Subgrade Soil Stabilization using Terrazyme

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Abstract

Economy of the nation is reliant on road infrastructure for which the roads should be intended to meet the steadily changing burdens and environment. Attributable to boom in vehicle development, vehicle load on our road is expanding quickly which requests for good nature of subgrade from economical design perspective. It turns out to be expensive to utilize soil having subgrade with low CBR worth to endure heavy loaded weight of vehicles, these requires the interest for enhancing the quality of subgrade utilizing stabilizers to enhance the CBR values, so that less thickness of asphalt can be designed with no bargain with quality of asphalt development. In this paper, an exertion has been made to improve the CBR of asphalt by using inventive materials like terrazyme for subgrade soil adjustment. Also OMC MDD by heavy compaction has been carried out. Classification of soil is derived by finding out the Atterberg limits under Indian Standard code. The property of soil due to which the soil becomes dangerous for construction of pavement is studied, i.e. Free Swell Index values.

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1. Introduction

The BC soil covers impressively vast zone, almost one - third, of Indian area. It is portrayed by high shrinkage and swelling properties and hence forth the BC soil has been a test to the thruway engineers. Soil is the crucial segment of this nature and road improvement industry knows the essentialness of it for asphalt work. As of late numerous specialists have been attempting to utilize business chemicals, enzymes and so on to upgrade the soil execution. Bio-Enzymes may give some extra shear quality to some soils and henceforth the soil adjustment with compounds ought to be considered for different applications however just on a case-by-case premise to fulfill financial use of advancement materials by trying to keep the wastage of soil material through the change of its properties to meet the essentials of asphalt arrangement from its arranged use. Bio-Enzymes are synthetic, natural, and fluid concentrated substances which are utilized to enhance the soundness of soil sub-base of asphalt structures in order to satisfy specific outlining road endeavours and organization life of the black-top.

2. Objectives

To examine the behavioural changes of soil record properties of untreated weak neighbourhood soil and limit the volume change capability of a profoundly plastic soil by utilizing measurements (1.3ml/5 kg) as stabilizers of for road development to give some basic worth in the asphalt outline process.

3. Materials

Following are the materials which are to be used in this study.

3.1 Soil

In this postulation, soil is gathered from Rajkot city (22.3000° N, 70.7833° E), on the under development sidestep from Bedi to Malyasan. The soil utilized is the separated waste soil which on visual test and by research center test known not dark cotton soil. The soil has a far reaching surface zone on account of level and stretched particle shapes that cane together when wet, staying away from run of the mill waste strategies. When it is wet it doesn't get the chance to be dry soon. In like way, when totally dry, it is not soon wetted and shrivels bringing

on breaks. Test as per Indian Standards are performed on the soil to check the properties of untreated and treated soil with stabilizer.

3.2 Terrazyme

An industrially accessible natural, chemical based stabilizer referred to as Terrazyme is utilized as added substance to the soil. The bio-protein was acquired from Avijeet Agencies, Chennai, India. A bio enzyme is normal, eco agreeable, non dangerous, and water solvent natural fluid got from sugar cane molasses that enhances the designing characteristics of soil, encourages high soil compaction densities and makes strides the solidness. Bio-compound is a non-bacterial multi enzymatic compound and some of which are same chemicals found in run of the mill brewer's yeast. The bio-compound is gotten through essential maturation process and exists as an arrangement. Its fixation can be physically controlled. The organization clarifies that for the most part; bio-compounds catalyze the responses amongst mud and natural feline particles and quicken cationic trade process. This thus lessens the adsorbed layer thickness. Table 1 demonstrates the properties of bio protein. The dose of TerraZyme utilizing as a part of this work is 1.3ml for each 5 kg soil.

