Small-Scale Autoclaves to Manage Medical Waste

A buyer's guide to selecting autoclaves manufactured in India

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About this guide

There is a growing interest, globally, in more sustainable non-incineration approaches to treatment of medical waste. However, currently there is very little information on practical alternatives for treating medical waste in low resource settings. In this guide PATH has gathered information from manufacturers of small-scale Indian autoclaves as one option for treatment of medical waste. India was chosen as the focus country for the guide because of its large number of manufacturers of lower-cost, small-scale autoclaves.

Autoclaves can offer a safe, affordable means for sterilizing some medical waste, including highly infectious sharps waste. This booklet is intended to provide a starting point for managers interested in learning more about autoclaves and to aid in decision-making for purchase of medical waste autoclaves. It includes issues to consider when purchasing an autoclave, technical specifications of some devices, and a list of Indian manufacturers of autoclaves with current contact information. The information is based on desk research and has not been verified through bench testing or field evaluation. For further guidance on deciding whether an autoclave is appropriate for waste treatment in your setting, refer to the references listed at the end of this guide.

About PATH

PATH is an international, nonprofit organization that creates sustainable, culturally relevant solutions, enabling communities worldwide to break cycles of poor health. By collaborating with diverse publicand private-sector partners, PATH helps provide appropriate health technologies and vital strategies that improve global health and well-being.

In the field of safe injection and medical waste management, PATH has served for over 20 years in a global leadership role, championing improved approaches to injection safety for the developing world. PATH actively participated in establishing the Safe Injection Global Network (SIGN). As a founding member and chair of the Injection Safety Alliance in India, whose objectives and activities included reducing unnecessary injections, PATH carried out nationwide studies of injection safety in

association with the government of India. PATH has also published relevant training materials and tools and trained health care workers—primarily in Africa, India, and Indonesia—on appropriate safe injection and medical waste management techniques.

The importance of safe treatment and disposal of medical waste

Between 10% and 25% of all medical waste is hazardous, and the majority of hazardous medical waste is infectious, meaning that it can transmit infections and may be harmful to health workers, the community, and the environment. Injection equipment (e.g., needles and syringes) and other sharps waste are often exposed to bloodborne pathogens and therefore carry the greatest risk of disease transmission if they are reused or handled in an unsafe manner. This risk creates a significant public health burden. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that 21 million hepatitis B infections, 2 million hepatitis C infections, and 260,000 HIV infections are inadvertently caused by injections administered with contaminated needles and syringes each year.2

Proper segregation of medical waste into general waste, infectious waste, and sharps waste is the first step in preventing accidental injury and disease transmission. Once waste is properly segregated, it must be treated and disposed of in a safe manner according to facility and country policies for medical waste disposal.3 For an overview of medical waste treatment and disposal options, refer to Safe Management of Wastes from Health-Care Activities (WHO 1999).4 For further information on safe handling and disposal of medical waste, visit PATH's Health Care Waste Management Resource Page (http://www.path.org/projects/health_care_waste_ resources.php), which offers a convenient compilation of key guidance documents, training materials, and case studies.

Using autoclaves to treat infectious waste

Autoclaves are the most common non-incineration treatment method for medical waste. By using pressurized steam to heat the waste to a temperature of at least 121°C, autoclaves can sterilize infectious waste without causing airborne emissions that are created when waste is burned. Steam sterilization is an efficient method of treating medical waste because the moisture increases heat transfer and more effectively penetrates the waste load, reducing the time needed to achieve sterilization.

It is recommended that operators of autoclaves confirm that autoclaved waste is sterile by using a chemical or biological indicator. These indicators are commercially available and should be included with every batch of waste.

Segregation of waste is an important part of medical waste treatment when using an autoclave. Waste-containing mercury (e.g., broken thermometers) and high-mass waste such as body parts should not be sterilized by autoclave.

Using an autoclave may open up opportunities to consider recycling the sterilized plastic waste. If plastic waste is intended to be recycled, consider integrating needle remover devices for immediate removal of needles at all injection locations in the facility. Dispose of needles in a needle pit or a specially designed barrel.† Alternatively, the needles and syringes can be shredded in safety boxes after they have been autoclaved. Cardboard safety boxes must first be placed in an autoclave bag—they should not be placed directly into an autoclave as the steam may break down the cardboard.

