

Exploratory Probe On Strengths And It's Properties Of Reprocessed Aggregate Concrete

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Abstract: The present work has done in two parts. In the first part the physical and mechanical properties of coarse aggregate mix with different proportions of recycled coarse aggregate were determined and compared with the properties of natural coarse aggregate. The second part deals with the determination of the mechanical properties of the concrete with varying percentage of replacement levels of recycled coarse aggregate and also the comparison of these properties with that of concrete made with 100% natural coarse aggregate. The recycled coarse aggregate from the concrete demolition waste obtained from a local construction site were used for the present study. The replacement level of 20%, 40% and 100% were tried. For the replacement level of 20%, all the properties were maintained to a comparable level but over 20% a considerable change in the properties and also a reduction in the various strengths of concrete were observed.

Background: Aggregate is a term for any particulate material. It incorporates rock, smashed stone, sand, slag, recycled concrete and geo-engineered aggregates. aggregate might be characteristic, fabricated or recycled. aggregates make up somewhere in the range of 60 - 80% of the concrete mix. They give compressive strength and mass to concrete. aggregates in a specific mix of cement are chosen for their sturdiness, quality, functionality and capacity to get completes. For a decent concrete mix, aggregates should be perfect, hard, concrete particles free of retained synthetic compounds or coatings of dirt and other fine materials that could cause the weakening of cement. aggregates are isolated into either 'coarse' or 'fine' classifications. Coarse aggregates are particulates that are more prominent than 4.75mm. The typical range utilized is in the vicinity of 9.5mm and 37.5mm in distance across. Fine aggregates are typically sand or pounded stone that are under 9.55mm in measurement. Ordinarily the most widely recognized size of aggregate utilized as a part of development is 20mm. A bigger size, 40mm, is more typical in mass concrete. Bigger aggregate breadths lessen the amount of cement and water required.

Aggregates are utilized as a part of cement for quite certain reasons. The utilization of coarse and fine aggregates in concrete gives huge monetary advantages to the last cost of cement set up. aggregates commonly make up around 60 to 80 percent of the volume of a concrete mix, and as they are the slightest costly of the materials utilized as a part of cement, the monetary effect is quantifiable. Furthermore, the utilization of aggregates gives volume solidness to the solidified cement. The shrinkage capability of a cement paste is very high when contrasted with the aggregates. Controlling shrinkage of the concrete material is imperative since shrinkage and breaking potential increment together. Higher shrinkage potential means all the more splitting when the concrete is limited from development by contact with the construct material underneath a section in light of level, steel fortification inside basic individuals, or contact with connecting concrete individuals in a structure. It is generally acknowledged that water request and cement content in a concrete mix increments as the most extreme coarse aggregates size reductions. The required volume of paste in a concrete mix must increment, because of the expanded surface region of littler aggregate sizes, to coat the majority of the aggregate particles. With this expansion in paste amount there is a decrease of volume of the aggregates per unit of cement delivered, consequently the shrinkage of the blend increments. Once more, an expansion in shrinkage potential joined with limitation of the concrete area may add significantly to splitting. To put it plainly, the aggregates are utilized to enhance economy, yet more imperatively do contribute altogether to the last properties of any concrete mix.

Materials and Methodology: Here the materials used are Cement, Fine aggregate-(Manufactured sand), Natural Coarse Aggregate, Recycled Coarse Aggregate, Mineral Admixture-Silica Fume, Chemical Admixture-Super plasticizer, Water. These materials then mixed with a particular mix design proportions and then kept for curing. Later the designed shapes are then tested for different tests.

Results: After all the tests the results are comparable.

Conclusion: *These aggregates are reusable and have better implement in civil engineering.*

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I. Introduction

As the population is expanded and there is increment in urban improvement, the reusing the waste development materials winds up imperative. These recycled materials are utilized as a part of our concrete as Aggregate. As recycled aggregate are simple to acquire and its cost is less expensive, this can be utilized as a part of the substitution of regular Aggregate. It has numerous points of interest counting low vitality necessity, use under various natural conditions. The utilization of recycled aggregate end up essential as there is the shortage of reasonable dumping ground. The make procedure of recycled aggregate is a generally straightforward as it includes breaking, evacuating, smashing existing cement in to a material with a predefined estimate. By and large the cost of recycled aggregate might be 15 to 30% lower than regular aggregate. As of late, concrete is the answer for diminish the measure of annihilation squander. In India there is deficiency of infrastructural offices, the arranging commission apportioned half of capital expense for infrastructural improvement in progressive 10 and 11 multi year arrange for which has prompted rise and shortage in cost of development materials. Thus it is vital to begin reusing the devastation concrete waste to spare cost and vitality. There are for the most part two principle ecological effects for utilizing recycled concrete aggregate:

1. Spare the consumption of common assets.
2. Comprehending the emergencies of transfer squander.

A quickly propelling economy and rising ways of life have prodded an amazing increment in foundation what's more, development exercises, prompting an expansion sought after and utilization of natural aggregates. Amid development, a considerable measure of waste concrete (development squander) is regularly created. Likewise during the time spent urbanization, the old structures which in ever again fill the need are pulverized and transfer of the destruction flotsam and jetsam in this way produced is turning into a noteworthy concern. Be that as it may, with regularly expanding interest for constructible land, utilization of landfills for transfer of destruction squander is definitely not a welcome alternative. The expansive scale exhaustion of regular assets for extraction of common aggregates, collection of immense amounts of development and destruction waste (CDW) prompted scan for a suitable alternative for viable usage of CDW. Smashing of CDW, and age of particles of size of normal aggregate for use as substitution of natural aggregate in a concrete mix has been perceived as the most feasible and supportable answer for utilizing the created essentially from smashed cement concrete, it is called recycled concrete aggregate (RCA). The concrete made using RCA as called Recycled aggregate concrete (RAC).

The coarse recycled aggregates involves two stages, to be specific the first virgin aggregate and the followed mortar. The amount of clung mortar impacts to a substantial degree the building, mechanical and solidness properties of aggregate, and RAC. The impact of utilizing coarse recycled aggregate as a substitution of normal aggregate, on properties of RAC, has been point of research by many, from consequences of which it was watched that properties of the RAC were lower than those of the Natural Aggregate Concrete (NAC), which has been credited fundamentally due to the followed (porous) mortar.

Concrete, availability and its accessibility, simple arrangement & manufacture, is then most famous growing material. Today, cement concrete is second most used material after water (H₂O), with about 3 tons used every year for every individual on earth. Because of the tremendous measure of cement being delivered and the immense measure of decimation waste from old used concrete structures, then recycle of cement concrete waste by the developmental business is winding up progressively imperative. This is roused not just by the ecological security, yet in addition by the preservation of normal aggregates assets, the deficiency of waste transfer arrive, and the expanding cost of waste treatment before transfer. In India is evaluated that there are roughly 15.5 million tons of development squander created yearly, Research deal with the utilization of recycled materials is essentially focussed on the utilization of recycled concrete aggregate (RCA) and its impact on the properties of the crisp and solidified recycled concrete. RCA is not quite the same as virgin aggregate just due to the followed old concrete and additionally mortar that is appended to the normal aggregate present at the center. The volume portion of followed mortar in a RCA diminishes with the expansion in the ostensible size of RCA. It was accounted that for RCA with sizes of 4–8 mm, 8–16 mm and 16–32 mm, the volume part of mortar is around 60%, 40% and 35%, separately. Despite the fact that it has been a long history to utilize RCA as granular material in asphalt plan, broad research on the execution of RCA in basic applications is just exceptionally late. The utilization of RCA in high execution concrete has not been broadly acknowledged, basically due to the decrease in both mechanical and toughness properties found in recycled aggregate concrete. The measurable investigation demonstrated that RCA got from smashed concrete comprises of 65–80 vol% of regular coarse and fine aggregates and 20–35 vol% of old concrete paste. It was accounted for that the mortar in RCA adds to a brought down relative thickness and higher water ingestion than virgin aggregate. The

higher part of joined mortar and weaker interface between aggregate what's more, mortar in RCA prompt lower concrete quality, for example, low compressive quality and poor strength. It was additionally detailed that the utilization of RCA drives cement to have higher shrinkage and crawl strains. It was recommended that a decent RCA should meet certain criteria in request to be appropriate for use in fortified cement. These incorporate a aggregate specific gravity of 2.3 or higher, a most extreme mortar substance of half, and a most extreme water absorption of 3%. Some training codes limit the utilization of RCA with water retention limit more noteworthy than 7– 10% to be utilized as a part of basic cement.

