

# EXPERIMENTAL STUDY ON GLASS POWDER CONCRETE

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# ABSTRACT

The usage of cement as a binder in concrete gives good results, but it is harmful to the environment because of the release of harmful gases like carbon monoxide and carbon di oxide into the atmosphere. This paper attempts to use Glass powder as a partial replacement of cement, which is rich in silica. It is planned to prepare the concrete specimens in the form of cubes and cylinders and compare the strength characteristics of the replaced concrete with the conventional concrete. It is planned to add the glass powder as a replacement of cement as 5%, 10% etc., with the weight of the cement and it will be finally concluded with the percentage replacement giving the best result. In this paper, glass powders are used as a replacement of binder, which is a waste material thus it is highly environmental friendly and economical as well.

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Concrete is the most widely used building material construction industry. It is a homogeneous mixture of cement, fine aggregate, coarse aggregate and water [1]. The proportion of cement is mainly responsible for the strength of concrete [2]. Cement is a finely pulverized homogeneous material [3] Due to the hydration, the cement acts as a binding material in the concrete [4]. The Silica present in the cement accelerates the binding nature. The objective of the study is i) To evaluate the utility of Glass powder as a partial replacement of cement in concrete ii) To study and compare the performance of conventional concrete and Glass powder concrete iii) To estimate and understand the effectiveness of glass powder in strength enhancement.

# METHODOLOGY



**Figure 1.** Source of Glass: Structure of Glass

## **Constituents of Glass**

Table 1			
Name of Constituent	% of constituent		
Lime (CaO)	62%		
Silica (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	22%		
Alumina (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	5%		
Calcium Sulphate (CaSO <sub>4</sub> )	4%		
Iron Oxide ( $Fe_2O_3$ )	3%		
Magnesia (MgO)	2%		
Sulphur (S)	1%		
Alkalies	1%		

## **Properties of Glass**

Glass is an amorphous (non-crystalline) that in essence. Glass can be made with excellent homogeneity in a variety of forms and sizes from small fibers to meter-sizes pieces. The constituents of glass are sand, soda ash, limestone and other additives (Iron, Chromium, Alumina, Lead and Cobalt) as listed above. Glass has been a replacement of aggregates in road construction, building and masonry materials in the present times.

# **EXPERIMENTAL WORK**

The various sources of waste glass are places such as construction sites, industries, etc..., from which the glass waste is collected. Then it is crushed and ground to a size, fine enough to achieve it is Pozzolanic behavior. Cement is now partially replaced by its weight, by glass powder at varying rates such as 5%, 10%, mixed with glass powder at different rates. With these results, the control mix, utilizing glass powder replaced as cement is to be designed for cylinders and cubes. Now, 4 cylinders – and 4 cubes- such as four specimens for each combination is to be casted for the whole and cured at room temperature. At the end of curing period, each specimen is tested for compressive and tensile strength and the average is recorded.



Figure 3: Broken Glass.

Figure 4: Broken Procedure Test.



**Figure 5: Glass Pieces** 

Figure 6: Glass Powder.

## **Compressive Strength**

The specimen Measure the dry proportion of ingredients (Cement, Sand & Coarse Aggregate and Glass powder) as per the design requirements. In this test, we are using 5 and 10% of glass powder as replacement of cement. The Ingredients should be sufficient enough to cast test cubes. Thoroughly mix the dry ingredients to obtain uniform mixture. Add design quantity of water to the dry proportion (water-cement-ratio). Mix well to obtain uniform texture. Fill the mould with concrete to compact with the help of vibrator for thorough compaction. Now finish the top of the concrete cube mould by trowel & see that the cement slurry comes to the top of the cubes by tapping or vibration.

## Testing

Now place the concrete cubes into the testing machine, centrally. The cubes should be placed correctly to the machine plate (check the circle marks on the machine). The load will be applied to the specimen axially. Now slowly apply the load, gradually. The maximum load at which the specimen breaks is taken as a compressive load. In this test, we are using M25 grade.



Figure 7: Testing of Compressive Strength of Specimen.

# Test Result

## **Compressive Test**

Compressive strength= Applied load /cross sectional area.

C No	D'	Compressive	
<b>5.</b> NO	Dimensions in mm	Load in k N	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150*150*150	195	8.7
2	150*150*150	210	9.3
3	150*150*150	230	10.22
4	150*150*150	245	10.88

#### Table 1: Compressive Strength of Conventional Concrete in 3 days

S No	Dimonsions in mm	Co	ompressive
5. NO	Dimensions in min	Load in KN	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150*150*150	255	11.33
2	150*150*150	270	12
3	150*150*150	287	12.755
4	150*150*150	295	13.11

Table 2: Compressive Strength of Conventional Concrete in 7 days

Table 3: Compressive Strength of Cubes with 5% Replacement (3 days of Curing)

