

Analysis Of Distribution Transformer Shifting To Address Overload And End Voltage At Gardu HJ177 In PT. PLN (Persero) Kertosono Service Unit

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Article Info	ABSTRACT
Keywords: Distribution Transformer Insertion, Overloadyesnd, Voltage Repair at HJ177 Substation	The HJ177 substaion in its loading dataareached 126.10% ($\pm$ 63,054 kVA) of its capacity of 50 kVAwith an end voltaicge of 206 V and experienced avoltage dropge of 12%. The loading exceeded the maximum capacity of the stanord transformer of 80%, which has the potential for materialand finalncial losses for PT PLN (Persero) Kertosono Customer Service Unit (ULP). The voltagge drop resulting from this has exceeded SPLNT6.001-2013 of $\pm 10\%$ for low voltagege. Considering the matrix in the Health Index aassessment tier-1 Distribution Transformer, willingted to the percentage of tranformer loading, it's in the bald caBeca's categoryuse it is loaded $\geq 100\%$. To overcome this, an insert transformer caln be installed. With the originl load from 126.10% to 46.942% of the 50kVAcapacity, then the end voltage at the HJ177 Substation with the insertion of the transformer was originally 206 V with avoltage drop of 12.0% increased to 213 V with avoltage drop percentage that decreased to 8.2%. The implementation of the transformer insertion for the HJ177 substation is effective in overcoming overloadyesnd improving the end voltage
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INTRODUCTION

In the context of the rapid growth in the communication and information technology sector, there is a corresponding increase in the importance of electrical energy systems (Venti OakaSaTya, 2018). This phenomenon presents a particular challenge for PT PLN (Persero) in managing electricity distribution in Indonesia to ensure the quality of service for consumers (Mhd Rafli and Siti Alshah, 2023) The process of electricity transmission involves generating power, transmitting it at high voltage, and distributing it at medium to low voltages to consumers. Issues often arise during the distribution process, one of which is the potential for distribution transformers to become overloaded (Mohammad Trian NugraHa, 2021).

To optimize transformer efficiency, it is essential to achieve high efficiency and minimize losses, with transformers operated close to their maximum capacity. According to

PLN standards, a transformer is considered overloaded if the load exceeds 80% of its rated capacity (Zulfikar Rezki Renyaan et al. 2022) Prolonged overload conditions can lead to insulation failure and eventual transformer damage (Tri Ongko Priyono and VaLentina, 2022). Additionally, voltage drops can affect the quality of service, leading to disruptions. This can result in power losses and energy shortfalls (ENS – Energy Not Supplied) from the affected transformer.

At Gardu HJ177 in PT. PLN (Persero) Kertosono, the load has reached 124.17% ($\pm$ 62.085 kVA) of its rated capacity of 50 kVA, with a terminal voltage drop of approximately 205 V or a 12% voltage drop. This load exceeds the standard 80% maximum transformer capacity, which poses potential risks to material and financial stability for PT PLN (Persero) ULP Kertosono[6]. The resulting voltage drop exceeds the SPLNT6.001-2013 standard of $\pm 10\%$ for low voltage. To address this issue, the implementation of transformer replacement is proposed[4]. This study analyzes the impact of transformer replacement at Gardu HJ177 on the load capacity and voltage levels at the transformer terminals (Momrtunis, et al, 2023).

Literature Review

Distribution Substation

A distribution substation is generally known as a facility containing the electrical equipment needed to step down high voltage to medium or low voltage for further distribution. It typically includes Medium Voltage (MV) Switchgear (PHB-TM), Distribution Transformers (TD), and Low Voltage (LV) Switchgear (PHB-TR) to meet the electrical needs of various consumers, involving Medium Voltage (MV 20 kV) and Low Voltage (LV 220/380V) networks (Basisng Soeroso, et al 2016).

Shunt Substation

A shunt substation is a method used by PT. PLN (Persero) as an energy provider to prevent issues that occur when a transformer in an existing substation is overloaded. This is achieved by inserting a new substation. Factors considered by PT. PLN (Persero) when inserting a new substation to address overloads in existing transformers include (Septia NissaAzzahra et al, 2019):

1. Transformer Overload Conditions: An overload occurs when the current carried by a transformer exceeds its full load capacity, causing increased temperature and potential damage to the insulation. Transformers are deemed overloaded if they operate at $\geq 80\%$ of their rated capacity (Wellem F. etal 2020)
2. Voltage Drop: Voltage drop in a distribution network can result from various factors such as line length (Km), load current (Amperes), line resistance (Ohms/Km), and other factors. The voltage drop is measured at the end of the distribution line, with permissible voltage drop limits defined by standards. For distribution transformers, a voltage drop of 3% of the rated voltage is typically acceptable, and up to 4% is allowed as per SPLN No. 72 of 1987, which covers voltage drop and sagging issues (Ni Made Seniari, et al, 2020)

