

# Improving Corrosion Resistance of Reinforcing Bars Using Silica and Calcium-Rich Additives

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Abstract— The purpose of this study was to identify the most Rust on reinforcing steel was investigated using a mixture of eggshell ash and rice husk ash (RHA) in lieu of some of the cement. Using a cylindrical mould (100 mm x 200 mm) and G30 and G25 concrete, the samples' mechanical characteristics were evaluated (150 mm x 300 mm). Eggshell ash and RHA were combined in varying percentages to create the samples (4 percent : 6 percent , 6 percent : 4 percent ,). Samples have been subjected to a variety of tests, including a slump test, a compression test, and a flexure test. In light of Previous studies found that the addition of eggshells to concrete decreased its strength. When utilising eggshell ash as a partial replacement for cement, most studies find a similar pattern. So, the A blend's added strength comes from the rice husk ash pozzolan reaction (RHA). It has been demonstrated to increase concrete strength when used into the mix design. The rust % may be calculated by the total number of rods of varying diameters made of iron steel.

### I. INTRODUCTION

Research in the field of civil engineering into concrete structures has identified the prevention and treatment of rust in the reinforcing steel that is used in the installations themselves as one of the most important challenges. It is exceedingly expensive to establish and maintain such facilities in regions that have harsh and inadequate variables and conditions, while at the same time their neglect and negligence generates losses in both human and moral terms. Without the appropriate protection against corrosion, concrete constructions in coastal communities, where the weather may be especially severe, may not endure as long as they normally would. During the production of one tonne of Portland cement, about 1.1 metric tonnes of carbon dioxide gas in addition to other harmful gases and pollutants are emitted into the atmosphere. Asthma, pulmonary osteoporosis, lung cancer, renal failure, and other life-threatening conditions are just some of the respiratory illnesses that are made worse by the 164 kilogrammes of dust that are emitted during the production of one tonne of cement. Other respiratory illnesses that are made worse include emphysema, chronic bronchitis, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The purpose of the current proposal is to investigate the ways in which the presence of silica might affect the resistance of reinforcing bars against corrosion. The presence of rust on reinforcing steel is a significant problem.

reinforced concrete is used for building construction for two reasons. To begin, the cross-sectional area of the reinforcing steel skewer shrinks as the amount of corroded iron grows, which results in a reduction in the element's ability to support loads. Second, the tensile pressures that are exerted on the surrounding concrete by the corroded products, which occupy a greater volume than the original iron, may cause fractures, the ejection of the concrete, and a loss of cohesiveness between the concrete and the original reinforcement. Since the corroded products occupy a greater volume than the original iron, they exert these pressures on the surrounding concrete. This article provides a concise summary of the findings of a laboratory

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experiment on the practicability of using materials high in silica and calcium as a complement to or replacement for dentures. And Supplements High in the mineral calcium.

Because of its strength and capacity to support significant loads, concrete is widely used as a construction material in a variety of different building configurations, including beam, column, and slab structures. However, there is a limit of failure beyond which concrete will collapse with the application of an excessive amount of force. A number of research that are now concentrating on the creation of brand new materials have been highlighted as possible answers to the problem. Eggshells are used as a partial cement replacement in the proper proportion in this research, and we analyse what happens to the concrete mix as a result of using eggshells. As a consequence of this, there is a growing effort to recycle more and waste away less, with the objective of producing renewable materials that are capable of being utilised as a dependable substitute for nonrenewable ones. As a result of this, it is feasible for all parties involved in the reduction of waste and the preservation of the environment to collaborate in a manner that is more productive. In recent years, output of cement in many parts of the world has increased in order to keep up with the growing demand for the commodity. It was anticipated that the worldwide production would increase from 2283 million tonnes in 2005 to 2836 million tonnes in 2010 due to the expansion of emerging economies and developing countries, particularly in Asia. The year 2005 was a base year for this projection. The objectives of the research are to determine the optimal ratio of eggshell ash to rice husk ash (RHA) as a partial cement replacement, as well as to analyse the possible advantages of doing so on both the environment and the economy. In addition, the performance of the concrete should be compared to the performance of conventional concrete in order to determine its mechanical properties. The scope of this investigation is limited to determining whether or not it is possible to partly substitute cement with recycled materials such as ash derived from rice husks and eggshells.



## II. EFFECTS OF EGGSHELL ASH AND RICE HUSK ASH (RHA,FA)

Eggshell, as stated by Okonkwo et al. [1], is constituted of calcium compounds remarkably similar to that of cement, with 93.70 percent calcium carbonate as its major component. Therefore, it's an alternate that allows eggshell to be used in lieu of cement. Cement cost savings are possible as a result of this benefit, since less cement is required. When calcium carbonate is burned to ash at 500 C, additional calcium oxide is created and serves as a useful accelerator. The addition of calcium oxide sped up the curing time, which is particularly welcome in the construction business, where work might be delayed by inclement weather, especially during the wetter months of the year. Earlier studies have likewise shown a weakening of the aforementioned tendency. Wood waste ash has the potential to be used as an additive in concrete [2, 3], for instance. Researchers evaluated the specimens' mechanical qualities, including their strength, durability, and shrinkage. Compressive strength of mortar was shown to diminish, however, with increasing percentages of cement replacement. Additionally, air permeability was found to have drastically decreased.

