Critical Temperature

All fruits and vegetables have a 'critical temperature' below which undesirable and irreversible reactions take place. The storage temperature must always be above this critical temperature.

Critical temperatures for some of the important crops:

Commodity	Critical Temperature (°C)
Apple	-1 - 3
Beans, green	4 - 7
Brinjal	0 - 2
Cabbage	0 - 2
Carrots	0 - 2
Cauliflower	0 - 2
Cucumber	7 - 10
Grapes	-1 - 1
Lemons	4 - 15
Lime	3 - 10
Mango	11 - 18
Potato	1.5 - 4

SUSTAINABLE GOALS

ACHIEVED USING THIS TECHNOLOGY



Zero hunger



Clean and affordable energy



Sustainable cities and communities



Climate action

Recognition for PLUSS®



ASSOCHAM ASSOCHAM- Innovative Technology





FICCI- DST Lockheed Martin Award – 2015



TCL- Supply Chain Innovation

Award for pharmaceuticals

CII- Industrial Innovation

Award - 2014 & 2017



MIT- Innovators under 35 India Award - 2016 & 2017

Award – 2015 Healthcare category



WWF- Climate & Energy - 2021



GITA- Global Innovation & Technology Alliance – 2022



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PCM BASED GRID FREE COLD ROOM

With Integrated Phase Change Materials (PCM) based on Thermal Energy Storage system









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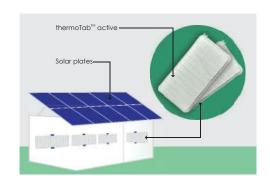


About HimaCool™

Hima $Cool^{\mathbb{M}}$ is thermal energy storage (TES) based 24x7 micro cold room which enables cooling at a fixed temperature range, even after sunset. Thermal energy storage (TES) technology eliminates the dependency on electrical batteries for cooling during non-sunshine hours.

The Technology

- During the daytime, HimaCool[™] functions on solar energy to run the condensing unit and simultaneously, stores thermal energy in Phase Change Material (PCM) based thermoTab[™] active plates.
- The thermoTab[™] active plate is a set of cold framed and welded sheets of steel. The interior section of the plate has evaporator coils running through it and the remaining space is filled with PCM.
- When the refrigerant flows through the evaporator coils, the PCM freezes and uses the stored thermal energy to maintain the temperature throughout the night.
- In retrospective, HimaCool[™] operates for 24 hours on receiving only 6 hours of sunlight.





PCM-Phase Change Materials

PCM is used to describe materials that use phase change (solidify, liquify, evaporate or condense) to absorb or release large amounts of energy at constant temperatures. PCMs leverage the natural property of latent heat to help maintain product and environment temperature for extended periods of time.

ADVANTAGES:



5 MT PCM based cold room (3 MT and other customized solutions also available).



100% grid and diesel free: Powered by solar energy; net-zero carbon footprint.



Electrical battery free: Installed PCM plates act as thermal batteries.



Frozen Temp. range: -15 to -25 °C. Chilled Temp. range: +2 to +8 °C.



High quality produce: HimaCool[™] functioning as farm gate for farmers.



Increases farmer's income and encourages entrepreneurship.