

An Experimental Investigation on Black Cotton Soil Stabilization by Utilizing Terazyme

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Abstract- In agricultural nations like India the main necessity of any undertaking after execution rules is its affordable achievability and functionality measures. The customary techniques are tedious and are not monetarily possible. Henceforth there is a need to track down the other conceivable approaches to fulfill the exhibition just as affordable standards. These proteins have been shown to be exceptionally powerful and affordable. One more benefit of the bio-catalyst is that these are climate cordial. The proficiency of bio protein relies on the measure of dose, sort of soil and relieving period. In our country immense regions comprise of dark cotton soils. As the regular soil stabilizers like rock, sand and others are exhausting and becoming costly step by step at an exceptionally fast speed, it becomes important to look towards for elective eco-accommodating stabilizers as their substitute. As of late numerous Bio-catalysts have arisen as practical stabilizers for soil adjustment. One such kind of bio-protein, Terazyme, has been utilized in the current work. The Terazyme impact on the unconfined compressive strength and on as far as possible were considered. The catalyst treated soil showing huge improvement in unconfined compressive strength esteems. The untreated soil has compressive strength as 71 kN/m². In the wake of treating with Terazyme the dirt showed critical improvement in strength. With restoring period, the strength is expanding. The strength augmentation was observed to be 300%.

Keywords: Terazyme, Unconfined Compressive strength Restoring period .

I. INTRODUCTION

Black cotton is one of the far reaching soils accessible in India. Dark cotton soil is a far reaching soil that by and large accessible in the equatorial jungle areas. Their appearance shifts from dark tone to brown tone. In our nation dark cotton soil involves almost 20% of the accessible land.

Far reaching soil significant piece commonly found in focal part and a few spots in south India. Sweeping soils known by dark cotton soil are accessible in the Deccan level fields (Deccan Trap) including Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Andhra Pradesh and in certain pieces of Odisha, in the Indian sub-landmass. Dark cotton soil accessible in the valley of stream Tapti, Narmada, Godavari and Krishna.

The west side of Deccan level and in upper part of Krishna and Godavari bowl. In this space the dark cotton soil profundity is exceptionally tight. This dirt's framed by the leftover activity of basalt or trap rocks. The other explanation for development of these dirt's is enduring of molten rocks, after volcanic emission by the cooling activity of magma. This dirt shows high versatility nature. The significant dirt mineral is montmorillonite.

Due to montmorillonite bunch mineral these dirt's display seriously enlarging and shrinkage trademark. The fundamental issue with this sort of minerals is precariousness of earth material. Far reaching soils are hard when they lose water content, and the one more day in the event that they catch water they become delicate in nature.

For a gently stacked construction it makes issue, under trouble and by changing volumetrically close by ordinary suddenness assortment.

Accordingly, the superstructures by and large counter unreasonable settlement and differential turns of events, achieving mischief to foundation systems, essential parts and underlying components. In a basic number of cases the construction will be dubious or awful. In any case when attempts are made to improve expanding soil, the shortfall of legitimate development now and again results volumetric change that are responsible for billion dollars hurt each year.

It is a direct result of this that the current work is taken up. The plan was to check the degree of upgrading bearing breaking point regard and diminish breadth by including added substances. These dirt's are hard in dry state anyway lose their heap conveying strength when whenever they are allowed water into the mud structure. So we can say that particularly extensive soil tricky to changes in climate. These properties have made the dirt forbidden for primary planning purposes either as bank material or establishment material.



Fig 1.Expansive soil.

II. MATERIAL AND METHODOLOGY

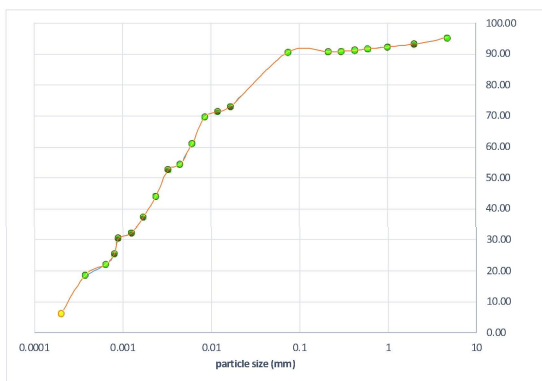


Fig 2. Grain size distribution curve.

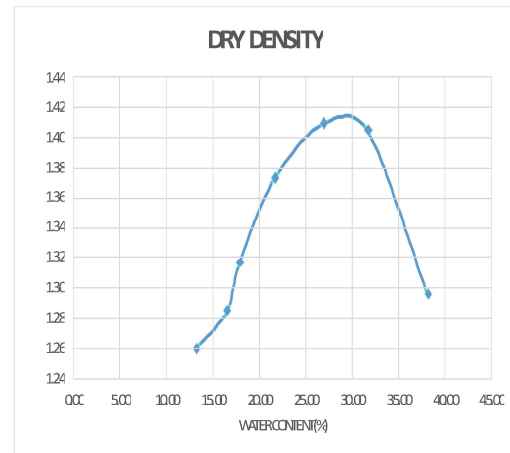


Fig 3. Light compaction curve.

