

Improvising the Strength Properties of Concrete Through Iron Slag

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ABSTRACT:

Efficient waste management is a fundamental part of a proper iron industry. In this specific situation, waste methods boards where conceivable and reduce waste in the reuse of materials that may have been wasted in some way or another. Authorities with strong waste practices distinguish reduction, reuse and reuse as important to the board of economic assets. Iron slag, a side-effect obtained from the arrangement of iron during the separation of liquid iron from the debasement in the heater. A viscous fluid consisting of slag is an unpredictable silicate and oxide that sets upon cooling. This investigation mentions partial replacement of iron stags as far as the exact total material is concerned. This test is done to understand the effects of compressive, elastic and flexural strength. It will be helpful for various scientists to find out about this area.

The purpose of this test is to examine the effect of iron slag as half the supply of fine aggregate with 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, and 40%, which is followed by 7, 14, 28 and M25 of cement. And the M30 is tried for evaluation. The 50day water restore results show that there is great variation in strength for the fine total by iron slag for 7-, 14-, 28- and 50-days water relief.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Aggregates are inactive grainy materials, for instance, sand, rock, or crushed stone that are an eventual outcome to their own advantage and are a crucial fixing in concrete. Aggregate, which contributes 60 to 75 percent of the outright volume of concrete, are isolated into two huge classes - fine and coarse. Fine aggregates generally incorporate standard sand or crushed stone with most noteworthy particles going through a sifter of 4.75mm. Fine Aggregate (regular sand) which has been washed and sieved to dispose of greater particles for instance more than 5 mm. IS determinations arrange the sand into four zones as per its assessment as fine all out of surveying Zone-1 to assessing Zone-4. The four assessing zones show that it becomes better from Zone-1 to Zone-4 powerfully from 90% to 100% of the fine absolute passes 4.75 mm IS sifter and 0 to 15% passes 150 microns IS sifter which depends upon its surveying zone. Iron slag, an incidental effect got from the Iron turn of events, is conveyed by the pattern of division of the fluid Iron from defilements in Iron-creation warmers. A fluid liquid disintegrates got from slag is complicated silicates and oxides that set on cooling. Essentially, all Iron is made in facilitated Iron plants using such the central oxygen measure or in specialty Iron plants (less than typical production lines) using an electric roundabout portion warmer measure. Nowadays open-hearth warmer measure is of no usage. The mark of this examination is to inspect the effect of Iron Slag as midway superseding of Fine Aggregate with 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, and 40% are pursued M25& M30 assessment of concrete after 7-, 14-, 28-, and 50-days water re-establishing. The result shows that assortment in much strength for Fine complete subbed by Iron slag for 7-, 14-, 28-, and 50-days water re-establishing.

OBJECTIVES

To determine the optimum quantity of Iron slag as a fine aggregate to enhance the strength of concrete by conducting related tests like Compressive strength, Tensile strength and Flexural strength at replacement level of 10%, 20%, 30% and 40%.

2. MATERIALS USED:

2.1. **Cement:** As per IS 8112-1989, ordinary Portland cement of grade 43 is used. The initial setting time of cement is 30 minutes and 3.15 is the specific gravity of cement.

2.2. **Fine Aggregate:** Natural River sand which is locally available obtained from the Beehar river

of Rewa City is used as fine aggregates. Natural sand passing through 4.75 mm sieve and retained on the 600-micron sieve with the specific gravity of 2.65 was used. Zone 2 was the grading of the aggregate.

2.3. Coarse Aggregate: Aggregates greater than 4.75 mm are considered as Coarse aggregate. Crushed coarse aggregate of 20 mm downsize were used with fineness modulus of 4.32 and a specific gravity of 2.84.

2.4. Iron Slag: In this experiment the Iron slag collection is done from locally available iron furnace. Nowadays Iron products are used everywhere. Iron is durable and strong. It is obtained either from conversion of iron to Iron slag in a BOF (Basic Oxygen Furnace) or by the melting of scrap to make Iron in the EAF (Electric Arc Furnace).