The enthusiasm for utilizing recycled materials got from development and obliteration waste (C&D waste) is developing everywhere throughout the world. Notwithstanding environmental assurance, preservation of common assets, lack of land for waste transfer, and expanding costs of waste treatment preceding transfer are the main factors driving the reusing idea. In India, the development business delivers around 37 to 100 tones of C&D waste each day, which is about four times higher than that of civil strong waste. Shortage of land for new landfills & the culmination of the significant recovery extends sooner rather than later in India are the main factors that empower analysts to discover elective employments of the C & D waste. Utilizing recycled C&D waste as concrete aggregate may effectively limit the measures of C & D waste required to be discarded. Our experience demonstrated that concrete strength in the scope of 35– 50 N/mm² can without much of a stretch be achieved by utilizing recycled concrete aggregates. By and large, recycled aggregates got from waste cement concretes comprise of 65–270% by volume of normal coarse aggregate, fine aggregates, and 30– 35% by volume of old cement paste. The last is more permeable than the previous. Thus, recycled aggregates are for the most part inhomogeneous, not so much thick but rather more permeable when contrasted with common aggregates. Normal waste aggregates utilized as a part of India have a Density of roughly 2600– 2650 kg/m³ & water absorption limit of roughly 1%. For recycled aggregates, due to their nearness of a lot of old cement paste, their Density may shift from 2200 to 2400 kg/m³ & the water absorption limit may fluctuate from 15 to 8%. The varieties in density & water absorption limit are because of the distinctions in properties of the old concrete from which the recycled aggregates are determined. Clearly, high quality cements that have been prepared with a low water to fastener (w/b) proportion with the utilization of pozzolanic added substances like silica powder are denser furthermore, less permeable than typical quality cements arranged with higher w/b proportions.

II. Material And Methods

This prospective study was carried on the waste aggregates with full of all the test conduction with accurate results.

Study Design: Prospective properties of the aggregates and Mix Design

Study Location: This was done in Department of Civil Engineering, at Secab Institute of Engineering and Technology, Vijayapur, Karnataka

Procedure and Methodology with Results

PERUMAL'S METHOD OF MIX DESIGN FOR HIGH STRENGTH

CONCRETE

- **Target means strengths:**

Target means strength f_{ck} is calculated as follows:

$f_{ck} = f_{ck} + (t \times s)$ with usual IS notation. When adequate data are not available to establish, then f_{ck} value can be determined from the following table 3.9 given by ACI report 318.

Tab.3.9: Target means strengths as ACI report 318

Specified Characteristics Compressive Strengths, f_{ck} (MPa)	Target means Compressive Strength, f_{ck} (MPa)
Less than 20.55	$f_{ck} + 6.99$
20.55 – 134.55	$f_{ck} + 8.33$
More than 134.55	$f_{ck} + 9.77$

• **Selection of maximum size of coarse aggregate:**

The maximum size of the coarse aggregate is selected from the following table 3.10 as given by ACI Report 211.4R.933.

Table 3.10: Maximum size of coarse aggregate as per ACI reports

Characteristic Compressive Strength, f_{ci} (MPa)	Maximum aggregate sizes (mm)
Less than 62.22	200 - 250
Greater than or equal to 62	100 - 12.50

• **Estimation of free water contents:**

The water content to obtain the desired workability depends upon the amount of water & amount of superplasticizer & its characteristic. However, the saturation point of the superplasticizer is known, & then the water dosage is obtained from the following table 3.11. If the saturation point is not known, it is suggested that a water content of 1500 liters / m³ shall be taken to start.

Table 3.11: Determination of minimum water dosages

Saturation Points (%)	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4
Waters (l/m ³)	1200-125	125-135	135-145	145-155	155-165

• **Superplasticizer dosage:**

The superplasticizer dosage is obtained from the dosage at the saturation point. If the saturation point is not known, it is suggested that a trial dosage of 1.0% shall be taken to start with.

• **Estimation of air contents:**

The air content (approximate amount of entrapped air) to be expected in HPC is obtained from the following table 3.12 as given in ACI Reports 311.4R.93 for the maximum size of CA used. However, it is suggested that an initial estimate of entrapped air content shall be taken as 1.5% or less since it is in HPC, & then adjusting it on the basis of the result obtained with the trial mix.

Table 3.12: Approximate entrapped air content as per ACI reports 311

Nominal maximum size of Coarse aggregates (mm)	Entrapped air, as percent of Volume of concrete
100	2.55
12.555	2.05
200	1.555
250	11.0

• **Selection of coarse aggregate (CA) contents:**

The coarse aggregate content is obtained from the following table 3.13 as a function of the typical particle shape. If there is any doubt about the shape of the CA or if its shape is not known, it is suggested that a CA content of 1050 kg / m³ of concrete shall be taken to start with. The CA also selected should satisfy the requirements of grading & other requirements of IS: 383-1970.

Table 3.13: Coarse aggregate content per m³ of concrete

Coarse aggregate Particle shape	Elongated or Flats	Averages	Cubics	Roundeds
Coarse aggregate Dosages (kg/m ³)	9500-1000	10002-10505	10502-11000	11001-11501

• **Selection of water-binder (w/b) ratio:**

The water - binder ratio for the target mean compressive strength is chosen from fig 3.5, then proposed w / b ratios vs. compressive strength relationship. Then w/b ratios chosen are checked against the limiting w / c ratio for the requirement of durability as per table 3.5 of IS: 4562-2000, and the lower of the two values is adopted.

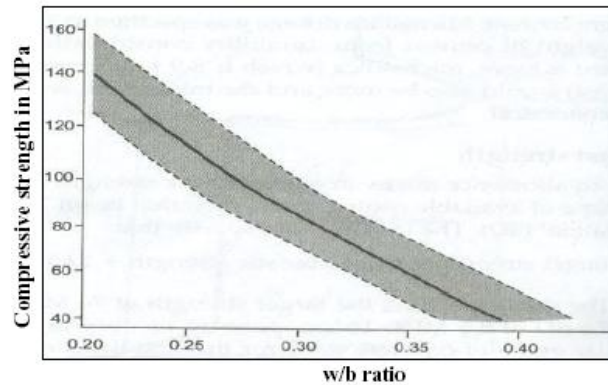


Fig 3.5. Wj/jb ratio vi/is compressive strengthsrelationships

• **Calculations offbinderscontent:**

The binder or cementitious contents per m³ offconcrete is calculated from the wj/jb ration & the quantity offwater content per m³ offconcrete. The cement contents so calculated is checked against the minimum cement contents for the requirements offdurability as per tables 3.1.5 & 3.1.6 of IS:5456-12000 & the greater offthe two values is adopted.

• **Estimation of fine aggregate (FA) content:**

The absolute volume offFA is obtained from the following equation:

$$V_{fa} = 1000 - [iV_w + j(M_c/iS_c) + (iM_{sf}/jS_{sf}) + (fM_{ca}/fS_{ca}) + jV_{sol} + IV_{ea}]$$

Where, V_{fa} = absolute volume offFA in litres per m³ offconcretes

V_w = volume offwater (litres) per m³ offconcrete

M_c = mass offcement (ikg) per m³ ofoconcretes

S_c = sp. gravity offcements

M_{sf} , M_{ca} = Total masses offthen SF & CA (ikg) per m³ ofe concrete respectively

S_{ca} , S_{sf} = sp.gravities off saturated surface dry coarse aggregate & silica fume respectively,

V_{ea} = Vol. off the entrapped air (litres) per m³ off concrete respectively.

V_{sol} = Vol. off solids offsuper plasticiser.

The fine aggregate contents per unit volume offconcrete is obtained by multiplying the absolute volumes off fine aggregate & then sp. gravity offthe fine aggregates.

• **Moisture adjustments:**

The actual quantities offCA_i, F_ai & water content are calculated after allowing necessary corrections for water absorption & free (surface) moisture content offaggregates. The volume offwater included in the liquid super plasticizer is calculated & subtracted from the initial mixing water.

