

# A REVIEW PAPER ON IMPROVEMENT OF SUBGRADE BY RBI GRADE 81 AND POND ASH

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**Abstract** - *The objective of the study is to find out the impact of RBI Grade 81 at 2%,3% and 4% mixed along with pond ash 3%, 6% and 9% on silty and clayey soil and the change in California Bearing Ratio (CBR), Dynamic cone penetration (DCP) Maximum Dry Density (MDD), Optimum Moisture Content (OMC) has been observed through different mixes of RBI Grade 81 and pond ash on soils. . The outcome helps in looking at the change in CBR , DCPT, OMC, MDD value when soils were stabilized by RBI grade 81 and soils stabilized by both RBI Grade 81 and Pond ash. This also helps to get the optimum combination of pond ash and RBI grade 81 which provides least cost technique for constructing pavement.*

**Key Words:** *Clayey Soil, Silty Soil, RBI Grade 81, Pond Ash, CBR, DCPT.*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the nations like India the most concerning issue in constructing pavement is to constructing pavement is to make local accessible soil into utilization, as all the accessible soil can't be use for constructing the pavement due to its low engineering properties and quality. In this way to enhance its engineering properties, these days these soils is been treated with the stabilizers like lime, Class C Fly Ash, Portland bond, Pond Ash,RBI Grade 81 and so on to enhance its engineering property. RBI 81 is a concoction stablizer which is created for the soil stabilization in a slightest expense way and pond ash is thermal power plant waste which has been made into utilization alongside RBI Grade 81 to chop down the expense of construction of pavement and give pavement a superior solidness and quality.

## 1.1 RBI Grade 81

RBI Grade 81(Road Building International Grade 81) is a remarkable and imaginative thing that was created for the change of an extensive variety of soils in a capable, least cost way. RBI Grade 81 is earth friendly, inorganic, hydration activated powder based stabilizer that reacts with soil particles to make layers that are interconnected through a complex bury atom structure. Road can be opened to action within 24 hours of last compaction. It gives a dust free surface.

**Table-1** Properties of RBI Grade 81

Properties	% By Mass
Calcium Oxide (CaO)	52-56
Silicon Dioxide (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	15-19
Sulphur TriOxide (SO <sub>3</sub> )	9-11
Aluminium Oxide (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	5-7
Iron Oxide (Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	0-2
Magnesium Oxide (MgO)	0-1
Fibers(polypropylene)	0-1
Additives	0-4

## 1.2 Pond Ash

In case of thermal power plant subsequent to blazing coal close around 20 to 30% of ash is is gathered at base. This ash is disposed of in the type of slurry. After vanishing of dampness the remaining slag is called as pond ash.

**Table-2** Chemical Compositions of Pond ash

Constituent	Pond Ash%
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	67.40
Alumina (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	19.44
Iron oxide (Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	8.5
Calcium Oxide(CaO)	2.7
Magnesium oxide(MgO)	0.45
Sulphur (SO <sub>3</sub> )	0.30
Loss of Ignition	3.46

**The Benefits of RBI Grade 81 are that it:**

- Saves construction material like aggregate, great soil
- Reduces energy consumed in road construction
- Reduces leaching and defilement of ground water
- Reduces Carbon Emission coming about into Carbon Credits
- Reduces utilization of bitumen by wiping out/diminishment of DBM/BM Layer
- Makes treated surface impermeable to water anticipates prevents soil erosion.
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**The advantages of use of RBI Grade 81 are**

- Construction time diminishment by 30 – 40%
- Drastically increment in the quality and life of pavement
- Treated soil is water safe & anticipates harm to the road foundation.
- Reduces transport & earth-moving expenses by around 60%
- Longer sturdiness & less maintenance cost.

**2. LITERATURE REVIEW**

Several authors have reported the utilization of RBI-81 in numerous several soils, for example, Black Cotton soil, Red soil, Lateritic soil Kaolinite soil to examine the impact of utilizing another stablization product and to change engineering properties of soil.

