



## A STUDY ON FIBRE REINFORCED RESIN CONCRETE

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**ABSTRACT:** *As the construction field depends upon cement and water. The natural resource is rapidly used in large amount with leads to shortage of natural resources. For every pound of cement produced, around 0.9 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> are created necessitating a vast amount of natural resources. As many parts of world is facing water crises till date, we use large of water for construction which should be reduced. As the traditional way of construction uses lot of natural resource it should be reduced and alternative way should be introduced in Morden construction. In this project Resin is used as the alternative way for Cement. The strong mechanical and durability features of resin concrete are one of its key advantages. The Primary goal of the project is to produce manhole covers and frames in accordance with IS Code-12592.2002 using developed resin concrete. The First Phase of the project is to test the Developed Resin Concrete by developing cube and conduct various tests. The Second Phase of the project is to developed Manhole cover and Frame as per IS code and test it in lab and in Real life. In this second phase the Manhole cover and Frame is developed with Glass fibre Reinforced Resin Concrete. By this method we can reduce the amount of Cement and water used in construction Field.*

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Resin concrete is concrete made by mixing resin, filler, and aggregate. In the early 1950s, for the first time in history resin was used as a binder instead of cement. This is due to its excellent properties and durability, rapid curing, and high bond strength. The following are the study's Key goal.

- To study Mechanical and durability property of the Resin Concrete.
- To cast the Manhole Cover and frame with the Developed Resin concrete.
- To cast rectangular and circular man hole cover and frame for medium duty and heavy duty.

- loadtest is carried out for the obtained Manhole Cover and frame as per IS 12592:2002 code. For Medium Duty load test – 100 KN, and Heavy-duty load test – 200 KN

## 2. REVIEW ON MATERIAL SELECTION

**MuhamadSoffiManda et al., (2022) [2]** The strength of tin slag polymer concrete can be improved by up to 128%, according to research on the exterior reinforcement of the material utilizing fiber-reinforced plastic confinement. In this paper, the experimental findings on the confinement of metallic material under compressive pressures for reinforcement of tin slag polymer concrete are discussed. Before to compression testing, the tin slag Polymer Concrete core was strengthened by machined mild steel metal tube in both partial and complete confinement. Metal tube confinement increased the compressive strength of a short column of tin slag polymer concrete from 60 MPa to 132 MPa, which corresponds to strength enhancement percentages of 61.95% and 122.74%, respectively. Finally, it was discovered that confinement of metallic elements on tin slag polymer concrete in compressive stress boosted strength and alter the failure mode of the material.

**Demei Yu et al., (2022) [5]** Costly, intrinsically weak, and prone to fracture over time, epoxy resin-based pervious concrete is not recommended. In this study, epoxy resins were modified using the Mannich reaction with easily available, low-cost wood tar and formaldehyde. The reactions caused by product water may help cement hydrate and generate greater adhesion using coarse particles as a framework. The wood tar, triethylenetetramine, and formaldehyde-based Mannich reaction products (WFM) have undergone significant changes in their mechanical properties and viscosities. Pervious concretes were successfully made using cement and modified epoxy resin as a binder. The binders considerably enhanced the pervious concretes' mechanical qualities. The prepared pervious concrete has a compressive strength that is 33.3% higher after 7 days and 21.9% higher after 28 days when compared to those without modification. The flexural strength varies just slightly. Once epoxy resins have been altered, the interaction between the aggregates and binder is improved. Pervious concrete still satisfies ageing and frost resistance standards with minimum adjustment, despite having greatly better abrasion resistance.

**KiruthikaChandrasekaran et al., (2021) [7]** This project's main goal is to use polymeric resin instead of cement to make concrete. In this article, four polyester resins were named. In the production of resin concrete, methyl methacrylate was used as a catalyst, cobalt octoate as an accelerator, calcium carbonate and fly ash as fillers, river sand, and coarse aggregate sizes of 10mm and 6mm were used. A test batch with aggregate sizes of 6 mm and 10 mm and resin content as the binder of 10%, 12%, and 14% was used for the initial investigation on mechanical attributes to attain the required strength. Fillers included 15% calcium carbonate and fly ash; the percentages of the initiators are 1.5% Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide as catalyst and 1% cobalt octoate as an accelerator at standard room temperature. The three samples from each of the 72 trial batches were air-cured for around seven days before being tested for compressive strength because beyond that time, compressive strength does not change. After many studies, they have figured out the perfect mix ratio, which is Resin - 12%, Fillers - 15%, and Aggregate - 73%. Out of a total of 72 testing batches, four were picked. According to the results of the study, the Fiber-reinforced resin concrete

mixture created has a broad range of mechanical properties as well as strong durability features.