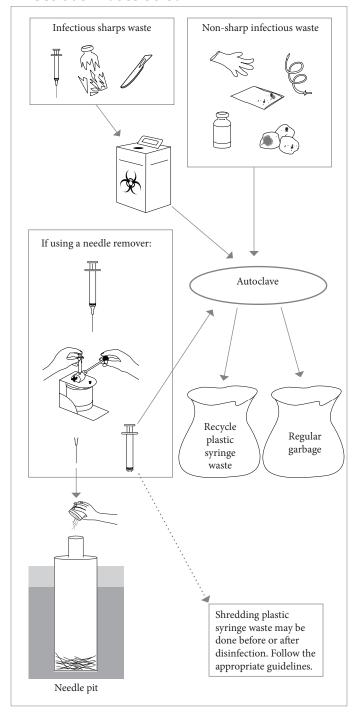
Shredding of plastic syringe waste may be done either before or after autoclaving: there is no consensus on a preferred strategy and there are advantages and disadvantages to both. Shredding plastic syringe waste after disinfection is safe, reduces the volume of the waste, and may facilitate the recycling process. When shredding infectious syringe waste before it has been

[†] For more information on constructing a needle pit or barrel for use with needle removers, visit PATH's Needle Remover Resource Page at http://www.path.org/projects/health_care_waste_needle_remover_resources.php.

disinfected, there is a risk that infectious matter may become aerosolized during the shredding process.

As with the handling of all medical waste, health workers and waste handlers operating a shredder should be supplied with personal protective equipment such as gloves, goggles, masks, and aprons. In addition, the shredder must be properly cleaned and sterilized following use.

Infectious waste stream



Prior to purchasing an autoclave, each facility should have a plan for regular collection and disposal of disinfected waste. Depending on local policy, waste disinfected in an autoclave may be disposed of in a municipal landfill or buried in a protected pit. In addition, every facility should have a comprehensive plan for the segregation, treatment, collection, and final disposal of all other medical waste sterilized at the facility.

Choosing the right autoclave for your needs

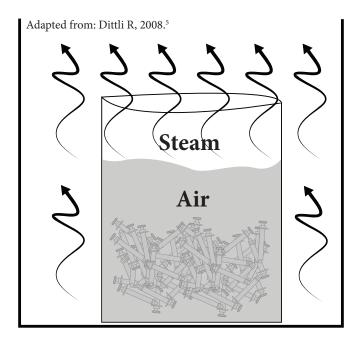
There is a wide selection of autoclaves that are commercially available, and their features vary greatly. This buyer's guide focuses on small-scale autoclaves that can be used for sterilizing medical waste. Autoclaves intended for sterilizing waste are generally larger than those intended for sterilizing reusable equipment, and they come with bin-shaped containers or carts for holding the waste rather than trays. Medical waste must be autoclaved in specially designed autoclave bags that will withstand the steam and extreme heat.



Autoclaves achieve rapid sterilization at relatively low temperatures (121°C) by removing air from the chamber. This is done either through gravity displacement, in which the hot steam injected into the chamber forces air out through a vent in the bottom, or with a vacuum that removes the air from the chamber prior to beginning the steam sterilization cycle.

Gravity displacement autoclaves must be carefully loaded to avoid air pockets within the waste that would prevent the steam from fully penetrating the load and resulting in sub-optimal sterilizing temperatures. Likewise, gravity displacement does not work as well when waste is contained in autoclave bags because air pockets may be trapped in the bags.⁵

Vacuum autoclaves are a newer design, and achieve sterilizing temperatures more quickly by removing all air from the autoclave chamber prior to filling the chamber with steam.



There are many models of autoclaves to choose from. Generally, autoclaves may be defined by whether they are horizontal or vertical, rectangular or cylindrical, and frontloading or toploading. Some features may suit your needs better than others, depending on how waste is collected at your facility.

How large?

