

## A Study on Stabilization of Black Cotton Soil and Red Soil by Using Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Plastic Waste

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**ABSTRACT-** Soil is a maximum critical element of the earth's ecosystem. But now an afternoon's the soil is getting polluted because of disposal of waste plastic substances with the aid of people. For engineering consideration's, black cotton soil and red soil is one of the difficult cloth for creation reason, to be able to now not easily get stabilized because of its excessive capacity of shrinking and swelling as an impact of change in moisture content. It's going to reduce the steadiness and shear strength of black cotton soil when compared to red soil. This paper explains stabilization of black cotton soil and red soil through utility of PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate) bottles which is successfully used to encounter the challenges of society, to reduce the quantities of plastic wastes, to enhance the bodily properties of soil, such as shear strength, bearing ability via controlled compaction. PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate) bottles are used in distinct share (12.5%, 22.5%, 32.5%, 42.5% and 52.5%) in sizes ranged among much less than 10mm to more than 1.18mm. Then index residences take a look at, Standarad Proctor, Unconfined Compressive, Moisture content material and triaxial take a look at are carried out to locate the residences of soil so that you can will increase the bearing capability of the soil and additionally the shear energy values are found.

**Key words:** Black Cotton Soil, Red Soil, Index Properties, Standard Proctor Test, Unconfined Compressive Strength, Triaxial Test, PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate) plastic waste.

### I. INTRODUCTION

In India, soils vary from location to region, and the engineering houses are equally variable. New roads are being built even inside the remotest regions to sell improvement. Depending on the topography, to meet the vertical alignment of the road, cuttings are made in soils or rocks, or embankments are made from soils taken from nearby excavations and cuttings. The topmost soil layer over which the street phase is constructed is called sub grade. It's miles the result of earthwork operations, and it may consist of undisturbed present soil or cloth excavated elsewhere and positioned as fill. The sub grade acts as a basis for the road and is normally of 30 to 50 cm thickness. The structural layout of the street in phrases of the thicknesses of the overlying pavement layers is dependent on the bearing ability of this sub grade layer. Sub grade great has a striking effect on both the initial value of the road and the following preservation charges. Alternatives for managing susceptible sub grades encompass reinforcing the subgrade with a geosynthetic material, applying conventional stabilizers which includes Poly Ethylene Terephthalate or designing a thick and steeply-priced road section. The subgrade soil can be amended with the intention to reap an advanced soil blend by using the use of mechanical or chemical means. It involves including one or greater selected substances in specific proportions with or without a binder. The introduced cloth can be another soil or to be had Poly Ethylene Terephthalate . In mechanical modification, the soil is made more stable by means of adjusting the particle size distribution. Good enough mixing, curing and compaction are vital for a success alteration. The degree of development of an in-situ soil may vary between numerous opportunity techniques. The selected method ought to be examined and verified within the laboratory previous to production and before laying down specs. This experimental investigation is aimed at understanding the amendment of a black cotton soil using a Poly Ethylene Terephthalate.

### 2.LITERATUER SURVEY

PET plastic wastes are dangerous to the financial system, society and environment in any such way that incineration (all through electricity recuperation) releases toxic gases, makes land infertile, pollutes water our bodies, blocks the drainage channels, and littered PET plastic wastes make the landscape appearance ugly. But, the demand and deliver of PET plastic merchandise is on the upward push. Furthermore, poor excellent soil reveals low strength, excessive permeability, and high compressibility, that are a nightmare to every civil engineer as such ends in the disintegrate of structures. Soil reinforcement is the method of integrating oriented or randomly allotted discrete fibres, like shredded plastics, tyre shreds, and metallic portions in the soil (Anagnostopoulos et al. 2013). The importance of reinforcing soil is to boom bearing capacity and balance, and reduce lateral deformation and agreement of the terrible satisfactory geotechnical soil (Zaimoglu & Yetimoglu 2011). but, this method is slightly utilized in enhancing the performance and sturdiness of geotechnical soil of terrible excellent (Tang et al.)