**Zhen Zhang et al., (2021) [10]** This literature explored into the effects of unsaturated polyester resin that acts as a cement hydration alterer on pores of cement concrete, fractures, and the surface transition zone. Using meso- and micro-structure analysis technologies, as well as a digital image processing technology, it was discovered how to improve the inclusion of Unsaturated Polymer Resin into bridge deck pavement concrete. The UPR modified paste had a longer induction time and a lower cumulative hydration heat than standard cement. The UPR emulsion adjustment prevented cement from hydrating too quickly, albeit this impact diminished as ambient temperature increased. The distribution of pore size, relation between pore size and porosity, and compactness of the concrete structure may all be improved with even a little amount of UPR-WEP. Moreover, the size of the inner pores in UPMC progressively shrank as the curing age increased. The inclusion of UPR-WEP with a composition of less than 9% can prevent crack spread, postpone fracture initiation, and lessen the irregularity of cracks in cementitious composites as they solidify. Considering the change in microstructure features such as pore, micro crack, and interfacial transition zone as a function of WEP content, a 3% dosage of UPR-WEP may ensure that the deck pavement concrete has exceptional mechanical capabilities and durability.

**H. Alperen Bulut et al., (2017) [11]** By using e-plastic as filler materials and unsaturated polyester resin as the binder to create polymer concrete, the study's goal was to determine the impact of e-plastic waste, on the mechanical characteristics of polymer concrete. The percentages of e-plastic to filler material are 0%, 5%, 15%, and 25%, respectively. A 10%-90%, 15%-85%, and 20%-80% resin to filler material ratio has been established. The various mechanical tests were performed and assessed during a 28-day period. Although increasing the resin content has no effect on compressive strength, it does have an effect on flexural and splitting tensile values. Compressive, flexural, and splitting tensile strength numbers rises as e-plastic increases. According to an experimental investigation, the optimal ratio of resin and e-plastic are 5% as well as 15%, respectively. With the increased resin ratio, compressive strength is also increased with the highest combination containing 15% resin. Compressive strength of concrete has decreased. The increase in e-5% plastic does, however, cause a slight reduction in strength. The optimum mixtures would have resin/filling ratios of 15%-85% and e-plastic/filling ratios of 5%-5%. These findings imply that concrete can be treated with an elastic polymer.

**Diana Byron et al., (2021) [12]** In this study, polymeric concretes were created using epoxy, different types of aggregates, and amino functionalized CNTs. In this study, unfunctionalized carbon nanotubes (CNTs) were also examined in polymeric concrete. Regarding cure time, mechanical properties like compression and bending, and cure rate, the PC integrating CNTs outperformed the reference PC. The mechanical qualities under investigation were affected by the functionalization of CNTs through amination, most likely because of chemical interactions between the functionalized CNTs and the epoxy resin. Images taken under a scanning electron microscope and the results of immersion tests measuring water absorption demonstrate how adding CNTs improved the impermeability of a miniature PC. The study's conclusions are advantageous to the building sector and raise the dependability of computers employed in a variety of applications.

**Gagandeep et al., (2020) [14]** The "polymer concrete" or composite material used in the study is made up of test aggregates joined together in the form of a matrix with a polymer acting as the binding agent. Because to its higher compressive, tensile, and flexural strengths, as well as its quicker cure time and higher impact resistance, it is becoming more and more in demand as a special structural material. The goal of research projects is to gain a thorough understanding of the subject and to provide the necessary knowledge for its costly execution. Correlations were then created between the two types of concrete utilised in the experiment conventional and polymer as well as resins and fibers at varying concentrations. The M25 grade mix design and the material calculation are established in accordance with IS10262:2009. The material's compressive strength, flexural strength, and workability are tested on typical concrete as part of the experimental programme. Evaluating the results of concrete made with 0.5% and 1% glass fibre and polymer resin. The results show that polymer resin makes typical concrete stronger in both compressive and flexural properties. By adding 3% to 5% more resin, workability properties and mechanical characteristics can all be improved. With the use of glass fibre, polymer concrete gains greater compressive strength.

