

High Strength of Concrete by Using Foundry Sand as Fine Aggregate

Sisaynew Tesfaw

Abstract—The Protection of natural resources and safeguarding of the environment is the embodiment of any advancement. The issue emerging from constant mechanical and modern advancement is the transfer of waste material. In the event that a portion of the materials are discovered appropriate in solid influencing not just the expense of development to can be put down, yet in addition safe transfer of waste materials can be accomplished. Metal foundries utilize a lot of sand as a component of the metal throwing process. Foundries effectively recycle and reuse the sand commonly in a foundry. At the point when the sand can never again be reused in the foundry, it is expelled from the foundry and is named foundry sand. In the same way as other waste items, foundry sand has helpful applications for different enterprises. Foundry sand comprises fundamentally of silica sand, covered with a thin film of consumed carbon, leftover folio (ocean coal, saps) and residue. Foundry sand can be utilized in cement to enhance its quality and other strength factors. Foundry Sand can be utilized as a halfway substitution of bond or as a fractional substitution of fine totals or aggregate substitution of fine total and as valuable expansion to accomplish diverse properties of cement. The waste produced (foundry material) from enterprises cause ecological and medical issues. Henceforth, the reuse of these waste materials (foundry sand) can be stressed. To take care of such real issues, distinctive ways have been produced. This report contained the principle theme that gives brief data with respect to the age, affidavit and usage of foundry sand. These tests think about is to examine, the likelihood of utilizing foundry sand for fine total fractional substitution in cement. The test specimens were set up as and when required. This investigation incorporates checking different materials properties utilized in cement, the properties of cement in new and solidified state and contrasting and standard cement.

Keywords— Fine Aggregate, Foundry Sand, Compressive Strength.

1 INTRODUCTION

As a demand for concrete is in increasing day by day thus need of river sand also increasing. But the availability of river sand is limited and also taking river sand from river is banned now a days. Concrete is a composite material construction material made with aggregate, cement and water. If we use the artificial sand in concrete it should not give proper strength and various problems are occurred in concrete work. So, it is basic need to find the alternative for sand. We can use the foundry sand as partial replacement of fine aggregate in concrete. The low-cost high strength concrete is prepared by using these materials.

1.1 Foundry sand

When Foundry sands are generally classified as: Green sand and Silica sand. Both types of sands are suitable for beneficial use but they have different physical and environmental characteristics. [1], [2] Green sand molds are used to produce about 90% of casting volume. Green sand is composed of naturally occurring materials which are blended together; high quality silica sand (85-95%), bentonite clay (4-10%) as a binder, a carbonaceous additive (2-10%) to improve the casting surface finish and water (2- 5%). Green sand is the most commonly used recycled foundry sand for beneficial reuse. It is black in colour, due to carbon content, has a clay content that results in percentage of material that passes a 200 sieve and adheres together due to clay and water. Chemically bonded sands are used both in core making where high strengths are necessary to withstand the heat of molten metal, and in mold making. Most chemical binder systems consist of an organic binder that is activated by a catalyst although some systems use inorganic binders. Chemically bonded sands are generally light in color and in texture than clay bonded sands. [1]

Silica is the common term applied to silicon dioxide (SiO_2); the

mineral name is quartz. The term sand has two different meanings, depending on the context in which it is used. In context of mineral composition or rock type, the term usually is understood to refer to unconsolidated quartz grains within a certain range of grain size in ancient rocks, granular particles (sand grains) have become cemented together to form a consolidated sedimentary rock referred to as sandstone.

2 FUNDAMENTAL REASONS SHOULD FUSE FOUNDRY SAND IN CEMENT

Many authors have submitted the document for the use of foundry sand in distinct civil engineering functions and exceptional engineering buildings like dams, bridges, excessive upward jostle structures and other kind of structures. Tarun R. Naik, Viral M. Patel, 1994 conducted a task to evaluate performance and leaching of CLSM in which each clean and used foundry sands had been incorporated. The smooth sand was once bought from a sand mining organization in Wisconsin and the used foundry sand was once acquired from a steel organization in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. For purposes of comparison, residences of ordinary concrete sand (meeting ASTM C 33 requirements for use in making concrete) had been additionally measured. Physical homes of these three foundry sands have been determined the usage of the splendid ASTM standard. However, a modified ASTM C 88 used to be used to measure the soundness of foundry sands. The homes of used foundry sand differ due to the type of foundry processing equipment's used, the kind of additive for mold making, the range of instances the sand is reused, and the type and amount of binder used.[2] Hanyoung additionally investigated two kinds of foundry sands like silicate bonded sand as a