### Plastic as Soil Reinforcement

Soil reinforcement is undertaken for a wide range of floor improvement schemes in geotechnical engineering programs that include backfill for earth maintaining structures, repair of failed slopes, landfill liners and covers, stabilization of thin layers of soil and sub-grades for footings and pavements. The precept of soil reinforcement first developed via Henri Vidal in 1966 entails introducing tensile resisting materials into the soil to enhance its power houses so as improve soil stability, growth bearing potential and reduce lateral deformation. Technically, soil has an inherently low tensile energy however a excessive compressive electricity that's simplest constrained via the potential of the soil to withstand implemented shear stresses (BS 8006:1995). The goal of ground improvement the usage of soil reinforcement is to make up for the inability of soil to soak up generated tensile masses and shear stresses via introducing reinforcement elements which reduce the masses that could in any other case cause the soil to fail in shear or due to excessive deformation.

#### GangaRao et al. 2006

PET can be used in car tyre yarns, conveyor belts and drive belts, reinforcement for fire and lawn hoses, seat belts. Additionally pet may be used inside the manufacture of geotextiles for stabilising drainage ditches, culverts, and rail road beds. Additionally diaper top sheets and disposable scientific garments, magnetic recording tapes and photographic films, liquid and gasoline containers, water and beverage bottles.

#### Hejazi et al. 2012

Soil reinforced with PET plastic waste flakes are homogeneously embedded in a matrix of soil. Shear stresses in the soil mobilises tensile resistance in the PET plastic waste flakes, which in turn imparts greater strength to the soil (Li 2005).

#### Rajkumar Nagle et al in (2014)

Carried out CBR research for enhancing engineering performance of sub grade soil. They combined Polyethylene, Bottles, food packaging and buying baggage and many others as reinforcement with black cotton soil, yellow soil and sandy soil. Their observe confirmed that MDD and CBR price increases with growth in plastic waste. Load bearing capacity and settlement traits of decided on soil fabric also are stepped forward.

#### Chebet et al in 2014

Did laboratory investigations to determine the increase in shear strength and bearing capacity of locally available sand due to random mixing of strips of HDPE (high density polyethylene) material from plastic buying bags. A visible inspection of the plastic fabric after assessments and evaluation shows that the expanded energy for the bolstered soil is because of tensile stresses mobilized within the reinforcements. The elements identified to have an influence at the efficiency of reinforcement fabric have been the plastic residences (attention, duration, width of the strips) and the soil houses (gradation, particle length, form).

### 3. EXISTING DESIGN

For all form of engineering construction over expansive soils aren't appropriate in view that they generate troubles. However due to endurance of these kinds of soils in extraordinary elements of India, exceptional irrigation venture want to be evolved on these deposits. More over examples of similar problems have also been recognized in lots of different elements of the arena. Structures found on those soils are subjected to differential deflections which in turn purpose distresses on expansive clays and convey hazardous damage to the structures. Reduction of moisture content material cause shrinkage by the evaporation of flora wherein as next growth in moisture content reasons heave in expansive soil. The upward thrust of water desk has were given a tremendous impact at the movement of foundation on expansive soils.

Some of the following damages were usually observed in the buildings which are constructed on expansive soils

- i) Diagonal and vertical cracks in the interior and exterior.
- ii) Horizontal cracks in the interior and exterior walls.
- iii) Longitudinal cracks in the roof slab due to cantilever action.
- iv) Separation of roof slab from the exterior walls.
- v) Separation of flooring from the exterior walls.
- vi) Leaning out of exterior walls.

