

## Effects On Bitumen Mix By Using Wollastonite And Recycled Polyethylene Terephthalate Granules As Filler

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### Abstract

India is an emerging economy. India does have world's second-largest motorway network. The road infrastructure is our nation 's backbone, which plays a vital role in its development. The transport infrastructure is our country's biggest means of transport. Substitution of Stone Powder by Wollastonite Dust in the BC mixture fulfills all MORTH requirements and demonstrates enhanced strength properties. The rise in the PET composition of a mixture, the Marshall stability value goes up to 7% PET but instead began to decrease. Maximum stability was seen at 7% PET material, which would have been 56 percent greater than the control mixture. Marshall flow prices have also improved with a rise in PET content. Adding PET improves the mix's Marshall Quotient (MQ), trying to make it stiffer than that of the control mix, and enhancing deformation resistance. Sufficient PET material with highest capacity and high Marshall Quotient has been found to be 7 percent. Sufficient PET quality is considered to be 7%, including average longevity and a large Marshall Quotient.

**Keywords:** Wollastonite; PET; Marshall stability; Additives; BC mix.

### Introduction

India is an emerging economy. India does have world's second-largest motorway network. The road infrastructure is our nation 's backbone, which plays a vital role in its development. The transport infrastructure is our country's biggest means of transport. The Indian government has implemented numerous projects for the construction and repair of transport systems and pavement layers. Highways or highway networks is the main form of transport in our region, which comprises about 86.5 percent of overall goods transport and 89 percent of pedestrian traffic. The highways and highway networks perform a major role in the development of a developing nation such as India. Through different programmes such as PMGSY, Bharatmala Pariyojana etc., a massive amount of money has been spent by the Indian government to install and operate the roadway and road infrastructure.

India holds the world's second-largest population. Moving traffic has also emerged over the past decade with the growing population too though. That causes the condition of a concrete to deteriorate and collapse quickly. In order to have an acceptable road system and road surface, we have to extend the roadway's system reliability for passengers and freight by enhancing the overall pavement properties its tolerance to fracture, rutting features, durability etc. Throughout the previous two decades, various experiments are being carried out to enhance the efficiency of a durable roadway whether when using an alternate material, i.e. replacing the fine aggregate or filler with a better substance or through changing polymers, i.e. Using plastic bottles or Styrene Butadiene Styrene (SBS), etc. The alteration of the versatile roadway has had a positive effect on the efficiency of the roadway and its engineering characteristics, thereby increasing the roadway's serviceability. The latest work focuses mostly on BC mix's engineering characteristics prepared with an additional filler material together with bitumen alteration with recycled materials has been well regarded.

The research's main goal is to evaluate the influence mostly on BC mixes of the integrated need for Wollastonite Powder filler as well as reused PET pellets as bitumen modificatory. The goal is to improve pavement surface temperature sensitivity, fracture tolerance, and fatigue damage.

### Materials and Methods

The BC blend is a mixture of very well graded aggregates with the lowest aggregate thickness, or less 25 mm, to a 75µ IS sieve proportion of the filler material, combined with the optimal bitumen binder quantity to create a workable mix that could be quickly compacted. The blend can indeed be compressed normally 3-5 percent utilizing rollers to an optimal amount of air void material. The compacted blend thereby received must be stable, impervious, robust and also have elastic properties which are appropriate. The compacted blend will have strong density mostly on layer to have

adequate frictional resistance. That mixture design 's goal is to accurately predict its correct volume of CA, FA, and mineral filler to be combined with OBC to form a robust, secure, and feasible mixture:

- Aggregates (CA + FA + Filler {Stone Dust})
- Bitumen (Binder)
- Additives (To enhance performance of mix)

For the preparation of the BC mix following materials were used in the current study-

- Aggregates (Coarse & Fine)
- Stone Dust (as mineral filler)
- Wollastonite Powder (as mineral filler)
- Bitumen (VG 30 as binder)
- Recycled Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) granules (as bitumen modifier)

### Experimental work

This section analyses the approach applied throughout the present analysis. The gradation and composition of aggregates was performed only after processing of Bituminous Beton (BC) mixture components is finished. The Marshall samples were produced and use the traditional filler (i.e. stone dust) and Wollastonite dust and Marshall research was conducted after the gradation of aggregate particles is introduced and mix proportions is completed. For all the fillers that OBC was calculated, and then for the blend made with Wollastonite Dust OFC as carried on. At OBC & OFC, a Converted Bituminous Concrete (BC) blend was packed along with Wollastonite Dust filler. Earlier, the samples are primed through examination of wear resistance and Permanent fracture.