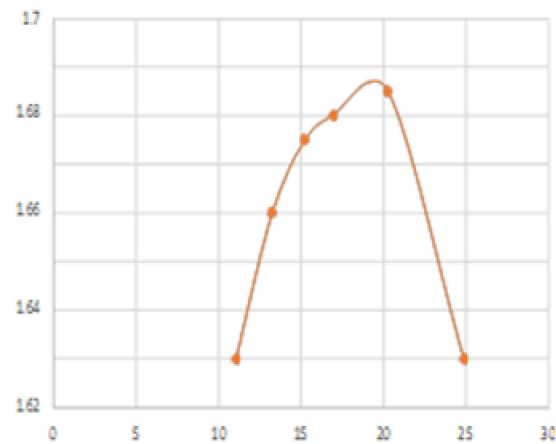


Fig 4. Water content Vs dry density curve.

III. TERAZYME ENZYME

Terazyme is a natural enzyme. Terazyme was prepared from molasses from fermentation process. Terazyme is a nontoxic, eco-friendly non-flammable material. Generally chemical products stored with care. In case of Terazyme no need of special care. While handling Terazyme product no gloves were required.

The use of Terazyme in the construction of base and sub-base structures removes the need for macadam in the construction of road structures. The base and sub-base constructed with Terazyme are built up immediately from the sub-grade level.

When compared to conventional structures Terazyme constructed structures showing a much greater flexural strength and a higher CBR % than the conventional structures.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Varying quantities of stabilizers can cause different effect in the same soil sample. Insufficient quantity of Enzyme (Terazyme) may lead to less stabilization of the soil where as excess quantities may result the stabilization ineffective and uneconomical.

Hence, to determine the optimum quantity of Enzyme for best results, UCS, Swell pressure, consistency limit tests were conducted on each of the soil samples with varying quantity of Enzyme (Terazyme).

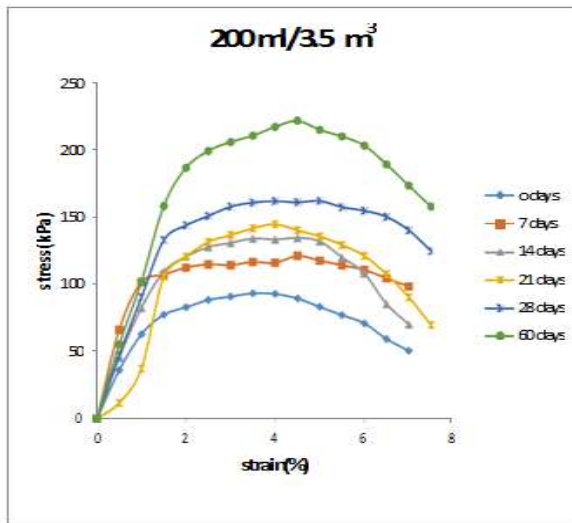


Fig 5. Variations in UCS of 200 ml/3.5 m³ enzyme treated BC soil.

