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# Influence of Bamboo Fiber Content on the Properties of Asphalt Mixtures

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#### Abstract:

Inspecting what how much bamboo fiber means for the attributes of asphalt mixtures and searching for ways of further developing maintainability and execution. To assess the impacts of bamboo fibers on significant qualities including soundness, rutting opposition, weakness conduct, and dampness helplessness, asphalt details coordinate these sustainable and ecologically harmless fibers. This review evaluated the presentation improving use of bamboo fiber, a new expansion to the regular fiber family, in stone matrix asphalt (SMA) and dense-grade (DG) mixes. As well as having a harsh surface like that of a typical lignin fiber, bamboo fiber has a high rigidity in the fiber course. Furthermore, bamboo fiber has satisfactory warm dependability, an issue with plant-based materials that is normally raised. The ideal asphalt cover contents for DG and SMA mixtures with differing measures of bamboo fiber were picked utilizing the Marshall blend plan procedure. Utilizing the wheel following test, inundation Marshall test, freeze-defrost cycle test, and three-point twisting bar test, separately, the impacts of bamboo fiber on blend dampness helplessness, rutting, and low-temperature breaking execution were surveyed. The presentation of the previously mentioned blend was fundamentally worked on by the expansion of bamboo fiber, as indicated by test results. All in all, blends including bamboo fiber exhibited execution that was either tantamount to or better than those containing polyester and lignin fiber, proposing that bamboo fiber can be utilized in asphalt mixtures.

Keywords: Bamboo Fiber Content, Properties, Asphalt Mixtures, dense-grade, stone matrix asphalt

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The expected purposes of bamboo fiber, a manageable and versatile normal asset, in different enterprises has attracted increasingly more consideration late years. Its consideration into asphalt mixtures, a pivotal part of street development, is one huge field of examination. The reason for this study is to inspect what how much bamboo fiber means for the qualities of asphalt mixtures, as well as any potential benefits and drawbacks of utilizing this ecologically gainful support. Bamboo fibers offer a thrilling choice for working on the exhibition of asphalt mixtures as the worldwide foundation area searches for novel and manageable arrangements.

The joining of bamboo fiber into asphalt mixtures is in accordance with the rising spotlight on harmless to the ecosystem building and framework improvement techniques. Bamboo is famous for its speedy development, inexhaustible nature, and low ecological impact when contrasted with other structure materials. Bamboo fibers can diminish how much non-inexhaustible assets utilized as support in asphalt mixtures, bringing about a more practical and biologically cordial street development process.



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The life span and usefulness of street surfaces are altogether impacted by the mechanical qualities of asphalt mixtures. The expansion of bamboo fibers to asphalt mixtures might affect significant mechanical properties as weakness obstruction, rutting opposition, and elasticity. It is critical to appreciate what the presence of bamboo fiber means for these attributes to boost asphalt blend plans and assurance the drawn-out primary dependability of streets.

In view of their particular primary cosmetics, bamboo fibers may moreover further develop the asphalt mixtures' dampness and intensity related qualities. The dampness weakness of asphalt mixtures might be impacted by the hygroscopic idea of bamboo fibers, which could influence the materials' capacity to endure harm from water. Moreover, the warm attributes of bamboo fibers could uphold the asphalt blend's overall temperature solidness, which is significant in regions with unforgiving climate.

To ensure effective execution, issues and concerns connected with adding bamboo fibers to asphalt mixtures should be considered. Broad exploration is important to decide factors incorporating reasonableness for use with asphalt folios, proper fiber scattering, and conceivable functionality changes subsequent to blending. Through perception of these deterrents, researchers and experts can devise strategies to improve the mix's adequacy while utilizing the getting through benefits given by bamboo fibers.

To bridge the hole between feasible materials and the prerequisites of contemporary foundation, this exploration endeavours to offer astute data about the effect of bamboo fiber content on the qualities of asphalt mixtures. The consideration of bamboo fibers in asphalt mixtures offers a practical answer for fabricate sturdy and harmless to the ecosystem streets as the development area attempts to embrace more eco-accommodating techniques.

### 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Amini and Tehrani (2014) investigated the concurrent impacts of salted endlessly water stream on asphalt substantial asphalt crumbling under freeze-defrost cycles. The review planned to comprehend the consolidated effect of these ecological elements on the exhibition of asphalt concrete. The discoveries recommended that the connection between salted endlessly water stream assumed a critical part in asphalt weakening. The exploration featured the significance of considering numerous ecological stressors in evaluating the sturdiness of asphalt concrete.

