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# A REVIEW ON LIGHT TRANSMITTING CONCRETE ("LITRACON")

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## **ABSTRACT**

Now a days, a little structures are supplanted by elevated structures and high rises. This emerges one of the issue in driving normal light in working because of impediment of close by structures. Because of this issue utilization of fake hotspots for light of building is expanded by lot. "LiTraCon" (light sending concrete) effectively created the main straightforward substantial square in 2003. It is fundamental to lessen the counterfeit light utilization in structure, since concrete is solid in pressure and week in tension and flexure. The current examination targets delivering the light sending substantial examples by supporting optical filaments and contrasting it and the regular cement. The substantial examples were exposed to various tests, for example, compressive strength test, split elasticity test. The aftereffects of the transmission test were good as the POF hold its proficiency. Accordingly, it is obvious that the straightforwardness of the substantial constructions can be presented with the addition of optical fiber without trading off the strength, which is a stage forward to the goal of accomplishing a few feet in Modernarchitecture.

### **INTRODUCTION** I.

In today's developed world energy consumption is very high. Clear substantial comes in as a gift answer for raiser day lighting. Clear concrete is a substantial based structure material having light transmissive property. Light transmissive property is predominantly because of uniform circulation of high mathematical optical strands all through its body light transmissive property is fundamentally because of uniform appropriation of numerical optical fibers throughout its body.

In 2001, the idea of straightforward cement was first put forward by Hungarian architect Aron Losozi, also, the main straightforward substantial square was effectively delivered by blending huge measure of glass fiber into concrete in 2003, named as LiTraCon. Joel S. Furthermore, Sergio O.G. fostered a straightforward substantial material, which can permit 80% light through and just 30% of weight of normal cement.

Concrete has an important role in the development of infrastructure, Due to rapid population growth, little structures are supplanted by elevated structures. Light communicating concrete is one of the new, most practical procedure and not the same as expected cement. This substantial permits all the more light and less weight contrast with typical cement. A light communicating concrete is stylishly satisfying ,it's anything but an exceptionally appealing out look to the structures.

#### II. **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To study about optical fibers.
- 2. To produce light communicating concrete by utilizing plastic optical strands.
- 3. To examination trial on Litracon by directing elasticity test
- 4. To investigation trial on Litracon by leading compressive strength
- 5. To cast a special type of concrete with lighttransmitting properties.
- 6. To contemplate their qualities and to foster a working material which isn't just energy saving however gives out creative completion.

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# III. LITERATURE REVIEW

This overview of the writing on light communicating concrete was to assess the capacity of the light sending concrete. This examination unites the discoveries and assessments found in the writing, distributed primarily during the past certain years , concerning the strength and stylish properties of Litracon alongside substitution of concrete mind silica seethe concerning expanding strength . This review likewise idnicates the progressions that have happened in conclusions on the under examination.

He first introduced the idea of light transmitting concrete and then successful produced the first translucent concrete block in 2003,named Litracon . Litracon (light transmitting concrete) is a cement based material which includes cement, fine aggregate, optical fiber and water. Its light transmitting properties depends on the large numbers of optical fibers as Strands which transmit the light through the fine concrete. Optical fiber used in fine concrete may be plastic, glassy or organic fiber .It transmits light which may be natural or artificial from one end of concrete element to another end.

Shen Juan and Zhou Zhi (2013) He examine the advancement of savvy straightforward cement basedon its superb properties of straightforward and shrewd detecting. By managing its use and furthermore the benefits it acquires the field of brilliant development it lessens the force utilization of brightening and uses the optical fibers to sense the stress of structures. And this concrete is also used for a structural reason for great aesthetical appearance of the building. It can also be utilized where the light can't reach with proper intensity. Ithas some disadvantages such as require skilled supervision and also it's cost is very high due to the optical fibers used in it.

Kashiyani Bhavin K. Raing Varsha, Pitroda Jayesh Kumar, Shah Bhavnaben K. (2013) They studied light transmitting concrete ,its various ingredients, manufacturing process , construction, applications, advantage and disadvantages ,etc. Light transmitting concrete was made by blending together the concrete and 4to5% optical fibers. The thickness of optical fibers being 2micrometre to 2 mm . Alternate layers of POF and concrete are placed to form light transmitting concrete. This concrete based on principal of total internal reflection of optical fibers

Bhushan Padma Johnson D.(2013) They constructed translucent concrete blocks using concrete and plastic optical fibers. They discussed about the usage of these concrete blocks such as in the walls , ceilings to make it architecturally pleasing ,illuminating speed bumps ,use on sidewalks ,on various interior and exterior surfaces of the buildings to make it aesthetically beautiful.