### 4. PROPOSED DESIGN

In the country of Andhra Pradesh also, black cotton soils are used in street production. there is lack of strength related to the development of swelling of black cotton soil in moist conditions at some point of wet seasons & at some stage in summer season seasons, with the improvement of shrinkage of black cotton soil. As a result, managing of the soil becomes difficult throughout construction. Therefore, there may be a want to amend the soil whilst used inside the sub grade of paved roads or in the surface of earthen roads, in order that the bearing ability is most desirable and sturdy all through the intended design lifetime. The primary reason is to boom the power and make the first-rate use of this regionally available soil. As previously mentioned, the concern of reinforcing soil with pet plastic waste has been tackled by means of some of researchers. Numerous theoretical and laboratory-based techniques had been advanced to gather an knowledge of the situation. But, consistent with the posted literature, the information gap is still wide as far as reinforcing soil with pet plastic waste is worried. This, consequently, supplied a solid foundation to conduct this look at. The principle objective of the research turned into to research the engineering behaviour of soil bolstered with PET plastic waste.

But, the subsequent have been the precise targets formulated with the aim of achieving the primary goal:

- i) To evaluate the mechanical properties by carrying out laboratory experiments on soil reinforced with PET plastic waste. Laboratory experiments included compaction test, and California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

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iii) To propose applications of soil reinforced with PET plastic waste in the civil engineering field particularly in the field of geotechnical engineering.

iv) To discuss the social, economic, and environmental impact of soil reinforced.

## 5.SIMULATION RESLUT

In this chapter, the test results of black cotton and red soil such as liquid limit and plastic limit, OMC & MDD, standard proctor test, ucc, triaxial test of soil when mixed with different proportions of Poly ethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic waste discussed, analyze and presented. Then the comparison of the percentage of Poly ethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic waste in BC and red soil analyzed and discussed in the study. In the study we conduct test with of Poly ethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic waste with in 12.5%, 22.5%, 32.5%, 42.5%, 52.5% percentages.

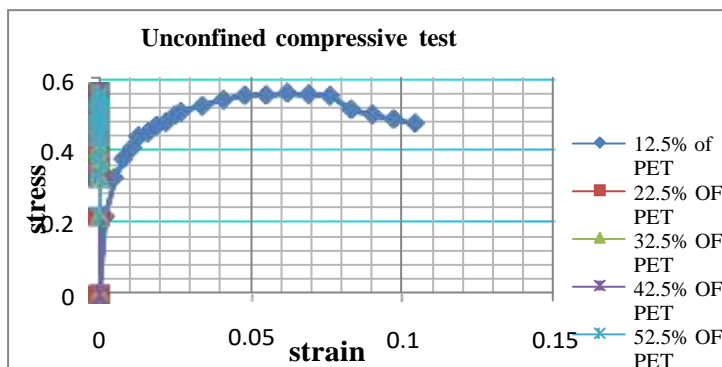
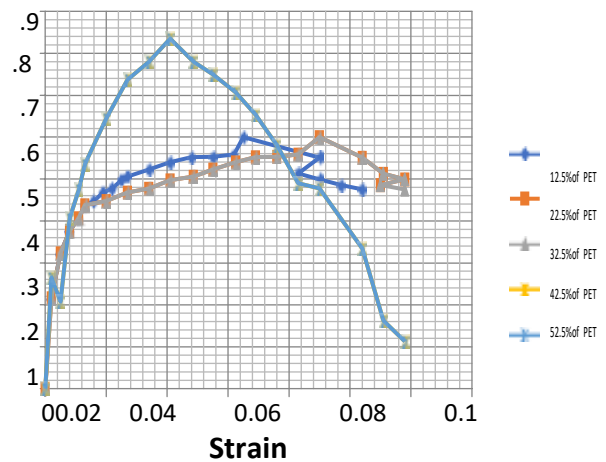
Table No:1 UCC values of B.C soil + different % of PET

% of PET	BLACK COTTON SOIL	
	Un confined compressive strength kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	Shear strength kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
12.5%	0.55	0.275
22.5%	0.8	0.4
32.5%	0.65	0.325
42.5%	0.8	0.4
52.5%	0.85	0.425

TABLE NO:2 UCC values of red soil + different % of PET

% of PET	RED SOIL	
	Un confined compressive strength kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	Shear strength kg/cm <sup>2</sup>
12.5%	0.6	0.3
22.5%	0.85	0.425
32.5%	0.75	0.375
42.5%	0.9	0.45
52.5%	0.90	0.45