2.5. Water: As per the IS: 456-2000 Specifications, clean and potable water was used.

CHARACTERISTICS APPLICATION: Iron slag is used in many fields of construction industry where its distinct characteristics can be put to effective use such as road base course material, coarse aggregate for concrete, calcium silicate fertilizer, blending material for Portland cement and soil improvement.

3. METHODOLOGY:

In this study, M_{25} , M_{30} mix percentage is designed as per the guidelines of Indian Standard recommended method IS 10262:2009. Cement of 43 grade is used; also zone 2 is taken into account from IS 383 (1970). Iron slag is substituted by 10%, 20%, 30% and 40%. The coarse aggregate of size 20 mm is designated which is retained on 10 mm sieve. Fine aggregate passing through 4.75 mm sieve and retained on 600 micron sieve used.

4. EXPERIMENTAL TESTS AND RESULTS:

4.1 SLUMP CONE TEST:

To study the Workability of fresh concrete, slump cone test is conducted. This test was carried out for M_{25} & M_{30} grade of concrete; the results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table1.Slump test results for M25 and M30 grade of concrete

Sr. No.	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by Iron Slag	Slump Value In MM For M 25	Slump Value In MM For M30
1	0%	75	75
2	10%	72	68
3	20%	65	60
4	30%	55	52
5	40%	52	48

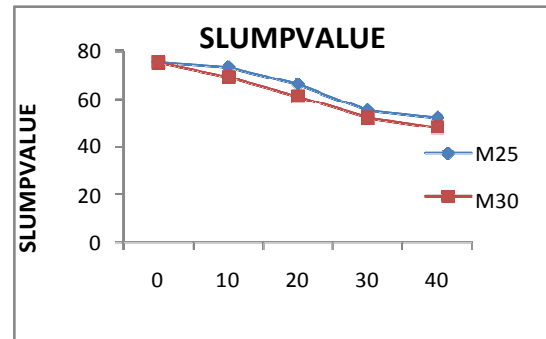


Figure1:Slump Values of M25 and M30 grade of concrete

COMPACTION FACTOR:As per IS: 1199 – 1959, to find the workability of fresh concrete, Compaction factor test is conducted by using Compacting factor apparatus. For the determination of workability of concrete this test is known for its accuracy. The test results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table2.Compaction factor test results of M25 and M30 grade of concrete

Sr. No.	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by Iron Slag	Compaction factor Value in MM for M 25	Compaction factor Value in MM for M 30
1.	0%	0.843	0.855
2.	10%	0.848	0.861
3.	20%	0.851	0.868
4.	30%	0.858	0.876
5.	40%	0.861	0.883

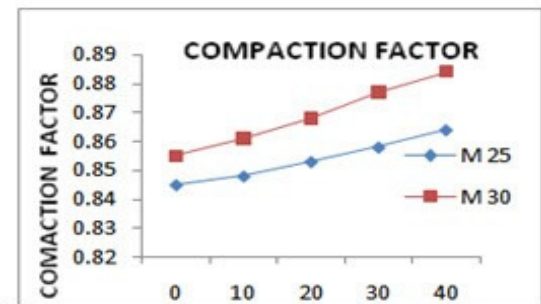


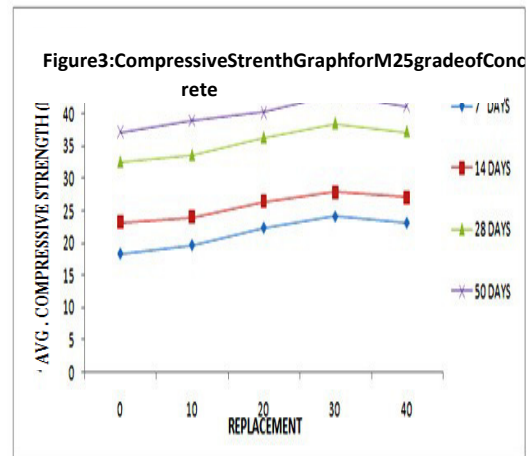
Figure2:Compaction factor graph for M25&M30 grade of concrete

