

# Soil Stabilisation Using Plastic Waste for Pavement Design

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#### ABSTRACT

- The design of the flexible pavement layers to be laid over the sub grade soil so the estimation of subgrade strength and traffic volume
- > The design of the various layers of pavement are dependent on the subgrade soil strength over which they are going to be laid.
- Weaker sub grade causes high amount of failures on surface of flexible Pavements like Pot holes, various types of cracks and rut depth which is supposed to reduce ride quality of vehicles.
- ➤ In this "Soil Stabilization using Plastic Waste for pavement design". Plastic Waste is used in the construction of Pavements and reducing the waste for land filling and making utilization of raw material in the embankments of pavements.
- > Here an attempt has been made to stabilisation of red soil with various percentage i.e 0%, 4%,6% of Plastic bottle strips.

#### INTRODUCTION

- ❖ Waste management is still a challenge in Worldwide which is brought about by urbanisation, increase population and industrial growth.
- The crust of a Pavement, whether flexible or rigid, rest on a foundation of the soil on an embankment or cutting, normally as subgrade. Subgrade can be defined as a compacted layer, generally constructed with the availability of local material assumed to be 500 or 300 mm in thickness
- Subgrade performance mainly depends on three of the basic characteristics: - load Bearing capacity, Moisture Content, Shrinkage/ Swelling
- The desirable properties of subgrade soil as a highway materials are:- Stability, Compaction, Strength, Low shrinkage, Proper Drainage, Incompressibility.
- The most common parameter used to evaluate Pavement layer strength is the California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

#### AIM & OBJECTIVES

- Environmental impact when soil is reinforced with waste bottle plastic strips
- Improve shear strength
- Reduce the compressibility of soil
- Improve load carrying capacity of soil
- Increase CBR value of the soil

#### METHOD

- Determining specific gravity of Soil
- **Determining Liquid Limit of Soil**
- **Determining Plastic Limit of Soil**
- **Determining Shrinkage limit of soil**
- Plastic is cut into pieces as Strips
  - Plastic Strips are mixed with soil
- Compaction test (STANDARD PROCTOR TEST)

Determinig OMC & MDD of Soil for:-

Soil with 0% FIBRE

Soil with 4% FIBRE

Soil with 6% FIBRE

CBR Value :-

Determining CBR Value of soil without FIBRE Determining CBR Value of Soil with 4% FIBRE Determining CBR Value of Soil with 6% FIBRE

Standard Proctor Test apparatus



CBR test apparatus



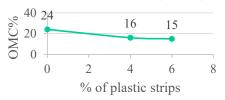
Red soil mixed with strips Plastic strips

#### RESULTS

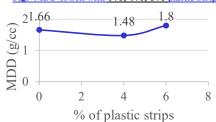
#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF SOIL

| Properties of Soil       |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Specific Gravity of Soil | 2.58   |
| Liquid limit of Soil     | 47.33% |
| Plastic Limit of Soil    | 28.68% |
| Shrinkage Limit of Soil  | 12.3%  |

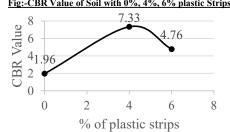
#### Fig:-OMC of soil with 0%, 4%, 6% plastic strips



### Fig:- MDD of Soil with 0%, 4%, 6% plastic Strips



#### Fig:-CBR Value of Soil with 0%, 4%, 6% plastic Strips



#### CONCLUSION

- ❖ In this study, the CBR value of the Red soil is improved with addition optimum content of waste bottle strips in it.
- ❖ Optimum Moisture Content(OMC) of Red soil is reduced to achieve Maximum Dry Density (MDD) at lower percentage
- Now, we can make use of plastic as soil stabilising agent for improving the properties of soils with proper proportion of plastic must be there, which helps in increasing the CBR of
- ❖ It can be concluded that CBR value of Red soil goes on increasing upto 4% Plastic content in the soil and there on it decreases with increase in plastic content.
- ❖ Hence, we can say that 4% plastic content is the optimum content of stabilizers used in stabilisation of the Red soil
- Hence, increase the strength of the pavement.
- Using plastic as a stabilizer in soil, helps in reducing land fill of wastes, incineration of plastics.

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