

# Behavior of Geopolymer Concrete by using Steel Fibers



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**Abstract:** Research for complete OPC free cement is as of recently advancing and there is a need for making elective restricting bosses which are earth neighborly. One such option is seen to be geo polymer which routinely contains fly garbage, sodium silicate, and sodium or potassium hydroxide (NaOH or KOH). Since, many coal based force plants in India have been leaving an immediate consequence of pushed towards cleaner importance age and this may induce absence of fly ash in future. The generation of Ordinary Portland concrete and the use of typical waterway sand are expanded because of the interest of cement in development Industries. The emanation of CO<sub>2</sub> increments during the generation of concrete and simultaneously the accessibility of waterway sand is likewise getting costlier and shortage because of illicit digging of stream sand. The primary intension of this exploration paper is to center the eco inviting elective material for the concrete and waterway sand.

In the present study an experimental investigation was conducted on fly ash based geo polymer cement is examine the clean and hardened characteristic of geo polymer cement by using steel fibers. The percentage addition of steel fibers are 0.00%, 0.50%, 1.00%, 1.50%, 2.00%. The addition of steel fibers from 0% to 2%, the estimation of droop diminishes the 60 mm to 25 mm with increment in the level of steel standards. The estimation of compaction factor increments from 0.84 to 0.95 for M30 Grade concrete with increment in the level of steel standards from 0% to 2%.

**Keywords :** Geo polymer fly ash, sodium silicate, and sodium, potassium hydroxide, fresh and hardened properties.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The development of any structure, Concrete is the principle material. Solid use far and wide is second just to water. The primary fixing to create concrete is portland concrete. On the opposite side an Earth-wide temperature boost and ecological contamination are the greatest danger to mankind on earth today. The creation of concrete methods the generation of contamination as a result of the outflow of CO<sub>2</sub> at some point of its advent.

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There are two unique well-springs of CO<sub>2</sub> emission during cement generation. Inductive automation of petroleum products are to be work in the rotational furnace is the most important source and different one is concoction method of calcining lime stone into the limee in the concrete oven like-wise delivers of CO<sub>2</sub>. In India around 2,069,627 a large number of metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> is radiated in the time of 2011. The solid business contributes about 5.1% of supreme overall carbon-dioxide releases. What's more, besides, the solid is created by using the unrefined mixture of substances. Quarrying of these unrefined materials is also causes common debasement. To make 1.1 ton of cement about 1.61 tremendous measures of rough substances are required and time taken by the shape of lime stone is more drawn out than the rate at which individuals use it. In any case, the enthusiasm of concrete is growing bit by bit for its straightforwardness of arranging and making in a wide scope of accommodating shapes. So to crush this issue, the strong to be used should be earth welcoming.

The term geo-polymer was first composed by Davidovits in 1977 to address an extensive extent of substances portrayed to the chains or frameworks on mixture particles associated with co-valent bonds. Geo-polymer is made by a polymeric action of fundamental liquid with source material of geological root or by thing material, for instance, fly garbage, rice husk trash, GGBS, etc. Since the invention reaction that occurs for this circumstance is a polymerization method, Davidovits conceived the term Geo-polymer to address these latches. Geo-polymers have the engineered sythesis like Zeolites yet they can be formed an undefined structure . He furthermore proposed the usage of the term poly(sialate) for the-invention-task-of-geo-polymers-dependent-on-silico-alu minate.Sialateisa-constriction-for-siliconoxo-aluminate.

## II. METHODOLOGY

The exploratory program as arranged as follows:

1. Writing survey is to be examined with respect to the work and wellsprings of materials are to be recognized and gathered.
2. Tests are to be directed for discovering qualities of materials viz., fastener, GGBS, totals and fly debris.
3. In geo-polymer concrete 0% OPC is utilized. It diminishes the utilization of concrete, so we in a roundabout way lessen the outflow of CO<sub>2</sub> by utilizing geo-polymer concrete.
4. Blend structure of M30 grade is utilized in Geo-polymer concrete, in that Target mean quality, most extreme size of coarse total, estimation of free water, air content,



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determination of coarse total substance, and water cover proportion.