The autoclaves listed in this guide range between 35 liters and 200 liters in capacity and in some cases can be custom made to suit the needs of the user. Each autoclave should be purchased according to the amount of waste generated at the facility in which the device will be placed. In order to calculate the capacity needed you should consider the waste management policies in place that may influence what types of waste are treated, how often waste is treated, and what final disposal methods will be used. This will inform the calculations for frequency of operation of the autoclave, the size of each batch of waste to be treated, and subsequently the size of autoclave that will be needed. For example, if a facility has a recycling program in place, the plastic waste will be segregated and treated separately from other infectious waste. This may, in turn, affect the batch size and frequency of treatments needed to process the different types of waste at this facility.

Sample calculation for autoclave size

A hospital produces 3 liters per day of plastic syringe waste (after needles are removed), 1 safety box (1L) of infectious sharps waste such as broken vials and scalpels, and 15 liters per day of other infectious waste. Of the non-sharp infectious waste, 8 liters are infectious waste that may not be placed in an autoclave, such as body parts or placentas. This amount is subtracted from the total infectious waste, so the health center is left with 7 liters of non-sharp infectious waste appropriate for disinfection in an

15 liters	Non-sharp infectious waste	
- 8 liters	Waste not appropriate for autoclaving	No. of the last of
= 7 liters	Infectious waste appropriate for autoclaving	
+ 3 liters	Recyclable plastic syringe waste	
+ 1 liter	Infectious sharps waste	
= 11 liters		
/ 5 autoclave cycles per day		
= 2.2 liters*	* Capacity needed will vary depending on the number of cycles run each day.	

autoclave, 3 liters of plastic syringe waste, and 1L of other sharps waste. The autoclave the hospital is considering purchasing can run up to 5 cycles per day, so they determine the capacity needed will be (7L + 3L + 1L)/5 cycles per day = 2L capacity needed. To reduce the number of cycles that the autoclave is run each day, a slightly larger capacity device may be preferred.



What temperature?

WHO recommends that for treatment of medical waste in an autoclave, the sterilization cycle should reach 121°C with 1 bar pressure for 60 minutes.⁵ While this is a good general rule to follow, actual sterilization time will vary depending on the autoclave and size and composition of the load (metals and plastics achieve sterilization more quickly than saturated gauze and other wet materials). Refer to the manufacturer's operation manual for specific instructions on time requirements for sterilization.



What features?

Autoclaves come with many different features depending on the size, type, and intended use. In general, standard features include:

Pressure gauge

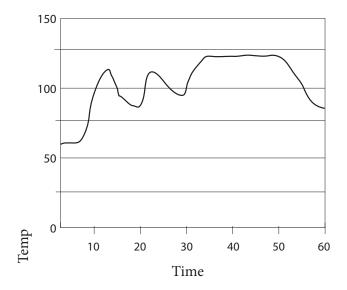
The pressure gauge enables operators to confirm that the chamber is reaching the proper pressure to achieve sterile conditions.

Temperature indicator

Along with the pressure gauge, a thermostat helps the operator track optimal conditions within the autoclave during a cycle.

Temperature recorder

A temperature recorder provides a retrospective analysis of the temperature inside the chamber throughout the duration of the autoclave cycle. This is useful for tracking the length of proper sterilization temperatures inside the autoclave.



Sample readout from temperature recorder displaying temperatures during several sterilization cycles.

Steam release valve

A steam release valve maintains the appropriate level of pressure within the chamber.

Door lock

A door lock prevents the chamber door from being opened while it is pressurized, which is very dangerous and can cause serious injury.

Safety valve

This valve is an extra safety precaution that prevents the operator from inadvertently opening the autoclave chamber before it is completely depressurized.

User controls

User controls allow the operator to adjust temperature settings, pressure settings, and duration of the cycle. They are useful for modifying the sterilization cycle depending on the type and quantity of waste.

Automatic shut-off

This feature allows the operator to be away from the autoclave during the cycle without concern of running the device longer than the recommended duration. This is a particular concern when there is no continuous water supply.

Timer alarm

When the automatic shut-off feature is not available, an alarm can be used to alert the operator that the autoclave cycle is complete.

Continuous water supply

When available, continuous water supply (water faucet connected to the autoclave) relieves the burden of refilling the autoclave before each cycle. By ensuring the autoclave never runs out of water, it also prevents damage to the equipment caused by overheating.

