

## Comparative Study on Mechanical Strength Properties of Concrete by Using Demolished Concrete Waste

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### ABSTRACT

The growing environmental awareness and Construction waste, is increasing day by day which in turn makes the world in seeking for examining the characteristics of Construction waste and obtaining a solution by using its reliable segments such that it can be used as a raw material and Conservation the natural recourses like Coarse aggregate

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Construction is a major part of the development for all the developing countries including India. Concrete is mostly used in construction material in the world.

Construction and demolition waste is generated whenever any construction or demolition activities such as building roads, bridges, flyover, subway, remodeling etc., takes place. It consists essentially of inert and non-biodegradable materials such as concrete, plaster, metal, wood, plastic etc. Recovery of aggregate from construction and demolition waste by the recycling may reduce the demand.

Concrete is very strong in compression but weak in tension. Concrete is a relatively brittle material when subjected to normal stresses and impact loads. So we can use the Concrete waste as fine as well as coarse aggregate and able to give the good compressive strength comparatively conventional concrete

### OBJECTIVE

- To find the optimum percentage of replacement in the mix.
- To increase the strength of concrete and reduce the micro internal cracks in concrete.
- To find out the percentage of increase in strength property.

### MATERIALS

#### CEMENT

Cement is a binding material concrete which binds the other materials to form a compact mass. Generally, OPC is used for all engineering construction works, OPC cement of 53 grade

used for investigation. When cement is mixed with water, chemical reaction takes place as a result of which the cement paste sets and hardens into a solid mass.

*Table 1. Properties of cement*

S.No.	Properties	Value
1	Consistency	30%
2	Initial setting time	35 minutes
3	Final setting time	10 hours
4	Fineness Modulus	3.5 %
5	Specific gravity	3.15

## FINE AGGREGATE

A concrete with better quality can be made with sand consisting of rounded grains rather than angular grains. In this research, demolished waste concrete has been used as fine aggregate. The specific gravity of sand is determined using pycnometer test. Locally available clean and sun-dried sand passing through 4.75mm IS sieve and retained on 150 micron IS sieve is used for the experiments.

*Table 2. Properties of fine aggregate*

S.No.	Properties	Value
1	Consistency	30%
2	Initial setting time	35 minutes
3	Final setting time	10 hours

## COARSE AGGREGATES

Aggregates must be clean and free impurities. The coarse aggregate obtained from locally available sales quarries used for this project study. The sieve analysis result shows that the coarse aggregate confirms to single nominal size of 20mm.

*Table 3: Properties of coarse aggregate*

S.No.	Properties	Value
1	Specific gravity	2.60
2	Fineness modulus	3.77
3	Grading	Zone -II

## WATER

Clean potable freshwater, which is free from concentration of acid and organic substances, has for been used for mixing the concrete.

The major factor controlling strength, everything being equal, is the amount of water used per quantity of cement. Maximum strength is obtained by proper water-cement ratio.

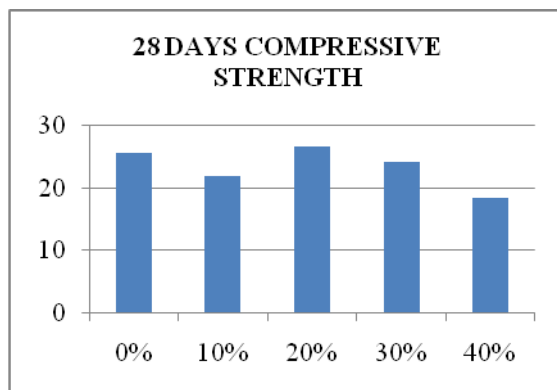
*Table4: Properties of water*

S.No.	Properties	Value
1	Appearance	Clear liquid
2	Specific gravity	1.1
3	pH	7

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

*Table5. Compressive Strength*

S.No.	% Concrete Waste	Compressive strength in MPa		
		7 days	14 days	28 days
1	0	15.61	20.73	25.6
2	10	14.30	18.70	22.01
3	20	14.7	21.11	26.73
4	30	14.61	17.99	24.32
5	40	11.33	13.73	18.56



*Table 6: Split Tensile Strength*

S.No.	% Concrete Waste	Split tensile strength in MPa		
		7 days	14 days	28 days
1	0	1.52	1.98	2.45
2	10	1.57	1.75	2.22
3	20	1.39	2.08	2.59
4	30	1.47	1.81	2.39
5	40	1.12	1.35	1.83

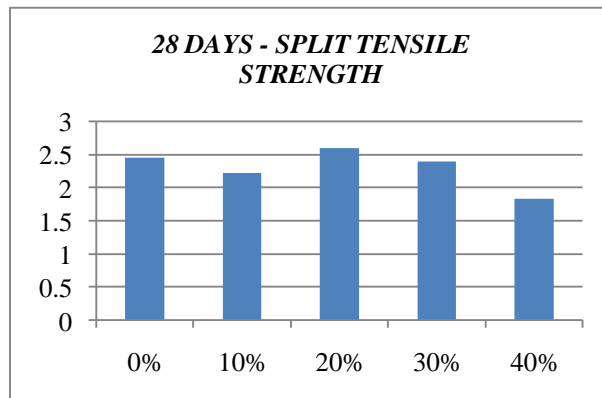
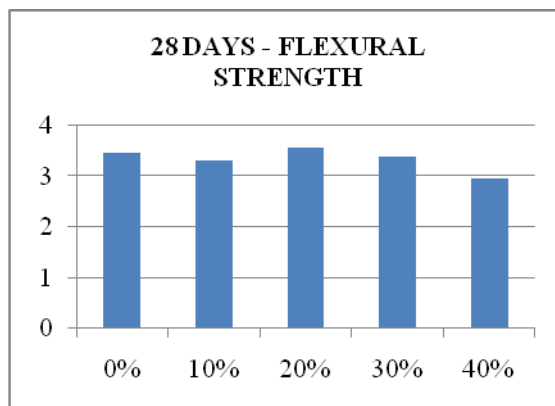
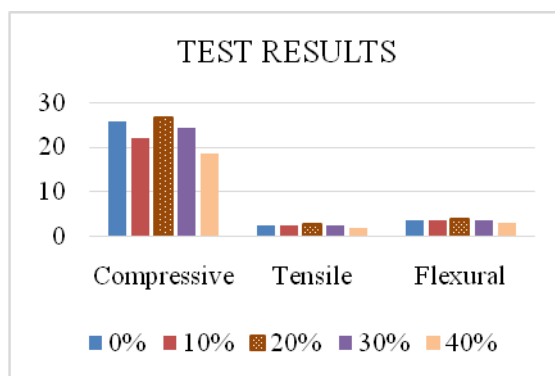


Table7. Flexural strength test

S.No.	% Concrete Waste	Flexural strength in MPa		
		7 days	14 days	28 days
1	0	2.75	3.25	3.47
2	10	2.62	3.09	3.32
3	20	2.58	3.15	3.58
4	30	2.76	2.87	3.39
5	40	2.41	2.61	2.95



## CONCLUSION



Based on experimental observations, following conclusions can be established:

1. Demolished waste concrete increases its compressive strength, flexural and tensile strength as compared with the conventional concrete.
2. As the percentage replacement in concrete increases, workability of concrete also increases, thereby decreasing the strength.
3. From strength point of view, 20% replacement shows better results than conventional concrete.
4. The paper is finally assured that the Concrete waste can be used and replaced in fresh concrete within the optimum level. Which results the natural resources can protect and helps to sustainable development for the future generation.

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