**YinongShen et al., (2020) [16]** The goal of this research is to create innovative, low-shrinkage lightweight polymer concrete that can be used in the wet flue gas desulfurization process to prevent corrosion and is temperature-resistant. Examined were the effects of ceramsite and waste rubber powder content on polymer concrete's microstructure, compressive and flexural forces and free shrinkage. As WRP concentration increases, the strength in compression and flexibility of LWPC rapidly decrease. Ceramsite is evenly distributed throughout the matrix and establishes a strong bond with the vinyl ester resin. LWPC still has 45 MPa and 10 MPa of compressive and flexural strengths with a WRP concentration of 0–7.5%. The LWPC free shrinking is significantly influenced by WRP. Comparing LWPC with 2.5%, 5.0%, and 7.5% WRP to the control mixture, the free shrinkage is reduced by 35.7%, 53.6%, and 57.1%, respectively. Furthermore, the influence of WRP is reduced when WRP content rises. The exotherm during resin curing causes WRP to expand in volume, which lessens PC shrinkage. By lowering the radical content in the resin matrix, WRP is also believed to extend Stage II. CaCO<sub>3</sub> powder can quickly speed up free shrinkage while slowly delaying PC cure. The cause for the reduced radical concentration is thought to be CaCO<sub>3</sub> powder's capacity to agglomerate and adsorb.

**Qian Xianget al., (2020) [19]** In addition to discussing the chemical composition of epoxy compounds and their curing procedure, this study also examines the characteristics of epoxy compounds such as epoxy concrete, epoxy asphalt, and epoxy emulsified asphalt. In this part, the mechanisms for network development, polymerization, and ring opening provide the scientific framework for the real process of making composites out of epoxy materials. Epoxy resins can enhance the mechanical properties of epoxy asphalt, epoxy blended asphalt, and their mixtures by adding to their crosslinking network, which limits the movement of asphalt. Concrete can self-heal because epoxy resin can cure with the help of cement without the use of curing agents. Because to its enhanced mechanical performance, high temperature stability, and bonding adhesion, epoxy materials can be a useful replacement for paving materials. Pavement is typically built with epoxy resin, a thermosetting substance used in epoxy concrete, epoxy adhesives, and epoxy paints. Due to their distinctive three-dimensional

bonding network configuration and specialised groups of function, epoxy materials utilized in pavement show exceptional efficiency in regards to thermal endurance, physical properties, adhesive capacities, resistance to corrosion and resistance to chemicals.

**MojtabaTabatabaeian et al., (2019) [23]** In this study, the longevity, flexibility and mechanical properties of HPPCs built from synthetic materials and conventional pervious concrete (OPC) made with Portland cement are examined. The mix designs included three distinct composite compositions by weight of aggregates, two different types of resins, orthophthalic polyester resin, bisphenol A-type epoxy resin, and two different types of coarse aggregate. HPPC mix designs were enhanced for sturdiness, cost, and variance signal to noise ratio using statistical techniques such as variance signal to noise ratio analysis and distance-based methodologies (DBA). The findings demonstrate that raising the resin concentration of HPPC specimens from 12% to 16% improves their mechanical behaviour and durability. The study's finding that HPPCs are an excellent OPC replacement is further supported by the fact that they provide OPCs with better mechanical characteristics. The outcomes also show that polyester resin outperforms epoxy resin in terms of performance. Alternatively, the coarse aggregate size had a detrimental effect on the mechanical and durability qualities.

**AlaEddinDouba et al., (2019) [24]** In order to develop a novel PC variation with greater ductility, this study examined how the amount of COOH affected the tensile characteristics of PC. It is evident that changing the proportion of the mixture of P-MWCNTs to COOH-MWCNTs at 2.0 wt% overall composition will result in a special PC with notable tensile strength, improved ductility and notable toughness. In compared to CC and PC-Neat, the stresses at failure of the resulting PC were 5.5% and an order of magnitude greater, respectively. With tensile strengths ranging from 9 to 15 MPa, the creative PC blends are suitable for a variety of structural applications. Because they are made of a combination of P-MWCNTs and COOHMWCNTs, PC mixes function better than PC-Neat. The optimal COOH concentration for PC ductility is between 0.001 and 0.018 wt%. MWCNTs were properly distributed by ultrasonication and magnetic stirring, per SEM microstructural analysis. FTIR and DMA experiments were used to show the connection between COOH concentration and reactivity with the host epoxy matrix. As a result of this process, crosslinking densities increase and carbonyl bands appear. For systems where a high strain capacity controls structural performance, the very ductile and energy-absorbing PC mixes that have been shown may be of great use.