5. Relieving of test examples are led on seven days, fourteen days, and twenty eight days.

6. Durability tests are additionally led, similar to corrosive assault test, soluble assault test, sulfate assault test.

7. The ideal estimation of compressive quality was seen at 1% of steel strands for seven, fourteen and twenty eight days.

8. The ideal estimation of flexural quality was seen at 1% of steel strands for seven, fourteen and twenty eight days for M30 grade concrete.

9. Tests to be directed on new cement by droop cone test, compaction factor test.

10. Tests to be directed on solidified cement by compressive quality, split elasticity, flexural quality for seven, fourteen and twenty eight days.

11. Results are to be assessed and stood out from ordinary cement.

## III. MATERIALS

### A. Fly Ash

"Table.1" represents the chemical composition of fly fiery debris. As indicated by ASTM C-618, two significant classes of fly debris are perceived. These two classes are identified with the kind of coal consumed and are assigned Class F and Class C in the vast majority of the present writing. Class F fly debris is typically delivered by consuming anthracite or bituminous coal while Class C fly debris is by and large got by consuming sub bituminous or lignite coal.

**Table- I: Chemical Structure of Fly ash**

Name of the chemical	% of by weight
Sulfate(SO <sub>4</sub> )	1.24%
Magnesium Oxide(Mgo)	0.91%
Titanium Dioxide(TiO <sub>2</sub> )	0.42%
Ferric Oxide(Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> +Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> )	4.17%
Calcium Oxide(CaO)	6.20%
Alumina(Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	20.21%
Silica(SiO <sub>2</sub> )	64.08%
Loss on ignition(LOI)	1.07%

### B. Coarse Aggregate

Those particles that are pervasively hung on the 4.75 mm sifter and will experience 3.1-inch screen, are called coarse aggregate. The coarser the aggregate, the more reasonable the mix. Greater parts offer less surface zone of the debris than a proportionate extent of little portions.

The coarse totals utilized were a blend of two locally accessible squashed stone of 20mm and 10mm size in 70:30 extent. The totals were washed to expel drit, residue and afterward dried to surface dry condition.

### C. Fine Aggregate

Those particles passing the 9.5 mm (3/8 in.) Sieve, overwhelmingly passing the 4.75 mm (No. 4) sifter, and overwhelmingly hung on the 75 µm (No. 200) sifter are called fine aggregate. For extended value and for economy as reflected by use of less concrete, the fine-all out should have a balanced shape. The purpose behind the fine complete is to

fill the voids in the coarse aggregate and to go about as a usefulness authority.

As per the size, the fine-totals might be described as coarse, medium and fine sands. Contingent on the molecule size appropriation IS: 383-1970 has separated the fine-totals into four evaluating zones (Grade I to IV).

### D. Steel Fibers

Plain concrete has a low flexibility, constrained pliability and little security from separating. Inside little scale breaks are ordinarily present within the stable and its terrible rigidity is a immediate consequence of an extension of such downsized scale parts, finally inciting fragile split the solid. It has been seen that the improvement of little, unfalteringly detached and dependably steel fibers consisting of 30mm length and 0.38mm diameter, 2300Mpa tensile strength, 78.9 aspect ratio.

### E. Super Plasticizer

The super-plasticizer use significantly reasonable for more time with very less water sum. It is keen that with the use of enormous amounts of better material (fine total + concrete + fly debris ) the solid is a lot of hardened then required for heavy water need for functionality thus, in this experiment SP4 30 is utilized as water lessening admixture.

### F. Water

This is the most economical yet most significant element of cement. The water, which is utilized for making concrete, ought to be spotless and liberated from hurtful pollutions, for example, oil, soluble base, corrosive, and so forth., when all is said in done, the water, which is fit for drinking ought to be utilized for making concrete.