Badeli et al. (2018) inspected the presentation and life span of an asphalt blend that included Aramid Pulp Fiber (APF). The review assessed the asphalt blend's mind-boggling modulus both when it was exposed to exhaustion, the Texas Overlay Test, and freeze-defrost cycles. The motivation behind adding APF was to further develop the asphalt blend's obstruction against outside anxieties. The results showed expansions in execution and solidness, featuring the potential benefits of adding fiber options to reduce the impacts of freeze-defrost cycles.

Chen et al. (2013) directed a review zeroing in on the weariness execution of asphalt mixtures containing short basalt fibers. The exploration researched the impact of basalt fiber added substances on the weariness opposition of asphalt concrete. The discoveries recommended that the expansion of short basalt fibers upgraded the weariness execution of the asphalt combination. This study contributes significant experiences into the capability of fiber support to work on the general solidness of asphalt substantial asphalts.

De and Baxi (2017) done a trial exploration and investigation of bamboo fiber-supported composites that had been surface-treated with citrus extract and mercerized. The motivation behind the review was to treat



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bamboo fibers with citrus extract and mercerization to work on the mechanical properties of the composites. The fiber surface is adjusted by citrus extract treatment, and the course of mercerization fortifies the fiber. The treated bamboo fiber-supported composites showed better mechanical attributes, as indicated by the outcomes. This work propels our knowledge of what surface treatment means for the usefulness of regular fiber-built up composites, which has suggestions for harmless to the ecosystem asphalt materials.

Fang et al. (2015) inspected the effect of planning temperature on the maturing attributes of asphalt changed with squander polyethylene. The objective of the review was to decide what different readiness temperatures meant for the maturing properties of adjusted asphalt that contained extra polyethylene. The outcomes showed that the planning temperature significantly affected the asphalt's capacity to endure maturing. This study adds significant knowledge about how to plan altered asphalt at the right temperature to expand its protection from maturing, which is a significant part of how long asphalt materials last.

Greenfield et al. (2015) We out XANES (X-ray Absorption Near Edge Structure) experiments to examine the science of sulfur during the oxidation of asphalt. The objective of the review was to fathom how sulfurcontaining particles change artificially as asphalt oxidizes. The discoveries shed light on sulfur changes, which are significant in understanding how asphalt ages. By giving significant data to the formation of maturing safe asphalt plans, this work progresses our knowledge of the science of asphalt oxidation.

#### 3. RESEARCH APPROACH

To evaluate whether bamboo fiber, a characteristic fiber, is reasonable for use in asphalt mixtures, this concentrate originally estimated the elasticity and weight reduction of the fiber following intensity therapy. Then, at that point, utilizing the Marshall approach, two mixture types — one dense-grade (DG) and one SMA — were made to incorporate various measures of bamboo fiber. The Marshall submersion and freezing-defrost cycle tests were utilized to evaluate the subsequent mixes' dampness helplessness. Wheel following and three-point bending beam (3PB) tests were conducted in order to finally determine the impact of bamboo fibre on blend rutting and low-temperature breaking execution. As controls, mixtures including polyester, lignin, and no fiber were incorporated. The testing results of these mixtures were stood out from those of blends containing bamboo fiber.

#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 4.1. Bamboo Fiber Characterization

The length, distance across, thickness, and oil-absorptive trademark run of the mill ranges/upsides of these fibers are recorded in Table 1. One huge element affecting the presentation of the mixture is fiber length. Too-short fibers could only act as expensive filler and not offer sufficient strength. Then again, excessively lengthy fibers can prompt a condition known as "balling," when certain fibers bundle together and become hard to mix into mixtures. Bamboo fibre, measuring  $6 \pm 2$  mm in length, was utilised instead of basalt and polyester fibres, which are often employed in asphalt mixtures and have an average length of 6 mm. The oil-absorptive property of plant fibres used in asphalt was assessed using the weight ratio of the fibre to the oil consumed and the JT/T 533 Strategy. This factor has a huge impact on the mixture's stability at high temperatures. Furthermore, high oil-absorptive limit fibres have the ability to liquate and stop flushing.

Table 1: characteristics of fibres physically				
Properties	Bamboo Fiber	Lignin Fiber	<b>Polyester Fiber</b>	



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Fiber length (mm)	$6\pm 2$	0–1.5	6
Fiber diameter (µm)	20–60	10-80	20
Density (g/cm3)	2.38	2.30	2.40
Oil-absorptive properties	6.9	8.7	4.4

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#### 4.1.1. Weight Loss

A high-temperature heater was utilized to warm a set amount (100 g) of bamboo fiber while the weight changes were being noticed. Following two hours of warming at every temperature, the leftover load of the bamboo fiber was estimated as the warming temperature expanded from 140 0C to 380 0C at timespans 0C. As to loss of fiber respectability during the warming system, Figure 1 represents three stages. When the warming temperature outperformed 230°C, there was an unexpected expansion in weight reduction, and the subsequent stage finished up at 320°C. Yet again as of now, the pace of fiber weight reduction dialed back, yet by then, the bamboo fiber had nearly completely separated. Nonetheless, the normal scope of temperatures for mixing and compacting asphalt mixtures is 150-180 °C, which compares to the main stage where a slight lessening in example weight was noted.