**Dr. Awham M. Hameed et al., (2019) [25]** Recycling substance to create beneficial assets are an salient topic of scientific study in the contemporary world since the resource depletion that occurs creates a gap or risk for the future of the whole planet. Making polymer concrete (PC) with improved mechanical and physical qualities is the aim of this research. As aggregates from leftover construction and demolition projects were less expensive than cement concrete, they were used to build this Computer. Certain types of construction and demolition waste (such as waste from ceramic tiles, waste from building blocks, and waste from cement/concrete rubble) were used in place of natural sand and river sand. Polyester resin that is unsaturated was used in place of cement. For the creation of this polymer concrete, three different resin weight percentages (20, 25, and 30%) were used. Physical testing includes measures of density as well as splitting, flexural, Schmidt hammer, and compression tests. The findings demonstrated that all mortars created had enhanced

mechanical characteristics as polymer weight percentage rose and density fell. This promotes the usage of this specific brand of polymer cement in many other applications, such as precast or extremely durable partitions.

**KhashayarJafariet al., (2018) [27]**The aim of this research is to ascertain how well PCs function mechanically using both damaging and non-damaging testing. Three distinct polymer quantities and a pair of distinct coarse aggregate sizes were used to create the mixtures. Depending on the compressive, splitting-tensile and flexural properties of PC mixes with various polymer proportions, coarse aggregate sizes, and temperatures, the mixtures were optimised using the Taguchi method and analysis of variance. This encourages the use of this particular type of polymer cement in numerous more applications, such as precast or incredibly resistant partitions. To learn more, use NDTs like ultrasound According to the findings, cooling PC mixtures from +25 C to +15 C enhanced their mechanical properties while heating them from +25 C to +65 C had the reverse impact. Based on NDT, it was discovered that decreasing material porosity while elevating the large aggregate size and polymeric ratio was advantageous.

**SakthieswaranNatarajanet al., (2018) [28]** In this study, experimental research is done to determine how adding sea sand affects the characteristics of polymer concrete that has been changed using epoxy resin. After substituting sea sand, the physical qualities such as workability, mechanical proficiency, and durability features were assessed. The findings demonstrate that when combined with epoxy polymer, sea sand can be used as a fine aggregate to effectively address the issue of the depletion of natural aggregates. With some early research, a solid understanding of the nature of polymer concrete employing sea sand as aggregates was gained. The test results revealed that adding sea sand to polymer concrete significantly improved its compressive and flexural strength. At 180 days, the 20% sea-sand substituted air-cured polymer concrete demonstrated about a 30% increase in compressive strength and a 35% increase in flexural strength when compared to traditional concrete. Utilizing marine sand as a micro filler improved the elastic properties of epoxy concrete. Sea sand considerably improved the polymer concrete's binding strength and pull-out strength when it was utilised as the fine aggregate. The air-cured polymer concrete was also shown to be stronger and more resilient when 15% of sea sand was added, allowing it to be employed in places where unreinforced concrete is required.

**M.A. Fernández-Ruiz et al., (2018) [29]** This research examined how concrete mixtures compressed using tyre power as cement substitute and epoxy resin with and without a hardener was examined. When crushed up tyre rubber is used as cement, the strength and durability of the resulting concrete are reduced. The post peak the stress-strain curve's offshoot is flatter and the final strain is higher for concrete that contains ground tyre rubber. These qualities might make certain combinations suitable for seismic design. In comparison to conventional concrete, the ultimate strain is increased by the inclusion of ground tyre rubber and epoxy resin, both with and without a hardener. Moreover, the stress-strain curve's descending portion has changed, indicating improved. Each form of polymer cement concrete used in this experiment had lower compressive and flexural strengths than conventional concrete. It is suggested that 1% of the cement be replaced with epoxy with hardener in order to strengthen the durability and the durability of concrete to chloride intrusion.

**KhashayarJafari et al., (2018) [30]** Using destructive and non-destructive testing, this study delivers brand-new findings on PC mix optimization based on mechanical properties. In impact test, higher epoxy resin ratios and greater coarse aggregate sizes result in stronger materials, but higher temperatures result in weaker materials. With a temperature increase of over 25 C, the PC absorbs less energy. In comparison to +65 C, the energy absorption is slightly higher at 15 C. A higher ultrasonic pulse velocity is indicative of lower PC porosity, as is a higher polymer content and coarser aggregate size. The design with the greatest performance in terms of compressive, splitting-tensile and flexural strengths was found using the Taguchi method and it consisted of a mixed design with a 14% polymer content, coarse aggregates ranging in size from 9.5 to 19mm and a temperature exposure of 15C. The equations described in this paper are useful for pre-designing PCs since they can accurately estimate the splitting tensile strength, flexural strength and dynamic elastic modulus of PCs. Rather than from 12 to 14%, a bigger shift was seen as the polymer concentration rose from 10% to 12%.