**Mix Design** Throughout the current thesis, the configuration of the BC mix samples were accompanied by Marshall mixture (wet mash) process. The evaluation procedure Marshall tries to figure out all the mix's OBC. Initially, the Marshall research samples were tested according to MORTH 5th modification 2013 through ASTM D6927 and AASHTO requirements. That samples are examined in Marshall measuring equipment, the loading is laterally all along cylinder axis at the of speed of 50.8mm / min. The much more intense load within which the sample could carry until collapse is defined as Marshall Stability. The sample flow is observed, by using dial gauge connected to device. The deflection suffered by the sample at the full charge operation is considered a quality of a Marshall Stream. Consequent captions describe the specifics of Marshall mix architecture.

**Sample Preparation** In a stand, a specimen of roughly 1200 gms of very well-graded aggregates is allotted and heat to roughly 150 to 170 °C. To obtain that required binder fluidity, the bitumen binder required must be warmed to 150 to 165 °C. Until the mixture is squeezed, the cylindrical mould as well as the compaction rammer is preheated at around 100 °C and lubricated or oiled. That bitumen filler with aggregates are now combined at almost 150 to 165 °C. Now even the heated mixture is poured into to the cylindrical mould mounted on the base plate with both the mould mostly on top of the collar. The blend has been compressed through 4.5 KG rammer to reach a compacted thickness of  $63.5 \pm 3$  mm by providing 75 strikes from both sides of a sample, getting a free drop at elevation of 457 mm. A mould is twisted with collar just at base of the compaction, as well as the sample is removed from its mould. Initially, the Marshall samples were cast for both the mix proportion (i.e. the blend only with stone dust additives). The filler material used was 6 per cent by gross cumulative weight. The samples were treated for five different concentrations of bitumen ranging between 4.5 per cent to 6.5 per cent with 0.5 per cent progress. Three samples were produced for each binding intensity as well as the average of such 3 trials was deemed for observation. The Marshall specimens were then processed using Wollastonite Dust filler. Samples containing 3 independent compositions of fillers viz. 5%, 6% and 7% of the Wollastonite Dust filler was obtained as well as the bitumen content was ready with 4.5% to 6.5% with 0.5% ahead. For each binder content, three samples were cast and the average of 3 samples is assumed with analysis.

### Testing of Marshall Specimen

After removing the compressed sample from of the mold the sample is permitted to chill for approximately 24hrs. The weight of a sample throughout the air and the underwater weight of the sample, i.e. the volume of a sample, are also calculated to assess the specimen density before the specimen is examined. The test sample's bulk specific gravity (Gsb) and apparent specific gravity (Gasb) is measured and is then used for measuring the test sample 's characteristics.

The sample is submerged for almost 30-40 minutes in a water bath at 60 ° C. Upon separation from either the wash, the surface of the sample is rubbed with such a dry paper towel to remove extra moisture and has been checked in Marshall appliance. The knob scale is calibrated to calculate sample elongation. Digital Marshall equipment feeds the proportions of CA, FA, filler, bitumen material, Gsb, basic gravity of CA, FA, filler, bitumen through. The load is applied before the specimen breaks down. Unless the experiment has been performed, the sample will be removed as well as the stability, wind, VFB, VMA, percentage of air voids will be shown on the automated Marshall diagnostic devise computer screen. The adjustment considerations refer to stability values of Marshall with thicknesses other than 63.5 mm.

