

# STUDY ON SELF COMPACTING CONCRETE USING RECYCLED AGGREGATE AS PARTIAL REPLACEMENT FOR FINE AGGREGATE AND COARSE AGGREGATE WITH ADDITION OF STEEL FIBRES

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**Abstract** - Concrete is a construction material composed primarily of cement, aggregate, and water. The aggregate is in general a coarse gravel or crushed rocks as, granite or limestone along with sand as fine aggregate. The cement, generally Portland Pozzolana cement and other cementitious materials such as slag cement and fly ash serve as a binder for the aggregate.

To achieve varied properties, various chemical admixtures are also added. Mixing of this dry composite with water enables it to be shaped (typically poured) and then harden and solidify into rock-hard strength through a chemical phenomenon known as hydration. The water reacts with the cement and bonds the other components together, eventually creating a rigid stone like material.

In order to achieve the objectives of present study, an experimental program was planned to investigate the effect of marble dust and steel fibre on compressive strength, split tensile strength and flexure strength of concrete.

**KeyWords:** Portland, Pozzolana, Admixtures, Cementitious, Hydration

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The environmental influence or effect of concrete is a complex mixture having not entirely negative effects; while concrete is a major donor to greenhouse gas emissions, recycling of concrete is highly common in structures that have reached the extent of their life. Structures built of concrete can have a long serving life. As concrete possesses a high thermal mass and very less permeability, it can be used for making energy efficient housing.

As we know Concrete is a gifted construction material. Firstly it was introduced as protective cover of steel members, after that it was modified and now a day's concrete is used as a structural material comprehensively and steel is reinforced to modify its properties and give better strength to the concrete. Concrete can yield benefits like excellent resistance to water, fire resistance, has ability to mould into various sizes and shapes easily as per requirement, economic and readily available material on the job site. It is noticed that the normal concrete has many drawbacks like low value of strength to water cement ratio

as compared to steel. So as to overcome this weakness, development of high strength concrete (HSC) came into existence.

Now a days, with the excess use of admixtures and widely distributed application of concrete technology, it is easy to achieve cylindrical compressive strength of 50.00 MPa in 12 to 18 hours and near to 71Mpa or above at 28 days of curing. As per economic point of view, it is very necessary to design a higher proportion of the available strength of concrete with efficiency and effectively rather than a lesser proportion of much higher strength.

## 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

In this study an attempt is made to find the effect of various additives on paving concrete. The objectives of the proposed work can be summarised as follows:

- The main objective of the proposed work is to read the effect of steel fibres on strength characteristics like compressive strength, split tensile strength and flexural strength of Rigid Pavement Quality Concrete.
- Additionally, the effect of partial replacement of cement by marble dust has also been proposed to be studied in this dissertation.
- Moreover, the behavior on addition of both Marble Dust and Steel Fibre in Concrete for various conditions and cases has also to be studied.

## 3. LITERATURE REVIEW

The following are the some past research survey:-

**Wang et al. (1996)** explored the fibre reinforced beams of concrete under impact loading. Impact tests were carried out on small beams reinforced with concrete of different volumes of both steel fibres and polypropylene. The drop height of the instrumented drop weight impact machine was so selected that Some test samples failed completely under one drop of the hammer, while others required two or more blows to bring about complete failure. It was found that, at volume less than 0.5%, polypropylene fibres gave only a small increase in fracture energy. Steel fibres could bring about much greater improvement in fracture energy, with a



The tests were conducted as per requirements of IS: 8112-1989 and in its accordance. Three different cement samples were taken in this experimental study and those three samples were subjected to the above mentioned tests.

After all the tests were conducted, the experimental values of all these tests were put forward. Then these tests compared with the required Indian Standard specifications and were checked of the feasibility whether can be used in the further study or not.

### 5.2 Sieve Analysis for Marble Dust , Coarse and Fine Aggregates

The sieve analysis is used for the determination of particle size distribution of fine and coarse aggregates by sieving or screening.