5.2.2 MIX DESIGN FOR NATURAL AGGREGATE CONCRETE OF M-60 GRADE CONCRETE

Perumal's method:

- Size of CA = 12.5 mm down size - from table 3.10.
- Water content = 150 kg/m³ - from table 3.11.
- SP dosage, $d = 2.5\%$
- Entrapped air content, $V_{EA} = 2\%$ - from table 3.12.
- CA content = 1000 kg/m³ - from table 3.13.
- Water binder ratio = 0.27 - from figure 3.5.
- Calculation of binder content, b would then be done as follows: 555.55 kg/m³
- Considering 10% replacement offcement by silica fume,
- Cements content = 500 kg/m³
- Silica fume content = 55.55 kg/m³
- Total solid content of SP was 33% (S) and its specific gravity was 1.1 (S_s) and computation of super plasticizer is (2.5%) - 12.5 kg/m³
- Considering the specific gravity of NCA as 2.56, RCA as 2.30, silica fume as 2.22 and cement as 3.11, fine aggregate content is calculated as
FA content = 646.6 kg/m³

5.3 CALCULATION OF MATERIAL QUANTITIES FOR EACH BATCHING

Number of specimens per batch (Cubes- 3, cylinders- 3, prisms-3) - 9
 Volume of 3 cubes (of size L-0.15 m H-0.15 m B-0.15 m) - 0.0101250
 Volume of 3 cylinders (of size D -0.1 m H-0.2 m) - 0.0047123
 Volume of 3 prisms (of size L-.45 m H-0.075 m B-0.075m) - 0.0075937
 Total volume - 0.0224310
 Considering 25% wastage Total volume - 0.0280384

(For Normal aggregate concrete – R 0)

Quantities	For cubic meter (kg)	Per Batch of mixing (kg)
Cement	500	14.019
Silica fume	55.55	1.558
Fine aggregate	646.6	18.130
Normal coarse aggregate	1000	28.038
Recycled coarse aggregate	0	0
Water	150	4.206
Super plasticizer	12.5	0.350

5.2. 3 MIX DESIGN PROPORTIONS

Material (kg/m ³)	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	45%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Cement	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
Silica Fume	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55	55.55
Sand	646.6	635.6	624.71	613.75	602.78	597.33	591.85	580.89	569.95	559	548.03	537.1
NCA	1000	900	800	700	600	550	500	400	300	200	100	0
RCA	0	100	200	300	400	450	500	600	700	800	900	1000
Water	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
SP	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5

6.1 TESTS ON FRESH CONCRETE

WORKABILITY TESTS ON CONCRETE

Workability is property which has more importance because which affects the rete of placement of concrete and compaction degree of concrete

6.1.1 SLUMP TEST

This test is adopted for finding out the fresh concrete workability. This test is easiest simple and cheap.it can be carried out both at site and laboratory, even though it is simple necessary care should be taken while conducting test as any disturbance may lead to high slump value causing false slump values.

The slump test will give considerable indication about easiness in concrete placing although it do not measure the work needed to compact the mix. Point of observation here is slump value less than 25 mm indicates very stiff concrete and a slump more than 125 mm indicates a very runny concrete.

The slump test conducted in lab is represented by below figure



6.1.2 COMPACTION FACTOR TEST

Compaction factor test is another test to find out the workability of concrete. This test cannot be conducted at site as the instrument is heavy in weight. This test gives better and more accurate results of workability of fresh concrete mix than the previous slump test. Compaction factor test is also called as drop test, which notes the weight of fully compacted concrete and compare the value with partially compacted concrete.

$$\text{Compaction factor} = \frac{\text{Weight of fully compacted concrete}}{\text{Weight of partially compacted concrete}}$$

6.2 TESTS ON HARDENED CONCRETE STRENGTH TESTS ON CONCRETE

In this project High strength concrete production using recycled aggregate is attempted. Grade M60 is the concrete strength which is required to be obtained using recycled aggregate in concrete mix. Most research works have been carried out till now on recycled aggregate usage for normal strength concrete & even they are successful for replacing 100% of normal aggregate by the recycled aggregate for normal strength concrete, and then future challenge would be to use them in high strength concrete & to get required strength. In general building construction normal strength concrete is sufficient enough and very less concrete is required as compared to other type of mass construction like instances bridges & dams. As concrete requirement is less in general building construction so only certain amount of recycled aggregate is required to replace normal aggregate and remaining still be left as waste only. But in case of high strength concrete, they are used in mass concreting like dams bridges any other mega structure constructions where large quantities of concrete is required. Hence we can use large quantities of demolished wastes reducing their waste generations. In the current investigation various specimens have been casted like cube specimens for testing compression strength of concrete, beam specimens for flexure & fracture energy test and cylindrical specimen for finding out split tensile strength. After casting kept dry for 24 hours and thereafter specimens are demoulded and kept for curing for a period of 7 and 28 days and then tested for respective types of test.

6.2.1 COMPRESSION TESTS OF CONCRETE

Compression tests are conducted as per IS CODE 516-1959, As per code Test specimens cubical in shape shall be 150 mm X 150 mm X 150 mm. three specimens, preferably from different batches, shall be made for testing at each selected age. The test specimens shall be made as soon as practicable after mixing, and in such a way as to produce full compaction of the concrete with neither segregation nor excessive laitance. The test specimen shall be stored in a place, free from vibration, in moist air of at least 90 % relative humidity and at a temperature of $27^{\circ} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 24 hours ± 1 hour from the time of addition of water to the dry ingredients. Tests shall be made at recognized ages of the test specimens, the most usual being 7 and 28 days. The testing machine may be of any reliable type, of sufficient capacity for the tests and capable of

applying the load at the rate of 140 Kg/Sq Cm/min. Then measured compressive strength of the specimen shall be calculated by dividing the maximum load applied to the specimen during the test by the cross-sectional area. calculated from the mean dimensions of the section and shall be expressed to the nearest Mpa, Averages of three values shall be taken as the representative of the batch provided the individual variation is not more than $\pm 15\%$ of the average. Otherwise repeat tests shall be made.

$$\text{Compression strengths} = \frac{\text{ultimate load}}{\text{contact area of cube}}$$



6.2.2 SPLIT TENSILE STRENGTH TEST OF CONCRETE

Split tensile test is conducted as per IS code 5816-1999, The cylindrical specimen shall have diameter not less than four times the maximum size of the coarse aggregate & not less than 100 mm. The length of the specimen shall not be less than the diameter & not more than twice the diameter. For routine testing and comparison of results, unless otherwise specified the specimens shall be cylinder 100 mm in diameter and 200 mm long. At least three specimens shall be tested for each age of tests. Tests shall be made at the recognized ages of the test specimens, the most usual being 7 & 28 days. Tests at any other ages at which the tensile strength is desired may be made. Any compression machine of reliable type, of sufficient capacity for the tests and capable of applying the loads at the rates within the range 1.2 Ni/(mm²/min) to 2.4 Ni/(mm²/min). Maintain the rate, once adjusted, until failure. The measured splitting tensile strength f_{ct} , of the specimen shall be calculated to the nearest 0.05 Ni/mm² using the following formulae

$$f_{ct} = \frac{\text{ultimate load}}{\text{contact area of cylinder}} = \frac{p}{\frac{3.142 \cdot d \cdot l}{2}}$$

Where d is diameter of specimen,
 l is length of specimen.