**Rakesh Kumar (2016)[32]** High-quality polymeric concrete can be manufactured with polyester-based thermoplastics or petroleum-based epoxy resins. The lack of petroleum-based resources has led to the development of thermoplastic bioplastics for use in polymer concrete. Furfuryl alcohol, a thermoplastic bioplastic composed of lignocellulose materials, can form polyfurfuryl alcohol polymers in the presence of an acid catalyst (PFA). PFA-based polymeric concrete shows the widest range of chemical inertness to acids and alkalis compared to other polymeric concretes produced using different thermoset polymer systems. Separately, we study the properties of biopolymers, biocomposites, nanomaterials and PFA-based polymer concrete with respect to mechanical, thermal and water resilience. The flexural strength of concrete made from epoxy-based materials is approximately 18 MPa with natural fiber reinforcement. The flexural strength of ash and red mud reinforced with epoxy resin and polyester resin was determined to be 21.3 MPa and 18.5 MPa, respectively, which is higher than that of Portland cement concrete.

**Wahid Ferdous et al., (2016) [33]** To assess the effect of the resin to filler ratio, the thermal, physical, mechanical and durability properties of polymer matrices composed of epoxy resin and light-weight filler materials had been investigated. This ratio was thought to be the main experimental factor influencing the characteristics of a polymer matrix. The control mix, which contained 100% resin and up to 60% filler material by volume, had the filler material added in 10% increments. Because it wouldn't be a ready-to-use mixture, any mixture that had 60% or more filler was not considered. Polymer matrices with fillers in the range of 30% to 50% may be able to satisfy the criteria for sealing composite railway sleepers satisfactorily. The blend with a 30% filler would be the greatest option if a matrix's mechanical characteristics were the primary factor, whereas the blend with a 50% filler would be the best option if material cost was the primary factor. Depending on the relative importance of the mechanical qualities and economic considerations, the decision may be either a 30% or 50% filler mix if UV radiation resistance was a major need. The AHP can be used by a designer or end-user to choose the ideal mixture for additional epoxy polymer concrete uses.

**Liang Huang et al., (2016) [34]**In this study, the use of hybrid plates formed from organic flax fabric reinforced polymer (FFRP) as an exterior stiffening material for beams made of

reinforced concrete (RC) is explored. Two-meter-long RC frames with and without FFRP plates have their flexural behaviour assessed under four-point bending. The inner steel reinforcement ratio and the pre-cracked RC beams are the test factors, and the FFRP thickness. Due to FFRP strengthening, each of the studied beams had an enhanced maximum volume, varying from 15.5% to 112.2%. Higher ultimate loads are present in beams with more FFRP layers. Compared to beams with high reinforcement ratios, the load bearing capability of RC beams with low steel reinforcement ratios improves more as a result of FFRP strengthening. This study has found that natural flax FRP composite works well as an exterior strengthening material.

**Sungnam Hong et al., (2016) [35]** To identify the ideal mix design for polysulfide polymer concrete, a study was carried out. (PPC). Studies with polymer concrete mixing and two-stage binder trials were conducted in order to achieve this. To find the ideal binder composition, a number of laboratory tests were conducted over two stages. According to the results of the initial round of laboratory testing, a hardener alone was unable to satisfy the gel time requirement for the various test circumstances taken into account. Metallic salts were added to the second step of the laboratory tests to shorten the gel time. Metallic salts made up roughly 1% to 3% of the total weight of the primary components. The perfect binder ratio that satisfied all test requirements was established when the catalyst was added. When created with the ideal mixing ratio described in this article, the mechanical strength values of the PPC specimens were greater than those suggested by the design code.

