Study on Construction of Roads Using PVC Wastes - review

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Abstract. Roads of late square measure created of deep strength asphalt, bitumen, stone, chalk rock, compacted sand, as most as rural roads square measure targeted, are factory-made from earth sand, loam, gravel and organic compound spray seal. For years throw-away merchandise factorymade from PVC square measure variety one reason behind organic compound pollution in incinerators and once burned it fires. Finding correct use of disposed PVC waste is that the wish of the hour. On the other road traffic is increasing, so the necessity to increase the load bearing capacities of the roads, the employment of PVC mixed organic compound or asphalt or PVC coated combination in pavement construction permits the employ of PVC waste. Throughout this study, the assorted properties of PVC modified organic compound like softening purpose, penetration worth square measure reaching to be reviewed. The results indicate that PVC waste may be used with success in construction. Strength and stability of the combo magnified when incorporation of PVC waste; it had been additionally ascertained that addition of PVC waste showed increase resistance to permanent deformation in terms of rutting. On the idea of experimental work, it’s ended that the asphalt mixtures with waste PVC modifier may be used for versatile pavement construction.

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1. Introduction

Plastic roads are made of plastic or composites of plastic combined with other materials. The risk in disposal of PVC (versatile material) will resolve only when the practical steps are begun at the initial level. On account of the engineering uprising and its great scale massive production, [1] PVC looked to be a low-priced and effective unprocessed material. The well-being hazard caused by improper disposal of plastic waste are procreative problems, genital abnormalities, etc. Our country produces 56 lakhs tons of waste per annum and waste salvaged is 9,200 tons per day which is roughly 60 % of the total waste, that means 40 % is even remain not disposed. Very few associations and group in our country employed bags and waste plastic in numerous forms, whose results are very cheering, but the secondary market for domesticated plastic are not matured till now. According to data issued in the United States, plas donate about the total landfill zone. World has created 3 million poly vinyl chloride (PVC) per year, which is very challenging to recycle and it is almost one-fifth of the entire production of plastic waste. Readings have revealed that the plastic waste after appropriate action, [2] it can be used in the erection
of flexible pavements. Flexible pavements show improved properties and improved life spans, thus making the pavement construction efficient and resulting in avoiding the eco-friendly problem simultaneously.

2. Literature review

[3] alleged that the visco-elastic properties of the enhanced bitumen and the mechanical properties of the bituminous mixture produced by the reformed bitumen are examined and equated to the neat bitumen.

[4] showed that the stability of the pavement will be increased by adding the additives that reporting the viscoelastic property of mix.

[5] deliberated that, on using waste plastics in road construction will increase the abrasion and slip resistance of the bituminous pavements. It also tolerates to fulfil the specified limits of splitting tensile strength only when waste plastic content is 30% by weight of bituminous mix.

[6] publicized that by loading the speed and temperature, the consistency and adhesion properties of the viscoelastic material (asphalt) is exaggerated.

[7] included the field test outcomes from observations show that the plastic fillers can bear stress and extend the life of the roads reducing environmental problems.

[8] tested the disposing way of waste tyre as crumb rubber into the bituminous road. Proper accumulation of such waste in bitumen improves quality, life and decreases cost of construction of flexible pavements.

[9] added that the waste plastic when mixed to hot aggregates can type a fine coat of plastic over the mixture and such aggregates once wide-ranging with binder is found to own advanced strength, larger resistance and higher performance over a amount of your time.

[10] ended that victimisation modifiers, the temperature condition and consistency options are increased and additionally assisted in elevating bound downside like harm of binder throughout peak summer temperature and remotion of mixture in wetness prone areas.

[11] revealed about plastic waste that discharges highly poisonous gases like carbon monoxide, phosgene, sulphur dioxide, chlorine, nitrogen oxide etc if it is seared carelessly. Construction of roads using PVC roads paved a way to protect environment.

[12] censured that Asian nation already has over one hundred and thousand metric linear unit of roads completed of waste plastic, with new regions receiving engulfed during this with time.

3. Materials

1. PVC wastes
2. Aggregates
3. Bitumen

3.1 PVC wastes

PVC pipes, sweet trays, binders, carpet, automotive product bottles, pool liners are some of the PVC wastes used in the study on construction of roads using PVC wastes as shown in figure 1.
3.2 Aggregates

Aggregates play a key role in behaviour of pavement surfacing. The following table 1 describes the aggregates properties.

| Aggregate properties       | Method of test         | Result | MoRTH\textsuperscript{a} Specifications |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------|
| Aggregate impact value     | IS 2386 (Part IV)      | 21%    | 24 maximum                             |
| Water absorption value     | IS 2386 (Part III)     | 2%     | 2 maximum                              |
| Specific gravity           | IS 2386 (Part II)      | 2.63-2.65 | 2.5-3.0                |
| Combined (EI + FI) Index   | IS 2386 (Part I)       | 21.25% | 30 maximum                             |

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Source: Ambika Behl, P K Jain, Girish Sharma 2012

3.3 Bitumen

The bitumen which is formed by refineries plays a vital role in road durability as well as sustainability. The table 2 conveys about the physical properties of the Bitumen used in the journal [13].

