benefit of all stakeholders [89]. As far as India is concerned we are in the evolving state. In future, a detailed study needs to be done on how to adopt smart grid technology that integrates the decentratlized renewable energy generated at sources using the IoT devices, supplies it to the grid which then distributes it back to the enduser in an optimal manner. In addition, detailed research is required to find the prevailing conditions, social acceptance, technical viability and economic feasibility of introducing smart grid with IoT devices.

VI. CONCLUSION

As expected, the results from the forecasting model indicates the energy requirement in India is going to double. Policy makers have to ensure that renewable energy sources are getting utilized to a larger extent. For this the energy from renewable sources should be easily and readily available. Also it has to be competitive with the existing electricity pricing. The optimization model indicates that solar energy is the most optied renewable energy source considerign the various constriaints. Solar energy need to be commercialized so that it is available as an alternate energy in decentralized locations. The technology in research and development stage need to moved to commercialization stage. If smart grid becomes economically and technically feasible then electricity from renewable energy can be plugged into the grid. Globally the world is marching towards advanced research in IoT device and smart grid optimization methodologies. The national status reveals that this technology is being propagated by Government of India by giving training programs and encouraging research and development activities. The research highlights the need for commercializing the renewable energy technologies and make a viable option for the consumers.

APPENDIX

Appendix 1. Best fit Time series Model.

Source	Best fit Time series Model					
Coal	$E_{best} = 1043987 + 60907.8 t - 1420.3 t^2$	$R^2 = 0.7825$				
		SE	=			
		89256.51				
Oil	$E_{best} = 1226610.99 + 49609.66 t +$	\mathbb{R}^2	П			
	$4311.96 t^2$	0.990016				
		SE	=			
		108199.1				
Natural	$E_{best} = -6105.02 + 1385.09 t + 708.69$	$R^2 = 0.97$	61			
gas	t^2	SE	=			
		40249.23				
Electricity		$\mathbb{R}^2 =$				
	$E_{best} = 72405.35 - 10623.95 t - 625.91$	0.991088				
	t^2	SE	=			
		38178.99				

Appendix 2. Top ten Econometric Models

Model	Type	\mathbb{R}^2	SE	DW	Rank
Coal					
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, NI, HC)$	Add model	0.841151	70103.65	2.147477	1
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, HC)$	Add model	0.841103	70115.08	2.125131	2
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, NI)$	Add model	0.817971	75042.17	2.343611	3
$FER = (E_{t-1}, NI/HC, PR_i)$	Add model	0.814696	75714.14	2.267665	4
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, NI, HC)$	Mult model	0.819747	74765.27	1.945845	5
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, NI, HC)$	Mult model	0.819694	75576.08	1.912408	6
$FER = (E_{t-1}, NI/PR_i, HC)$	Add model	0.821825	74247.11	1.873227	7
$FER = (E_{t-1}, PR/HC, NI)$	Add model	0.809611	76745.85	2.210422	8
$FER = (E_{t-1}, PR_{i}/HC, NI)$	Mult model	0.815629	75545.72	1.891625	9
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, NI)$	Mult model	0.816172	75597.53	1.888278	10