**WeenaLokugeet al., (2013) [40]** In this work, to create a natural polymer concrete mortar, a variety of resins, fly ash, and sand were mixed together. The mixtures were created using a cutting-edge method dependent on the volumetric characteristics of sand. The investigation into the uniaxial in nature shear stress-strain relation of polymer-based concrete's results are presented and discussed in this paper. Polymer Concrete mortar has proven to be capable of achieving compressive values in the 90-100 MPa range. Vinyl ester-based polymer concrete produced tensile values of 15 MPa. When fly ash is used as a filler, the quantity of resin is decreased while the compressive strengths of PC with all three kinds of resins are increased. With a decrease in the fly ash concentration, the ductility of all PC concrete mixtures increases. PC with fly ash needs to be contained correctly if it is to be used in structural applications. The overall results suggest that an appropriate fly ash addition to the mixture could result in polymer concrete that is both cost-effective and mechanically nearly unaltered.

**AndrzejGarbaczst al., (2013) [41]** Conventional fly ash addition only benefits the mechanical strength and chemical resistance of polymer composite compositions within a specific range. For testing the chemical resistance of composites, it seemed appropriate to use polymer concretes and mortars with a 15% FA concentration. The characteristics and chemical makeup of CFA are different from those of conventional FA, however vinyl ester concretes containing fluidized calcium fly ashes displayed similar tendencies. It was shown that substituting fly ash from hard coal combustion for standard quartzite microfiller in PC mix was technically possible, albeit to a limited extent. This occurred as a result of the mix's diminished operating capacity, which diminished the PC's attributes. Even when up to 50% of the microfiller has been replaced, the values of the technical qualities are still high. The mixture's workability is drastically reduced at more than 50% replacement, and it becomes difficult to compress the mixture to the required degree.



**Mehmet Saribiyik et al., (2013) [42]** In this study, the effects of the resin content used to manufacture polymer concrete were investigated along with the workability of concrete formed by replacing the waste glass powder for the quartz aggregate powder used for the filler in ratios of 10% to 40%. A 13% increase in the resin ratio led to a 29% increase in the slump value, which is the basis for workability. Nonetheless, despite successive increases in resin composition, workability remained unchanged. It was observed that using glass powder in place of quartz powder doubled the quantity of resin that was included as a binder, making the concrete more workable. The granulometry curve of concrete approaches the ideal fuller curve when the resin content of the polymer concrete mixture is maintained constant and the amount of glass powder used as filler is increased. Because the concrete's compactness ratio peaked at the point where the curve was most like the ideal, the increase in flexural strength was 78% and the increase in compressive strength was 29%. It was found that by replacing leftover glass powder with the same amount of resin, the compressive and flexural strength of polymer concretes could be significantly boosted.

**Yoshihiko Ohama (2011) [43]** On the basis of a thorough literature review, the current paper analyses the process technological principles for concrete-polymer composites, the background of research and development for concrete-polymer composites, current trends in research and development, and the current status of significant standardisation work for concrete-polymer composites. Sustainable concrete-polymer composites are advised for the twenty-first century, and research and development in this area is expected to follow a few patterns in the years to come.

From the aforementioned publications, it is clear that unsaturated orthophthalic polyester resin, which is less expensive than other resins and has good strength in tests, can be used for resin concrete.

### 3. REVIEW ON MECHANICAL AND DURABILITY PROPERTY

**HoseinZanjiraniFarahaniet al., (2023) [1]** Instead of Portland cement, polymer concrete containing vinyl ester resin and silica powder offers better mechanical properties and strength. It will be compared to an alternative blend of vinyl ester resin and fumed silica. Each study was based on one of 16 different polymer-concrete mix designs. Results showed that the blend was ideal to give the highest tensile strength, and 10% silica fume and 5% vinyl ester had the highest compressive strength. The long-term durability of polymer concrete was also evaluated by measuring the water absorption of all combination configurations. Therefore, the composite design has initial and final water absorptions of 0.62% and 1.95%, respectively, containing 15% vinyl ester and 5% silica fume.

**Shutong Yang et al., (2022) [3]** Structural reinforced concrete with carbon sheets - Delamination of the concrete layer next to the binder is a common failure mechanism in fiber reinforced polymers. According to current experience, RPC method should be used to improve the adhesive bonding behavior between CFRP panels and concrete. RPC-treated Kevlar fibers were previously used to reinforce the adhesive layer and increase bond strength. Three fiber contents were reviewed to see how fiber content affects binding behavior. The ideal value turned out to be 9 g/m<sup>2</sup>. To investigate the effect of different interfacial treatments, termed type I and type II interfacial treatments, single overlap shear experiments were performed on two sets of samples with optimal fiber content. A 3 mm thick concrete

layer broke when the control instance failed. After application of the RPC treatment, the failure mechanism changed to shear thin layers of concrete and adhesive. Compared to control samples, realistic  $f$  and  $GII_f$  values increased by 9.6% and 5.2%, respectively, when RPC processing was used alone. However, these two bonding properties were increased by 25.1% and 21.4%, respectively, when both the RPC process and the fiber reinforcement of the adhesive layer were used as interfacial treatments. In addition, the maximum relative error was reduced for samples with Type I interface handling.