Table 1: Properties of Terrazyme

Property	Value
Specific Gravity	1.05
pH value	3.50
Appearance/odour	Dark brown, Non obnoxious
Total dissolved solids	19.7ppm
Cation exchange capacity	3.87%
Hazardous content	None
Boiling point	212 ^{0}F
Evaporation Rate	Same as water
Solubility in water	Complete
Melting point	Liquid
Reactivity data	Stable
Materials to avoid	Caustics and strong bases

4. Test Results

Different tests were performed for distinguish the Engineering property of soil according to Indian Standard are as beneath:

4.1 Liquid Limit:

Water content significantly affects the designing properties of soils. The outcomes demonstrate that fluid farthest point is on higher pattern which normally has a poor specialized nature and is a low conveying limit; towering and troublesome compressibility in compaction while soil treated with terrazyme (1.3ml/5 kg) indicates diminishing quality. This can be ascribed to coagulation advanced by the compound responding with soil to make denser material decreasing porousness. Liquid Limit for BC soil is 56 and that for BC + TZ soil is 45. Fig 1 and Fig 2 shows moisture content for BC and BC + TZ soil respectively at 25 numbers of blows.

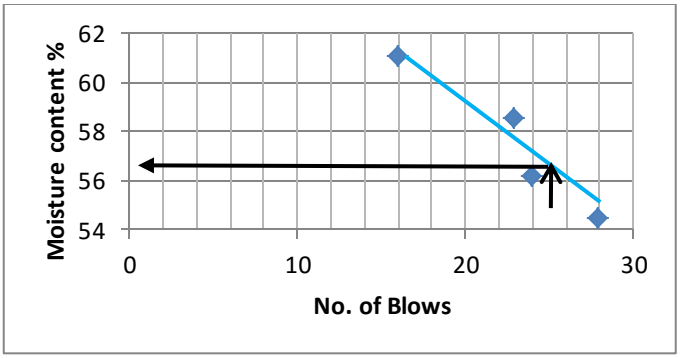

Fig 1: Moisture content % vs. No of Blows for BC soil

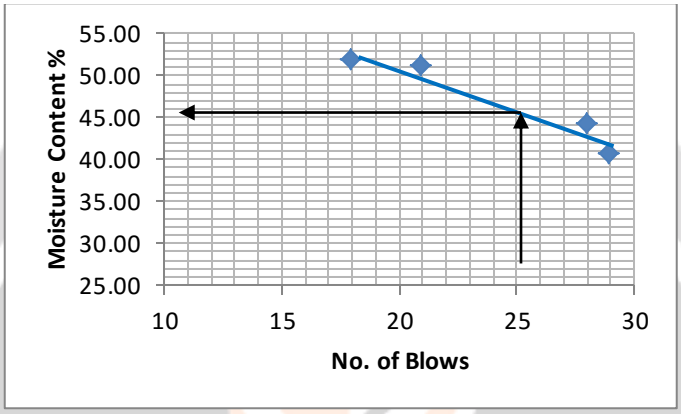

Fig 2: Moisture Content % vs. No. of Blows for BC + TZ

4.2 Plastic Limit:

It is the dampness content at which the soil goes from the friable to the plastic state. The response with the soil is obvious and impression of it as plastic farthest point is seen. Table 2 shows the plastic limit for BC and BC + TZ soil.

Table 2: Plastic Limits

Sample	Can + wet sample weight (gms)	Can + dry sample weight (gms)	Moisture content %	Average PL %
BC	65.44	57.62	24	24
BC	62.60	55.13	24	
BC+ TZ	54.29	48.34	18.99	21
BC + TZ	61.43	53.41	23.31	

4.3 Free Swell Index:

Swelling is the system of entry of water into the pores which causes swelling of the soil volume. The measure of swelling is the extent between stature changes after submersion of the primary unique soil example is by and large shown as percent. Free swell file bears a remarkable relationship both with liquid limit and percent swell. There is a significant diminishing in free swell index is seen when terrazyme is used in settled dose with characteristic soil. Table 3 shows the swelling property of untreated and treated BC soil.