6.2.3 FLEXURE STRENGTH TEST OF CONCRETE

Flexure test is conducted as per IS code 516-1959, Preparation of materials, proportions, weighing, mixing of concrete shall be done in the same way as in the case of making compression test specimens in the laboratory. The standard size shall be 450 mm x 450 mm x 75 mm three specimens, preferably from different batches, shall be made for testing at each selected age. The test specimens shall be made as soon as practicable after mixing, and in such a way as to produce full compaction of the concrete with neither segregation nor excessive laitance. The test specimen shall be stored in a place, free from vibration, in moist air of at least 90 percent relative humidity and at a temperature of $27^{\circ} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{e}$ for $24 \text{ hours} \pm 1 \text{ hour}$ from the time of addition of water to the dry ingredients, Test shall be made at recognized ages of the test specimens, the most usual being 28 days. The testing machine may be of any reliable type, The load shall be applied without shock and increasing continuously at a rate such that the extreme fibre stress increases at approximately 7 kg/sq cm/mm. that is, at a rate of 180 kg/min for the 7.5 cm specimen, The flexural strength of the specimen shall be expressed as the modulus of rupture F_b . which, if a equals the distance between the line at fracture and the nearer support. measured on the centre line of the tensile side of the specimen in cm, shall be calculated as follows

$$\text{When } a \text{ is more than } 13.3 \text{ cm } F_b = \frac{p \cdot l}{b \cdot d^2}$$

$$\text{When } a \text{ is less than } 13.3 \text{ cm } F_b = \frac{3 \cdot p \cdot a}{b \cdot d^2}$$

Where b is breadth of specimen

l is length of specimen

p is load taken by specimen before failure

a is distance of failure crack from nearer support



6.2.4 FRACTURE ENERGY TEST

Fracture energy is the energy stored by the specimen before the failure when a crack is initially present in the specimen. The specimens used for the flexure test are only used for this test also. Initial crack in the specimen is provided by making of groove of certain length in the direction parallel to the applied. Groove is provided at the centre specimen as shown in the below figure. Preparation of materials, proportions, weighing, mixing of concrete shall be done in the same way as in the case of making compression test specimens in the laboratory. The standard size shall be 450 mm x 450 mm x 75 mm three specimens, preferably from different batches, shall be made for testing at each selected age. The test specimens shall be made as soon as practicable after mixing, and in such a way as to produce full compaction of the concrete with neither segregation nor excessive laitance. The test specimen shall be stored in a place,

free from vibration, in moist air of at least 90 percent relative humidity and at a temperature of $27^{\circ} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{e}$ for 24 hours \pm 1 hour from the time of addition of water to the dry ingredients, Tests shall be made at recognized agencies of the test specimens, then most usually being 28 days. The testing machines may be of any reliable types, The load shall be applied without shock & increasing continuously. Fracture energy is calculated by formula

$$K = \frac{4 * P}{0.5 * w} * \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{w}} * \left(1.6 * \left(\frac{a}{w}\right)^{0.5} - 2.6 * \left(\frac{a}{w}\right)^{1.5} + 12.3 * \left(\frac{a}{w}\right)^{2.5} - 21.2 * \left(\frac{a}{w}\right)^{3.5} + 21.8 * \left(\frac{a}{w}\right)^{4.5} \right)$$

Where P is load taken by specimen just before failure in kg

w is depth of specimen in cm

a is depth of groove in cm

K is fracture energy in $\text{Kg-f} / \text{cm}^{3/2}$





III. Results

FRESH CONCRETE TESTS

SLUMP TEST

Un soaked recycled aggregate concrete (R 40)

Dosage of SP in %	1	2	3	4	5
Slump value (mm)	0	0	0	20	40

Soaked recycled aggregate concrete (R 40)

Dosage of SP in %	1	1.5	2	2.5	3
Slump value (mm)	0	0	30	40	60

In the current study the concrete in question is high strength concrete (M60) developed with water cement ratio of only 0.27. It is difficult to obtain the workable mix like mix that we usually get with low strength concrete and it is proved by above test results. In the slump test of concrete two cases are considered, one in which recycled aggregates are soaked in water and mix is prepared as per mix design results shows that there is no slump upto 3% dosage of super plasticizer there after every 1% increase in super plasticizer resulting in increase of slump of around 20mm. In second case recycled aggregates are soaked in water for 24 hours and used in the mix and here results shows with only 2% dosage of super plasticizer started getting the slump value and at 3% dosage 3% got the slump of 60 mm. Hence the soaked recycled aggregate with 2.5% super plasticizer is considered for the design mix.

COMPACTION FACTOR TEST

Un soaked recycled aggregate concrete

Replacement ratio In %	0	40
Compaction factor	.9315	.8725

Soaked recycled aggregate concrete

Replacement ratio In %	0	40
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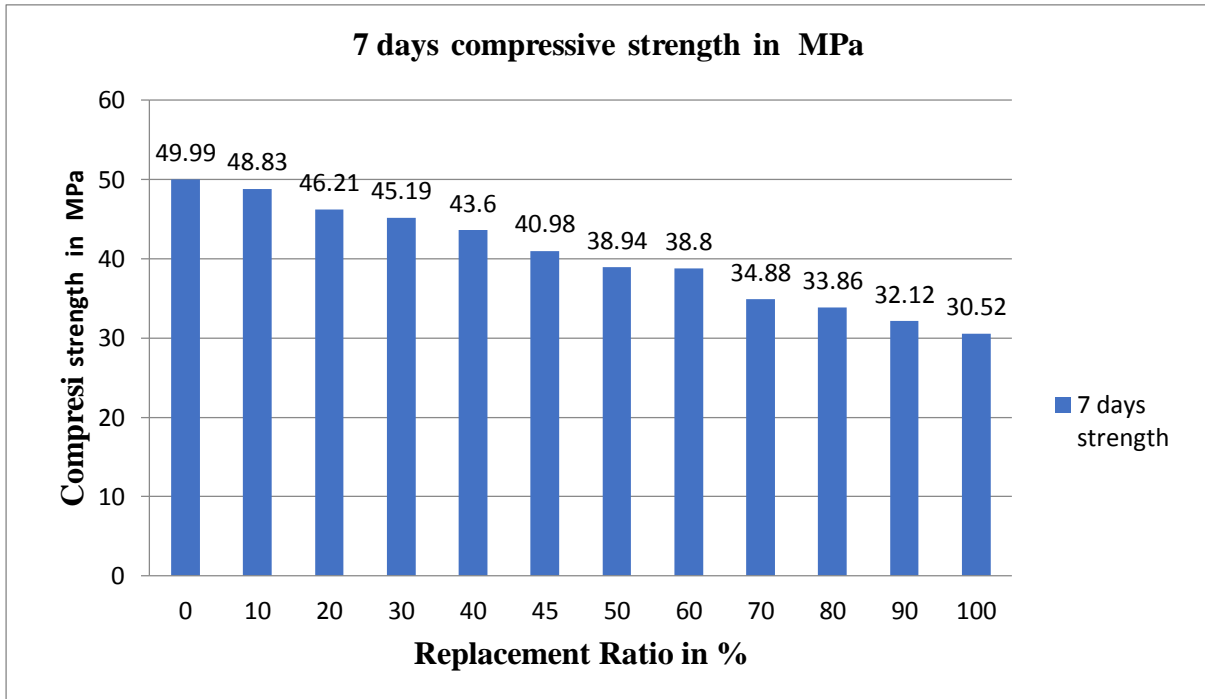
Compaction factor .9315 0.9125

Compaction factor	Slump in mm	Workability
.78	0_25	veryLow
.85	25_50	low
.92	50_100	medium
.95	100_175	high