**Lanjie Yang et al., (2022) [4]** The purpose of this study is to examine the effects of concrete short columns restrained by flax/glass fibre reinforced epoxy resin composites. These members' axial compression failure processes are often identical; cracking begins in the middle and extends to both ends. Based on the load-displacement curve, an axial compression test result on concrete cylinders made of HFRP composite confined material shows the failure tendency is essential constant during the loading procedure. The maximal bearing capacity and axial deflection of the CCH6 confined concrete cylindrical specimen are 91.05% more than those of control group. The results show that the most pronounced axial compression failure modes were observed in the CC-H6 group in FFRP/GFRP composite-confined concrete short columns with different paving patterns and the same hybrid ratio. Axial deflection, energy dissipation, and ultimate bearing capacity were all higher than those of the control group respectively. Moreover, the highest energy dissipation was obtained.

**Angel Martínez-López et al., (2022) [6]** The goal of this work was to use nanosilica, aged polyester resin, and gamma radiation to improve the mechanical properties of polymer concrete manufactured from silica sand and polyester resin. It was found that heating up-cycled polyester resin for 180 days at 60 C was effective. The concretes with the highest elasticity modulus, the least amount of deformation (0.05 mm/mm), and the best compressive strength values (80 MPa) were those made with 70% silica sand and 30% unsaturated polyester resin (43.8 GPa). For concretes containing nanosilica, the greatest compressive strength value (84 MPa) and elasticity modulus (46.2 GPa) were obtained by adding 0.9 wt% nanosilica and irradiating at 50 kGy. High nanosilica content and modest gamma radiation doses were used to make a strong polymer concrete, which increased the elasticity modulus by up to 51%. To summarise, further methods for improving the mechanical properties of polymer concrete include ionising radiation, aged unsaturated polyester resin, and nanosilica.

**SeyhaYinh et al., (2021) [8]** The compressive and flexural responses of small-scale reinforced concrete beams enhanced with sisal FRP and concrete cylinders with sisal FRP confinement are experimentally investigated and reported in this study. A On sisal FRPs that have been saturated with polyester and epoxy resin, the suggested anchoring mechanism is tested. It has been discovered that sisal FRPs are incredibly effective at boosting the strength and ductility of restricted concrete. Sisal FRP thickness has been shown to boost ductility and load bearing capacity. Sisal FRPs perform inferiorly to low strength concrete in terms of external confinement and strength enhancement. The maximum load-bearing capacity of both reinforced and unreinforced concrete beams can be increased by fastening natural sisal FRPs to the tension face of the beams. Sisal FRP reinforced beams covered with epoxy resin showed the greatest gain in ultimate flexural strength. Due to the abrupt de-bonding of the sisal FRP, sisal FRP strengthening somewhat reduced the ductility of beams.

**Osama Ahmed Mohamed et al., (2021) [9]** In this article, basalt fiber-reinforced polymer bars as an alternative to carbon steel. After being helically wrapped and sand coated, the connection between the BFRP bars and the surrounding concrete seemed to be stronger than it was for carbon steel. In contrast to the cautious number of 1.4 advised by ACI440.1R-15, experiments have revealed that sand-coated BFRP ribbed bars that are helically wrapped can have a bond coefficient  $k_b$  value of 0.8, which is superior to carbon steel. Studies reveal that when BFRP bars are conditioned in an alkaline solution, particularly at high temperatures, their tensile, shear, and interlaminar shear strength steadily decrease over time. A nine-month conditioning period in an alkaline solution was shown to cause BFRP bars to lose about 29% of their tensile strength at a comparatively high temperature of 60 C. Carbon steel is still entirely recyclable, even if BFRP is used in its stead, but the production process still has a large detrimental effect on global warming.

