

An Experimental Study on E-Waste Concrete

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Abstract

Objective: This project deals with the experimental study on E-waste concrete. **Methods/Statistical Analysis:** An experimental setup is placed the specimens on the loading frame for two pointed loading conditions. **Findings:** Determined the compressive strength, cube weight comparison, split tensile strength, flexural strength. **Applications:** Self-weight of concrete reduces when there is rise in E-Waste percentage. Hence it can be consumed as a light weight concrete. The yield of concrete reduces when E-Waste is used as a replacement material for sand. It is coherent that E-waste can be biased by using them as constructional material. The compressive strength and split tensile strength of concrete pertaining to E-Waste aggregate is slightly lesser in comparison with control mix concrete sample.

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1. Introduction

Concrete is, undoubtedly the extremely extensively exploited facetious building components. Adaptability of concrete is responsible to the intention that it is precise in the frequently procurable components, cement, aggregate and water. Inflated exercise of concrete may detritus in paucity of the matter. Consequently suitable constituents are to be liable to reinstate in ample measures to encounter the equitable of concrete surviving in the field.

Printed Circuit Boards (PCB) forms most of its weight by 3% of WEEE (Waste of Electrical and Electronics Equipment) are the fundament of electronic diligence and are an obligatory constituent¹.

The thermo refractions of PCBs entail of thermoplastic glues and fortifying substances. They also can be restated as contents in commixture materials². PCBs are designful to be having abundant amount of silica. Accordingly, on the exhibit of the prevailing strategy, all substances in fritter PCBs are a sort of inherent holdings and it is vigorous to be exhilarated by a meticulous concern.

Herein inquest, PCBs are milled into fine granules of magnitude beneath 4.75 mm and is reacquired with

fine compounds in admissible masses. Itabides no retorts in the concrete and might replenish up to 15% fine aggregates in certain concrete medleys with passable potency evolution.

Unique debris management preferences are needful to reroute the termination of electronics from depots and combustion. Amplifying the claim for dumps is a hardship to our atmosphere. Although developing a triumphant recreation scheme, it must be located on its profitable durability, professional practicality and an actual stratum of cordials sustain from the association. On that account the concurrent scrutiny is endeavoured to shapethe benefit of E-waste in concrete and for ratifying one of the mechanical properties of E-waste annexed concrete. Remarkably to balance the compressive strength of M30 grade of standard concrete with E-waste supplemental concrete.

In common, PCBs encompass nearly 30% ores and 70% non-metals³. The Printed Circuit Boards (PCBs) is prominent to have immense mass of silica in its absolute structure. Henceforth it frames the exemplary exchange of fine aggregate in concrete, which also may arise indiminishing the surcharge of the structure.

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The PCBs are inactive in universe which causes it as aprerequisite contents in all the electronic instruments. Granting inductions to its inactive resource, it won't receive component in either of its advance response with the concrete mould which relapses in fewer change of intensity confines.

The previous study chronicled the liability for manipulation of litter glass in concrete in few forms, containing fine aggregate and coarse aggregate⁴. The operation of glass ceramics as concrete aggregate used for road creation and building approaches⁵. The utility of non-biodegradable components of E waste in production pursuits is the note worthy solicitude of the task established nowadays⁶.

1.1 Objective of the Study

The main objectives are

- To detect an alternative material for river sand (fine aggregate) in the production of cement concrete.
- The valuable cost and shortage of river sand has persuaded to a crisis where in a novel material has to be established out in order to boon the structurecorporation.

1.2 Outcome of the Study

The outcome of the study are

- The replacement with E-waste will positivelybenevolence the structure corporation awaited to the scantiness of river sand.
- Exploitation of scrap materials and corollaries is a resolution to green and biological complications.

2. Methodology

The step by step procedure for testing the concrete cube with various admixtures is presented in Figure 1.