Most studies show a decline in concrete strength; to counteract this, another ingredient is often added to the mix. According to Jayasankar [4], a mixture of fly ash, rice husk ash, and eggshell powder is as strong as regular concrete. In order to partially replace the cement, the eggshell ash is blended in with rich husk ash as an additive.

The pozzolanic reactivity of cement may be enhanced by using rice husk ash (RHA). The high amorphous silica content and massive surface area controlled by the particles' porous morphologies are responsible for this pozzolanic reactivity. The increased surface area provided by the RHA's fineness aids in its responsiveness as well. Researchers Cheah and Ramli [5] also stated that the increased rate of pozzolanic reaction between the amorphous silica mineral of densified silica fume (DSF) and Portland cement contributed by HCWA is responsible for the improved compressive strength and flexural strength of cement mortar when using this combination. Eggshell ash, also high in calcium, reacts similarly with RHA due to their shared pozzolanic amorphous silica concentration.

The strength and durability of concrete may be improved by adding ground RHA at a rate of up to 20 percent, as reported by Chao-Lung et al. [6]. Compressive strength, electrical resistance, and ultrasonic pulse velocity were all enhanced. Additionally, greater strength and resistivity are acquired as the number of curing days grows. Meanwhile, studies conducted by Sensale [7] claim that the performance of concrete is improved when Portland cement is substituted with RHA. Particle size is directly related to the physical effect, which in turn leads to a more refined pore structure. However, there is a maximum permissible amount of RHA fineness. When grinding RHA, it's best to avoid getting it too fine. This is due to the fact that the origin of

Particles' interior surface area is where pozzolanic activity is generated. It is estimated that between 75% and 99% of RHA particles fall between 4 and 75 nm in size [7].

These results demonstrate a linear correlation between the proportion of RHA used in the concrete mix and the resulting

improvement in compressive strength compared to that of regular concrete. Cost-benefit analyses of high-strength concrete made using RHA as a partial cement replacement should be done at the same time.



Eggshell ash

#### III. METHODOLOGY

Cement, fine aggregate, coarse aggregate, and water were used in the laboratory trials since these are the primary components of a concrete mix design. Meanwhile, eggshell ash and RHA were included as cement replacements. Slump, compressive, and flexural strength tests were then performed. After then, information from each experiment was written down in preparation for analysis.

Collected particle skeletons were incinerated.

Finely powdered and sieved through a 75 m mesh at a temperature of about 500  $^\circ$  C.

Combustion was used to produce M RHA.

The force was measured using m saws on days 7, 21, and 28 of treatment, and the mix design employed cylinders measuring 100mm x 200mm and 150mm x 300mm.

Eggshell ash and RHA additive were included in the test samples. partial

Eggshell ash and RHA will be used in lieu of cement in the concrete mix, with the ratios depending on the design. In Table 1 we can see the cement percentages. For each experiment, we blended in some eggshell ash and RHA, FA.

The concrete recipe was developed via a series of laboratory tests employing the primary ingredients.

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Slump, compressive, and flexural strength tests were carried out. After that, information from each trial was collected and stored for further review.

Collected eggshells were reduced to ash.

Finely powdered and sieved through a 75 m mesh at a temperature of about 500  $^{\circ}$  C. Particle gathered corn husks from eateries in the area and burnt them.

Finely powdered and sieved through a 75 m mesh at a temperature of about 500  $^{\circ}$  C. Meanwhile, RHA was salvaged from a destroyed plant during a practical combustion fire.

Eggshell ash and RHA additive were included in the test samples. Eggshell ash will be used with RHA in a predetermined ratio to partially replace the cement in the concrete mix. In Table 1 we can see the cement percentages. For each experiment, it was blended in part with ash from eggshells and RHA. In order to create the test samples, eggshell ash and RHA additive were combined. Partial When making the concrete, eggshell ash and RHA will be substituted for the cement.