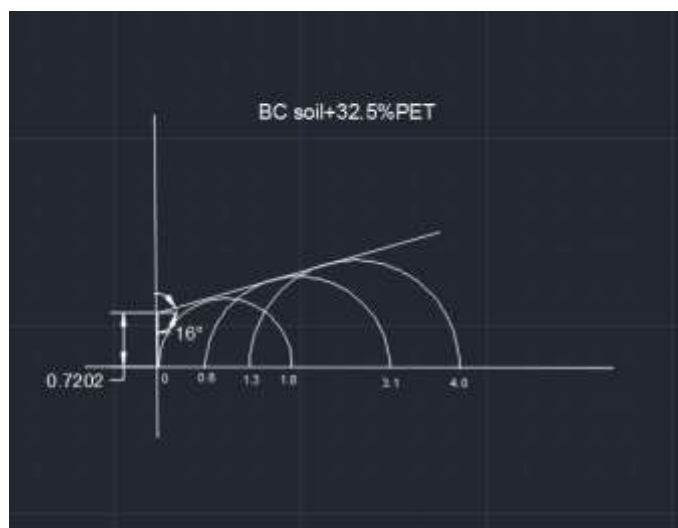
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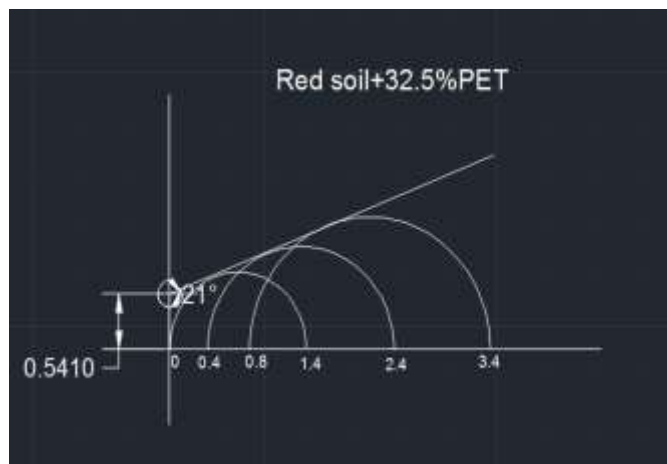
GRAPH-1: UCC values of B.C soil mixed with different % of PET

**Table No:3.Triaxial Test Values BC soil + different % of PET and RED Soil + different % of PET**

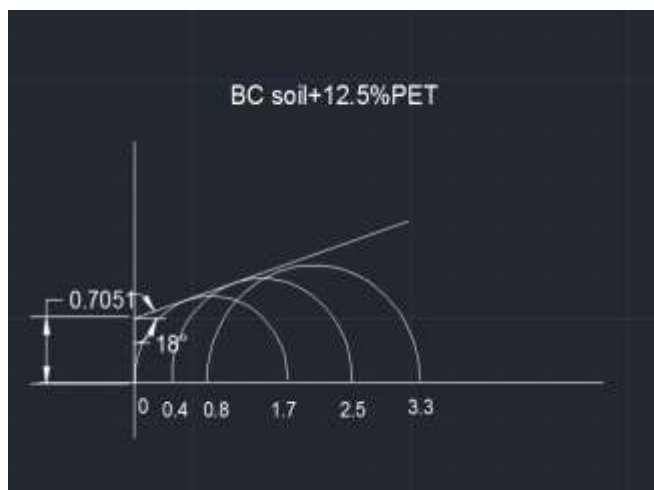
S.NO	Percentage of PET %	BCSoil		RED Soil	
		Cohesion (kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	$\Phi$ (degrees)	Cohesion (kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	$\Phi$ (degrees)
1	0	0.67	20	0.60	15
2	12.5	0.71	18	0.59	19
3	22.5	0.7	17	0.56	20
4	32.5	0.72	16	0.54	21
5	42.5	0.71	15	0.52	23
6	52.5	0.70	14	0.51	24