**Ghutke and Bhandari (2014).** They inspect the impact of silica rage on concrete . Results showed that the silica seethe is a decent substitution of concrete . The pace of solidarity acquire in silica smolder concrete is high. Workability of substantial declines as increment with % of silica rage . The ideal worth of compressive strength can be accomplished in 10% replacement of silica rage . As strength of 15% substitution of concrete by silica rage is more than ordinary cement. The



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ideal silica seethe substitution rate differs from 10% to 15% substitution level.

Amarkhaili (2015). He noticed impacts of silica rage on properties of high strength concrete. Tracked down that up to 10% concrete .might be supplanted by silica rage without hurting the substantial usefulness. Concrete containing 10% silica smolder substitution accomplished the most noteworthy compressive strength followed by 15% silica rage supplanting with a little distinction. Concrete with 15% silica rage content accomplished the most noteworthy flexural strength. 10% and 15% silica rage. content as substitution of concrete were discovered to be the ideal sum for essentially improvement of compressive strength and flexural strength separately.

Gurpreet Singh, Dhande Uttam, Adurkar Ajit, Prof. MRs G [2016]. They have contemplated optical strands projecting by concrete ,FA, CA, optical filaments. Projecting of regular cement (0%of plastic optical fiber), projecting of 3% of plastic optical fiber content, projecting of 4% of plastic optical fiber concrete, pressure test, and light transmission test are the means in question. The % of light transmission through 3% fiber is 10.51% and 4% strands is 12.55%.It saves power cost of a private structure for the duration of its life time. Compressive strength of 0% fiber, 3% fiber.

Kavya S, Karthik D, Sivaraja M [2016]. They have completed an exploratory examination on light sending substantial utilizing optical filaments. The venture was completed by adding 2.5 %, 3.5%,4.5 %, 5% optical filaments and inferred that the strength of cement is high at 4.5 % and continuously decline at 5.5% individually. The proficiency of the utilization of the optical filaments was concentrated by contrasting the strength and typical M30 grade concrete and the test outcomes demonstrated that the effectiveness is more in all angles. Consequently the utilization of optical fiber will make the substantial beautifying just as make the substantial design proficient.

Ravikumar.N (2018). He investigated that the compressive strength of cement block reduces with the increase in percentage of fibers used in the concrete block. The compressive strength reduces for more than 4% of optical fiber and hence optimum is about 3% of optical fibers.

#### IV. **METHODOLOGY**

Assembling measure for acquired blend extent M20 [1:2.85:2.17] concrete. Shape planning: during the time spent creating light sending concrete the initial step included is arrangement of form. The shape model can be made with various materials, for example,, cast iron or play wood In the mould preparation, fix the essential components of form. The standard size of cube and cylinder according to IS456:2000 is 15 cm×15cm×15cmand 30 cm height with 15cm diameter for concrete respectively.

- 1. Mould is prepared of size 150×150×150mm cube.
- 2. The shape is comprised of two pressed wood faces with a plywoodbase plate.
- 3. The two essences of compressed wood are bored at a uniform dividing to hold the discretionary fiber set up during projecting cement into the shape.
- 4. The two drilled plywood face are put inverse to one another so as to place optical fibre in signal direction.
- 5. The optical fiber are cut into adequate length and set separately through the openings in the two compressed wood side facing opposite to each other. Now the concrete is prey andpoured into the mould.
- 6. The mould is compacted to avoid improper filling and void formation. The specimen is then allowed to harden for 24 hours and then the mould is removed and specimen is kept for curing.

# **Properties of Material**

- Technical specifications.
- Material performance
- Environment Impact.



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- Technical specifications: Form prefabricated blocks panels. Components: concrete, optical fiber. Cast material fiber proportion: 1:15 to 1:8 Density: 2100-2400 kg/M3. Compressive strength varying. Bending strength 7.7 N/mm2.
- Material performance Concrete retains its strength. High density top layer concrete. Infused
  with optical Fire protection. Highest uv resistance. Environment Impact When strong
  divider can communicate light it implies that one can utilize less lights during sunlight
  hours.

### V. CONCLUSION

The Light Transmitting concrete don't loses strength boundary when contrasted with standard cement. It has great light communicating property and the proportion of optical fiber volume to concrete is extent to transmission. It has essential property for the stylish perspective. It tends to be utilized for the best compositional appearance of the structure. Likewise utilized where the light can't reach with proper force. Optical fiber additionally goes about as support for the substantial.

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