4.2 COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH TEST:

4.2.1 Concrete cubes (150mmx150mm) were casted for 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% replacement of Iron. The compressive strength for M25 grade of concrete is tested for 7, 14, 28 and 50 days of curing and the results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table3.Avg.CompressivestrengthtestresultsforM25gradeofconcrete

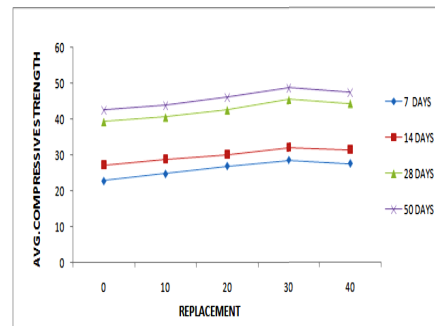
Sr. No.	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by IronSlag	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)
		7DAYS	14 DAYS	28 DAYS	50DAYS
1.	0%	18.30	23.23	32.53	37.19
2.	10%	19.64	24.11	33.58	39.03
3.	20%	22.31	26.44	36.33	40.24
4.	30%	24.07	27.92	38.48	37.22
5.	40%	23.07	27.14	37.22	41.26



4.2.2 Concrete cubes (150mmx150mm) were casted for 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% Iron slag replacement. The compressive strength for M30 grade of concrete is tested for 7,14, 28 and 50 days of curing and the results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table4.Avg.CompressivestrengthtestresultsforM30gradeofconcrete

Sr. No.	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by IronSlag	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)	Average Compressive Strength (N/mm ²)
		7DAYS	14 DAYS	28 DAYS	50 DAYS
1.	0%	22.76	27.19	39.25	42.48
2.	10%	24.69	28.73	40.50	43.85
3.	20%	26.84	30.13	42.50	46.15
4.	30%	28.44	31.98	45.35	44.21
5.	40%	27.49	31.23	44.22	47.25



1. From both of the above graph i.e. M25 and M30, the compressive strength of concrete is increased gradually from 0% to 20% and achieved a maximum value at a replacement of 30% Iron slag in fine aggregate afterwards decreased for 40% replacement of Iron slag.
2. However compressive strength of concrete for the partial replacement of Fine aggregate with Iron slag of 40% does not show major decrement as compared to 30% and can be used by control mix.

4.3 SPLITTENSILESTRENGTHTEST:

4.3.1 Concrete cylinders (150mmx300mm) were casted for 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% replacement of Iron slag. The splittensile strength for M25 and M30 grade of concrete is tested for 28 days of curing and the results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table 5. Avg. Tensile strength test results

Sr. No	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by Iron Slag	Average Tensile Strength for M25. ² (N/mm)	Average Tensile Strength for M30. ² (N/mm)
		28 DAYS	28 DAYS
1.	0%	2.533	3.376
2.	10%	2.663	3.496
3.	20%	2.75	3.666
4.	30%	2.956	3.906
5.	40%	2.866	3.702

for M25 and M30 grade of concrete

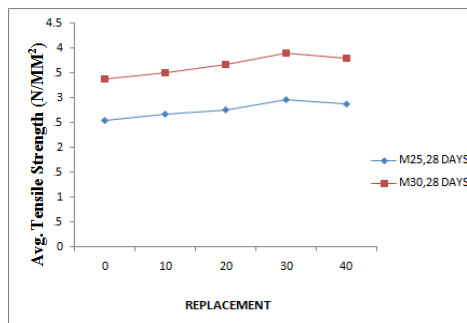


Figure 5: Tensile Strength Graph For M25 & M30 at 28 Days.