S. No.	Dimonsions in mm	Compressive		
5. INU	Dimensions in min	Load in k N	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150*150*150	335	14.88	
2	150*150*150	310	13.77	
3	150*150*150	350	15.55	
4	150*150*150	340	15.11	

Table 4: Con	pressive Strengtl	n of Cubes with	<b>10% Replacement</b>	(3 days of Curing)

S No	Dimonsions in mm	Compressive		
5.110	Dimensions in min	Load in k N	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150*150*150	385	17.11	
2	150*150*150	360	16	
3	150*150*150	370	16.44	
4	150*150*150	392	17.422	

#### Table 5: Compressive Strength of Cubes with 5% Replacement (3 days of Curing)

S No	Dimonsions in mm	Compressive		
5. 110	Dimensions in min	Load in k N	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150*150*150	425	18.88	
2	150*150*150	430	19.11	
3	150*150*150	420	18.666	
4	150*150*150	442	19.644	

#### Table 6: Compressive Strength of Cubes with 10% Replacement (7 days of Curing)

S No Dimonsions in mm		C	Compressive
5. 110	Dimensions in min	Load in KN	Strength in N/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150*150*150	475	21.11
2	150*150*150	490	21.888
3	150*150*150	485	21.555
4	150*150*150	495	22

#### **Tensile Strength**

This test method consists of applying a diametrical force along the length of a cylindrical concrete at a rate that is within a prescribed range until failure. This loading induces tensile stresses on the plane containing the applied load and relatively high compressive stresses in the area immediately around the applied load. Although we are applying a compressive load but due to Poisson's effect, tension is produced and the specimen fails in tension. Tensile failure occurs rather than compressive failure because the areas of load application are in a state of tri axial compression, thereby allowing them to withstand much higher compressive stresses than would be indicated by a uniaxial compressive strength test result. Thin, plywood bearing strips are used to distribute the load applied along the length of the cylinder. The maximum load sustained by the specimen is divided by appropriate geometrical factors to obtain the tensile strength.



Figure 8: Testing of Tensile Strength of Specimen.

# **Test Results**

## **Tensile Test**

Tensile strength (MPa) =  $2P/\pi DL$ , Where P=failure load, D=diameter of cylinder, L = length of cylinder.

S No	Dimensions in mm	Tensile	
5. 190	Dimensions in min	Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150 mm dia,300 mm height	60	0.84
2	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	75	1.06
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	78	1.1034
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	83	1.174

# Table 7: Tensile Strength of Conventional Concrete Cylinders (3 days of Curing)

# Table 8: Tensile Strength of Conventional Concrete Cylinders (7 days of Curing)

S No	Dimonsions im mm	Tensile		
5. 110	Dimensions in inin	Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150 mm dia,300 mm height	80	1.13	
2	150 mm dia,300 mm height	95	1.343	
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	88	1.244	
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	99	1.4	

# Table 9: Tensile Strength of Concrete with 5% Replacement (3 days of Curing)

S No	Dimonsions in mm	Tensile		
5. INO	Dimensions in min	Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150 mm dia,300 mm height	69	0.976	
2	150 mm dia,300 mm height	78	1.103	
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	83	1.174	
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	89	1.259	

## Table 10: Tensile Strength of Concrete with 10% Replacement (3 days of Curing)

S No	Dimonsions in mm	Tensile	
5. NU	Dimensiona in inin	Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150 mm dia,300 mm height	84	1.188
2	150 mm dia,300 mm height	93	1.315
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	98	1.384
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	105	1.485

S. No	Dimensions in mm	Tensile	
		Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>
1	150mm dia,300 mm height	110	1.556
2	150 mm dia,300 mm height	105	1.485
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	113	1.598
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	119	1.683

Table 11: Tensile Strength of Concrete with 5% Replacement (7 days of Curing)

## Table 12: Tensile Strength of Concrete with 10% Replacement (7 days of Curing)

S. No	Dimensions in mm	Tensile		
		Load in kn	Strength in n/ mm <sup>2</sup>	
1	150 mm dia,300 mm height	125	1.768	
2	150 mm dia,300 mm height	120	1.697	
3	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	130	1.839	
4	150 mm dia, 300 mm height	138	1.952	



Figure 9: Showing Test Results of Compressive Strength and Split Tensile Strength.

# 4. RESULTS & CONCLUSIONS

Conventional concrete shows a 3 days compressive strength, as 9 N/mm<sup>2</sup> and tensile strength of 0.95N/mm<sup>2</sup>.5% replacement of glass powder in cement increases the compressive strength by 37% in 3days of curing and 38% for 7 days of curing. 10% replacement of glass powder increases the compressive strength by 52.6% in 3days of curing and 54.6% after 7 days of curing. 10% replacement of glass powder in cement will increase the tensile strength by 39.8% in 3 days and 7 days. Hence, it is suggested to add 10% of glass powder as a replacement to the cement by weight.

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