Figure 1: After heat treatment, bamboo fibre loses weight

#### 4.1.2. Tensile Strength

The rigidity of the bamboo fiber was estimated in this work utilizing a clear instrument made by Chen and Xu since it was too fine to be in any way fixed in a conventional instrument (Fig. 2a). A collapsed imprint and two empty windows of a similar size  $(10 \text{ mm} \times 6 \text{ mm})$  were delivered on a rectangular piece of paper (Fig. 2b). From then on, the paper was folded in half, and two monofilament bamboo fibre finishes (4-5 cm) were adhered to the paper's edges and placed in the centre of a single, empty window. Eventually, two of the paper's edges are sliced with almost no fibre in the middle using a microcomputer-controlled electronic universal testing machine (UTM). After that, the entire unit—paper and fiber—is pressed until the fibre breaks at a speed of 5 mm/min (Fig. 2c). Next, the fiber's breadth after crack was measured using an optical magnifying lens.







# Figure 2: Measurement of the monofilament bamboo fiber's tensile strength using a paper folder (a, b) and the specimen subjected to a UTM test (c)

The monofilament bamboo fiber's tensile strength was ascertained utilising Eq. 1.

The tensile strength 
$$= \frac{F}{\pi \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^2}$$
 (1)

where D was the fiber's diameter (mm) upon fracture and F was the tensile force (N) at the time of the break.

#### 4.1.3. Surface Characteristic

The progressions in the surface microstructure of the bamboo fibre were observed using a filtering electron magnifying lens during the intensity therapy (i.e.,  $200 \circ C$  for 2 h). The warming system seems to increase the unpleasantness of the fibre surface without completely destroying its shape, as seen in Fig. 3. During the warming process, the hemicellulose in the bamboo fibre broke down and created erratic gaps where fasteners may be absorbed, potentially affecting how the bamboo fibre and asphalt cover adhere to one another.





Figure 3: Bamboo fibre surface morphology, both before and after heat treatment

Generally speaking, bamboo fiber shows satisfactory warm soundness, demonstrating that it very well may be used in asphalt mixtures (i.e., slight weight and elasticity diminishes and a harsher surface for folio absorption following intensity therapy).

#### 4.2. Effects of Bamboo Fiber On Mixture Performance

#### 4.2.1. Rutting Performance

The wheel following test, which repeats the utilization of genuine wheel load on asphalt structure under high-temperature conditions, was utilized to survey the rutting obstruction of asphalt mixtures as per Technique T0719 of the Chinese standard JTG E20-2011. A square block of 300 x 300 x 50 mm was made by compacting free mixtures. The chunk examples were exposed to a 6-hour test in the testing room at 60°C. Next, a strong elastic tire with a movement distance of 23010 mm went ahead and in reverse on the chunk surface. The trench profundity was estimated like clockwork, and the movement speed was  $42\pm1$  cycles/min. Condition 2 can be used to find out the dynamic stability (DS) boundary, which fills in as a measure of mixture rutting opposition.

$$DS = \frac{(t_2 - t_1) \times N}{d_2 - d_1}$$
(2)

where N is the wheel voyaging speed — for this situation, N = 42 cycles/min — and d2 and d1 are the rutting profundity seen at t1 and t2, individually. The times t1 and t2 relate to 45 and an hour, individually.



Figure 4: Values of DG mixes' dynamic stability (one standard deviation as an error bar)



The DS worth of the control mixture expanded when bamboo fiber was added, as found in Figure 4, proposing expanded protection from blend rutting. Bamboo fiber appears to have been equitably scattered all through blends, creating a three-layered support. This mixture showed a higher DS esteem than the control mixes (nanofiber and lignin fiber mixtures), regardless of whether the inclination was switched when 0.4% bamboo fiber was added. The diminishing recommended that 0.4% bamboo fiber may be a lot for the fiber to bunch together, which would bring down the strength of the mixture by concentrating pressure. The mix of polyester fiber delivered the best DS esteem, which was like the mixture of 0.3% bamboo fiber.



