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Availability and Sustainability of Industrial By-Products Used in Cement-Based Construction Materials

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Nano \rightarrow Micro \rightarrow Macroscale New \rightarrow Deteriorated \rightarrow Repaired











Design Phase



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Construction



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End of Life



Image Source: http://www.icdb.ca/demolition.html



Operations and Management



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Pedagogical Pillars of Sustainable Infrastructure







Infrastructure Report Cards

Canada 2019



Ghana 2016



USA 2017



UK 2014



South Africa 2017



Zambia 2017







Infrastructure Categories

| | Canada 2019 | Ghana 2016 | South Africa 2017 | UK 2014 | USA 2017 | Zambia 2017 |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Ground Transportation | Road Bridges Public transit | Roads Bridges | Roads Rail | Local Transport Strategic Transport | Roads Bridges Transit Rail | Roads Bridges Rail |
| Water Infrastructure | | | Commercial ports | | Ports Levees Dams | Dams |
| Aviation system | | | Airport | | Aviation | Airport |
| Water system | Stormwater Wastewater Drinking Water | Drinking water | Water resources Water supply | Water Flood Management | Drinking water Inland waterways Wastewater | Drinking water Wastewater |
| Waste system | | | | Waste | Solid waste Hazardous Waste | Solid waste Hazardous Waste |
| Public infrastructures | Sports & Recreation Facilities Buildings | | Sanitation Education Health care | | Schools Parks & Recreation | Health Education Agriculture Communication/IT |
| Energy | | Electric Power | Electricity | Energy | Energy | Electricity Fuel |

Summary of Infrastructure Report Cards (Anonymous)

| Country | Road | Road Bridge | | Water |
|---------|--------|-------------|---------|----------|
| | D | D | | D |
| | B to E | | A to D- | C+ to D- |
| | D- | | В | C+ |
| | D | C+ | В | D |





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CO₂ Emission Reduction Targets Compared to Reference Year

| Roadmap | Reference Year | Target Year | Low Target Reduction | High Target Reduction |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Brazil (2019) | 2014 | 2050 | -10%* | - |
| California (2019) | 2015 | 2040 | 18% | 68% |
| China (2021) | 2018 | 2060 | 29% | 100% |
| Europe (2018) | 1990 | 2050 | - | 100%** |
| Germany (2020) | 2019 | 2050 | 36% | 100% |
| India (2018) | 2010 | 2050 | 23% | 45% |
| UK (2020) | 2018 | 2050 | 39% | 156% |
| USA (2021) | 2018 | 2060 | 37% | 100% |

*Brazil expects to expand concrete production by 67%









Clinker to Cement Ratios

| Roadmap | Reference Year | Reference Ratio | Target Year | Target Ratio |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Brazil (2019) | 2014 | 0.67 | 2050 | 0.52 |
| California (2019) | 2015 | 0.9 | 2040 | 0.7 |
| China (2021) | 2017 | 0.79 | 2060 | 0.6 |
| Europe (2018) | 2017 | 0.77 | 2050 | 0.65 |
| Germany (2020) | 2019 | 0.71 | 2050 | 0.53 |
| India (2018) | 2017 | 0.71 | 2050 | 0.6 |
| UK (2011) | 2011 | 0.87 | 2050 | 0.7 |
| UK (2020) | - | - | 2050 | - |
| USA (2021) | 2017 | 0.90 | 2060 | 0.6 |
| World (2009) | 2006 | 0.78 | 2050 | 0.71 |
| World (2018) | 2014 | 0.65 | 2050 | 0.6 |





Some Traditional Supplementary Cementing Materials (SCMs)

- Fly ash (FA): by-product of coal combustion
- Granulated blast furnace slag (Slag): by-product of steel production
- Silica fume (SF): by-product from elemental silicon production
- Metakaolin (MK): produced from the calcination of kaolinite clay







Example: Benefits of SCMs





Coal Consumption (1995- 2020) (Affects Fly Ash Availability)



- ≻China
- ≻India
- ≻US
- ≻Japan
- South Africa
- South Korea
- ≻Indonesia
- ≻Germany
- ≻Vietnam
- >Poland