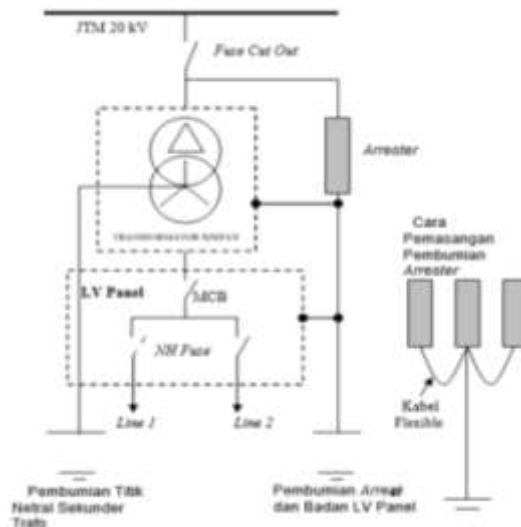


Figure 1. Transformer Insertion Line Diagram

METHOD

In this research, a series of steps using a quantitative research method were undertaken. The phases of this research include observation, interviews, literature review, data collection, data processing, and analysis as well as calculations. The flowchart of this research process is as follows:

1. Observation: Identifying and examining the current state of the system, particularly the performance and conditions of the distribution transformer and the grid.
2. Interviews: Conducting discussions with experts, technicians, or operators involved in the maintenance and operation of the electrical grid and transformers.
3. Literature Review: Reviewing existing literature, technical standards, and previous research relevant to transformer performance, overload conditions, and voltage drops.
4. Data Collection: Gathering data on transformer loads, voltage levels, and other relevant parameters from the field or through existing records.
5. Data Processing: Analyzing the collected data to determine patterns, identify problems like transformer overload or voltage drops, and evaluate the system's overall performance.
6. Analysis and Calculation: Performing detailed calculations to assess transformer capacity, load distribution, and voltage stability. This may involve calculating efficiency, losses, and the impact of potential solutions like inserting an additional transformer.

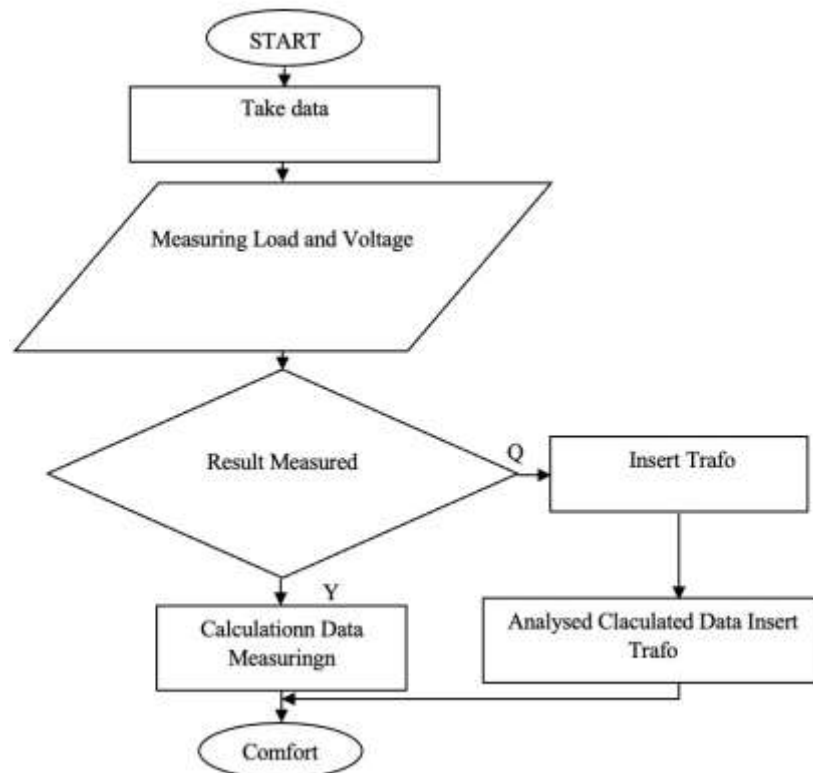


Figure 2. Research Flowchart

The data obtained from measurement results were then analyzed to determine the extent of energy savings and to perform economic calculations related to the production of crude palm oil at the palm oil mill.

RESULT

This research was conducted in the working area of PT PLN (Persero) ULP Kertosono at Substation HJ177, with data collection carried out on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 19:30 WIB, yielding the following results:

Table 1. Measuring Data Load

I MAX Substation (A)	Load Calculated (A)						
	Line 1			Line 2			Trafo
	R	S	T	R	S	T	
73	18	11	23	70	66	85	Generals
GeographicConditions	Measuring Load (A)			Load Trafo			
	Total						
	R	S	T				%
Normal	87	76	107				126,10%

Table 2. Measuring of Substation.