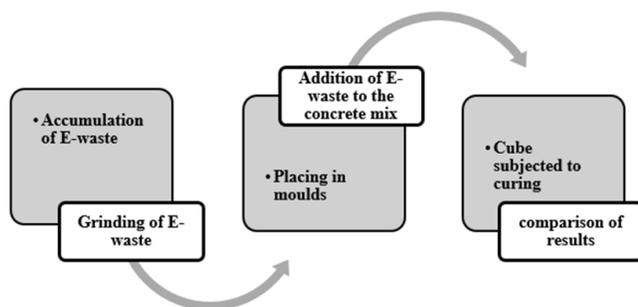


Figure 1. The schematic diagram.

2.1 Concrete Casting

Steel moulds were used to mould the samples. The castings were packed with concrete in three courses and consolidated aptly. Congruent with 24 hours the paradigms were blustered and bathed in water for curing. The curing is done for 28 days. The tests are done after 7, 14, 28 days.

3. Results and Discussions

3.1 Compressive Strength

It is one of the most vital properties of concrete and influences many other desirable hardened concrete. The compression type is a laboratory test to determine the characteristics strength of concrete. The compressive strength is determined as

$$\text{Compressive Strength} = P/A. \tag{1}$$

Where,

P = Load at failure in N/mm².

A = Area of the specimen in mm².

The compressive strength of the control mix, E10, E20, E30 concretes are given in Figure 2. E10, E20, E30 represents the mixing of E-waste in different Percentage for the replacement of Fine Aggregates in a concrete. The compressive strength result presented in the Figure 2 is for 7, 14 and 28 days. Figure 3 represents the comparison of compressive strength between control mix and E-waste concrete (E10, E20, E30 concretes) of different combinations. The testing of cubes in UTM is presented in Figure 4.

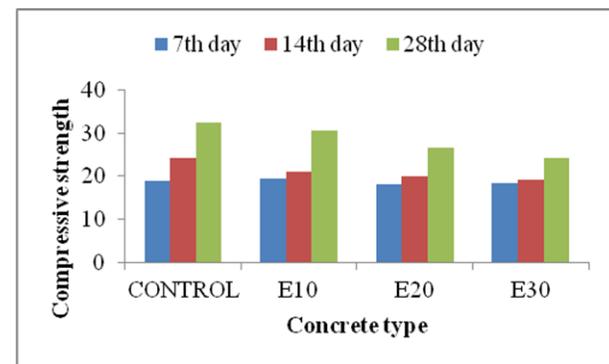


Figure 2. Compressivetest results.

From the Figure 2 and Figure 3, it may be observed

that the 28th day strength of control mix concrete is 33.11 N/mm². It reduces gradually when sand is replaced by E-waste. As the percentage of replacement of fine aggregate by E-waste increases, the compressive strength decreases progressively by 7.6%, 21.47% and 26.11%.

The rate of strength attainment for control mix, E10, E20 and E30 concretes at 7 days is observed as 42%, 35%, 30% and 20% respectively. The greatest strength was obtained at 28 days for all types of concrete (control mix, E10, E20 and E30 concretes). Further, it is observed that the rate of strength gain decreases as the percentage replacement of fine aggregate by E-waste increases.

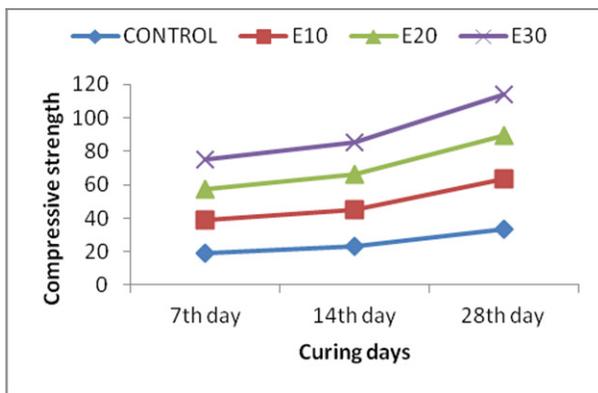


Figure 3. Comparison of compressive strength.