Cylindrical forms



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Table 1. Proportions of cement, eggshell ash and RHA

	Cylinder	fu	Diameter of the Bars
Group A	100 mm X 200 mm	250	Ø 10mm
Group B	100 mm X 200 mm	300	Ø 10mm
Group C	150 mm X 300 mm	250	Ø 10mm
Group D	150 mm X 300 mm	300	Ø 10mm
Group E	100 mm X 200 mm	250	Ø lónm
Group F	100 mm X 200 mm	300	Ø lónm
Group G	150 mm X 300 mm	250	Ø lónm
Group H	150 mm X 300 mm	300	Ø 16mm

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	cement	Eggsbell as b	RHA	FA
mix 1	90%	496	696	_
mix 2	90%	696	496	-
mix 3	90%	496		696
mix 4	90%	696		496
mix 5	90%	696		
mix 6	90%	496		
mix 7	90%		696	496
mix 8	90%		496	696
mix 9	90%	496	696	_

#### IV. RESULTS

#### 4.1 Slump test

As demonstrated in Figure 1, according to ASTM C 143, concretes containing replacement eggshell and RHA are more workable than standard concrete G30.

The substitution of 6 percent eggshell ash and 4 percent RHA with 6 percent RHA is acceptable. As demonstrated in Figure 1, the replacement of 6 percent eggshell ash and 4 percent FA with 6 percent FA is acceptable.

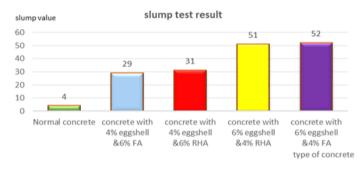


Fig. 1. Workability of Normal Concrete, Concrete with Addition of Eggshell and RHA, FA.

#### 4.2 Compressive strength

Compressive strength was decreased when eggshell ash and RHA were used as replacements. Nonetheless, concrete's strength is not fully realised until after it has cured for 28 days.

There was a corresponding decline in RHA and FA even when the fraction of replacement eggshell ash rose. As can be seen in Fig. 2, the results for flexural strength virtually exhibit the same proportional performance as those for compressive strength. However, flexural strength decreased for concrete that included 6% eggshell ash and 4% RHA.

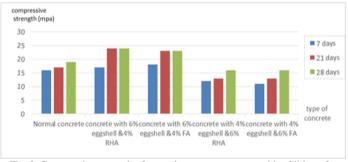


Fig. 2. Compressive strength of normal concrete, concrete with addition of eggshell and RHA, FA.

#### 4.3 Flexural strength

Although its compressive strength is lower than that of concrete with 6% eggshell ash and 4% RHA, the results suggest that this mixture is the best option for optimal utilisation, with a targeted slump between 10mm and 30mm and increased strength growth in flexural between 7 and 28 days of curing (Fig. 3).

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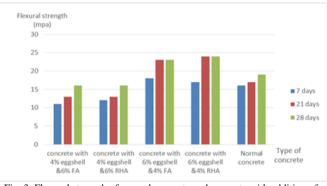


Fig. 3. Flexural strength of normal concrete and concrete with addition of eggshell ash and RHA, FA

#### 4.4 Comparison with conventional concrete

When comparing the efficacy of the outcomes with those of more traditional applications. Eggshell ash at 6% and RHA at 4% may also be used for flat slabs with strong reinforcing. In addition, flat slabs with strong reinforcing may use FA at 4% and eggshell ash at 6%.

#### V. RESEARCHES SHOW THE EFFECT OF STEEL WEIGHT

The iron balances have shifted somewhat, but not enough to be seen; this shows that the percentages, particularly those involving cement, may be safely adjusted to compensate for the error's introduction.

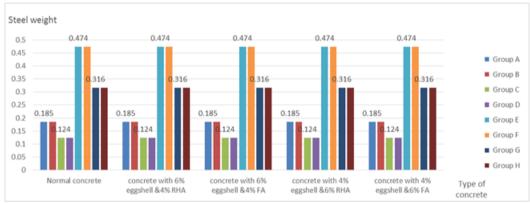


Fig. 4. Steel weight of normal concrete and concrete with addition of eggshell ash and RHA , FA

#### VI. CONCLUSION

The slump test workability found in this study can only be attained by including a mixture of 4% eggshell ash and 6% RHA up to a depression of 30 mm. However, these benefits are diminished for Ordinary concrete, concrete with 2% eggshell ash, and concrete with 8% RHA.

With a 6 mm decline and usable road building, it is categorised as having extremely poor workability. Meanwhile, low-permeability concrete with 4% eggshell ash and 6% RHA

Concrete reinforcement in the 30mm workability grade may be used for both road and lamppost construction. In the end, the mix of eggshell ash (6% w/v) and RHA (4% w/v) is graded as concrete.

With a drop of 50 millimetres, this workability grade is suitable for both heavy concrete reinforcement and road construction.

The lesser strength increases seen when comparing concrete made with eggshell ash and RHA to conventional concrete made with 100% OPC have been changed.

The pozzolanic impact, however, caused strength to increase from day 7 to day 28.

Its high amorphous silica content has a beneficial influence on concrete's durability.

When he weighed the iron before and after casting, he discovered a tiny shift, which was either the same as or very close to the shift seen in Nnormal concrete.

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