### G. Preparation of Alkaline Liquids

In this undertaking the compressive quality of geo-polymer concrete is inspected for the blends of changing molarities of Sodium hydroxide (8M, 10M, and 12M). The atomic load of sodium hydroxide is 40. To get ready 8M for example 8 molar sodium hydroxide arrangement, 320g of sodium hydroxide chips are gauged and they can be broken down in refined water to shape 1 liter arrangement. For this, volumetric jar of 1 liter limit is taken, sodium hydroxide drops are added gradually to refined water to plan 1 liter arrangement. "Table.2" shows the weights of NAOH flakes.

**Table- II: Weights of NAOH Flakes**

Required Molarity	Weight in gr. of Sodium hydroxide flakes
8M	320
10M	401
12M	481

The sodium silicate game plan and the sodium hydroxide game plan were joined at any rate one day before use to set up the dissolvable liquid. Upon the appearance of tossing of the models, the dissolvable liquid was joined with the super plasticizer and the extra water (accepting any) to set up the liquid piece of the mix.

The sodium silicate game plan and the sodium hydroxide course of action were joined in any occasion one day going before use to set up the stomach settling agent liquid. Upon the appearance of tossing of the models, the stomach settling agent liquid was joined with the super plasticizer and the extra water (expecting any) to set up the liquid piece of the mix."Figure.1"shows the sodium hydroxide in pellets form.



Fig.1. Sodium Hydroxide in Pellets form

#### IV. MIX DESIGN

The fastener or cementitious substance per  $m^3$  of cement is determined from the w/b proportion and the amount of water content per  $m^3$  of cement. The concrete substance so determined is checked against the base concrete substance for the necessities of solidness according to table 3.1.5 and 3.1.6 of IS 456: 2000 and the more prominent of the two qualities is embraced.

Target mean quality  $f_{ck}$  is determined as follows:

$f_{ck} = f_{ck} + (t \times s)$  with common IS documentations.

For M30 Grade concrete the characteristic comp. strength  $f_{ck}$  is less than 62 so we can take maximum aggregate size is 20-25mm. Take 20mm maximum size of aggregates "Table.3" shows the blend for M30 Grade Concrete.

Table- III: Final blend for M30 Grade Concrete

Material	Mix
Coarse aggregates	1050
Fine aggregates	326
Rice husk ash	429
Na <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> Solution (70%)	105
NaoH Solution (24%)	36
Super plasticizer (3%)	4.5
Extra water (3%)	4.5

#### V. EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION

##### A. Slump Cone Test

"Figure.2" shows the procedure for performing the solid hang check is applied for the estimation of a property of recent concrete. This test was a preliminary check that measures from helpfulness between the recent concrete. Significantly heavy unequivocally, its checks consistency among the packs. This test was prestigious in perspective on the straight forwardness of device utilized and basic framework.



Fig.2. Slump Cone Test

##### B. Compaction Factor Test

The compaction factor test is an example of concrete to set arranging good manner to holder by using trowel. The separate section of container is squeezed organize with its surge and the lure entry is opened all together that the solid falls into lower holder. Following the solid has stopped, the catch entryway of the lower holder is opened, and the solid is permitted to drop into chamber. the additional of solid uncommon over the degree of foremost raised reason of the barrel is at that point cut off by methodologies for a trowel and the out of entrances of the chamber is at the point cleared off.

##### C. Compressive Strength Test

The experiment was conducted by ([9.1] IS517-1958). The strong states of maximum size 150.1x150.1x150.1mm were used to find the compacting nature of concrete. Models are determined to the area of contact between to objects of CTM, of utmost 200.1T without caprice and a constant pace of make a pile of applied till the mistake of 3D square. Compressive quality testing system from IS516-1959. "Figure.3,4" represents the cubes casted and compressive strength test.



Fig.3. Casting of cubes



The bearing surface of the testing machine will be cleaned off and any free sand or other material expelled from the surface the example which are to be in contact with the pressure platens. On account of 3D squares, the examples will be put in the machine in such a way, that the heap will applied two inverse sides of the solid shape as cast, that isn't to the top and base.

The hub of the example will be painstakingly lined up with of push of the circularly situated platen. No pressing will be utilized between the essences of the test example and the steel platen of the testing machine. As the circularly situated square is expedited bear the example, the mobile bit will be turned tenderly by hand with the goal that uniform seating might be acquired.