≻Australia

- United Kingdom
- ≻Russia
- ≻USSR
- ≻Other

Global Increase with some Local Decreases



Crude Steel Production (2000-2019) (Affects GGBFS Availability)





Global Increase with Local Decreases or Local ~Contant





Effective Use of Industrial By-Products and Waste



Support and Collaboration:

- IC-IMPACTS
- IIT Rookee, India
- University of Toronto, Canada

Objectives:

Use of fly ash (FA) is limited by local availability. Evaluate the interplay between material properties, service life, economic and environmental viability.

Approach:

Quantify the Trade-Offs: Engineering Properties and Economic and Environmental Impacts due to Material Use and Transportation







Fly Ash as Cement Replacement

ASTM C 618: The finely divided residue that results from the combustion of ground or powdered coal and that is transported by flue gases

CONCRETE BENEFITS

- workability
- long term strength
- permeability
- heat of hydration
- durability resistance
- drying shrinkage
- industrial by-product to replace cement

CHALLENGES UTILIZATION

- 1. Material Variability
- 2. Specifications
- 3. Regional availability
- 4. Transportation impacts





Fly Ash **Generation and Utilization INDIA**

CANADA

- **2014**, the last Ontario coal plant was closed
- By 2020, 85% of the utility electricity is generated from non-**GHG-emitting** resources

- Increase in thermal power stations
- 138 (2012- 2013) - 145 (2014-2015)
- Increase in fly ash generation
- 164.54 MT (2012- 2013)
- 184.14 MT (2014-2015)





Fly Ash Sources

| Fly Ash ID | Thermal Power Station | Community | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Ban.1-T | Guru Nanak | Banga | |
| Ban.2-T | Guru Gobind | Banga | |
| Roo.1-T | Badarpur | Roorkee | |
| Roo.2-T | Chhotu Ram | Roorkee | |
| Nag.1-T | Khaberkheda | Nagpur | |
| Nag.2-R | Dahanu | | |
| i tagin i t | Dananu | Nagpur | |
| Nag.3-R | Mundra | Nagpur | |
| Nag.3-R Alb.1-R | Mundra Sundance | Nagpur Nagpur Alberta | |
| Nag.3-R Alb.1-R Alb.2-R | Mundra Sundance Genesee | Nagpur Nagpur Alberta Alberta | |











Indicator of Economic and Environmental Viability for Functionally Equivalent Material

Break-even distance: The maximum distance that fly ash can be transported without increasing the LCC or LCA result of the concrete mix above the LCC or LCA of the 100GU çoncrete Panesar, Kanraj, Abualrous, CCC (2019)



| CHEMICAL LIMITS | CSA A3001-13 | ASTM C 618-15 | IS 3812 (Part1) |
|--|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | Type F | Class F | Grade I |
| Total (SiO ₂) + (Al2O ₃) + (Fe ₂ O ₃) | | 70 min | 70 min |
| CaO | 15 max | | |
| PHYSICAL LIMITS | Type F | Class F | Grade I |
| Fineness - Specific surface by air permeability, m²/kg (Blaine) | - | - | 320 min |
| Fineness Residue @ 45 microns, % | 34 max | 34 max | 34 max † |
| Water requirement of control,% | - | 105% max | - |
| Strength Activity Index, 7 days, % | - | 75 min | - |
| Strength Activity Index, 28 days, % | 75 min† | 75 min | 80 min [‡] |

† Optional requirement IS 3812 (Part 1) : 2013

Pozzolanic activity index requirement for mortar mixture on absolute volume
 ²² design basis





 The chemical compositions of all studied fly ashes meet the requirements of standard specifications IS 3812-1, CSA 3001-13, and ASTM C618-15





Fly Ash Characterization Physical Analysis

Blaine Fineness vs %Residue on 45µ



% Residue on 45 microns

Fineness results:

- residue on 45-um sieve (max34%) was 5% -34% reference fly ashes and 6% - 64% for target fly ashes
- Blaine fineness (min.320) was 328 -349
 m2/kg between reference fly ashes and 141 -
- 24 258 m²/kg in target fly ashes