first-rate combination and clay-bonded sand additionally as a great aggregate for the concrete and additionally performed the take a look at for the fundamental and important homes of concrete like droop test, workability test, preliminary placing time of concrete, closing putting time of concrete with the use of waste foundry sand and then, in contrast the effects of assessments with some other concrete without blended with waste foundry sand. Also measured the compressive strength, tensile energy and split tensile energy of that concrete for 7 days and 28 days. [2]

The waste foundry sand is commonly disposed of by way of the factories in the close by barren lands or river banks, which motives degradation of the land in the following manner: The leachate, from these sands carries trace factors that may additionally exceed the water nice standards. Thus, due to the degradation of land, this land turns into of no use in future. This sand has homes comparable to that of the properties of herbal sand used in the development tactics therefore; it can be made use of by means of substituting it in region of herbal sand in building works. Up until now the revolutionary use of used foundry sand in concrete formulations as a first-class combination replacement material used to be examined as a choice to standard concrete.

3 EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION

The small prints of the various substances used in the experimental investigation are [3]

1. Fine Aggregate- Fine Aggregate which passes through 4.75mm IS sieve, Specific gravity was found to be 2.6, water absorption of 2.15%
2. Coarse Aggregate- Coarse Aggregate sand passing through to 20mm IS sieve, Specific gravity 2.78, Water absorption 0.38%.
3. Cement- OPC, Grade 43 having specific gravity 3.15, Initial and Final Setting time 70 minutes and 245 minutes respectively.
4. Water- Clean Portable water free from the suspended particles and chemicals were used for mixing and curing.
5. Foundry Sand used was passing through 4.75mm IS sieve, Specific gravity 2.29.

4 COMPOSITION OF MATERIAL

4.1 Physical Properties

The grain size distribution of spent foundry sand is very uniform, with about 85 to 95 percent of the material between 0.6 mm and 0.15 mm (No. 30 and No. 100) sieve sizes. Five to 12 percentage of foundry sand can be expected to be smaller than 0.075 mm (No. 200 sieves). The particle shape is commonly subangular to round. [4] Waste foundry sand gradations have been located to be too quality to satisfy some specifications for high-quality aggregate. Spend foundry sand has low absorption and is non-plastic. Reported values of absorption were located to vary widely, which can additionally be attributed to the presence of binders and additives. The content material of organic impurities (particularly from sea coal binder systems) can differ widely and can be quite high. This may also pre-

clude its use in applications where organic impurities could be necessary (e.g., Portland cement concrete aggregate).[5] The unique gravity of foundry sand has been determined to fluctuate from 2.39 to 2.55. This variability has been attributed to the variability in fines and additive contents in distinctive samples. In general, foundry sands are dry, with moisture contents much less than 2 percent. A massive fraction of clay lumps and friable particles have been reported, which are attributed to the lumps related with the molded sand, which are without difficulty disintegrated in the test procedure. The variant in permeability, listed in Table 1, is a direct result of the fraction of fines in the samples collected.

4.2 Chemical Properties

Spent foundry sand consists especially of silica sand, covered with a skinny movie of burnt carbon, residual binder (bentonite, sea coal, resins) and dust. Table 2 lists the chemical composition of a usual sample of spent foundry sand as determined by x-ray fluorescence.