**Anitha.K.R et al. [1]** research the impact of utilizing another stabilization item, RB1-81 on kaolinite, red soil, & Lateritic soil. This study revealed that both soaked and un-soaked CBR expanded altogether with the expansion of RB1-81 for Red soil, lateritic& kaolinite soil. Amid this analysis the CBR specimen were readied with diverse rate RB1-81 i.e. [0%, 2%, 4%, 6%, & 8%] water substance of 1% + OMC was included for readiness of example. CBR test were done at 0, 7 & 11 days of curing. CBR test at 11 days was done subsequent to dousing for 4 days, for the specimen which has been cured for 7 days. After all examination the creator reached the conclusion that un-soaked CBR did not fluctuate much for red soil and lateritic but rather it expanded 16 times for kaolinite. It has additionally been found that soaked CBR expanded 16, 14 & 4 folds with the expansion of ideal rate of RB1-81 suggested for red soil, lateritic and kaolinite separately.

**Venu Gopal.N et al. [2]** studies the properties of soil through silica fume as stabilizer and contrasting the same with RBI Grade 81 and cost evaluation. Amid this trial the soil specimen was subjected to lab examination to know the grain size appropriation design and to focus *liquid limit, plastic limit and plasticity index, OMC, MDD and CBR values*. The lab examinations demonstrate the soil specimen's posses' low quality. With a specific end goal to enhance the quality of local soil, the soil samples be dealt with by shifting Silica Fume and RBI-81 evaluation content at the scope of 1% to 4% through weight. The tests of treated soil are subjected to triaxial pressure test to focus quality of soil. This gave them the outcome and conclusion that when Silica seethe as stabilizer contrasting and RBI-81 with 2 and 4% dose shows around 15 and 30 % investment funds contrasted and customary technique outline. The above results when thought about shows Silica Fume can be utilized as stabilizer.

**K.A. Patil et al. [3]** studies the use of Industrial Waste for Soil Stabilization. The different mechanical squanders incorporate Fly Ash, Steel Slag, Foundry Sand, pond Ash & Stone Dust. In the present investigation the soil sample and Pond ash remains was blended in the extent of 90:10 and 80:20 to get the aggregate adjusted soil blends. By keeping pond ash steady equivalent to 10 % and RBI Grade 81 was furthermore blended in the scope of 0 to 6 %. This gave them the outcome and conclusion that when soil, pond ash and RBI 81 are blended into an extent 74:20:6 the CBR estimations of soil observed to be expanded up to 775 percent of the first soil mass. CBR qualities expanded with expansion in rate of RBI Grade 81. This inferred that the industrial waste items, for example, fly ash and pond ash materials can be utilized as a substitution for characteristic materials in development, which may give a quality item furthermore help in diminishing expenses.

**K.V. Madurwar et al. [4]** rolled out a try to improve properties of black cotton soil with RBI-81 and sodium silicate. After then Atterberg's limit, CBR and UCS test were directed out on the sample of soil with RBI-81 in extent of 2% & 6% with curing time of 7,14 & 28 days. Which at long last made them to reach the conclusion that the ordinary soil which was having 2.33% CBR & 2.69% UCS has been expanded to 10.03% & 3.62% at 14 days adding so as to cure 2% RBI-81 & 8.03% & 2.97% with 7 days curing. After then creators expanded the rate of RBI-81 from 2% to 4% which gave them consequence of 18.87% & 4.44% with 14 days curing and 16.24% & 3.96% with 7 days curing. General the last conclusion which has been made by them was that the UCS & CBR quality increments with expansion in RBI 81. Expansion proposes its dependability as great stabilizer to enhance execution of delicate soil. They likewise arrived at the conclusion that free swell index diminishes as RBI - 81 expanded and its goes on expanded by expansion in sodium silicate.

**B.M.Patil et al. [5]** deals with stabilization of clayey soil by utilizing fly ash and RBI Grade 81 to enhance the geotechnical properties of soil. The fly ash is a warm waste and RBI 81 is a compound soil additive. In the lab standard Proctor test (SPT), Atterbergs limit and differential free swelling file (DFS) test for diverse extents of soil, fly slag and RBI Grade 81 led. The outcomes demonstrate that, the LL, MDD, OMC and DFS file of clayey soil enhanced impressively. The LL of untreated soil is 67% and it decreases to 46% for blend of soil: fly ash: RBI Grade 81 for 76:20:04 extent. The DFS of untreated soil is 65% and it reduces to 40% for expansion of fly fiery debris and RBI Grade 81. This inferred that the fly ash and additives RBI Grade 81 utilized for soil adjustment indicates great change in properties of soil. The soaked CBR value likewise increments extensively.