Water level detection

This feature sounds an alarm when the water level is too low to provide sufficient steam to run the sterilization cycle to completion, and alerts operators of action needed to prevent damage to heating elements.



How much will it cost?

Prices vary based on size, durability, type of device, and extra features. In general, capital cost for an autoclave used for medical waste and manufactured in a middle income country is between US\$1,300 and US\$11,000 excluding the price of consumables needed to operate the equipment.



Other considerations

Operator training

A skilled operator is required for running an autoclave. This person must be trained in proper loading, routine monitoring, and safe operation of the device, and must have solid knowledge of safe medical waste practices.

Spare parts

Verify that the manufacturer or supplier will service and repair the unit they are selling, and can provide spare parts. This is critical for proper function of the device as autoclaves are pressurized and can be dangerous if not maintained and repaired properly. Typically, the spare part that wears out first is the gasket seal to the pressure chamber, but each manufacturer's device is different, and, in general,

spare parts are not interchangeable. When obtaining price quotes from manufacturers you may wish to ask if any spare parts are included.

Consumables

Special bags that are resistant to high temperatures but penetrable to steam must be used to line bins used to collect waste for autoclaving. Biological or chemical indicators should be used to confirm sterility of treated waste. Buyers must consider the logistics of supplying bags and other consumables when they purchase the autoclave, and ensure that the associated cost is incorporated into the facility's waste management budget.

Waste water disposal

Autoclaves generate steam which condenses and runs off as water. When considering where to install an autoclave, note the availability of drainage for disposal of water runoff from the sterilization cycle. Depending on the type of waste in the autoclave, this water may or may not be suitable for open drainage.

Maintenance

As with all complex instruments, some maintenance will be required to keep the autoclave operating well. When developing a medical waste management plan for a facility, be sure to allocate budget and human resources for maintenance. This should include regular purchasing of consumables, monitoring of the accuracy of thermocouples and pressure gauges, replacing filters and gaskets, and inspecting for cracks, leaks, or other damage.

Energy availability

Autoclaves require a reliable source of electricity in order to maintain the pressurization and temperatures necessary to properly sterilize infectious waste. If a facility does not have sufficient electricity, they should consider alternative treatment methods.

Import and export regulations

Regulations for importing and exporting autoclaves will vary by country. When considering the purchase of an autoclave, be sure to research import and export regulations that may affect the procurement process.

The autoclaves listed in this guide are manufactured in India and fall under Chapter 81, Heading 8402 of the Indian Trade Clarification based on Harmonized System of Coding (ITC-HS) codes, which define types of steam-generating products/sterilizers/boilers. Products covered under this category of equipment are among the freely exportable goods and there are no restrictions imposed on their export from India.

Listing of autoclaves for the treatment of medical waste

Alphabetically by manufacturer

The following section contains a listing of autoclave products and details about specific products, where that information is available. At the end is a list of the contact information for all manufacturers, which can be used to obtain additional information on the products and prices.

This information was compiled from the manufacturer's websites, promotional materials, and interviews with manufacturer representatives, and is subject to change.

The mention of specific companies or of certain manufacturers' products does not imply that they are endorsed or recommended by PATH or the US Agency for International Development in preference to others of a similar nature that are not mentioned.

Accumax India

Vertical autoclave		
Model Number	AI-175	
Standard features	Low water cut-off device	
	Pressure control	
Working pressure	15–18 psi	
Power mode	220 VAC	
Power usage rate	3 KW	
Working temperature	121°C	
Cycle duration	30 minutes	
Certification	Yes	
Price (internal dimension)	US\$1,326 (550 x 750 mm)	
Other comments	No continuous water supply necessary; water added manually at start of cycle	
	OK to release waste water in open sewer	
	Runs up to 12 cycles per day	
	Stainless steel, radial locking lid	
	Manufacturer provides training and operation guides	
	User reviews available on request	
	Available in the following sizes (diameter x depth): 250 x 450mm; 300 x 500mm; 350 x 550mm; 450 x 600mm; 550 x 750mm	

ACMAS Technocracy PVT, Ltd.