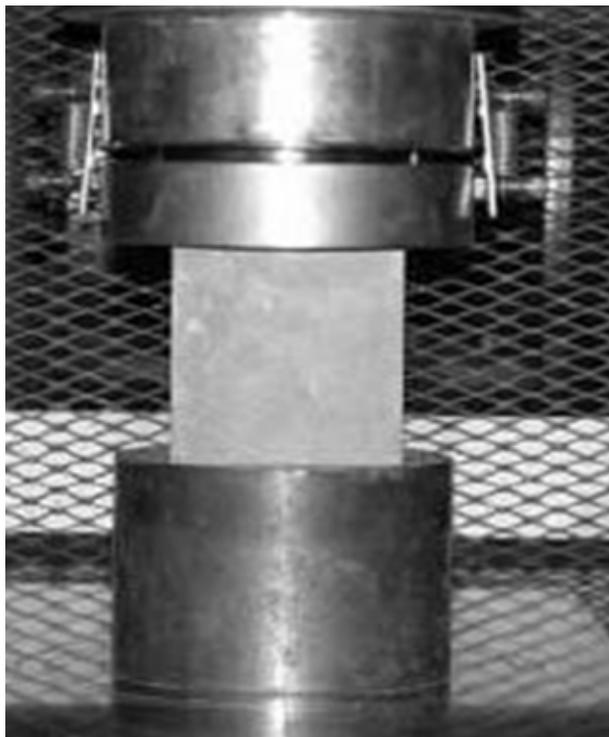


Figure 4. Testing of cube compressive strength.

3.2 Cube Weight Comparison

Table 1 represents the comparison results of cube of control mix, E10, E20, E30. The weights of the casted cubes of control mix, E10, E20, E30 concretes are compared. It is found that there is a considerable reduction in the weights of the cubes with the increase in E-waste proportion (Table 1). From Table 1, it is found that the maximum reduction in weight or E30 concrete than other concrete.

Table 1. Test results for various

Cube	Weight, kg	Weight reduction, %
Control	8.41	-----
E10	8.09	3.8
E20	7.8	7.25
E30	7.49	10.96

3.3 Split Tensile Strength

The test to determine the split tensile strength of concrete is carried out using a cylinder and it is found at the load when the cylinder splits across the vertical diameter. It is also known as Brazilian test. The split tensile strength is found as

$$\text{Split tensile strength } (\sigma) = 2P/\pi LD. \tag{2}$$

Where,

σ = Splitting Tensile Strength (MPa).

P = Linear Load (N).

L = Sample Length of the cylinder (mm).

D = Sample Diameter of the cylinder (mm).

Figure 5 indicates the results of split tensile strength for control mix, E10, E20 and E30 concretes and split tensile test on concrete of control mix, E10, E20 and E30 using UTM is presented in Figure 6. From the Figure 5, it may be observed that the split tensile strength of E10, E20 and E30 concretes is lesser than the control mix by 1.67%, 20.98%, 38.98% respectively.

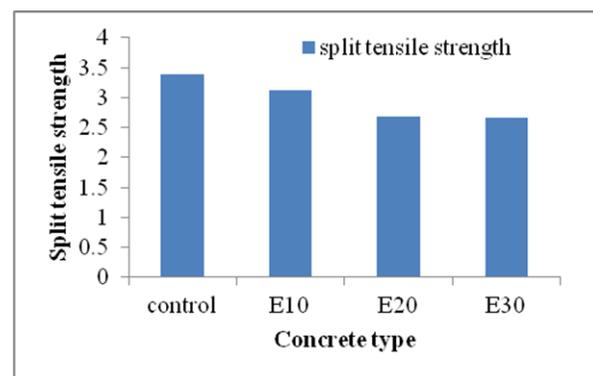


Figure 5. Results of split tensile strength.

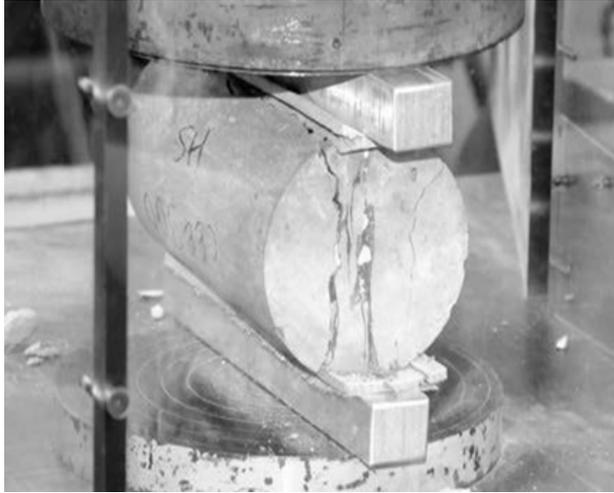


Figure 6. Split tensile test on concrete.