| Test / Physical Property   | Base Bitumen |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Specific Gravity           | 1.109        |
| Penetration @ 25°C, 0.1 mm | 59.10        |
|                            |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Softening point           | 49.45 |
| Flash point               | 310   |
| Ductility (mm)            | 126.5 |
| Viscosity @ 135°C (cP)    | 460.35|
| SuperPave Performance Grade (PG) | 64-10 |

**Source:** Imran M Khan, Shahid Kabir, Majed A Alhussain, Feras F Almansoor 2018

**4. Tests on Aggregates and Bitumen**

- **Aggregates test**
  1. Aggregates crushing test
  2. Los Angeles abrasion test
  3. Impact test

- **Bitumen test**
  1. Penetration test
  2. Softening point test
  3. Viscosity test
  4. Marshall stability test

**4.1 Aggregates test**

**4.1.1 Aggregates crushing value test**

Aggregate crushing value is the arithmetical directory of strength of aggregate. [14] This experiment on coarse aggregate gives the relative quantity of resistance of an aggregate, crushing under steadily applied load. The graph attained from study indicates the aggregate crushing value of normal and plastic-coated aggregates as shown in figure 2.

**Figure 2.** Chart on Aggregate crushing value.

**Source:** R. Manju Anand, Sathya S and Sheema K 2017

Inference: Aggregate crushing value is lesser for plastic coated aggregates. Lower crushing value aggregates give ample durability for roads due to its minor crushed fraction under the compression load.
4.1.2 Los Angeles abrasion test

Figure 3 shows the Los Angeles abrasion test is conducted to designate aggregate toughness and abrasion features. The chart gotten from study exposes the abrasion value of normal aggregates and plastic-coated aggregates.

![Figure 3. Chart on Los Angeles Abrasion value.](source)

**Inference:** Los Angeles abrasion value also less for plastic coated aggregates. Lesser Los Angeles abrasion loss standard indicates that the aggregate is harder and high resilient to abrasion.

4.1.3 Impact test

Figure 4 show the aggregate impact value is an amount of resistance to unexpected impact or shock which may diverge from its resistance to steadily applied compressive load. [15] The chart attained from study associates the aggregate impact value for normal and plastic-coated aggregates.

![Figure 4. Chart on Aggregate Impact value.](source)

**Inference:** Lower the aggregate impact value specify that aggregates harder, more impact and has higher strength.

4.2. Bitumen test

4.2.1 Penetration test
To regulate the rigidity or elasticity of bitumen which is maintained at 25°C, penetration test is used as shown in figure 5.

4.2.2 Softening Point test

Softening point test used to represent the temperature at which bitumen attains a certain degree of softening as shown in figure 6.

4.2.3 Viscosity test

The consistency takes a look at is conducted to work out consistency of a fluid that is that the property by that it offers resistance to flow. If the viscosity is high, the movement of liquid will be slow as shown in figure 7.
4.2.4 Marshall Stability test

Marshall stability check is that the performance prediction live conducted on the hydrocarbon combine as shown in figure 8.

![Figure 8. Marshall Stability test.](image)

5. Methodology

1. Wet procedure
2. Dry procedure

5.1 Wet procedure

Steps followed in wet procedure:

1. Plastic waste gathering and storage
2. Cleaning and dehydrating of waste plastics
3. Shredding waste plastics into essential sizes
4. Merger of waste plastics with hot Bitumen at 160°C
5. Stirring with mechanical stirrer and suitable cooling upto 130°C- 150°C
6. Mixing with aggregates
7. The mixture is known as waste plastic bitumen mix (120°C - 140°C) and is used for road laying at 110°C - 130°C

5.2 Dry procedure

Steps monitored in dry procedure:

1. With the help of shredding machine PVC waste cut into dimension between 2.36mm and 4.75mm.
2. The aggregate mixture is transmitted to blending chamber after it is heated at 170 °C
3. Further the bitumen is to be heated up to an extreme of 160°C
4. At the blending chamber, the cut plastic waste is supplemental over the new combination.
5. The plastic waste coated combination is distributed with hot bitumen.

6. Advantages and Disadvantages

6.1 Advantages of plastic roads

1. Does not absorb water; abrasion resistant
2. Avoids pothole creation
3. Plastic makes the road flexible
4. Sound absorption/pollution
5. Minor maintenance than regular roads

6.2 Disadvantages of plastic roads

1. While heating PVC, it issues toxic dioxins
2. Single tonne of PVC waste is used with 9 tonne of Bitumen to lay 1 km of road 3. The components of the road, once it has been laid, are not inert
3. The charge for construction of plastic road is great.

7. Conclusion

• PVC surge bitumen’s melting point.
• The usage of PVC wastes in road construction is an advanced technology which toughens the pavement and upturns the life of the pavement.
• The study of papers discloses durability, strength and cost of plastic roads.
• In future we will have eco-friendly, sturdy and durable roads that will release the earth from PVC waste.
• Rain water will also percolate through because of the plastic in tar. So, this technology will result in slighter road repairs.

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