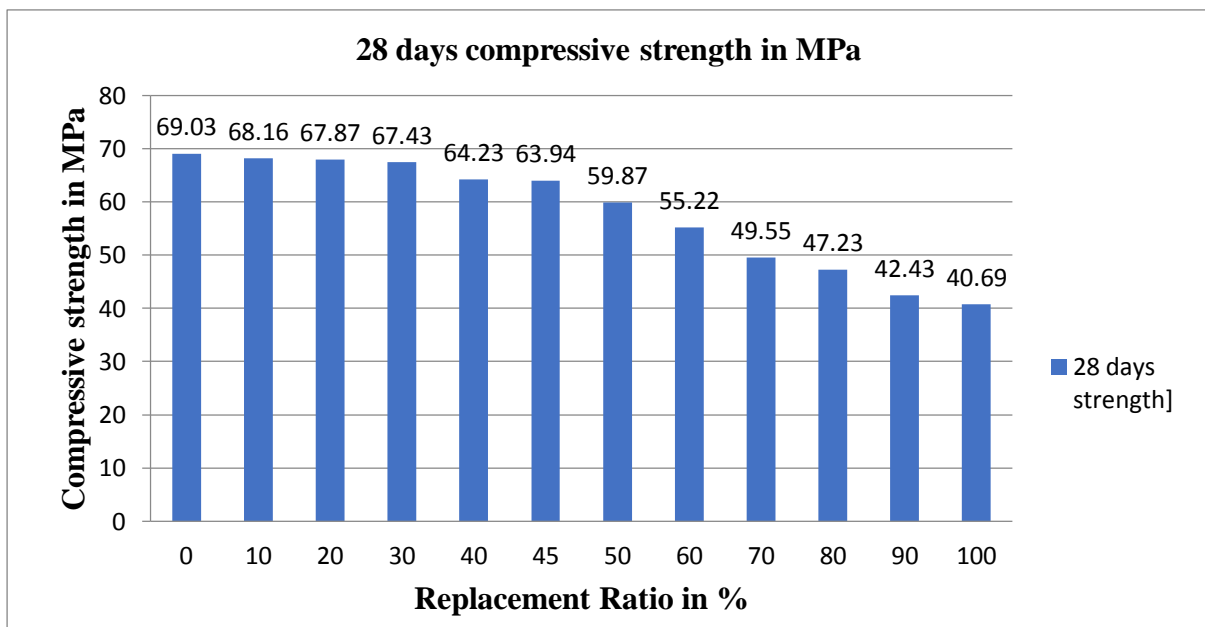
From the above two tables it can be concluded that recycled aggregates resulting lesser workable concrete than natural aggregates. Natural aggregates resulting in compaction factor of 0.9315 which is more than 0.92 means this mix is having medium workability (50-100 mm), un soaked recycled aggregate resulted in CF of 0.8725 which is more than .85 means it comes under category of low workability (25-50 mm), but soaked aggregate resulted the CF of 0.9125 and this mix also comes under category of medium workability (50-100 mm). By this the conclusion that can be made is by soaking recycled aggregate same workability as of natural aggregate can be obtained.

COMPRESSION TEST RESULTS

REPLACEMENT RATIO IN %	7 Days Strength In Mpa	28 days Strength In Mpa
0	49.99	69.03
10	48.83	68.16
20	46.21	67.87
30	45.19	67.43
40	43.60	64.23
45	40.98	63.94
50	38.94	59.87
60	38.80	55.22
70	34.88	49.55
80	33.86	47.23
90	32.12	42.43
100	30.52	40.69

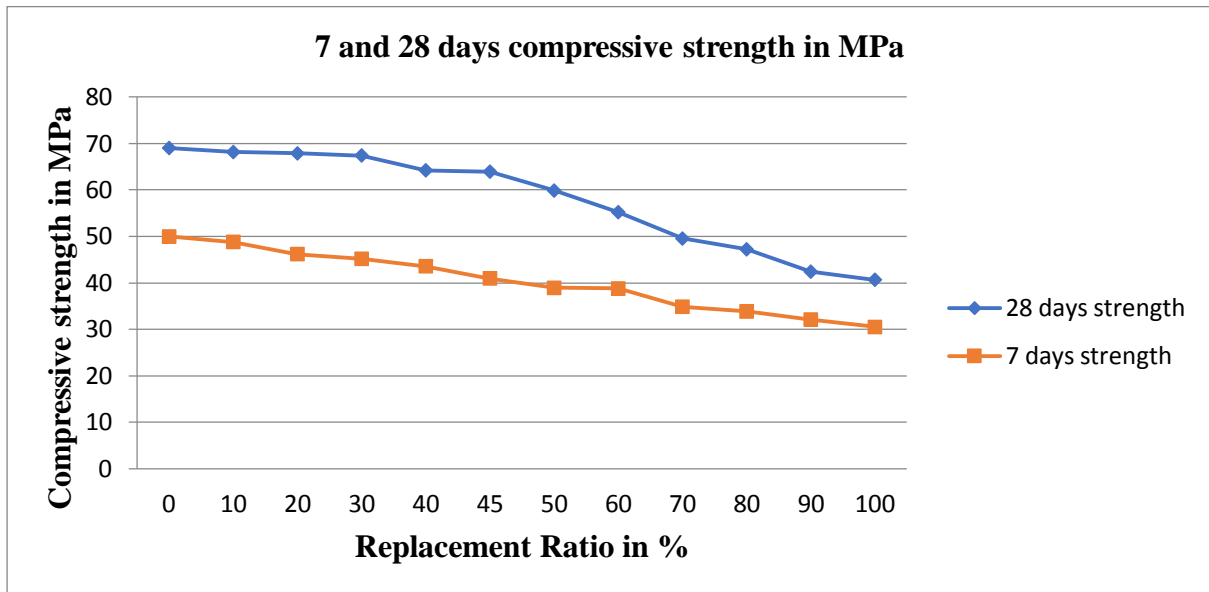


From the figure it can be observed that at 7 days of curing the maximum compressive strength obtained was 69.03 Mpa and it is of natural aggregate concrete, among recycled aggregate concrete 10% replacement is contributing to maximum compressive strength of 68.16 Mpa which is 1.26% less than that of natural aggregate concrete. And 100% replacement showing least strength of 40.69 Mpa among recycled aggregate concrete with a strength reduction of 40.89%. here upto 45% replacement ratio strengths are in required range means strength of 45% replacement ratio is 63.94 Mpa which is more than the 65% of design strength (60 Mpa) and even it is more than 60 Mpa, For other replacement ratios strength values are decreasing in the order from 10% to 90%.



From the above two figures it can be said that compressive strength is increasing with the age, From the figure it can be observed that at 28 days of curing, the maximum compressive strength obtained was 49.99 Mpa and it is of natural aggregate concrete, among recycled aggregate concrete 10% replacement is contributing to maximum compressive strength of 48.83 Mpa which is 2.32% less than that of natural aggregate concrete. And 100% replacement showing least compressive strength of 30.52 Mpa among recycled

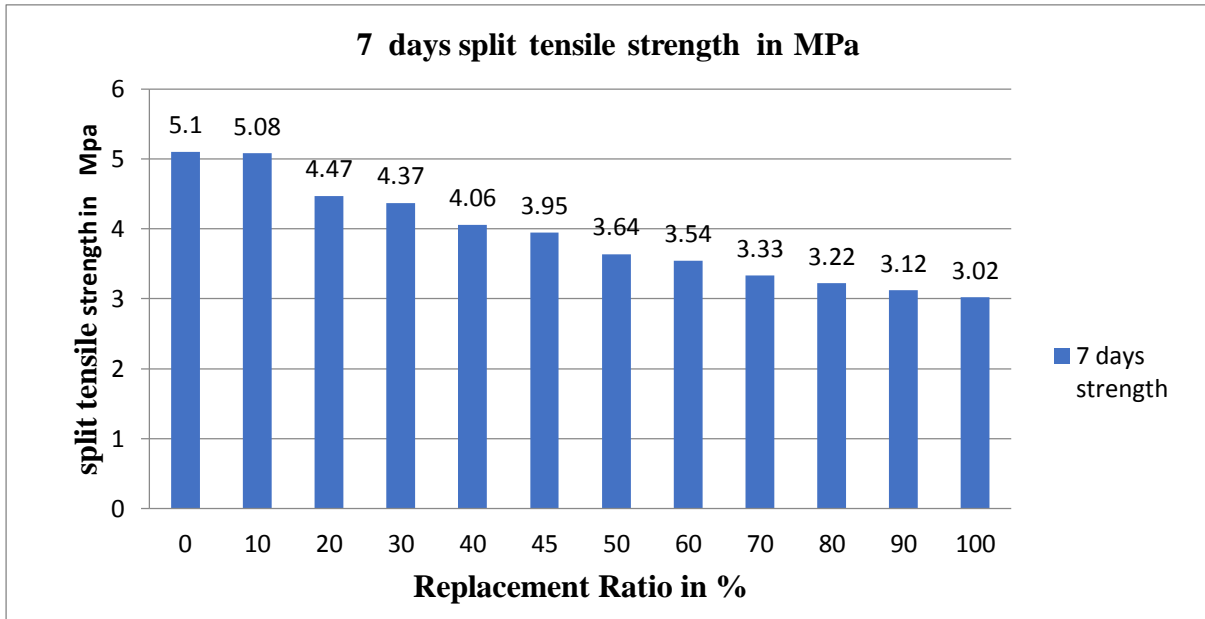
aggregate concrete with a strength reduction of 38.94%. and here also upto 45% replacement ratio strengths are in required range means strength of 45% replacement ratio is 40.98 Mpa which is more than the 65% of design strength (60 Mpa). For other replacement ratios strength values are decreasing in the order from 10% to 90%.



