

# “Coconut Fibre Reinforced Cement Concrete”

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## ABSTRACT

Compressive strength.CFRC Sustainability is a wide acknowledged idea in present day development situation. Despite the fact that the development business is upsetting in a huge way as far as both hardware and materials utilized, the expense of development deterioratively affects climate. This brought about the reception of a more offset approach with the climate as its operational hub to make a superior world to live in. This has prompted the reception of a characteristic fiber like Coconut for the strength upgrade in substantial Coconut fiber is accessible in overflow at the test site, which makes it very reasonable as a support material in concrete. Further, it goes about as another type of revenue for the coconut maker who gets the advantages of the new interest created by the development business. Moreover, it is a viable technique for the removal of coir bedding waste which will diminish the interest for extra garbage removal foundation and abatement the heap on existinglandfills and incinerator. This study pointed toward examining the variety in strength of coconut fiber supported concrete atvaryingfiber contents and to contrast it and that of traditional cement. The different strength viewpoints dissected are the compressive strength of the coconut fiber supported concrete at different rates (4%, 5%, 6% by the heaviness of concrete) of fiber. The impact of state of fiber on strength is likewise concentrated by testing on coconut fiber lattice of foreordained aspects.

**KEYWORDS:** *Coconut fibre, cement concret, coconut.*

## 1. INTRODUCTION :

With the journey for reasonable lodging framework for both the provincial and metropolitan populace in Ghana and other non-industrial nations, different proposition focussing on reducing down regular structure material expenses have been advanced. One of the ideas in the front has been the obtaining, improvement and utilization of option, non-customary neighborhood development materials including the chance of involving a few rural squanders as development materials.

Regular supporting materials can be gotten for minimal price and low degrees of energy utilizing neighborhood labor and innovation. Use of regular filaments as a type of substantial upgrade is exceptionally compelling to less evolved districts where customary development materials are not promptly accessible or are excessively costly. Coconut and sisal-fiber built up concrete have been utilized for making rooftop tiles, folded sheets, lines, storehouses and tanks (Agopyan, 1988). Concrete made with portland concrete has specific attributes: it is solid in pressure yet feeble in strain and will in general be fragile. Theweakness in strain can be overwhelmed by the utilization of regular steel bar support and somewhat by the consideration of an adequate

volume of specific strands. The utilization of filaments additionally modifies the way of behaving of the fiber-network composite after it has broken, consequently working on its strength. The general objective for this exploration is to examine the capability of involving waste and low energy materials for homegrown development, mainly in Ghana. The goal of this examination is to investigate the utilization of coconut filaments as an upgrade of cement. Coconut filaments are not normally utilized in the development business but rather are frequently disposed of as squanders.

Coconut strands acquired from coconut husk, having a place with the group of palm filaments, are farming side-effects got in the handling of coconut oil, and are accessible in enormous amounts in the tropical locales of the world, most particularly in Africa, Asia and southern America. In Ghana, they are accessible in huge amounts in the southern piece of the country. Coconut fiber has been utilized to upgrade cement and mortar, and has demonstrated to work on the sturdiness of the substantial and mortar (Gram, 1983, and Ramakrishna, et al., 2005). Nonetheless, the issue of long haul strength has not yet been addressed. It has likewise been seen that the level of upgrade of cement by coconut filaments relied upon the sort of coconut species and the sub-district that the coconut plant was developed.

The particular goal of testing oncoconutfibre as an improvement of cement istwo overlay. First and foremost, to survey assuming the strands of thespecies filled in Ghana would work on the mechanical properties of substantial like the species in Latin America and South East Asia. Also, whenever it was demonstrated that essential mechanical properties of cement and mortar could be upgraded by coconut fiber from species filled in Ghana, then further examination would be completed on working on the drawn out toughness of cement and mortar with coconut filaments as an improvement.