Fig.4. Compressive Strength Test

## D. Split Tensile Strength Test

"Figure.5" shows the procedure to form split inflexibility test. This test was composed by IS516-1959. The gatherings of standard size 150mmx300mm were utilized discover the idea of cement. Models to the area of contact between two objects of CTM, then limit 200.1T without erraticism and a constant pace of make a pile of applied till the disillusionment of chamber. The foremost ludicrous weight was famous quality settled. Split adaptability testing Procedure from IS5816-1999:. Organizing: The test model will be put in the focusing with pressing strip similarly as stacking pieces carefully masterminding with the best, beat and base of plan of the stacking model.



Fig.5. Split Tensile Strength Test

## E. Flexural Strength Test

Flexural quality testing framework from IS516-1959: The area of contact between to objects of the holdup and to make a pile of rollers wiped of, any free sand or fabric removed from the aspect of the model where they are to may contact

with the rollers. The model will by when the machine is arrange in such a manner. The force will be applied on the most noteworthy aspect as cast in that structure, along with two line scattered 13.2cm isolated the rotate of the model will be intentionally agreed with the center of stacking contraptions. No squeezing will be used between bearing surface of the model and rollers. "Figure.6"represents the system to shape flexural quality testing for square crystal. The angular nature on model will conveyed as the absolute value of burst  $f_b$ , where, if 'an' approaches the partition among them line break and the closer assistance, assessed within line to the malleable side off model in cent meter, will be resolved to the least value of  $0.52\text{kg/cm}^2$  as follows

$$f_b = (Pl/bd^2) \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Where the characteristics of ,

b= assessed span in centimeter of model,

d = assessed significance in centimeter of model at dissatisfaction,

l = span in centimeter of range on the model was maintained,

P = most outrageous weight in kilogram.



Fig.6. Flexural Strength Testing Machine

## VI. RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

### A. Slump Test

From the outcomes of "Fig.7"shows the results of droop cone test. The structure for the hang test is a frustum of a cone, 301 mm (11 in) of stature. The base is 201 mm (7in) in separation across and it has a more diminutive opening at the most noteworthy purpose of 100 mm (4 in).The estimation of hang reduces 60mm to25 mm with increase in the degree of steel fibers from 0% to 2%.

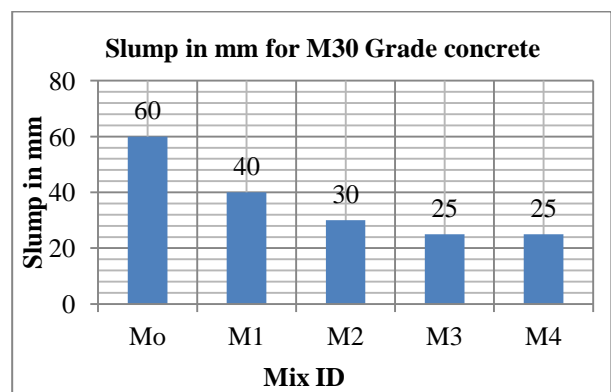


Fig.7. Slump Test

### B. Compaction Factor Test

From the outcomes of "Figure.8" shows the M30 grade of concrete.

The compaction thing is chosen in light of the way that the extent of the heaviness of somewhat compacted concrete to the store of totally compacted concrete and is communicated to the nearest moment decimal point.

The estimations of compaction factor increments from 0.85 to 0.96 for M30 grade concrete with increment in the level of steel strands from 0% to 2.01%.