Sieve Analysis of Marble Dust and Aggregates was done with a particular set of sieves. Sieves ranging from sizes 80mm to 4.75 mm were used for Coarse Aggregates (20mm), Sieve sizes ranging from 100mm to 4.75 were used for Coarse Aggregates (10mm), for Fine Aggregates, Sieve sizes ranging from 10mm to 150 μ were used and for Marble Dust Sieves of sizes ranging from 4.75 mm to 150 μ were used. These Sieve tests gave the value of the fineness modulus for all these materials.

### 5.3 Test for Compressive Strength of Concrete

Test specimens of size 150x150x150 mm were manufactured for testing the compressive strength of both controlled as well as marble dust-steel fibre reinforced pavement quality concrete. The modified concrete mixtures with varying percentages of steel fibres and partial replacement of cement with marble dust were prepared and cast into cubes and tested.

### 5.4 Test for Flexural Strength of Concrete

Test specimens of beam size 150 mm X 150 mm X 700 mm were chosen for testing the flexural strength of steel fibre reinforced concrete and replacement of cement with marble dust in different percentages.

### 5.5 Test for Split Tensile Strength of Concrete

The split tensile strength of concrete is determined by casting cylinders of size 150 mm X 300 mm. The cylinders were tested by placing them uniformly. Specimens were taken out from curing tank at age of 28 days of moist curing and tested after surface water dipped down from specimens. This test was performed on Universal Testing Machine (UTM).

## 6. FINDINGS OF THE STUDY

An experimental program was planned to investigate the effect of marble dust and steel fibre on flexural strength, compressive strength and split tensile strength of concrete so as to assess its feasibility for use in highway pavement. The experimental program consists of casting, curing and testing of controlled and marble dust-steel fibre concrete specimen at different ages.

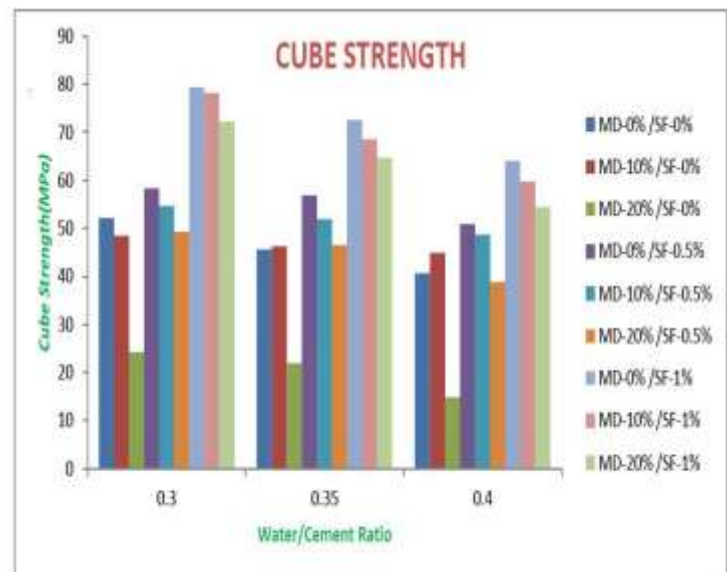


Fig.1- Variation of Compressive Strength Vs Water/Cement ratio of Concrete with different percentages of Steel Fibres (S.F) and Marble Dust (M.D).