Figure 5: Values of SMA mixtures' dynamic stability (one standard deviation as an error bar)

The DS values for SMA mixes are displayed in Figure 5. The DS upsides of SMA mixtures were emphatically influenced by up to 0.4% bamboo fiber. The SMA DS esteem diminished when 0.5% bamboo fiber was utilized, yet it stayed more noteworthy than when 0.3% lignin fiber was utilized as the control. The results demonstrated the way that utilizing bamboo fiber can upgrade the exhibition of mixed rutting.

#### 4.2.2. Low-Temperature Cracking Performance

The three-point beading beam (3PB) tests in Chinese standard JTG E20-2011 were conducted in accordance with Strategy T0715 to assess the impact of bamboo fibre on the low-temperature breaking execution of DG and SMA blends. After being crushed into square pieces measuring  $300 \times 300 \times 50$  mm, the free mixtures were sliced into beam tests ( $250 \times 30 \times 35$  mm). Beam tests were adapted for two hours at - 10 °C in a surrounding chamber preceding testing. 200 mm was the range length (80% of the beam length), and 50 mm of stress was provided every moment through a stacking ring. Utilizing Eq. 3, the flexural strain was determined by recording the mid-length diversion and utilize the maximum redirection at disappointment. Three beams were tried for each kind of mixture, and the normal flexural strain esteem was recorded.

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$$\varepsilon_B = \frac{6 \times h \times d}{L^2} \tag{3}$$

where d is the mid-span deflection at failure (mm), h is the height of cross section (mm), and  $\epsilon B$  is the flexural strain ( $\mu\epsilon$ ); L is the beam's span (mm).



Figure 6: Values of DG mixes' flexural strain (one standard deviation as an error bar)

The flexural strain upsides of all bamboo fiber blends were higher than those of the nanofiber mixture, demonstrating that bamboo fiber observably affected the low-temperature breaking execution of the mixture (Fig. 6).



Figure 7: Values of SMA mixes' flexural strain (one standard deviation as an error bar)

As found in Fig. 7, bamboo fiber likewise fundamentally diminished the flexural type of SMA mixes. More noteworthy flexural strain values were acquired from blends containing more bamboo fiber, but the



distinction between the 0.4% and 0.5% bamboo fiber mixtures was immaterial (just  $19\mu\epsilon$ ). The flexural strain upsides of the multitude of mixes, with the exception of the 0.2% bamboo fiber mixture, were higher than those of the 0.3% lignin fiber control mixture, recommending that the bamboo fiber can be utilized in SMA mixtures.

### 5. FINDINGS

The utilization of bamboo fiber in DG and SMA mixtures for further developed mixture execution was surveyed in this review. The outcomes can be summarized as follows:

- There are three stages to the weight reduction of bamboo fiber while warming temperatures climb. Around 5% of the bamboo fiber separated in the primary stage at 180 °C, which is the most noteworthy temperature at which the mix might be mixed and compacted.
- At temperatures over 150 °C, the rigidity of bamboo fiber started to decline; in any case, at 180 °C, the fall was under 10%.
- The surface properties of the bamboo fiber were gathered by SEM both when the warming system. The fiber become altogether more unpleasant, which could have expanded the asphalt cover's absorption and supported the fiber's adherence to it.
- Higher bamboo fiber content, as anticipated, prompted higher OAC in the mixture as a result of expanded cover absorption. As per the discoveries of the freeze-defrost cycle and submersion Marshall testing, each mixture showed an adequate dampness powerlessness.
- The presentation of asphalt mixtures as far as rutting and low temperature breaking was improved by the expansion of bamboo fiber.
- At the point when bamboo fiber mixtures were contrasted with those including polyester and lignin fibers, they showed practically identical or stunningly better mixture execution (as shown by the DS and flexural strain values).
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## 6. CONCLUSION

It has been shown that adding bamboo fiber to asphalt mixtures essentially influences various significant qualities, featuring the material's true capacity as a reasonable and powerful added substance. Clear from deliberate testing and examination adding the perfect proportion of bamboo fiber to asphalt asphalts works on their stability, protection from rutting, weakness, and dampness vulnerability. The asphalt mixture's in general mechanical characteristics are further developed by the building up activity of bamboo fibers, showing that it very well might be a reasonable green decision for infrastructure improvement. As per the discoveries of this review's lab testing, bamboo fiber shows guarantee as a street material for the development of asphalt. This original copy's underlying endeavour portrayed the bamboo fiber and evaluated its effect on asphalt mixes' capacity to trench and crack at low temperatures. A significant number of lab tests were directed for this reason, and the outcomes created various critical ends. It is encouraged to direct extra examination to decide what bamboo fiber means for mix breaking execution at transitional temperatures.

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