Vertical autoclave		
Model Number	NI/GMP/STR	
Standard features	Radial locking mechanism	
	Steam release valve	
	Spring-loaded safety valve	
	Water level gauge	
	Pressure gauge	
Working pressure	15–30 psi	
Power mode	220 VAC	
Power usage rate	Depends on size	
Working temperature	121°C/134°C	
Cycle duration	1 to 1.5 hours	
Certification	ISO 9001:2000	
Price (internal dimension)	US\$10,204 (400 x 450 x 900 mm)	
Other comments	Constructed of stainless steel	
	Fully automatic	
	Runs 5 to 6 cycles per day	
	Lid-opening mechanism	
	Foot operated (pedal) lift	
	Air insulated	

Cylindrica	autoclave
Standard features	Double safety radial locking arrangement
	Stainless steel steam release valve
	Spring-loaded safety valve
	Low water level gauge
	Pressure gauge
	Multiple operating valves for controlling sterilization cycle
	Accidental vacuum break device
	Water level cut-off device
	Specially designed ISI-marked stainless steel heaters
	Plug screen to prevent line choking due to sediment discharge
	Insulated with mineral glass wool
Working pressure	15–30 psi
Power mode	440 VAC
Power usage rate	Depends on size
Working temperature	121°C/134°C
Certification	ISO 9001:2000
Price (internal dimension)	US\$5,004 (400 x 600 mm)

Horizontal rectangular autoclave

Standard features	Radial locking mechanism
	Stainless steel steam release valve
	Spring-loaded safety valve
	Low water level gauge
	Pressure gauge
	Multiple operating valves for controlling sterilization cycle
	Accidental vacuum break device
	Water level cut-off device
	Specially designed ISI-marked stainless steel heaters
	Plug screen to prevent line choking due to sediment discharge
Working pressure	15–30 psi
Power mode	440 VAC
Power usage rate	Depends on size
Working temperature	121°C/134°C
Certification	ISO 9001:2000
Price (internal dimension)	US\$5,004 (400 x 600 mm)

Agrawal Brothers

Vertical autoclave			
Standard features	Automatic pressure control switch		
	Automatic low water cut-off device		
	Mechanical timer with alarm system		
	Temperature indicator and temperature chart recorder		
	Pressure release valve		
	Pressure gauge		
	Double safety radial locking arrangement		
	Brass steam release valve		
	Brass spring loaded safety valve		
	Water outlet valve		
	Water level indicating gauge (glass with metal guard)		
	Electrical control box fitted with toggle switch, indicating neon lamps, and steam release valve		
	Foot operated pedal lifting device		
	MS chrome plated radial locking arrangement and ring for the lid		

5–20 psi

Working pressure

ASCO (Apothecaries Sundries Mfg. Co.)

Aluminum knob	type autoclave
Model Number	AU 4100
Standard features	Two safety valves
	Steam release
	Control valve
	Pressure gauge
	Safety pressure release weight valve
Working pressure	15 psi
Other comments	Economy series autoclave made of 10 gauge aluminum. The drum is deep drawn and the ring on top is riveted. The lid is made by casting. Lid is locked by 6 nuts with rubber gasket seal in between (no metal to metal seal). Includes outer stand, inner aluminum container, and inner tripod stand.

Bioasset Technologies PVT, Ltd

	tomatic autoclave
Standard features	Pedal-free design
	Fully stainless steel 304-grade construction
	Micro controller based proportional integral derivative controller (PID) controller with dual display for temperature and time
	Reduced loading height
Working pressure	15–30 psi
Power usage rate	4–6 Kw
Working temperature	121°C
Other comments	• Capacities available: 35 liters, 52 liters, 111 liters and 178 liters

Fully automatic GMP compliant autoclave

Standard features	Lower working height
	Microprocessor-based precise controlling
	User adjustable multi-program cycle
	Flexible load sensor
	Data logging of 2 sensors
	Automatic purging and venting
	Low water level protection
	Self-diagnostic error display
	IO/OQ/PQ documentation
Working pressure	15 psi
Power usage rate	2–6 Kw
Working temperature	121°C
Other comments	Pedal-free system in vertical model
	Capacity: 35 to 178 Liters

Horizontal autoclave: rectangular/cylindrical/STD/high-pressure high-volume (HPHV)