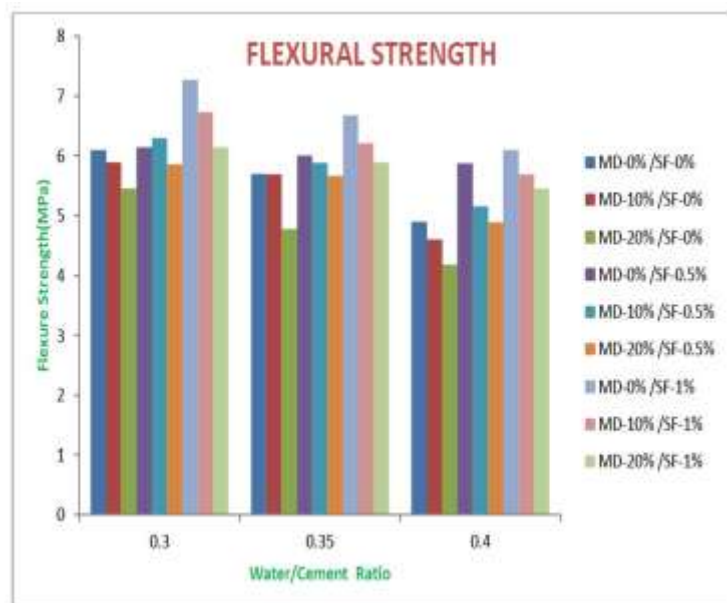
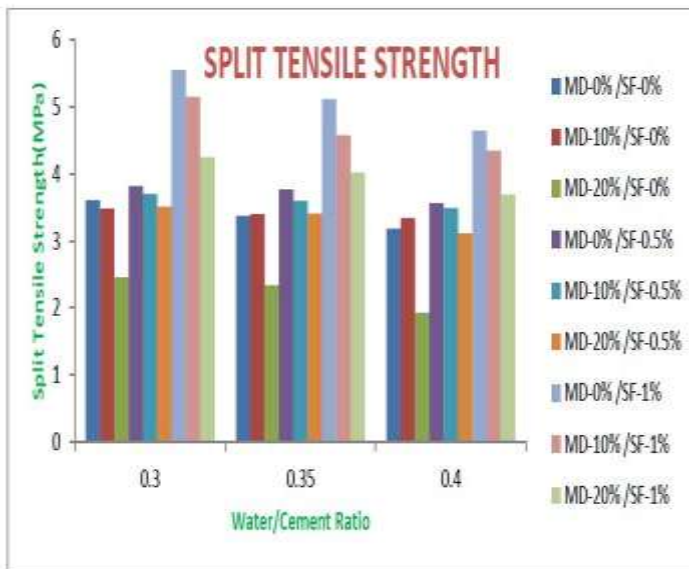


Fig.2- Variation of Flexural Strength Vs Water/Cement ratio of Concrete with different percentages of Steel Fibres (S.F) and Marble Dust (M.D).



**Fig.3-** Variation of Split Tensile Strength Vs Water/Cement ratio of Concrete with different percentages of Steel Fibres (S.F) and Marble Dust (M.D).

## 7. CONCLUSIONS

From the experimental results carried out with different samples and with varying ratios of contents, the following conclusion can be drawn:

- Concrete mix similar to grade M20, with 10 percent marble dust as replacement of cement by weight in its composition is the optimum level as it has been observed to show a significant increase in compressive strength up to 10% at water cement ratio 0.40 at 28 days curing when compared with nominal mix without marble dust and Concrete mix prepared in the study that is nearly similar to grade M20 when reinforced with steel fibre up to 1% shows an increased compressive strength of 53.2% at water cement ratio of 0.30 as compared to nominal mix without the steel fibres.
- The split tensile strength also tends to increase with increase percentages of steel fibres in the mix up to 50% with use of 1% steel fibres for water/cement ratio of 0.30 and also tends to increase up to 10% when 10 percent of marble dust as replacement of cement by weight is induced in the concrete mix. On increasing the percentage replacement of cement with marble dust beyond 10%, there is a slight reduction in split tensile strength.
- The flexure strength also tends to increase up to 25% with the increase percentages of steel fibres up to 1%, a phenomenon similar to increase in split tensile strength and compressive strength, whereas in case of marble dust when added to concrete mix, the percentage flexure strength reduces.

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