Silica sand is hydrophilic and therefore attracts water to its surface. This property ought to lead to moisture-accelerated injury and associated stripping troubles in asphalt pavement. Ant stripping components might also be required to counteract such problems. Depending on the binder and type of metal cast, the pH of spent foundry sand can range from approximately four to eight It has been pronounced that some spent foundry sands can be corrosive to metals. [6]

Because of the presence of phenols in foundry sand, there is some issue that precipitation percolating via stockpiles ought to mobilize leachable fractions, resulting in phenol discharges into floor or ground water supplies. Foundry sand sources and stockpiles have to be monitored to verify the want to set up controls for manageable phenol discharges. [5]

TABLE 1
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF SPENT GREEN FOUNDRY SAND.[5]

Property	Results	Test Method
Specific Gravity	2.39 - 2.55	ASTM D854
Bulk Relative Density, kg/m ³ (lb/ft ³)	2590 (160)	ASTM C48/AASHTO T84
Absorption, %	0.45	ASTM C128
Moisture Content, %	0.1 - 10.1	ASTM D2216
Clay Lumps and Friable Particles	1 - 44	ASTM C142/AASHTO T112
Coefficient of Permeability (cm/sec)	10 ⁻³ - 10 ⁻⁶	AASHTO T215/ASTM D2434
Plastic limit/plastic index	Nonplastic	AASHTO T90/ASTM D4318

TABLE 2
FOUNDRY SAND SAMPLE CHEMICAL OXIDE COMPOSITION, (%)

S, No	Chemical Composition	Value
1	SiO ₂	87.91
2	Al ₂ O ₃	4.70
3	Fe ₂ O ₃	0.94
4	CaO	0.14
5	MgO	0.30
6	SO ₃	0.09
7	Na ₂ O	0.19
8	K ₂ O	0.25
9	TiO ₂	0.15
10	P ₂ O ₅	0.00
11	Mn ₂ O ₃	0.02
12	SrO	0.03

4.3 Percentage of Partially Replacement of Foundry Sand to Fine Aggregate

Material	A	B	C	D
FA	30%	35%	40%	50%

5 EXPERIMENTAL METHODOLOGY

The assessment of used foundry sand for use as a replacement of fine aggregate material starts off evolved with the concrete testing. Concrete carries cement, water, fine aggregate, coarse aggregate, and grit. With the manipulate concrete, i.e. 30%, 35%, 40%, 50% and 50% of the fine aggregate is changed with used foundry sand. The data from the used foundry sand is in contrast with data from a trendy concrete barring used foundry sand. Three dice samples had been solid on the mold of size 150*150*150 mm for each concrete combine with partial replacement of fine aggregate with w/c ratio had been also cast. After about 24 h the specimens had been de-molded and water curing was persisted till the respective specimens have been tested after 3,7,14 and 28 days for compressive strength and water absorption tests.



Fig. 1. Setup of Compression Strength Testing Machine.

6 Results

Compressive strength tests had been carried out on compression checking out machine the usage of cube samples. Three samples per batch had been examined with the common energy values pronounced in this paper. The loading rate on the cube is 35 N/mm² per min. The comparative studies were made on their characteristics for concrete combine ratio of with partial substitute of fantastic aggregate with used foundry sand.

TABLE 3
COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF CUBES

Concrete Mix	Avg. Compressive Strength(N/mm ²)			
	3 Days	7 Days	14 Days	28 Days
Normal	28.00	31.98	39.83	41.23
A	29.60	34.94	41.44	47.02
B	29.87	35.98	42.01	49.39
C	30.73	36.58	44.08	49.23
D	29.85	35.06	43.83	48.96

7 CONCLUSION

- The Compressive Strength of concrete can be extending up to 40% of partial substitute of Foundry Sand with Fine aggregate.
- Reduces environmental Hazards through use of industrial waste product.

8 References

1. P. Rashiddadash, A.A. Ramezaniapour, M. Mahdikhani, ((2014)). Experimental investigation on flexural toughness of hybrid fiber reinforced concrete. Construction and Building Materials, Constr. Build. Mater. 51-313-320.
2. (IS: 383-1970). Specification for Coarse and Fine Aggregates from natural sources for concrete (Second revision).
3. Arumugam K, Ilangovan R, James Manohar D. (n.d.). study on characterization and use of PA as FA in concrete.
4. S. L. Bradshaw, C. H. Benson, E. H. Olenbush J. S. Melton. (2010,). Using foundry sand in green infrastructure construction" Green Streets and Highways. ASCE 2011.
5. (n.d.). U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue. SE Washington, DC 20590 202-366-4000.
6. John Emery Geotechnical Engineering Limited for Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Energy and the Canadian Foundry Association. (July, 1993.). Spent Foundry Sand - Alternative Uses Study. Queen's Printer for Ontario.