Measuring Voltage (V)				Voltages (V)	% Voltage Drop
R-N	S-N	T-N	RST-N		
231	240	231	234	206	12,0%

Based on the measurement results, the load and the percentage of loading at Substation HJ177 were calculated as follows:

kVA Load:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (IR \times VR-N) + (IS \times VS-N) + (IT \times VT-N) \\
 &= (87 \times 231) + (76 \times 240) + (107 \times 231) \\
 &= (20097 + 18240 + 24717) \\
 &= 63054 \text{ VA} \\
 &= 63,054 \text{ kVA}
 \end{aligned}$$

% Load :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{kVABeban}{kVATrafo} \times 100\% \\
 &= \frac{63.054}{50} \times 100\% \\
 &= 126.10\%
 \end{aligned}$$

Based on the calculation results, it is observed that the transformer loading reached 126.108% of its 50 kVA capacity. According to PT PLN (Persero) regulation, specifically SE No 0017.E/DIR/2014 regarding the Distribution Transformer Maintenance Method Based on Asset Management Quality, the maximum allowable loading for a transformer is 80%. Therefore, the excess load for Substation HJ177 is calculated as follows

Upper Load:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \% \text{freen} - \% \text{freen Health Index} \\
 &= 126.10\% - 80\% \\
 &= 46.1\%
 \end{aligned}$$

After calculating and identifying the excess load on the transformer, calculations will be performed to determine the appropriate capacity of the transformer needed for the installation of an additional transformer at Substation HJ177. The calculation process to determine the required load and transformer capacity is as follows:

Load:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\% \text{KelebihanBeban}}{100\%} \times 50 \text{ kVA} \\
 &= \frac{46.1\%}{100\%} \times 50 \text{ kVA} \\
 &= 23.05 \text{ kVA}
 \end{aligned}$$

Required Transformer Capacity

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\text{Beban}(kVA)}{0.8} \\
 &= \frac{23.05}{0.8} \\
 &= 28,8125 \text{ kVA}
 \end{aligned}$$

Based on the calculations, the load that needs to be transferred is 23.05 kVA. The required transformer capacity for the transformer insertion, considering a load of 80% according to the minimum Health Index, is 28.8125 kVA. Therefore, in accordance with the available capacity on site, a transformer with a capacity of 50 kVA will be used for insertion. After the insertion of the 50 kVA transformer, data collection was conducted again at substation HJ177 on July 27, 2024, at 19:25 WIB.

Table 3. The results of the data collection are presented in the following table

I MAX Substation(A)	Calculated Load (A)						Trafo
	Line 1			Line 2			
	R	S	T	R	S	T	
73	5	16	26	19	14	25	General
Geographich condition	Calculated Load(A) Total			Load Trafo			
	R	S	T				%
Normal	22,1	30,1	49,1				46.942%

Table 4. Result Calculated Measuring Voltage

Pengukuran Tegangan (V)				Tegangan Ujung (V)	% Voltage Drop
R-N	S-N	T-N	RST-N		
232	231	232	232	213	8,2%

Calculates equation:

kVA_{Beban}:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (IR \times VR-N) + (IS \times VS-N) + (IT \times VT-N) \\
 &= (22.1 \times 232) + (30.1 \times 231) + (49.1 \times 232) \\
 &= (5127.2 + 6953.1 + 11391.2) \\
 &= 23471.5 \text{ VA} \\
 &= 23,471 \text{ kVA}
 \end{aligned}$$

% Load transformator:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \text{kVA}_{\text{Beban}} \times 100\% \\
 &= \frac{\text{kVA}_{\text{Beban}}}{\text{kVA}_{\text{Trafo}}} \times 100\% \\
 &= \frac{23.471}{50} \times 100\% \\
 &= 46.942\%
 \end{aligned}$$

CONCLUSION

Based on the results after the insertion of the new transformer, the performance of the HJ177 substation has improved significantly. Here's a summary of the findings: Transformer Load Reduction: Before insertion: 126.10% of transformer capacity, After insertion: 46.94% of transformer capacity, Transformer capacity: 50 kVA. Voltage Drop at Substation HJ177: Before insertion: 205 V, with a voltage drop percentage of 12.0%, After insertion: 213 V, with a reduced voltage drop percentage of 8.2%. Transformer Capacity Calculation: The formula used for determining the required transformer capacity is: $PT=LT0.8PT=0.8LT$, The calculated transformer capacity for HJ177 is 50 kVA, which effectively manages the overload condition and improves voltage regulation.

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