Standard features	GMP compliant
	Semi-automatic operation
	Pressure switch control
	Low water level cutoff
Working pressure	1.26 Kg
Power mode	440 V
Power usage rate	9–18 Kw
Working temperature	121°C
Optional features	Double doorHigh pressure high vacuumOnline validation
Other comments	Pedal free system in vertical model
	All models are made of stainless steel

Biological Enterprises

Vertical autoclave		
Standard features	Pressure stat	
	Low water cut-off device	
	Safety valve	
	Pressure gauge steam release	
Working pressure	Up to 20 psi	
Other comments	Stainless steel autoclave with pedal lifting device and stainless steel basket	

Conica Enterprises

Horizontal steam sterilizer	
Standard features	Triple walled with steam jacket and separate boiler
	Inner chamber and steam jacket made of heavy gauge stainless steel sheet
	Door and back plates made of stainless steel
Working pressure	1.2–1.5kg/cm2; 15–22 psi
Power mode	440V, 3-phase, 50Hz/AC
Working temperature	122°C

High pressure radial automatic steam sterilizer	
Standard features	Pressure control device
	Low water level cut-off system
	Front panel is provided with working pilot lamps
	Timer for sterilizing
Working pressure	1.2-1.5kg/cm2; 15–22 psi
Working temperature	122°C
Other comments	Medical grade 16-gauge stainless steel

Vertical radial locking autoclave	
Standard features	Steam release
	Double safety valves and drain
	Specially designed heat resistance gasket
	Low water level cut-off device system
Working temperature	122°C
Other comments	Portable vertical cylindrical single chamber autoclave with central locking system lid
	Cylindrical drum and outer cover made out of stainless steel
	Top lid of solid die-pressed stainless steel

Everflow Scientific Instruments

Horizontal and ve	ertical autoclaves
Standard features	Automatic low water level cut- off device
	Temperature control indicator
	Radial locking system
	Pressure gauge
	Air/steam release cock
Working pressure	1.2–1.5kg/cm²; 15–22 psi
Power mode	440V, 3-phase, 50Hz/AC
Working temperature	122°C
Optional features	Pressure control switch
Other comments	Double walled chambers
	Lid is made of stainless steel plate with locking wing nuts

Global Corporation

Vertical autoclave	
Standard features	Stainless steel basket
	Safety valve
	Pressure release valve
	Water level indicator
	Cord and plug
	Fully automatic microprocessor- based temperature controller
	Process timer
	Low level water alarm
	Over-temperature protection
	High-pressure cutoff
	Two mechanical safety valves
Working pressure	Up to 20 psi
Other comments	Double walled
	Chamber and jacket of 18 SWG
	Radial locking system, chrome plated, with pedal lifting device
	Lid is made of stainless steel with seal on silicon rubber gasket

GPC Medical Ltd.

Horizontal and cylindrical high pressure autoclaves

Model Number	AU620 and AU630
Standard features	Three-way valve for sterilization cycle
	Automatic pressure control switch
	Water level indicator
	Temperature gauge
	Pressure release valve
	Safety valve
Working pressure	5–20 psi
Certification	ISO 9001:2000, ISO 13485:2003, WHO-GMP compliance
Optional features	Automatic low water cut-off device
	Musical bell timer
	Vacuum breaker valve
	Pressure control switch
Other comments	Double/triple wall
	Inner chamber made of stainless steel
	Outer chamber made of mild steel/stainless steel

Vertical high pressure autoclaves **Model Number** AU600 and AU615 Standard features · Safety valve Pressure gauge Pressure release valve · Water level indicator Stainless steel basket • Radial locking system with pedal lifting devic Working pressure 5-20 psi ISO 9001:2000, ISO Certification 13485:2003, WHO-GMP compliance Optional features · Automatic low water cut-off device Digital temperature indicator Dial type analog temperature gauge • Mechanical timer 60 minutes with alarm system Other comments Triple wall with steam jacket; inner and outer chamber made

of stainless steel

HMG India

Horizontal and cylindrical high pressure autoclaves

Standard features	304-gauge stainless steel
	Multiport valve
	SS radial locking arms
	Automatic pressure locking device to prevent opening under pressure
	Quick-dry apparatus
	Accidental vacuum breaker valve
	Safety valve
	Plug screen
	Dial thermometer
	Pressure gauge
	Low water level cut-off device
	Water level indicator gauge water inlet/drain valve.
	Pressure control switc
Working pressure	15–20 psi
Power mode	3-phase, 440 Volts AC
Power usage rate	Depends on size
Working temperature	121°C
Cycle duration	25 minutes
Price (internal dimension)	US\$10,204 (400 x 450 x 900 mm)