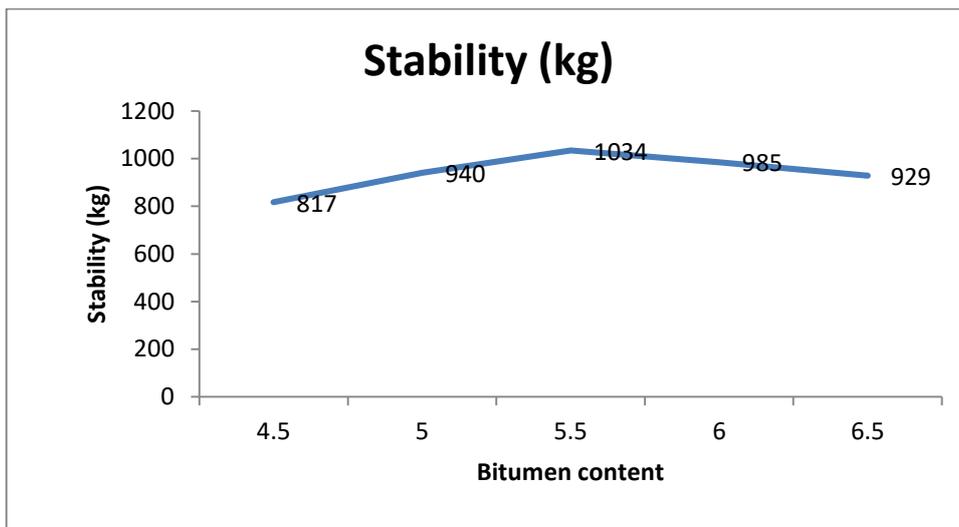
**Results and Discussion**

The whole project concerned with the analysis of a specified objectives and consideration of an appropriateness that use Wollastonite Dust and PET granules throughout the Bituminous Concrete (BC) mixture. This segment involves the assessment of a blend OBC of specific fillers. The Marshall characteristics of a BC mixture are tested as well as the permanent deformation and skid resistance properties and for mix proportion and also the updated BC mixture have been studied for an ideal PET content as well as an economical filler material. Next, the Marshall stability experiment was done mostly on control mix, i.e. a combination of 6% Stone Dust filler, 55% CA and 39% FA. Three study samples were made from each binder concentration ranging between 4.5 per cent to 6.5 per cent as well as the average readings of such specimens were used for review. The OBC of the mixture was determined to have been 5.5 percent leading to a overall stability value of 10.34 KN, with such a flow value of 3.52 mm inside the stated limits, i.e. 2-4 mm. Table 1 displays the effects of the Marshall Test mostly on test combination.

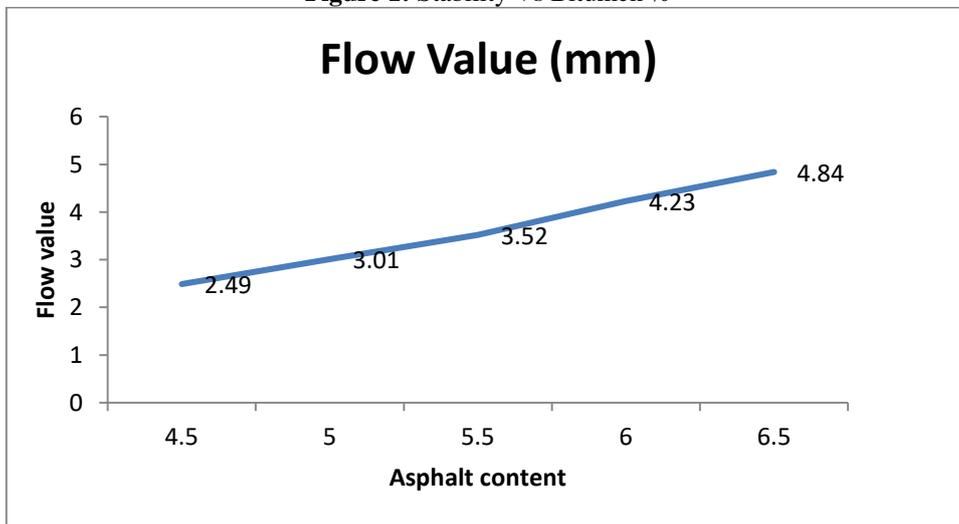
**Table 1:** Marshall Properties of Control mix

% Bitumen	Specific gravity	Stability (kg)	Flow Value (mm)	Bulk density (gm/cm <sup>3</sup> )	% Air Voids	%(VFB)	%(VMA)
4.5	2.467	817	2.49	2.294	7.49	58.3073	17.98
5	2.451	940	3.01	2.338	5.17	69.41	17.02
5.5	2.423	1034	3.52	2.351	3.89	77.28	16.89
6	2.408	985	4.23	2.345	3.42	80.62	17.32
6.5	2.39	929	4.84	2.331	2.87	84.39	17.89

The ways similar were drawn between bitumen percent mostly on x-axis and stability, flow frequency, Gsb, VMA, VFB and percentage air voids.