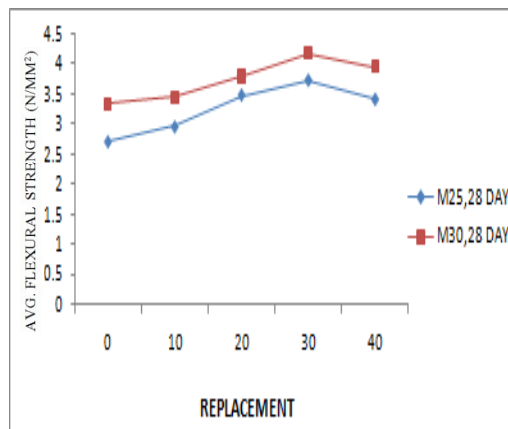
- From both of the above graph i.e. M25 & M30 grade of concrete, the Split tensile strength of concrete is improved gradually from 0% to 20% and achieved a maximum value at a replacement of 30% Iron slag in fine aggregate afterwards decreased for 40% replacement of Iron slag.
- However Split tensile strength of concrete for the fractional replacement of Fine aggregate with Iron slag of 40% does not show major decrement as compared to 30% and can be used by control mix.

4.4 FLEXURALSTRENGTHTEST:

4.4.1 Concrete beams (500mmx100mmx100mm) were casted for 0%, 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% replacement of Iron slag. The Flexural strength for M25 & M30 grade of concrete is tested for 28 days of curing and the results are tabulated and plotted below.

Table 6 .Avg. flexural strength test results for M25 and M30 grade of concrete

Sr.No	% Replacement of Fine Aggregate by Iron Slag	Average Flexural Strength for M25. (N/mm) ²	Average Flexural Strength for M30. (N/mm) ²
		28 DAYS	28 DAYS
1.	0%	2.730	3.352
2.	10%	2.972	3.457
3.	20%	3.491	3.801
4.	30%	3.733	4.183
5.	40%	3.422	3.974



1. From the above Graph i.e. M25 & M30 grade of concrete, the Flexural Strength of concrete is increased gradually from 0% to 20% and attained a maximum value at a replacement of 30% Iron slag in fine aggregate afterwards reduced for 40% replacement of Iron slag.
2. However Flexural strength of concrete for the partial replacement of Fine aggregate with Iron slag of 40% does not show major decrement as compared to 30% and can be used by control mix.

5. CONCLUSIONS:

Based on profound investigation of experimental outcomes and discussions the following conclusions are made.

1. Comparison and perceptions for the compressive strength, flexural strength and split rigidity of typical concrete and cement with Iron slag as incomplete substitutions, the outcomes show that the strength of the ordinary cement is marginally lower than the Iron slag supplanted concrete.
2. The augmentation in compressive strength is about 31.47% for 7 days relieving 20% for 14 days restoring 18% for 28 days while at 40% a slight decrement of 4.2% was noted for 7 days and 3.4 % for 28 days of restoring when contrasted with 30%.
3. The increment in compressive strength of M 30 grade of cement is about 24.9% for 7 days of restoring 17.5% for 14 days of relieving and 15.5% for 28 days of relieving while at 40% a slight decrement of 3.6% noted for 7 days and 2.5% for 28 days of restoring when contrasted with 30%.
4. The split tensile strength increments with expansion in level of Iron slag up to 30% by weight of the fine aggregate. The addition in split rigidity is about 16.7% for 28 days restoring for M 25 grade of cement and augmentation about 15.6% for 28 days relieving for M 30 grade of cement.
5. The Flexural strength increments with expansion in level of Iron slag up to 30% by weight of the fine aggregate. The addition in flexural strength test is about 36.7% for 28 days relieving for M 25 grade of concrete and 24.7% for 28 days restoring for M 30 grade of cement.
6. From the after effects of compressive strength, split elasticity, flexural strength 28 days relieving, 30% substitution of the fine aggregate by Iron slag is the ideal level of substitution of M 25 and M 30 grade of cement.

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