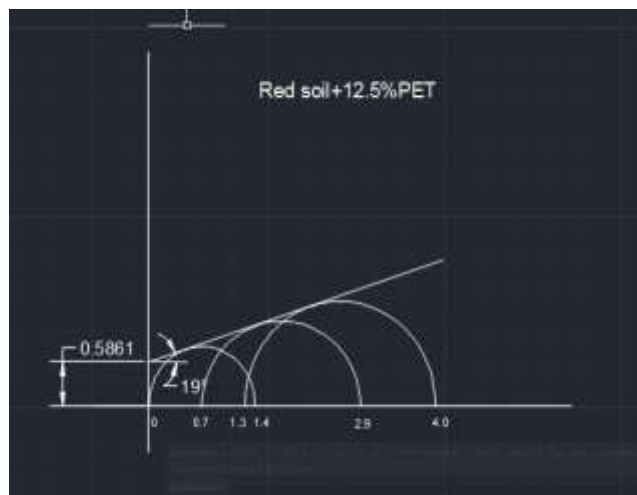
**Graph No:3 Triaxial test values of BC soil + 32.5% PET**



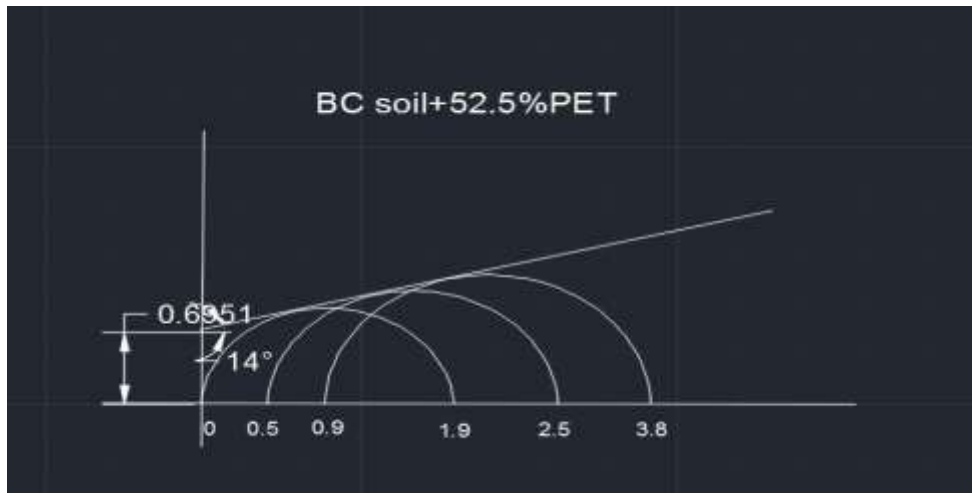
**Graph No:4 Triaxial test values of RED soil + 32.5% PET**



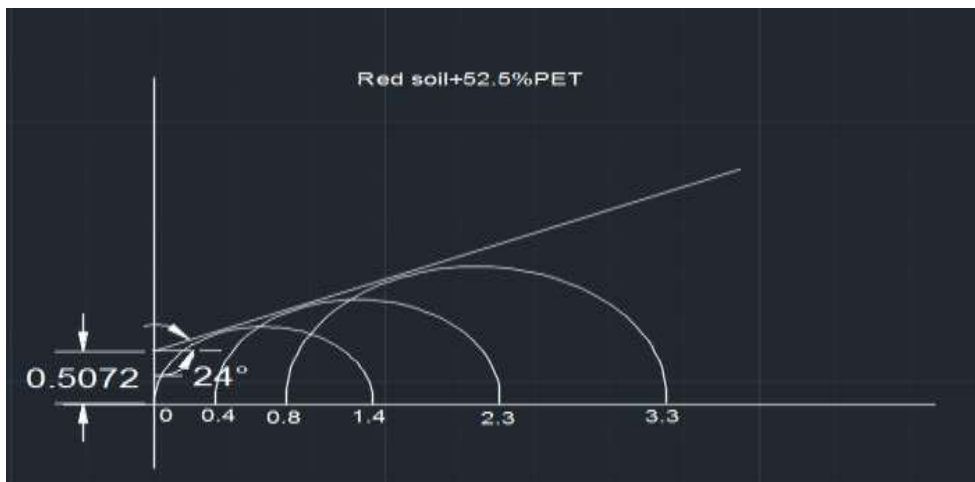
**Graph No:1 Triaxial test values of BC soil+ 12.5% of PET**