Strength Activity Index vs Water Requirement



SAI results:

Where water requirement was above 105%, SAI was below ASTM and CSA minimum limits (75 SAI) at the age of 28 days and IS (80 SAI)







Compressive Strength (28 and 90 day)

Within the same source: higher fly ash contents have relatively lower strengths at all ages

All 28 day f'c>25MPa All 90 day f'c>40MPa





Rapid Chloride Permeability (28 and 90 day)

Indicator of Durability

- Indian FA- 28 days-Moderate Classification
- Canadian FA at 28 days-Low-Very low
- At 90 days, all FA mixes Low to Very Low





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Study Variables

- Cement replacement by FA (25%, 35%, 50%)
- Distance of transportation: 0 1000 km
- Time to first repair (TFR) on break-even distance
- Moderate, very severe exposure conditions

| Concrete | | Concrete Mix Designs | | | | |
|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|------|--|--|
| Constituents | 10001 | 2554 | 3550 | 5054 | | |
| (kg/m ³) | 10000 | 231 A | 551 A | JULA | | |
| Source | | Abualrous (2017) | | | | |
| Water | 160 | 160 | 160 | 160 | | |
| Cement | 400 | 300 | 260 | 200 | | |
| Fly ash (FA) | 0 | 100 | 140 | 200 | | |
| C. Agg | 1100 | 1100 | 1100 | 1100 | | |
| F. Agg | 765 | 720 | 710 | 680 | | |





Life Cycle Cost Analysis

PVLCC = IC + PVOMR + PVD

Sum of annualized costs:

PVLCC = present value of total life-cycle cost

IC = initial construction costs

PVOMR = present value of operation, maintenance and repair

PVD = present value of disposal

$$PVLCC = \sum_{t=0}^{T} \frac{C_t}{\left(1+d\right)^t}$$

Convert future cashflow (F) into equivalent present worth

 C_t = sum of all costs

t= incurred time

d = real discount rate





Repair, Reconstruction Schedule





Life Cycle Assessment ISO 14040

- I. Goal and Scope Definition
- II. Life Cycle Inventory
- III. Life Cycle Impact Assessment
- IV. Interpretation



LCA: System Boundary

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Panesar, Kanraj, Abualrous, CCC (2019)



Model: Functional Unit

Functional Unit: Volume of Concrete over 100 years

 Represents the amount of concrete (including repair concrete) needed to maintain the structure in service for 100 years

Structural Element

 square reinforced concrete column 500 mm x 500 mm and a length of 4m with a reinforcement cover depth of 50 mm (in Toronto)

Calculate 100 year volume of concrete:

- degradation mechanism assumed to be chloride induced reinforcement corrosion only
- Concrete's time to first repair (TFR) (estimated by Life 365)
- Specified repair schedule





LCA compared to LCCA

(Scenario: Moderate Chloride Exposure)

- Increase in percent fly ash: lower GWP and cost
- Transport mode: Rail transport has lower GWP and cost than truck
- Increase in transportation distance:

- more notable effect on cost than GWP





Influence of TFR on Break-Even Distance

- functional unit: volume of concrete (100 years)
- Higher fly ash as cement replacement \rightarrow more fly ash to be transported for 1 m³ of concrete
- Higher TFR \rightarrow Lower concrete volume (100 years)
- Non-linear correlation between total volume of fly ash to be transported over 100 years and the percentage of fly ash as cement replacement

| Droporty | Concrete Mix Designs | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|------|------|------|
| Горецу | 100GU | 25FA | 35FA | 50FA |
| TFR (years) | 11.6 | 17.6 | 23.6 | 45.6 |
| Volume (100 years (m ³) | 4.82 | 3.51 | 3.46 | 2.23 |
| Fly ash quantity (kg) | 0 | 351 | 484 | 446 |
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Final Remarks: Global Sustainable Construction

Urgency: Responsible Resource Allocation Life Cycle Design and Life Cycle Thinking

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