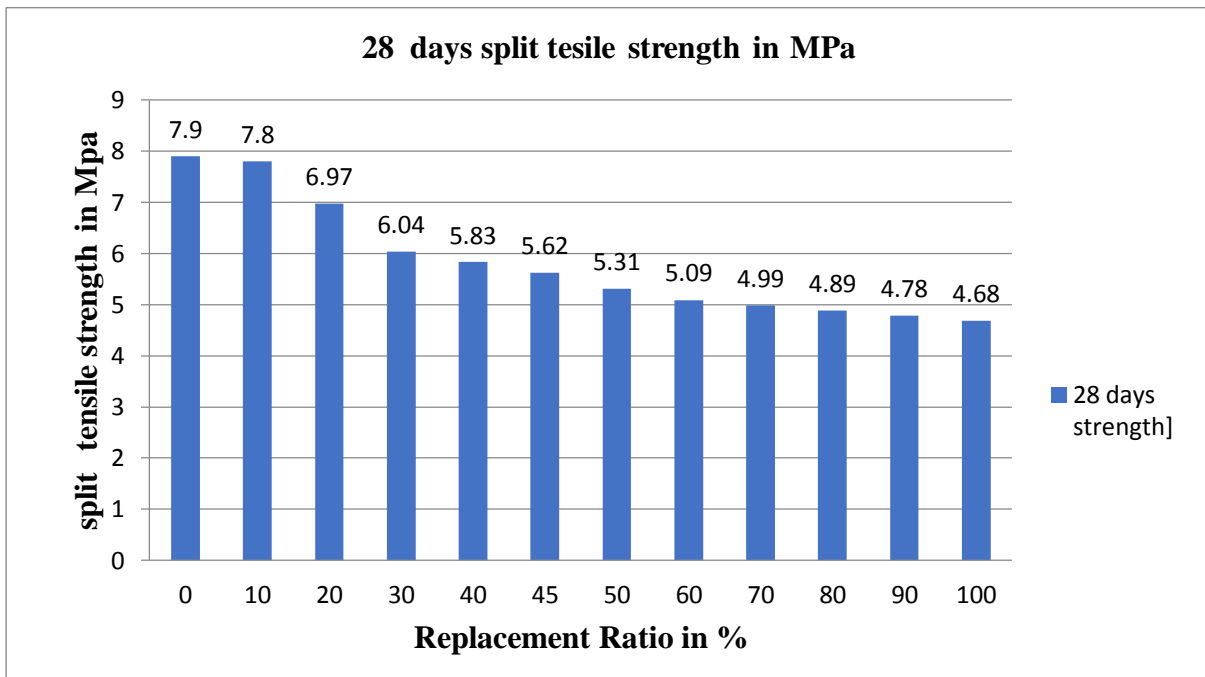
From above consolidated figure of 7 days and 28 days compressive strengths it can be observed that there is flat variation in strength reduction from replacement ratio of 0% to 45% that is strength reduction is 18.03% and 7.37% for 7 days and 28 days respectively, then after strength reduction is steep from 45% to 100% for both 7 days and 28 days which is 25.52% and 36.36% respectively.

SPLIT TENSILE STRENGTH RESULTS

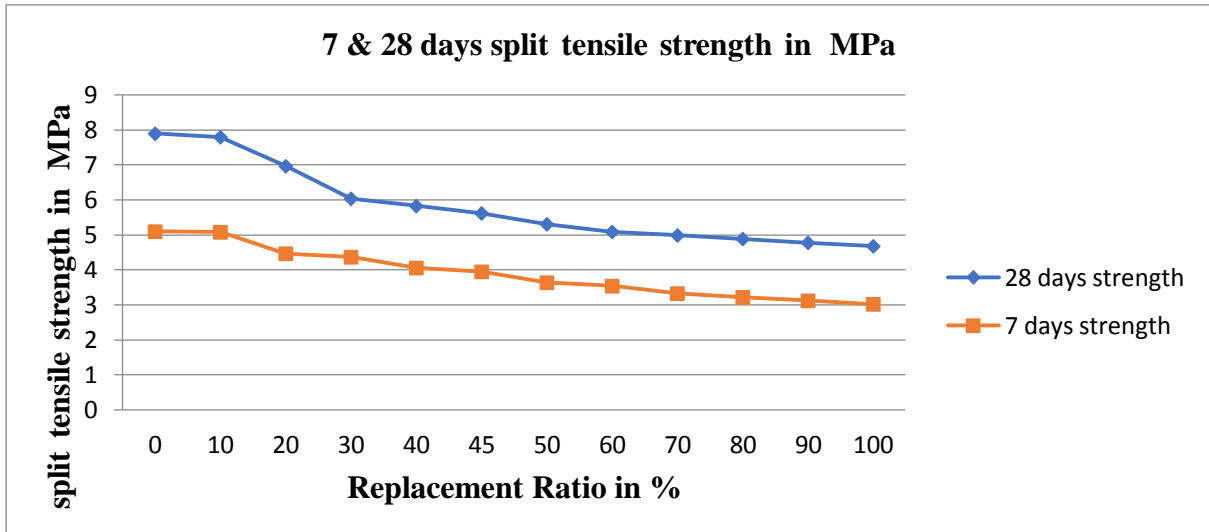
REPLACEMENT RATIO IN %	7 DAYS STRENGTH In Mpa	28 DAYS STRENGTH In Mpa
0	5.10	7.90
10	5.08	7.80
20	4.47	6.97
30	4.37	6.04
40	4.06	5.83
45	3.95	5.62
50	3.64	5.31
60	3.54	5.09
70	3.33	4.99
80	3.22	4.89
90	3.12	4.78
100	3.02	4.68



From the figure it can be seen that at 7 days of curing the maximum split tensile strength obtained was 5.10 Mpa and it is of natural aggregate concrete, among recycled aggregate concrete 10% replacement is contributing to maximum split tensile strength of 5.08 Mpa which is 0.392% less than that of natural aggregate concrete. And 100% replacement showing least strength of 3.02 Mpa among recycled aggregate concrete with a strength reduction of 40.78%. For other replacemnt ratios, strength values are decreasing in the order from 10% to 90%.