Table 3: Free Swell Index

Sample	BC Soil	BC + TZ
Mass of Dry Soil	10	10
Volume of Soil in Water	15.0	12.4
Volume of Soil in Kerosene	10	10
Free Swell Index (%)	50	24

4.4 Water Content – Dry Density Relation Using Heavy Compaction:

Compaction is a methodology by which the air in the pores of the soil removed by mechanical means to achieve the thickness necessities. Soil thickness is for the most part measured in dry unit weight. The dry unit weight remarkable suggest that the amount of little pores and higher compaction. Fig 3 shows OMC – MDD relation for untreated soil having OMC 18.33% and MDD at 1.665 gm/cc while fig 4 shows relation for treated BC soil with OMC 14.49% and MDD at 1.828 gm/cc.

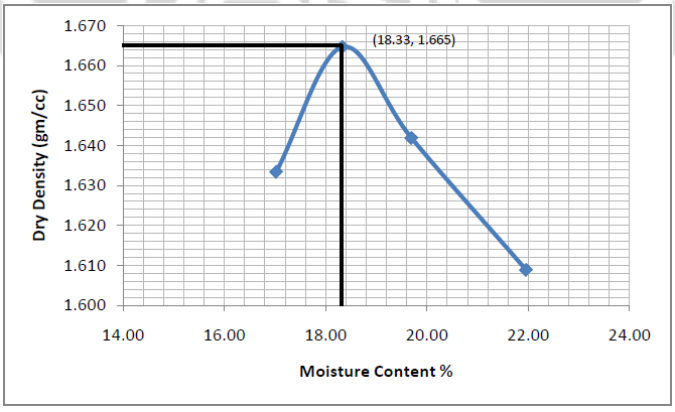

Fig 3: Dry Density vs. Moisture Content for BC Soil

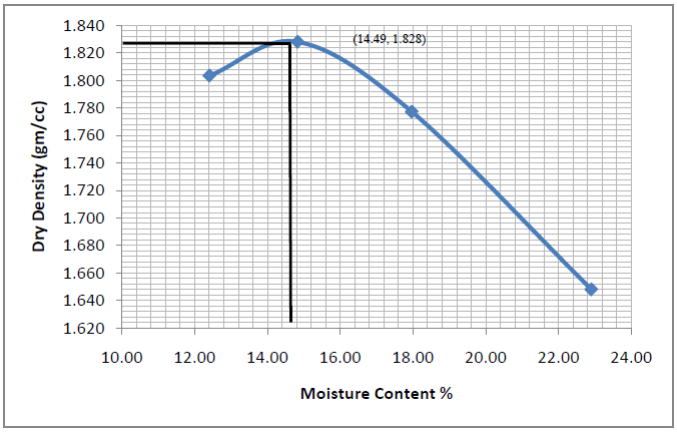

Fig 4: Dry Density vs. Moisture Content for BC Soil + TZ

4.5 CBR Test Result with and without additive:

California Bearing Ratio (CBR) test is directed to center the reasonable of soil test settled terrazyme. This test did in light of the standard framework given in (IS: 2720 Part-16) (Bureau of Indian Standard 1979). The samples were prepared at most dry density and optimum moisture content soil. The tests revealed that CBR value at 2.5 mm penetration is higher than CBR value at 5 mm. Consequently for asphalt outline CBR value at 2.5 mm penetration should be taken for configuration reason. Fig 5, 6 shows CBR for BC soil samples and fig 7 shows CBR for BC + TZ soil.