**Figure 1:** Stability Vs Bitumen %



**Figure 2:** Asphalt content vs flow value

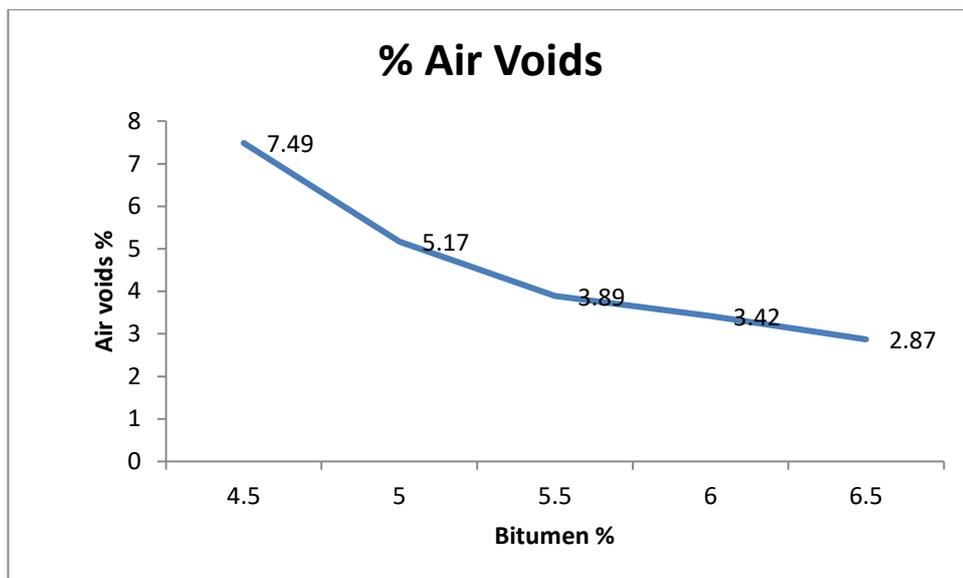


Figure 3: Air voids vs Asphalt %

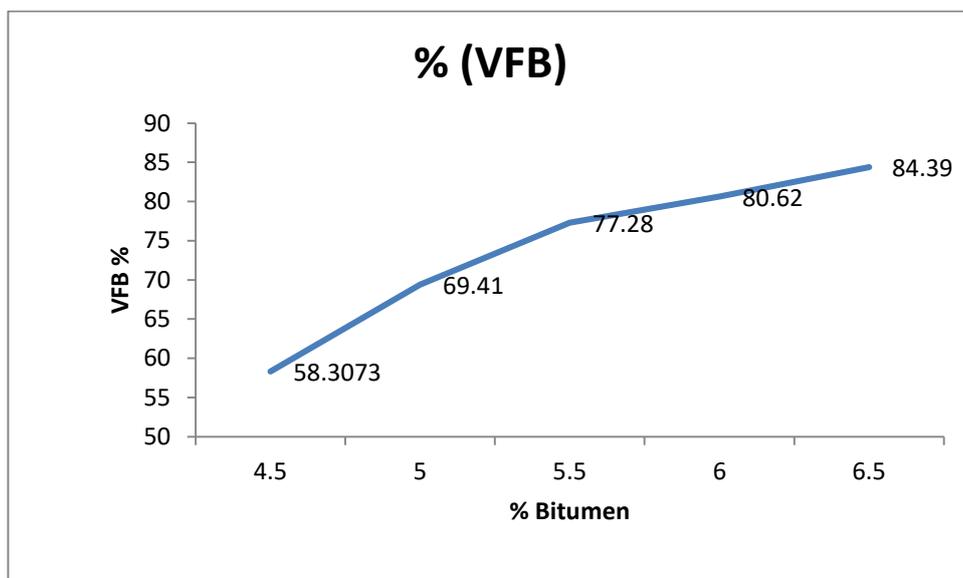


Figure 4: VFB vs Bitumen %

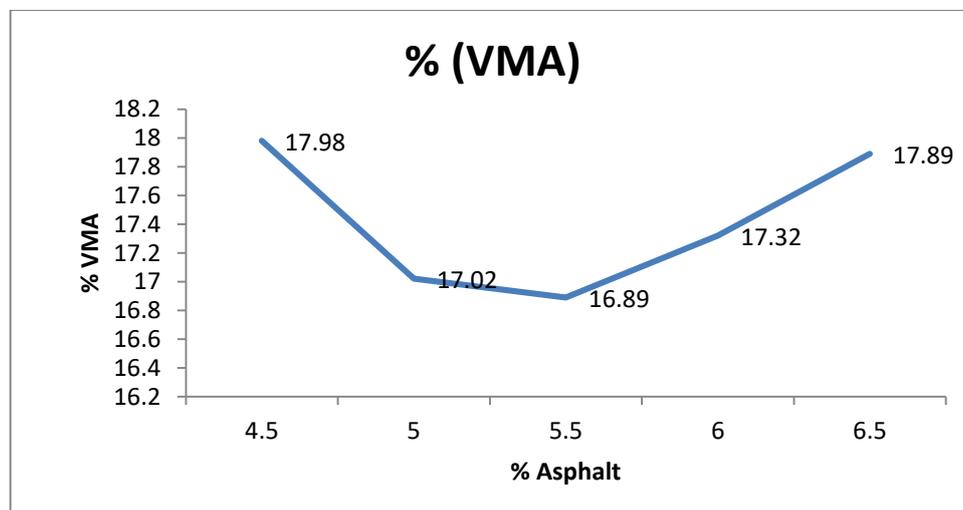


Figure 5: VMA vs Asphalt %

The maximum bitumen value of both the regulated bituminous concrete mixture is calculated from the diagrams, taking into account the following values-

- Bitumen material equivalent to the average stability value = 5.5 per cent
- Bitumen volume equivalent to the average bulk density = 5.5 per cent
- Bitumen volume equivalent to 4 per cent air voids = 5.46 per cent

The mean bitumen content is calculated as OBC = 5.4866 per cent (rounded to 5.5 per cent).

### Effect of Wollastonite Powder on BC mix

Throughout the procedure, both Stone Dust and Wollastonite Dust have been used as filler in the BC mixture. Samples containing 6 percent stone dust filler and 4, 5 and 6 percent wollastonite dust filler had been ready by weight of aggregate particles. The OBC of a stone dust filler mixture was reported to be 5.5 per cent as well as the OFC of the Wollastonite Dust mixture were calculated to be 4 per cent with the OBC of 5 per cent. Used the Wollastonite Powder throughout the BC mixture reduced bitumen intake by 9 percent, i.e. OBC was popular, rendering the construction of the blend economical. The consistency of the mixture has also been observed to improve marginally. The impact of wollastonite dust on Marshall Characteristics is mentioned in the subsequent headings.