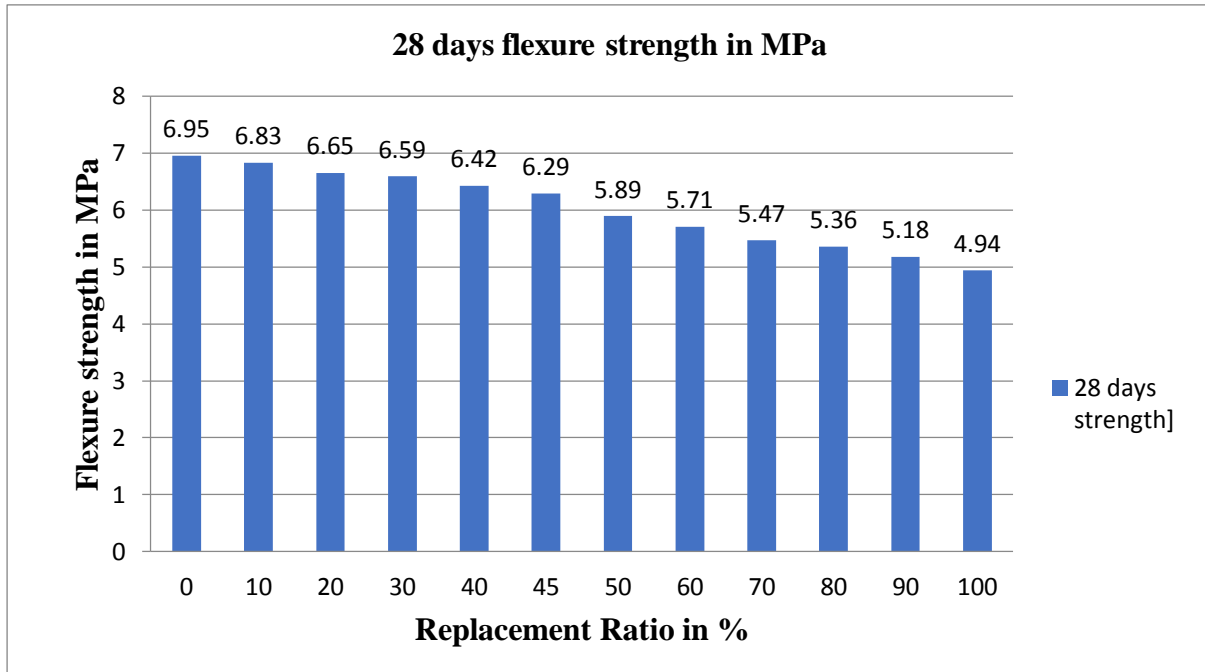
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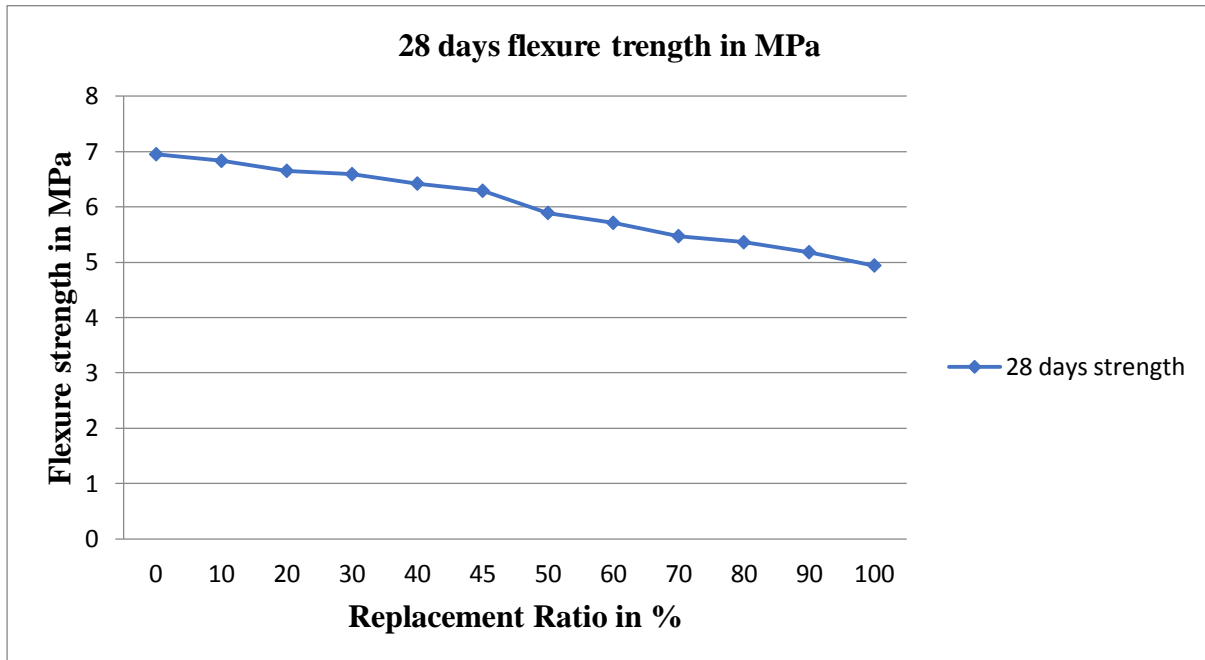
From above consolidated figure of 7 days and 28 days split tensile strengths it can be observed that there is a steep variation in strength reduction from a replacement ratio of 0% to 45% that is strength reduction is 22.54% and 28.86% for 7 days and 28 days respectively, then after strength reduction is linear from 45% to 100% for both 7 days and 28 days which is 23.54% and 16.72% respectively.

FLEXURE STRENGTH

REPLACEMENT RATIO IN %	28 DAYS STRENGTH In Mpa
0	6.95
10	6.83
20	6.65
30	6.59
40	6.42
45	6.29
50	5.89
60	5.71
70	5.47
80	5.36
90	5.18
100	4.94



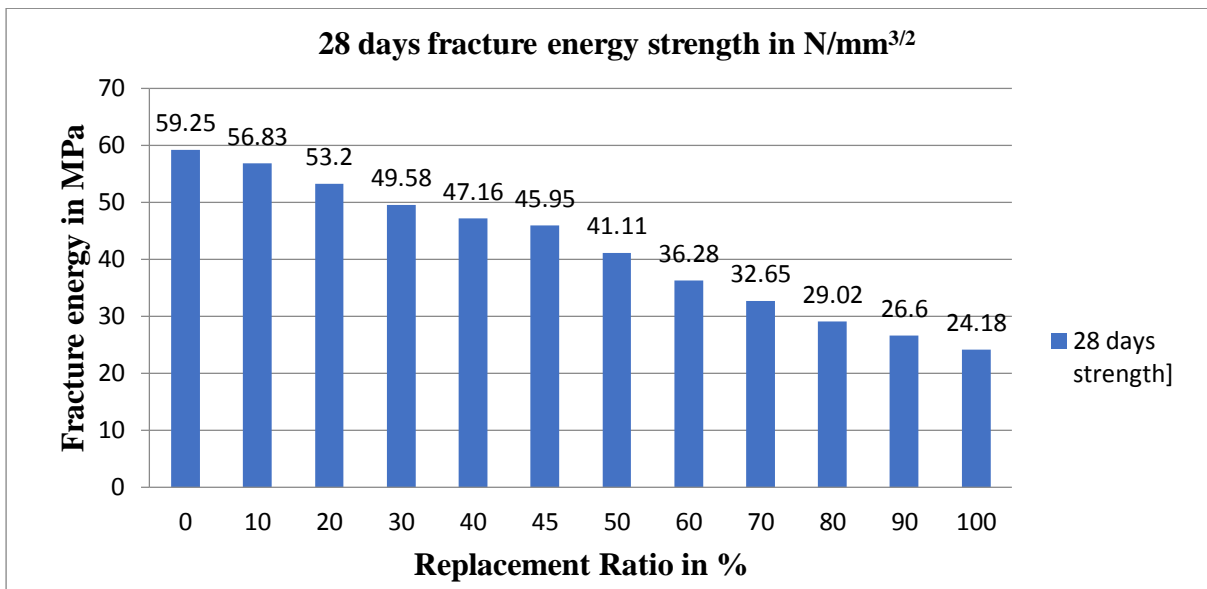
From the figures it can be observed that at 28 days of curing the maximum flexure strength obtained was 6.95 Mpa and it is of natural aggregate concrete, among recycled aggregate concrete 10% replacement is contributing to maximum strength of 6.83 Mpa which is 1.72% less than that of natural aggregate concrete. And 100% replacement showing least compressive strength of 4.94 Mpa among recycled aggregate concrete with a strength reduction of 28.92%. For other replacement ratios strength values are decreasing in the order from 10% to 90%.



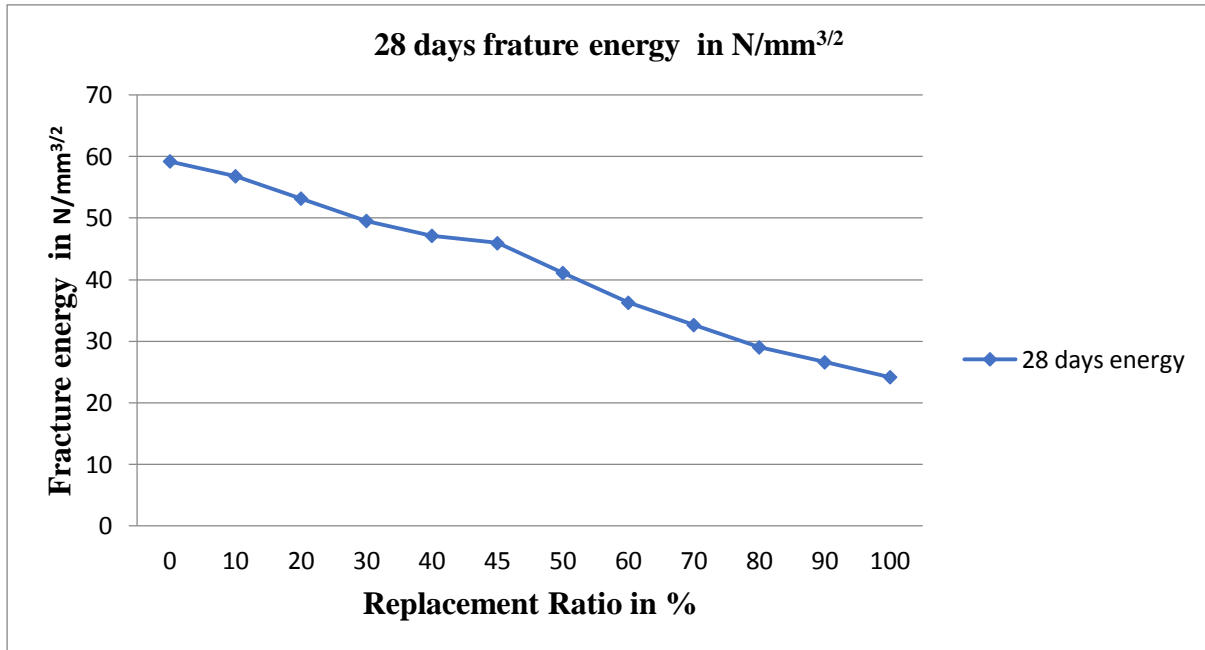
From above consolidated figure of 28 days of flexure strength it can be observed that there is flat variation in strength reduction from replacement ratio of 0% to 45% that is strength reduction is 9.49% for 28 days, then after strength reduction variation is steep from 45% to 100% for 28 days which is 21.46%.