Khera Exim

Rectangular high pressure horizontal sterilizer KI 174(c)

Standard features	Automatic pressure switch
	Steam release valve
	Spring loaded safety valve
	Pressure gauge
	Low water level cut-off device
	Automatic vacuum breaker
	Dial/digital thermometer
	Multiport valve
Working pressure	10–20 psi ± 1 psi
Power mode	Single phase 440 Volts AC
Certification	ISO 9001:2004
Other comments	Triple walled
	Outer body, inner chamber and jacket made of stainless steel 304/316 sheet
	Mounted on a tubular stand. Lid is made of stainless steel plate with radial locking system, neoprene rubber gaskets
	Fitted with self-locking safety lock

Medical Surgicals Delhi

Horizontal high p	ressure autoclave
Standard features	Automatic pressure control switch
	Three-way valve for sterilization cycle
	Water level indicator
	Temperature gauge
	Pressure release valve
	Safety valve
Working pressure	5–20 psi
Power mode	Single phase 440 Volts AC
Certification	ISO 9001:2000, CE, GMP certified
Optional features	Automatic low water cut-off device
	Timer with alarm
	Vacuum breaker valve
	Pressure control switch
Other comments	Triple walled with steam jacket
	Inner and outer chamber made of stainless steel
	Outer chamber works as steam stock jacket
	Radial locking system with pedal lifting device

Narang Scientific Works

Horizontal	autoclave
Model Number	NSW-233
Standard features	Dial thermometer
	Automatic vacuum breaker
Working pressure	15–22 psi
Power mode	Single phase 440 Volts AC
Certification	ISO 9001
Optional features	Digital temperature indicator
	Thermograph to record sterilizing temperature and time
	Door at back
	Fully automatic PLC base
Other comments	Complete construction made of stainless steel 304
	Triple walled with steam jacket and separate boiler
	Mounted on tubular stainless steel frame with ground leveling screwed flanges

Horizontal	autoclave
Model Number	NSW-235
Standard features	Water level indicator
	Pressure gauge
	Safety valve
	Steam release cock
	Indicating lamp
	Pressure control switch
Working pressure	10–20 psi
Power mode	440 volts; 3-phase 4 wire 50 cycles supply
Certification	ISO 9002
Optional features	Digital temperature indicator
	Thermograph to record sterilizing temperature and time
	Door at back
	Fully automatic PLC base
Other comments	Double walled
	Inner and outer chamber made of 304-grade stainless steel
	Hinged door made of stainless steel plate
	Radial locking system ensures complete risk-free and leak- proof sterilizing cycle
	Vertical model is also available

Neelam Industries

Autoclave/steam sterilizer	
Model Number	NI/GMP/STR
Standard features	Standard cycle operating
	• Pressure -1 bar to + 4 bar
	High-pressure high-volume cycle
	Leak test cycle
Working pressure	15 psi
Power mode	220 Volts AC
Cycle duration	1–1.5 hrs
Certification	ISO 9001, I.S. 3829 or ASTM specifications
Price (internal dimension)	US\$10,144 (400 x 450 x 900 mm)
Optional features	Another high-pressure high- volume cycle with post vacuum pulses can be provided
Other comments	Fully automatic by means of PLC base controls, which operate pneumatically, actuated solenoid valves
	Four cycles and programs
	No water hookup required (water is added manually)