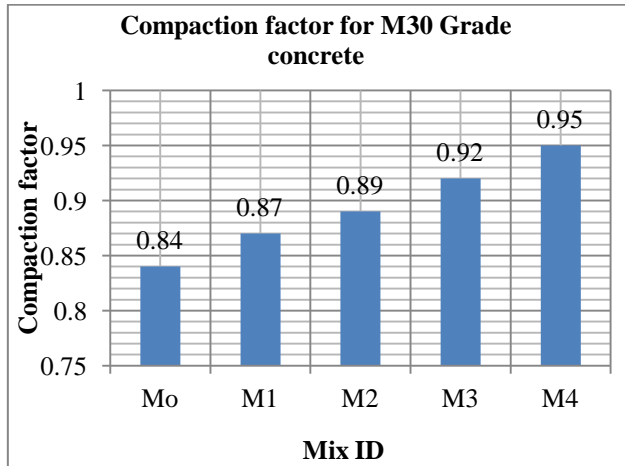


Fig.8. Compaction Factor Test

### C. Compressive Strength

"Fig.9, Fig.10, Fig.11"represents the compressive quality check. The experiment was conducted by ([8] IS515-1949). The 3D states of maximum size 150.01x150.01x150.01 mm are to determine the compacting nature of concrete. Models Are put into the area of contact between two objects of compressive quality check, of cutoff 200.01T with-out unpredictability and the single pace of make a pile of applied up to the failure of 3D shape.

Compressive solidarity to be driven on models

Seven days models age

Fourteen days models age

Twenty eight days models age

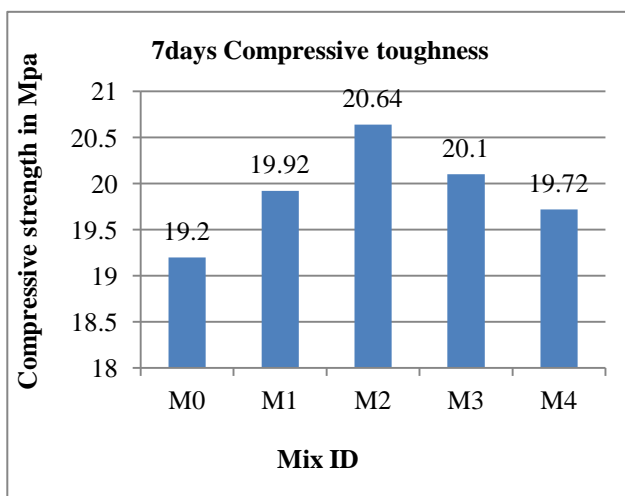


Fig.9. Compressive toughness for 7 days

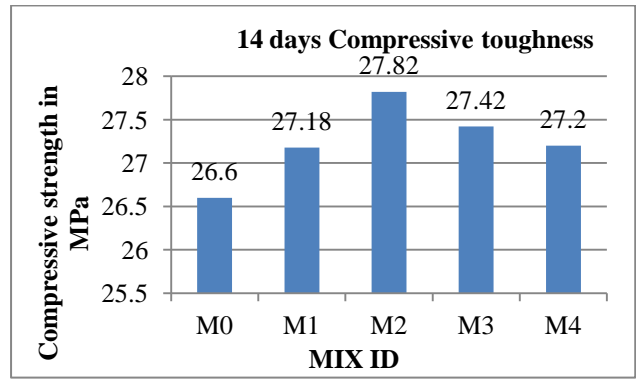


Fig.10. Compressive toughness for 14 days

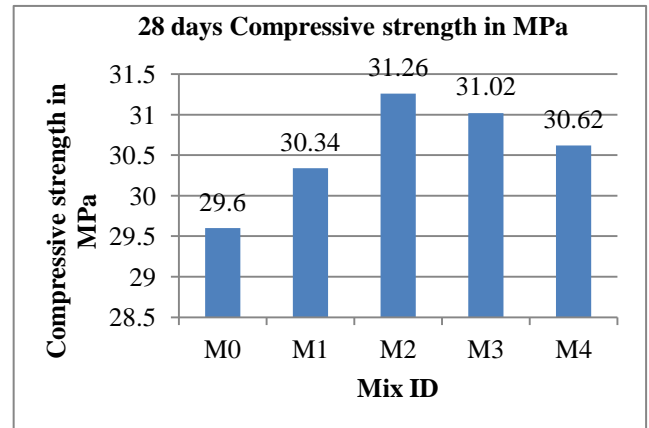


Fig.11. Compressive toughness for 28 days

### C. Split Tensile Robustness Test

"Fig.12, 13" shows the 7 days, 14 days split elasticity test. The split unbending nature is resolved as stacking condition with the ultimate objective then store is put on topmost and base of chamber on its equal aspect of the zone identical to these level aspect zone on the chamber.