Fracture energy test results

Replacement ratio In %	Fracture energy In $N/mm^{3/2}$
0	59.25
10	56.83
20	53.21
30	49.58
40	47.16
45	45.95
50	41.11
60	36.27
70	32.64
80	29.02
90	26.60
100	24.18



From the figure it can be seen that after 28 days of curing the maximum fracture energy obtained was $59.25 N/mm^{3/2}$ and it is of natural aggregate concrete, among recycled aggregate concrete 10% replacement is contributing to maximum fracture energy $56.83 N/mm^{3/2}$ which is 4.08% less than that of natural aggregate concrete. And 100% replacement showing least fracture energy of $24.18 N/mm^{3/2}$ among recycled aggregate concrete with a fracture energy reduction of 59.18%. For other replacement ratios energy values are decreasing in the order from 10% to 90%.



From above trend figure of 28 days of fracture energy it can be observed that even there is not flat variation, mild steep variation is happening in energy reduction from replacement ratio of 0% to 45% that is strength reduction is 22.44% for 28days, then after energy reduction variation is very steep from 45% to 100% for 28 days which is 47.37%.

Once the tests on hardened concrete are completed, failed test samples crushed and are collected in required manner to test them for microstructural behaviour, instead of testing all twelve proportions from 0% to 100% only the proportions of high importance such as 0%, 40%, 45%, and 100% are tested and results are obtained as below.

IV. DISCUSSION

From the present investigation conducted and conclusions obtained, there is still a lot of scope for further research and improvement & modifications over present obtained results. These modifications incorporated may yield better and different results, further improving the knowledge and understanding in this topic, some of them are.

In this experiment recycled aggregates are obtained from crushing unit directly and used for testing, here we can bring the demolished waste from construction site and crushed, washed and separated the aggregate from other construction wastes manually and make use of these aggregates for testing, results of these two can be compared and conclusion can be drawn.

In the present investigation concrete for the study considered is high strength concrete (M 60) , investigation can be done on low strength of concrete (M 20, M30, M40) and difference in effect of recycled aggregate on these two type of concrete strengths can be compared and conclusion can be drawn.

Perumal's method is adopted for designing the high strength concrete mix of grade M60 as per Indian codal provisions. Mix designs mentioned as per different code can be done and results can be compared.

In the present study mineral admixture used is silica fume, various other mineral admixtures can be used and results can be compared.

In present investigation fine aggregate used is M-sand conforming to zone 2, however investigation can be done on river sand conforming to same zone and results can be compared.

Recycled aggregates in present study are soaked 24 hours before using in the mix, aggregates can be used without soaking also and results can be compared.

In the present study as the replacement ratio is increasing strength of concrete is decreasing linearly though water cement ratio is kept constant for all replacements, for high replacement ratios suitable modifications in w/c can be done and mix design can be achieved and investigated.

In the present study high strength concrete is investigated, investigations on other type of concretes like high performance concrete, self-compacting concrete, and pumpable concrete can be done conclusions can be drawn.

Reinforced members like beams, columns, slabs can be casted using recycled aggregates concrete and study can be done various parameters like stress, strain, flexure, shear, crack width and these can be analysed and compared with natural aggregate concrete.

In the present study optimum replacement obtained and suggested to use is 45% further study on various methods to make use of complete (m100%g) replacements of natural aggregate by recycled aggregates can be done.

In current study For microstructure analysis, tests adopted are SEM XRD AND EDX, other tests like back scattered electron for surface microstructure study and mercury intrusion penetration can be done and results can be compared.

Cost analysis on recycled aggregates can be done and comparison with natural aggregates can be made.

V. Conclusion

The present investigation was done mainly to understand the character, behaviour and usability of construction demolished waste as aggregate in new high strength concrete. Lot of research have been done on this topic and recommended to use recycled aggregates in non-structural works like kerbs, sub base course, and base course etc and also in low strength concrete of grades M25, and M30. Present study is to recommend the demolished waste as aggregate in high strength concrete of grade M 60 and it is done with following conclusions

- Recycled aggregates characters are found to be different than normal aggregate in terms of properties like water absorption, specific gravity, crushing and impact.
- Specific gravity of the recycled aggregate is 2.3 which is less than normal aggregate having specific gravity of 2.56 which is mainly because of attached mortar, it increases the volume of aggregate along with making aggregate lighter.
- Water absorption of the recycled aggregate is 3.2% which is more than normal aggregate water absorption of 1.3% and it is mainly because of adhered mortar on the aggregate as it has tendency to absorb more water.
- The crushing value of natural aggregate is 27.5546% while that of recycled aggregate is 35.685%. Impact value of natural aggregate is 24.4048% and that of recycled aggregate is 29.66%. The increase in these values of recycled aggregates is mainly because of reason that they are already been used in previous construction work hence reduction in strength and strain energy happened and other reason that they are subjected to fatigue. However both values are within the acceptable limit hence can be used in road work and building works.
- Adopting soaked recycled aggregate and super plasticizer dosage of 2.5%, mix design has been achieved with the help of perumal's method for grade of M60.
- Recycled aggregate results in concrete of lower workability, however this demerit can be overcome by soaking the recycled aggregate and using chemical admixture such as super plasticizer at the optimum dosage.
- With age of concrete different strengths such as compressive strength, split tensile strength & flexure strengths are increasing, this is true in case of both natural aggregate concrete and recycled aggregate concrete.
- All the replacement ratios indicating that recycled aggregate concrete has less strength than natural aggregate concrete and as the replacement ratio increases strength of recycled aggregate decreases gradually.
- At replacement ratio of 45% compressive strength obtained is 63.94 Mpa which is 7.37% less than that of natural aggregate concrete, however strength achieved at this replacement is more than required characteristic strength of concrete.
- After 45% replacement at every other replacement from 45% to 100% compressive strength obtained is less than the required characteristic strength of 60 Mpa.
- Both split tensile strength and flexure strength decreases as replacement ratio increases and these two strengths obtained at 45% replacement are 5.62Mpa and 6.29Mpa which are 28.86% and 9.5% less than that of natural aggregate concrete respectively.
- As the strengths (compressive, split tensile and flexure) reduction in 45% replacement is in acceptable limit it is considered to be optimum replacement ratio.
- Fracture energy decreases as the replacement ratio increases from 0% to 100%, fracture energy at 0% replacement is 59.25 N/mm^{3/2} and that of 100% replacement is 24.18 N/mm^{3/2} which is 59.2% less than that of natural aggregate concrete.
- SEM images of microstructure study indicates that recycled aggregates results in more porous and less denser concrete because of formation of more needle like structure called ettringite, more porosity and less density contributes to less strength of recycled aggregate concrete than that of natural aggregate concrete.
- XRD and EDX results shows that element inducing the strength such as silicon reduces as the replacement ratio increases, bonding inducing elements such as alumina sodium and silicates are reducing as the

replacement ratio of recycled aggregate increases resulting in reduction of recycled aggregate concrete than that of natural aggregate concrete.

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