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Oil					
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	0.997058	55014.18	1.590992	
PR _i , NI, HC)	model	0.997036	33014.16	1.390992	1
$FER = (E_{t-1}, NI/HC, PR_i)$	Add model	0.996451	60422.04	1.557119	2
$FER = f(E_{best},$	Add				
PR_i , NI , HC)	model	0.995842	66732.23	1.503687	3
$FER = (E_{t-1},$	Add	0.995701	66496.02	1.451783	
NI/HC)	model	0.773701	00470.02	1.431703	4
$FER = f(E_{t-1}/MC, PR_i, NI)$	Add model	0.996401	60835.38	1.369393	5
$FER = f(E_{best},$	Add	0.005706	67160.47	1 440101	3
PR _i , NI)	model	0.995786	67168.47	1.448191	6
$FER = f(E_{best},$	Add	0.995599	68645.52	1.50946	7
NI, HC) $FER = (E_{t-1}, \dots)$	model Add				7
$PER - (E_{t-I}, PR_{i}/HC, NI)$	model	0.996477	60191.98	1.280157	8
$FER = f(E_{t-1})$	Mult	0.996074	64058.74	1.302302	_
HC, PR _i , NI)	model	0.220074	04036.74	1.302302	9
$FER = (E_{best}, PR/HC NI)$	Add model	0.995638	68349.25	1.401933	10
PR _i /HC, NI)	model			<u> </u>	10
Natural gas	A 11	1	1	1	
$FER = f(E_{t-1} / HC, PR_i, NI)$	Add model	0.98647	29267.53	1.863239	1
$FER = f(E_{t-1}/$	Add	0.90047	29201.33	1.003239	1
HC, NI)	model	0.986469	29268.12	1.866548	2
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add				
PR _i /NI, HC)	model	0.985211	30598.61	1.878257	3
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/PR_i, HC)$	Add model	0.985735	30051.26	1.846731	4
$FER = f(E_{t-1}/$	Add	0.703133	30031.20	1.070/31	-
HC, PR_i)	model	0.983224	32588.91	2.045588	5
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add				
PR_i, NI, HC	model	0.985733	30053.72	1.803188	6
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI, HC)$	Mult model	0.983761	32534.64	1.880705	7
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	5.5 5.5 7.5 1	2223	2.220700	
PR _i , HC)	model	0.98503	30785.46	1.86288	8
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, I)$	Add	0.00527	20525 42	1.700700	
NI, HC) $FER = f(E_{t-1}, $	model Add	0.98527	30537.43	1.782798	9
NI/PR_i)	model	0.982044	33715.7	1.923457	10
Electricity					
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add				
PR_i , NI , HC)	model	0.998809	13690.46	1.16236	1
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	0.000==:	1000 - 1	4.00=000	
$PR_i, NI)$	model	0.998771	13905.34	1.225802	2
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, PR_i, HC)$	Add model	0.998809	13692.23	1.160374	3
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	0.770007	13072.23	1.1003/4	
NI, HC)	model	0.998802	13729.19	1.134825	4
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, HG)$	Add	0.00055	1050 - 05	1.050/55	
NI/PR _i , HC)	model	0.998791	13796.05	1.078435	5
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/PR_i)$	Add model	0.998769	13919.88	1.091388	6
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	5.270102	10,1,100	1.0,1500	Ť
NI/HC, PR _i)	model	0.998743	14062.7	1.197076	7
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	0.0007.5	12021 64	1.044245	
HC) $FER = f(E_{t-1},$	model Mult	0.998767	13931.64	1.044245	8
$FER = f(E_{t-1}, NI/HC, PR_i)$	Mult model	0.998757	14049.62	1.062016	9
$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	5.5,5,6,6,7	2.0.77.02	2.0.2010	
PR _i /NI, HC)	model	0.99877	13914.64	1.025626	10

Appendix 3. Econometric models.

CR	Models for Coal	Typ e	Variabl es	t	Signif	O Ran k
1	FER = f(E	Add	Constant	-1.388	.176	
	$_{t-1}$, PR_i , NI ,		E_{t-1}	3.423	.002	
	HC)		PR_i	-2.091	.046	
			NI	.092	.927	
			HC	2.021	.053	
2	$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	Constant	-1.435	.162	1
	$PR_i, HC)$		E_{t-1}	4.196	.000	
			PR_i	-2.521	.017	
			HC	2 523	017	

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3	$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Add	Constant	.497	.623	
	$PR_i, NI)$		E_{t-1}	10.480	.000	
			PR_i	-1.377	.179	
			NI	1.367	.182	
4	$FER = (E_{t-1},$	Add	Constant	210	.835	
	$NI/HC, PR_i$)		E_{t-1}	10.400	.000	
			NI /HC	1.150	.259	
			PR_i	-1.162	.255	
5	$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Mult	Constant	.059	.953	
	PR_i , NI , HC)		E_{t-1}	5.001	.000	
			PR_i	038	.970	
			NI	957	.347	
			HC	.645	.524	
6	$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Mult	Constant	.319	.752	
	NI, HC)		E_{t-1}	5.100	.000	
			NI	-1.263	.216	
			HC	1.276	.212	
7	$FER = (E_{t-1},$	Add	Constant	2.293	.029	
	NI/PR_i , HC)		E_{t-1}	5.692	.000	
			NI/PR_i	-1.591	.123	
			HC	-1.143	.262	
8	$FER = (E_{t-1},$	Add	Constant	.882	.385	
	PR₁/HC, NI)		E_{t-1}	8.590	.000	
			PR _i /HC	734	.469	
			NI	.725	.474	
9	$FER = (E_{t-1},$	Mult	Constant	1.984	.057	
	$PR_i/HC, NI)$		E_{t-1}	6.083	.000	
			PR _i /HC	1.052	.301	
			NI	-1.003	.324	
10	$FER = f(E_{t-1},$	Mult	Constant	2.054	.049	
	$PR_i, NI)$		E_{t-1}	5.931	.000	
			PR_i	1.087	.286	
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