**Graph No:2 Triaxial test values of RED soil+ 12.5% PET**



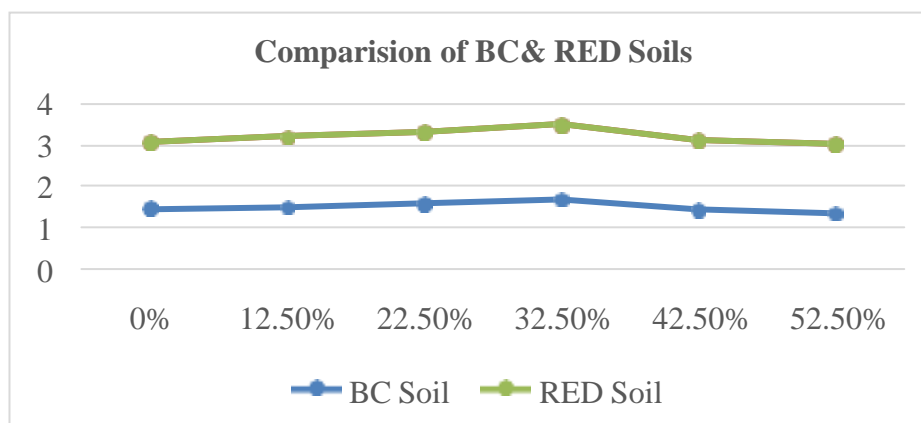
Graph No:3 Triaxial test values of BC soil + 52.5% PET



Graph No:4 Triaxial test values of RED soil + 52.5% PET

### Comparison:

Difference Between BC soil & RED soil of SPT values



## 6. CONCLUSION

Black cotton and Red soil were tested with PET to ascertain the benefits of stabilization minimum quantity of PET i.e., 12.5% and was added to target soils from 22.5%, 32.5%, 42.5% & 52.5%. The tests conducted were: Atterberg limits, proctor compaction, Ucc & Triaxial Values. The following trends are observed from the results of the experimental investigation:

□ **Specific gravity:** of the stabilized soil increased, in general, with increase in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content material decrease must be takes place.

□ **Liquid Limit:** of stabilized soil definitely decreased with increase in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content. However, there should be increase or decrease is marginal when increase in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content in black cotton and red soil.

□ **Plastic limit:** of the stabilized soil decrease with increase in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content content. However the % decreases in plastic limit at plastic waste is not related initial plastic limit of the soils.

□ **Proctor density:** From the compaction tests for red soil as well as black cotton soil, it is observed that maximum dry density for both soils are low. In case of red soil, when the Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content of different proposition are added to it, this is continues decrease in maximum dry density but there is fluctuation in increase of OMC. In the black cotton soil, it is observed that when Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content added in different percentage maximum dry density decreases with the increase in optimum moisture content. This is due to Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste content being light white and specific is less as compare to soil. There is decrease in OMC increase MDD in addition of PET plastic waste for about.

□ **Unconfined compressive strength:** However there is a comparison of red and B.C soil UCC strength is more in red soil while addition of in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste.

□ **Triaxial:** However the shear parametres gradually increases at 12.5% to 32.5% and then decreases in 32.5% in B.C soil. Decreases in shear parametres value in 32.5% to 52.5% and increases gradually to 52.5% in red soil while addition of in Poly ethylene terephthalate plastic waste.

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