### Effect of Adding PET granules

Updated BC mixed samples were produced with 6 percent, 7 percent and 8 percent PET pellets by weight of bitumen, with 4 percent Wollastonite Dust filler at 5 percent OBC. Three samples were produced for each PET composition as well as the assume of these measurements was regarded for assessment. Table 5.5 displays the Marshall Check effects of the BC Adjusted Blend. Out from under the findings, the far more improved characteristics of the updated BC mixture have been identified to be 7 percent PET with an overall stability of 15.94 KN.

### Conclusions

#### The subsequent findings of the present study achieved through the research are as follows:-

As per Marshall's study findings, the substitution of Stone powder with Wollastonite Dust (4 per cent) throughout the Bituminous Mix indicates a 9 per cent decrease throughout the OBC, rendering the mixture socioeconomic. Substitution of Stone Powder by Wollastonite Dust in the BC mixture fulfills all MORTH requirements and demonstrates enhanced strength properties. The rise in the PET composition of a mixture, the Marshall stability value goes up to 7% PET but instead began to decrease. Maximum stability was seen at 7% PET material, which would have been 56 percent greater than the control mixture. Marshall flow prices have also improved with a rise in PET content. Adding PET improves the mix's Marshall Quotient (MQ), trying to make it stiffer than that of the control mix, and enhancing deformation resistance. Sufficient PET material with highest capacity and high Marshall Quotient has been found to be 7 percent. Sufficient PET quality is considered to be 7%, including average longevity and a large Marshall Quotient.

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