Split flexibility =  $(2P/\pi DL)$  N/mm<sup>2</sup>

Where, P = ordinary weight in Newton,

d = diaphragm of chamber in millimeter,

l = span of chamber in millimeter.

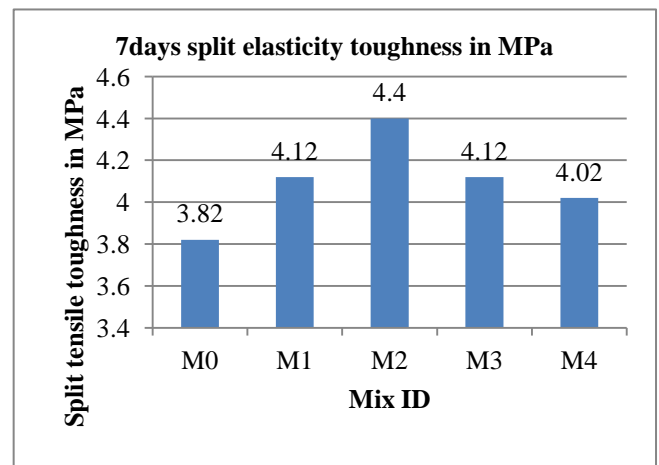


Fig.12. Split Elasticity Test for 7 days

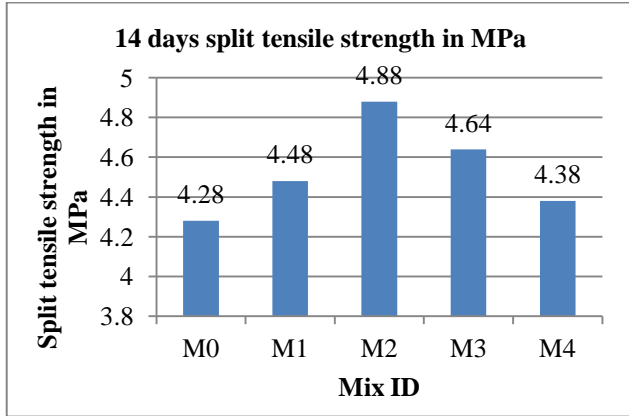


Fig.13. Split Tensile Strength Test for 14 days

## D. Flexural Strength

"Fig.14, 15" represents the flexural nature of model is imparted as the absolute value of split  $f_b$ , which, if 'an' process the division among the line merge and the nearest assistance, evaluated within lines of the versatile side along model in centimeter, will be resolved between the closest value of  $0.53\text{kg/cm}^2$  as represents below,