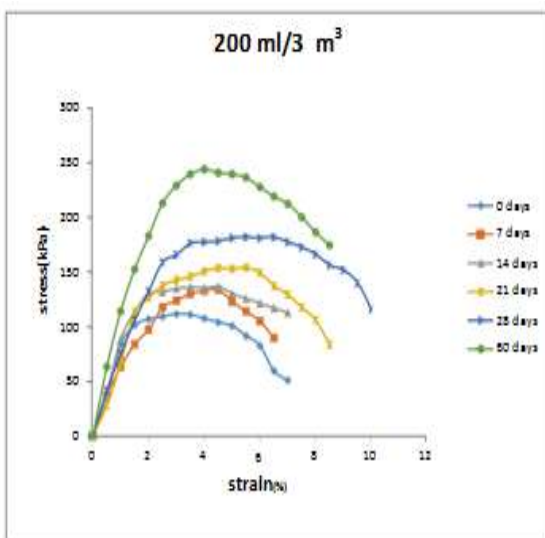


Fig 6. Variation in UCS of 200 ml/3.0 m³ enzyme treated BC soil

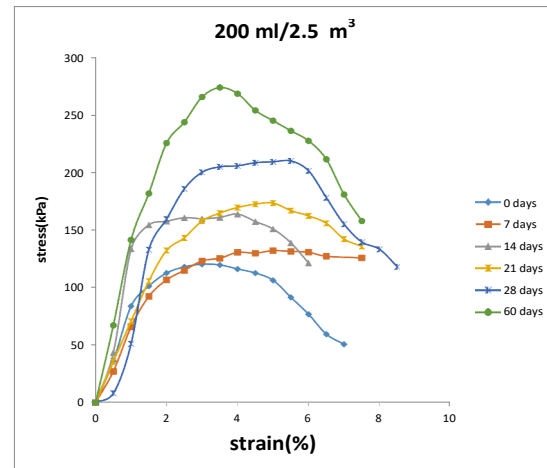


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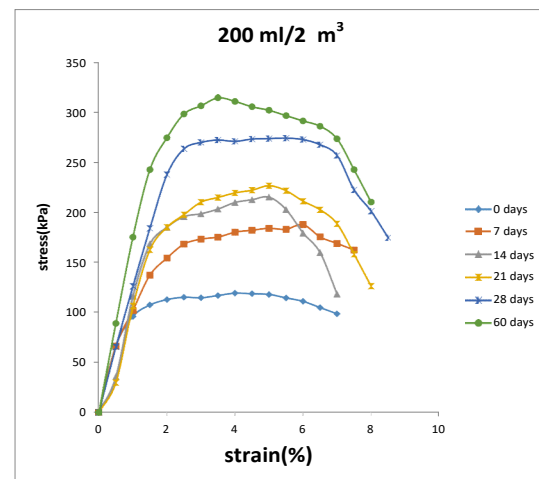


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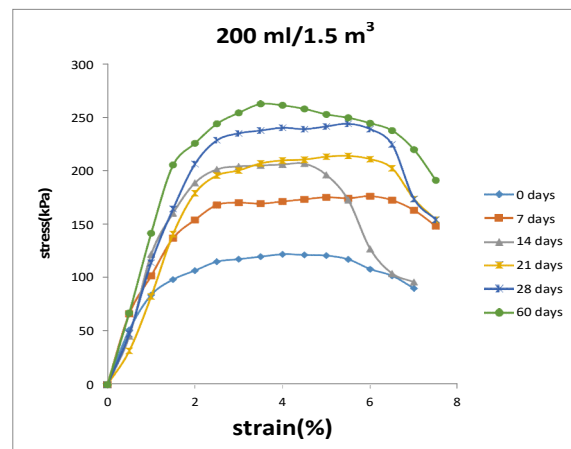


Fig 9. Variation in UCS of 200 ml/1.5 m³ enzyme treated BC soil.

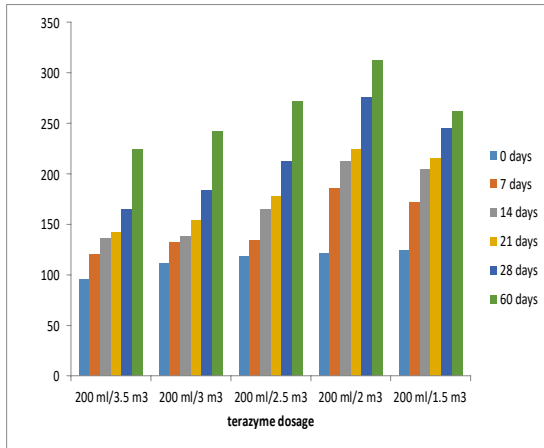


Fig 10. Bar chart showing variation of UCS for different curing period on black cotton soil.

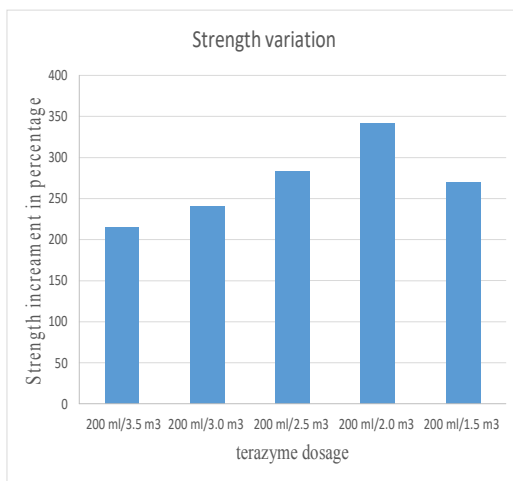


Fig 11. Strength increment in percentage.

V. CONCLUSIONS

Untreated black cotton soil has 83.50% liquid limit. After adding the enzyme there is slight change in liquid limit. The overall plasticity index is in between 43.00-48.00

The atterberg limits of the treated enzymatic soil not within the specified limits. Since the enzymatic soil having liquid limit in the range of 83.00%-79.00%. Plasticity index is in between 43.00-48.00. The values are not satisfying the sub grade of a pavement. So it is unsuitable to use as sub grade material of the pavement.

The unconfined compressive strength of enzyme treated soil indicates good improvement with curing period.

The coefficient of consolidation decreases with curing period. However, there is slight downfall for first week curing period to second week curing period. The compression index values decreasing with curing period.

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