**B.M.Patil et al [6]** manages the change in properties of sub grade soil by using soil stabilizer and provincially available poor materials. Where they completed standard proctor test on treated and untreated soil test and estimation of MDD and OMC were discover. The soil was treated with moorum and RBI 81 with distinctive extents tried for drenched CBR quality, MDD and OMC which came about for blend of soil: RBI Grade 81 in the extent of 100:0, 98:2, 96:4 the soaked CBR values are observed to be 2.56%, 4.89%, and 8.79% and for blend of soil: moorum: RBI Grade 81 in the extent of 100:0:0, 90:10:0, 80:20:0, the soaked CBR qualities are observed to be 2.56%, 2.41% and 2.84% and for blend of soil: moorum: RBI Grade 81, the extent of 78:20:2, 76:20:4 the splashed CBR qualities are observed to be 4.56%, 14.76% separately. This shows that the CBR value of sub grade soil can improved by using moorum along RBI 81 and development expense can be reduced to definite limit.

**Tejinder Singh et al. [7]** studies about the impact of stabilizer RB1-81 in the stablization of soil with the assistance of Atterberg's limit, Standard Proctor test & CBR test to figure out the escalation of soil and for the analysis of expense difference between conventional method and expense of making pavement for soil with +2% RB1-81. Amid this test wet sieve analysis was completed for influential particle size distribution. Liquid limit and plastic limit tests were likewise led to concentrate on the impact of RBI - 81 on list property of soil. CBR specimens were likewise arranged with diverse rate of RBI-81 i.e. (0%, 2%, 4%, 6% and 8%) with water content of 1% + OMC. After the investigation the conclusion was made that the profoundly plastic soil be able to be settled with RB1-81 and be able to be considered as balanced out sub base. Amid this examination it has additionally be seen that the CBR expanded with expansion of RB1-81. The CBR estimation of current soil was 2% that has expanded to 28.9% via including 2% RBI Grade 81 after 4 days of soaking period and 7 days of curing period. CBR value is 135.5 on 8% RBI 81 content that implies RBI Grade 81 is exceptionally powerful stabilizer. It has additionally been watched that the expense for pavement of soil + 2% of RBI 81 gives least cost of every single different cases. Through conventional method expense for the pavement is Rs. 2985418/- that is an excessive amount of higher than the expense of Pavement for soil + 2% of RBI 81.

### 3. DISCUSSION

In view of different analysts, it is observed that the engineering properties of soil can be improved by using RBI Grade 81. This serves to utilize local accessible soil to be use into sub grade furthermore while sub base and base layer. It is additionally been watched that the geotechnical properties of soil has likewise been enhanced by utilizing pond ash remains alongside RBI-81.

### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Taking into account above writing survey it could be finished up RBI Grade 81 is successful in adjustment of most sorts of soils. The increment in CBR esteem fluctuates w.r.t sort of soil. For some soils, the augmentation is substantial with little expansion of the chemicals like fly ash, Sodium Silicate, pond ash, moorum and stone dust. Since RBI Grade 81 assistance to use by regional standards accessible soil for road construction, consequently the expense of construction can be diminished by maintaining a strategic distance from substitution of soil. The splashed CBR qualities increment with expansion in RBI 81 expansion recommend its suitability as great stabilizer to enhance execution of delicate soils. The utilization of fly ash alongside RBI Grade 81 essentially enhances the geotechnical properties of soil.

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## 5. IDENTIFICATION OF GAPS

- There is no generalized relationship between % RBI and improvement in CBR and DCPT.
- Correlation of CBR and DCPT has not been made along with the RBI grade 81 and fly ash.
- Most studies have been made on black cotton soil and some on red soil, kaolinite, lateritic and clayey soil.
- DCPT test were not been conducted on any of the soil who has been treated with both RBI grade 81 and fly ash
- Effect of RBI grade 81 along with fly ash on silty & clayey soil has not been studied.

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