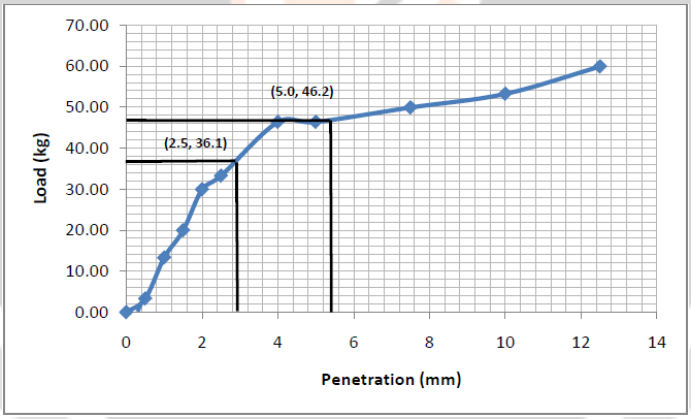

Fig 5: Load vs. Penetration for BC sample 1

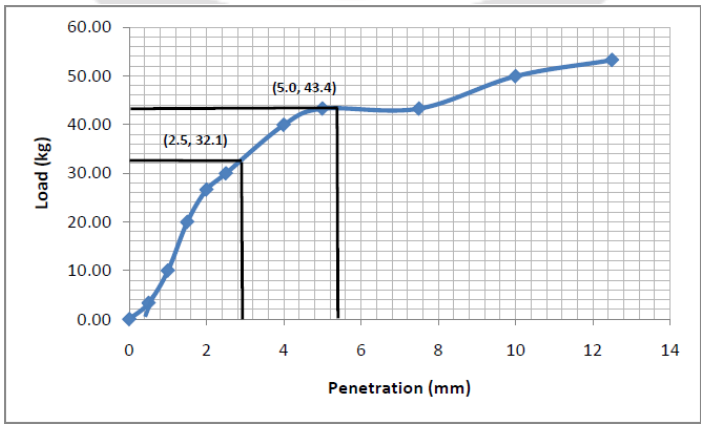

Fig 6: Load vs. Penetration for BC sample 2

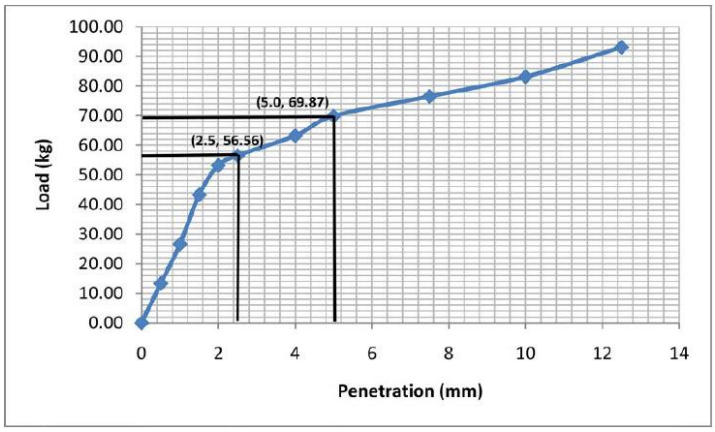

Fig 7: Load vs. Penetration for BC + TZ

Table 4: CBR values

CBR Value at Std. Penetration 2.5 mm and Std. load 1370 Kg			
Sample	BC Soil		BC Soil +TZ
Load at 2.5 mm	33.27	29.94	56.56
CBR Value	2.63	2.34	4.13
Average	2.49		4.13
CBR Value at Std. Penetration 5 mm and Std. load 2055 Kg			
Sample	BC Soil		BC Soil +TZ
Load at 5 mm	46.37	43.25	69.87
CBR Value	2.25	2.11	3.4
Average	2.18		3.4

5. Conclusions:

Execution of bio-enzyme balanced out soil has been researched in this work. In light of the tests directed in the research center, the accompanying conclusions are drawn:

- The value of Liquid limit decreases for 56 to 45% for terrazyme treated soil.
- The value of Plastic limit decreased minor form 24 to 21 %.
- Also by adding the terrazyme the dry density of soil is increased to 1.828 gm/cc from 1.665 at OMC of 18.33 and 14.49, respectively.

- The swelling property shows significant improvement as FSI comes down to 24% of treated soil from 50% of untreated soil.
- The value of CBR also have significant rise in value at 4.13% of treated soil from average CBR of 2.49 of untreated soil samples. this increment is 168% of the original CBR value of untreated soil.

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