## 2. MATERIAL AND METHODOLOGY

In light of the past exploration work, a correlation of solidarity properties of fiber built up concrete is made regarding ordinary concrete and the impact of state of filaments on strength are likewise considered. Tests are led utilizing handled coconut filaments of length 5cm and crude fiber cross sections of size 5cm x 5cm subsequent to covering them with coconut oil at different fiber items in 4%, 5%, 6% .Material tests were completed at first to decide the appropriateness of materials to be utilized in concrete. The blend was planned according to IS 10262: 2009 at a reasonable water content and configuration blend was gotten.

The materials used in this study are:

Cement	:	PPC
Fine aggregate	:	M-sand
Coarse aggregate	:	Aggregates passing through 20mm is
sieve Coconut fibre	:	Washed fibres of length 5cm
Water	:	Potable water
Admixture	:	Rheobuild 918

OPC - OPC is produced by simple grinding lime stone and secondary materials to powder the main raw material used for manufacturing OPC is calcareous material argillaceous material and gypsum. Setting time of OPC is less than OPC. Costlier than OPC. Use of OPC is highly recommended where fast pace of construction is required.

The different grades of OPC cement available in India are

- OPC 33 grade
- OPC 43 grade
- OPC 53 grade

#### 4. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The calculated amount of cement and fine aggregate are mixed together till a uniform mix is obtained. The amounts of fibre adopted are 4%, 5% and 6% of cement. Raw and non uniform coir fibres are cut into square chips of 5cm x 5cm. They are then washed, oil coated with coconut oil and dried in sunlight for 24 hours and added to the mix until a uniform colour is obtained. Coarse aggregates are then added to the same and mixed followed by addition of water. Care should be taken to add water slowly in stages so as to prevent bleeding which may affect the strength formation of concrete rising of water required for hydration to the surface. Admixture is added towards the last stage of addition of water so as to avail sufficient time for mixing before the concrete hardens. It is placed in the mould and compacted. 6 cubes each of the same are prepared and cured. The compressive strength for 7 day and 28 day is determined.

#### 5. CONCLUSIONS

Coconut fiber is accessible in overflow at the test site, which makes it very suitable as a support material in concrete. Further, it goes about as a kind of revenue for the coconut maker who gets the advantages of the new interest produced by the development business. What's more, it is an effective strategy for the removal of coir sleeping cushion squander which will lessen the interest for extra garbage removal foundation and reduction the heap on existing landfills and incinerators. Coconut filaments being normal in beginning, is biologically supportable and can cut down the worldwide carbon impression actually. The targets of this work were:

The extent of this task was restricted to rustic private developments.

The significant ends from this study are

1. At 5% expansion of coconut fiber with a water concrete proportion of 0.5, compressive strength tests yielded best outcomes. Notwithstanding, the compressive strength diminished on additional fiber option. This should be because of the way that when the strands are at first added to concrete, the better estimated fine totals go into the surface pores in the fiber making a superior holding between the fiber and blend, but further option of filaments brought about development of mass fiber in the blend which will prompt lessening in holding. Consequently there is an ideal worth of fiber to solidify proportion, past which the compressive strength diminishes. Subsequently 0.5 was taken as the ideal water concrete proportion and ideal fiber content was taken as 5%.
2. When the fiber content is expanded there is an expansion in split elasticity with a greatest at 5%. Anyway when the fiber content is expanded past this worth a decrease in elasticity is noticed. This is because of the way that malleable disappointment happens because of the separation of particles and atoms present in concrete. Anyway when the fibre is added it goes about as a folio keeping them intact.
3. When fiber content is expanded there is an expansion in flexural strength with a greatest at 5% of fibre. However when the fiber content is expanded past this worth a descending slant of the chart is noticed. This is additionally because of the limiting properties of coconut fiber inferable from its high elasticity of 21.5 MPa.
4. A diminishing pattern in compressive strength was seen in concrete with network formed filaments. This is because of development of feeble entomb progress zone around these filaments, making the whole example frail. Besides the thickness of the filaments can upset better pressing of the constituents of cement in this manner making it feeble. The presence of residue and different contaminations on the

outer layer of filaments can likewise be one more justification for this decrease in strength which might disrupt the holding of blend and resulting strength arrangement.

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