Obromax

Vertical autocla	ve (deluxe model)
Standard features	Double safety radial locking arrangement
	Stainless steel steam release valve
	 Spring loaded safety valve of stainless steel (grade SS-304)
	Water inlet and water valves
	Water level indicating gauge glass with stainless steel guard
	Pressure gauge
	Electrical control box fitted with toggle switch, light-up indicators, and steam release valve
	Foot pedal lifting device
Working pressure	5–20 psi; recommended 15–17 psi
Power mode	220 volts: single-phase, 50 cycles
Working temperature	121°C
Optional features	Automatic pressure control switch
	Automatic water cut-off device
	Temperature gauge (dial-type)
	Mechanical timer with alarm system
Other comments	Supplied with stainless steel basket

Vertical autoclave (economy model)

Standard features	Double safety radial locking arrangement
	Stainless steel steam release valve
	Spring loaded safety valve of stainless steel (grade SS-304)
	Water inlet and water valves
	Water level indicating gauge glass with stainless steel guard
	Pressure gauge
	Electrical control box fitted with toggle switch, indicating neon lamps, and steam release valve
	Foot pedal lifting device
Working pressure	5–20 psi; recommended 15–17 psi
Power mode	220 volts: single-phase, 50 cycles
Working temperature	121°C
Optional features	Automatic pressure control switch
	Automatic water cut-off device
	Temperature gauge (dial-type)
	Mechanical timer with alarm system
Other comments	Outer chamber is made of thick-gauge mild steel
	Inner is made of 304-grade stainless steel
	Lid and inside made of mild steel

Vertical autoclave (deluxe model)

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Standard features	Double safety radial locking arrangement
	Stainless steel steam release valve
	Spring loaded safety valve of stainless steel (grade SS-304)
	Water inlet and water valves
	Water level indicating gauge glass with stainless steel guard
	Pressure gauge
	Electrical control box fitted with toggle switch, indicating neon lamps, and steam release valve
	Foot pedal lifting device
Working pressure	5–20 psi; recommended 15–17 psi
Power mode	220 volts: single-phase, 50 cycles
Working temperature	121°C
Other comments	Triple walled construction, made of 304-grade stainless steel
	Lid is made of stainless steel sheet
	Fitted with radial locking system with pedal lifting device
	Supplied with stainless steel basket

Horizontal	autoclave
Standard features	Multiple operating valve doorQuick vacuum drying apparatus
	Accidental vacuum breaker
	Safety valve
	Dial type thermometer
	Plug screen
	Chamber condensate line
	Pressure and compound gauge
	Steam generator (boiler)
	Electrical control box
Working pressure	5–20 psi; recommended 15–17 psi
Power mode	440 volts, three-phase 50 Hz.
Working temperature	121°C
Optional features	Automatic pressure control switch
	Automatic water cut-off device
	Temperature gauge (dial-type)
	Mechanical timer with alarm system
Other comments	Available in rectangular and cylindrical models
	Unit has outer chamber, inner chamber, boiler, lid and jacket, all made of 304-grade stainless steel
	Includes a three-way valve or a multiport valve made of stainless steel for controlling sterilization cycle
	Unit is mounted on a tubular stand

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Horizontal cylindrical sterilizer	
Model Number	S.T.R-02
Standard features	Radiant locking system
	Cold water drainage system
	Steam exhaust
	Timer from 1 to 60 minute with double safety valve
	Steam releasing valve
	2 pressure gauges
	Water level indicator
	Heavy duty power plug with socket provided with the unit
Working pressure	1.26 kgf/cm³
Power mode	240 VAC, 50 Hz
Working temperature	121°C
Certification	ISO 9001 and 14002
Other comments	Triple-walled
	Inner and outer walls made of heavy-gauge stainless steel and middle jacket made of brass and gun metal

Horizontal rectangular high pressure steam sterilizer STR

Model Number	S.T.R-02
Standard features	Radiant locking system
	Cold water drainage system
	Steam exhaust
	Timer from 1 to 60 minute with double safety valve
	Steam releasing valve
	2 pressure gauges
	Water level indicator
	Heavy duty power plug with socket provided with the unit
Working pressure	1.26 kgf/cm ⁴
Power mode	Operating voltage 240, single phase, AC supply, 50 Hz
Working temperature	121°C
Certification	ISO 9001 and 14003
Other comments	Triple walled
	Suitable for drums up to 12x15 inches in size
	Made of 304-gauge stainless steel with middle jacket made of brass or stainless steel and gun metal

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