$$f_b = (PL/BD^2) \text{ N/mm}^2$$

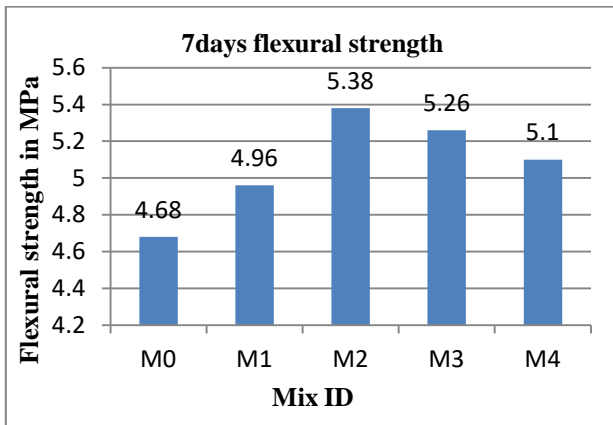


Fig.14. Flexural toughness for 7 days

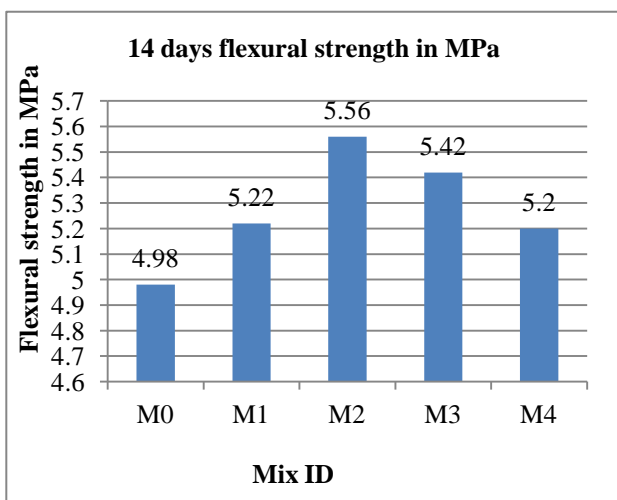


Fig.15. Flexural toughness for 14 days

## E. Acid Attack Test

"Fig.16" represents the concrete cube specimens of various concrete combos of size 150 mm had been forged and after 28 days of water curing, the specimens

were eliminated from the curing tank and allowed to dry for sooner or later. The weights of concrete cube specimen had been taken as W1.

The acid attack test on concrete dice turned into performed through immersing the cubes in the acid water for ninety days after 28 days of curing. Hydrochloric acid (HCL) with pH of about 2 at 10% weight of water became added to water in which the concrete cubes have been stored. The pH turned into maintained all through the duration of ninety days. After 56 days of immersion, the concrete cubes were taken out of acid water. Then, the specimens have been tested for compressive power.

Table - IV Experimental values of acid attack test

Sl. no	Mix ID	Compressive strength due to acid attack	% loss of weight due to acid attack
1	M0	9.44	1.28
2	M1	10.28	1.68
3	M2	11.1	2.18
4	M3	12.46	2.74
5	M4	12.62	2.7

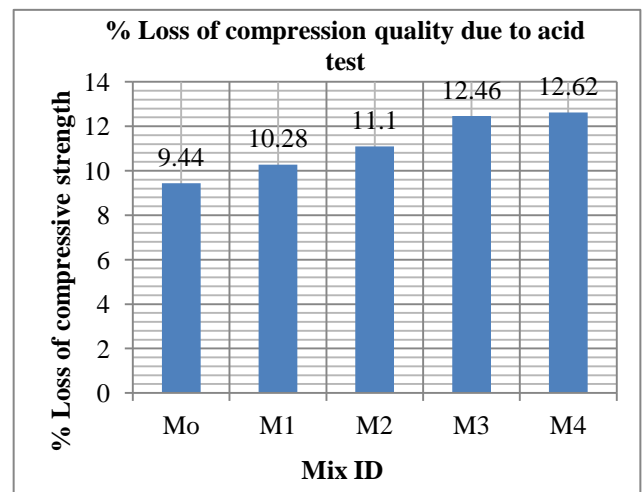


Fig.16. Compressive Quality due to Acid Attack

## F. Alkaline Attack Test

"Fig.17" represents the compressive quality because of soluble assault test. To pick the impediment of different strong combos to essential trap, the staying compressive nature of strong combos of squares doused in fundamental water is following 10.1% of sodium hydroxide (NaOH) within the water mix changed. The strong 3D squares which had been reinserted in water for twenty eight days up to the water cleared out within the mitigating cistern and allowed to dry after eventually. The heaps of strong shakers model will be taken. By them into strong shapes have been soaked in stomach settling agent water tenaciously for ninety one days. Following 56 days of immersion, the strong 3D shapes have been expelled from acid neutralizer water. By then, the models have been pursued for compressive force.