3.4 Flexural Strength

It is a measure of an unreinforced beam to resist failure in bending. It is measured by loading 150mm x 150mm x 700mm concrete beam. The flexural strength is expressed as modulus of rupture in MPa and is determined by centre point loading.

Table 2 and Figure 7 indicates the flexural strength of concrete for control mix, E10, E20 and E30. Figure 8 shows the test setup for determination of flexural strength using UTM for control mix, E10, E20 and E30.

From the Table 2 and Figure 7, it may be found that for E10 concrete, flexural strength is higher than other concrete. Further, it is observed from Table 2, Figure 7 that the flexural strength for control mix is 5.06N/mm² and it is higher than that E10, E20 and E30 concretes by 16.67%, 40.5%, and 42.86%.

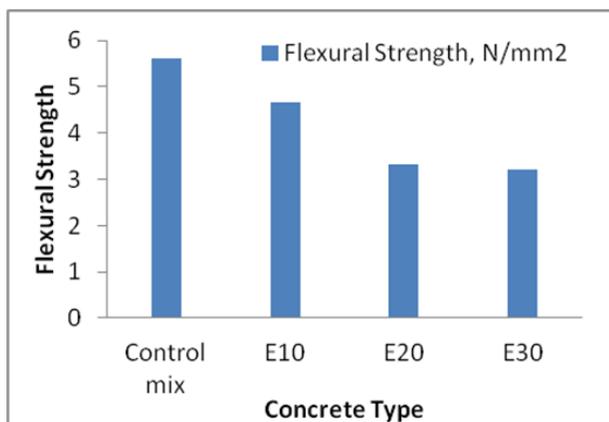


Figure 7. Flexural strength result.

Table 2. The flexural strength of the concrete

Concrete type	Flexural Strength, N/mm ²
Control mix	5.60
E10	4.67
E20	3.33
E30	3.20

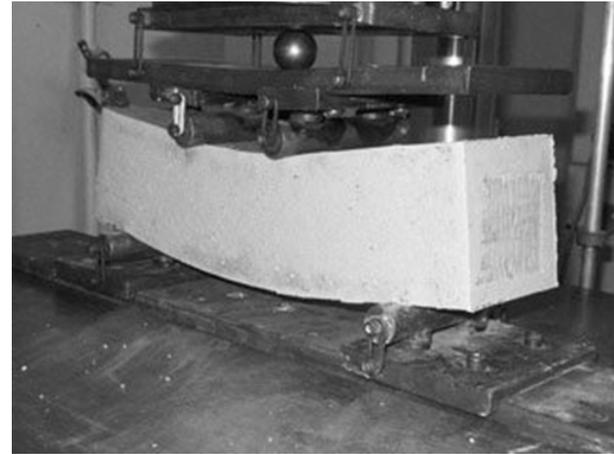


Figure 8. Testing of flexural strength.

4. Conclusion

The inference from the analysis conducted on E-waste concrete are outlined as follows:

- The viability of the concrete dwindles as the proportion of alternate of fine aggregates with Electronic waste accumulates. Presumption is executed with the slump estimate mani fest which one is observe as a notch of workability. This may benefit in monitoring bleeding and segregation in concrete.
- Self-weight of concrete reduces when there is rise in E-waste percentage. Hence it can be consumed as a light weight concrete.
- The yield of concrete reduces when E-waste is used as a replacement material for sand.
- It is coherent that E-waste can be biased by using them as constructional material.
- The compressive strength and split tensile strength of concrete pertaining to E-waste aggregate is slightly lesser in comparison with control mix concrete sample.

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