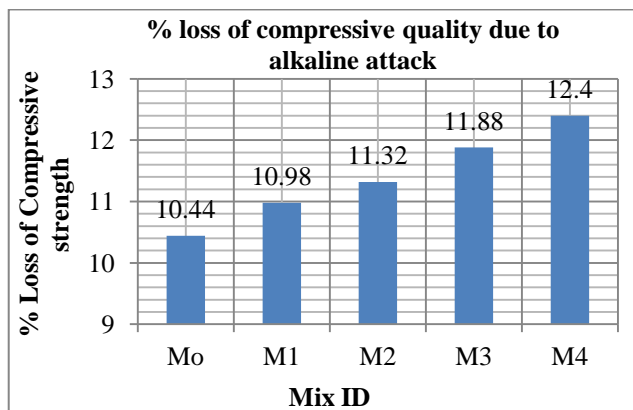


Fig.16. Compressive Quality due to Alkaline Attack

### G. Sulphate Attack Test

"Fig.18"represents the compressive quality because of sulfate assault test. The hindrance of concrete to investigations on sulphate attack during the copper slag concrete changed into thought about within the faculty of understanding the loss of compression force or structure in compressive nature of strong shapes immersed in sulfate water is involving with

five point one % of sodium sulfate ( $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ) and 5.21% of magnesium sulfate ( $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) with strategy along weight above water .The strong 3D squares of 150.1mm size after 27days of water reestablishing doused in 5.1% of  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and 5%  $\text{MgSO}_4$  conveyed water for 56 days.

The consciousness of sulfate water changed into kept up sooner or later of the period. After 90days inundation period, the solid 3D shapes had been wiped out from the sulfate waters and subsequent to clearing out the water and girt from the outside of 3D squares tried for compressive vitality following the technique recommended in IS: 516-1959.

This sort of raised look at of finding the loss of compressive power for evaluating sulfate opposition of cement Mehta and Burrows (2001).

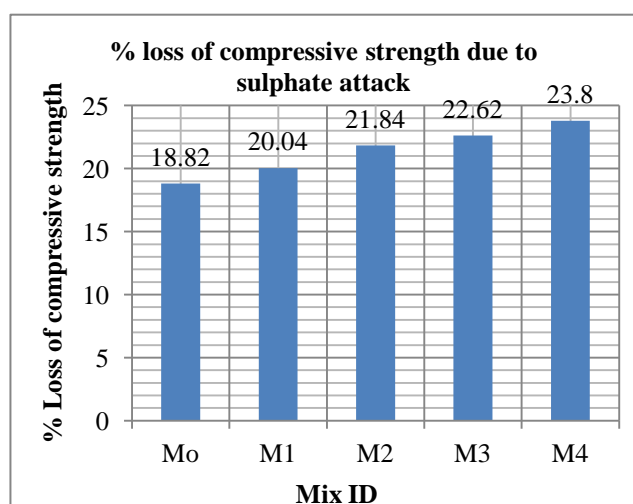


Fig.18. Compressive Strength due to Sulphate Attack

## VII. CONCLUSIONS

From the above exploratory investigation the accompanying ends were made.

1. Geo-polymer concrete will in general show no huge physical change in its properties at ordinary working room temperature which is seen in the event of typical assortment. The total setting of Geo-polymer solid examples will take as long as 72 hours with no thinks back superficially on which it is solidified.
2. The estimation of droop diminishes 60mm to 25mm with increment in the level of steel strands from 0% to 2%.
3. The estimation of compaction factor increments from 0.84 to 0.95 for M30 Grade concrete with increment in the level of steel filaments from 0% to 2%.
4. The ideal worth (most extreme estimation) of compressive quality was seen at 1% steel filaments for 7days, 14 days and 28 days.
5. The ideal worth (most extreme estimation) of Split elasticity was seen at 1% steel strands
6. The ideal worth (most extreme estimation) of Flexural quality was seen at 1% steel filaments for 7days, 14 days and 28 days for M30 Grade concrete
7. The strength of cement because of corrosive assault, soluble assault, sulfate assault increments with increment in the level of steel strands
8. Higher fixation (as far as molar) of sodium hydroxide arrangement brings about higher compressive quality of geo-polymer concrete Higher the proportion of sodium silicate-to-sodium hydroxide proportion by mass, skyscraper the compressive quality of fly debris dependent on geo-polymer concrete.

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