**PedramGhassemi et al., (2020) [13]** The primary focus of this investigation is on how long-term changes in the environment impact the mechanical properties of EPC. As a result, samples of OCC and EPC were created, and they were exposed for 1, 3, 6, and 12 months to simulated saltwater and four different chemical solutions with pH values ranging from 2.5 to 12.5. Portland cement and epoxy resin were the binder phases used to create the OCC and EPC samples. According to the findings, acid solution posed the greatest risk to cement and polymer concrete, significantly reducing the compressive strength of low epoxy resin content (EPC) and OCC by 38.7% and 40% respectively. After a year of exposure, EPC performed ok in an alkaline environment. Freshwater or saltwater solutions both decreased EPC. Nonetheless, freshwater improved the OCC specimens by 18.26% after a year. The OCC specimens were reinforced by the seawater for the first six months, but after that, their strength started to deteriorate. When compared to the other specimens, EPCs with a high epoxy resin concentration had the highest performance, the longest lifespan, and the least amount of strength loss.

**Yang Gao et al., (2020) [15]** In this investigation, the unsaturated polymer was treated with liquid nitrile butadiene rubber before being used to form concrete. Both the UPC and the LNBR-modified UPC were simultaneously cured using two different initiators. To understand more about the mechanics and LNBR modified road UPC performance, investigations were conducted using an optical microscope, Marshall tests, Marshall tests with water immersion, rutting tests, split tests, freeze-thaw tests, and infrared spectroscopy. In this study, UP was altered using LNBR, producing LNBR-modified UPC. Concurrently, the road efficiency of UPC and UPC with LNBR modification and various initiators was examined. At 5 and 10 weight percent, LNBR was uniformly distributed inside the UP in a spherical form. The LNBR commonly congregated in the UP. LNBR had a favourable effect on the Marshall flow value but a negative influence on the dynamic stability (DS) and Marshall stability of the UPC. LNBR had no impact on UPC's water stability, despite the fact that its low temperature full strength and low temperature bending strain may have been noticeably increased. During the 60-min construction period, the flow value marginally improved while the Marshall stability of the UPC and UPC with LNBR modification somewhat decreased. Certain UP and UP that has been treated with LNBR may have been the main factor in this by curing or gelling. Nonetheless, both the UPC and the LNBR modified UPC continue to perform as needed on the road.

**SukantaKumer Shill et al., (2020) [17]** By repeatedly applying HF, water, and high temperatures to the surfaces of the studied mortar specimens, the current study examines the performance of modified Portland cement mortar (PCM) with reactive silica fume and epoxy that has been amine-cured, as well as unmodified PCM, under operating conditions that simulate military airbase environments. Epoxy was able to defend the crystalline mineral components of PC mortar, including ettringite, portlandite, quartz, alite, belitemullite, and calcite, against repeated hydrocarbon assaults even at high temperatures. It was demonstrated that it could not resist the thermal disintegration of the mineral components' crystal lattices under repetitive exposure to high temperatures. After being exposed to temperatures that were considerably higher than its T<sub>g</sub> and HDT for 80 cycles, epoxy was observed to deform, inflate, and plasticize in PC mortar. Although these deformations reduced the remaining compressive strength, a sizeable portion of it was preserved in the epoxy, PC, and SF interaction products. A higher E/C ratio kept a higher residual compressive strength even after 80 exposure sessions. Epoxy assisted in producing significantly harder portlandite composites when compared to traditional PC mortar. It is crucial to remember that a greater E/C ratio results from a lower PC content in the mortar.

**Jianwen Shao et al., (2020) [18]** In order to test the effects of compressive, flexural, spillage, deflection, and strain, the article adds fine, medium, and coarse rubber particles to epoxy concrete at rates of 5%, 10%, 15%, 20%, and 25%, respectively. For additional testing, rubber particles in three sizes—fine (0.5 mm), medium (1.5 mm), and coarse—were introduced to epoxy concrete (4 mm). The tests for strain, deflection, flexure, compression, and spilt were conducted. According to test results, medium-sized rubber particles are the best option (1.5 mm). The first repair research is the composite mortar beam experiment. The aim is to quantify the loading capacity reduction caused by rubber content. It is discovered that the reduction, which in this study amounts to less than 8%, is finite.

**Joanna Julia Sokółowska(2020) [20]** It is believed that building composites made with polymer matrix, particularly polymer concretes, have exceptional or outstanding durability. The properties of such composites, particularly those having fillers other than typical rock aggregates, have only recently been investigated. The research aims at the long-term compressive strength of polymer concrete created with quartz powder (ground sand) and waste products from the combustion of Polish fossil fuels (coal and lignite) 9 or 9.5 years ago. Data from samples that were inspected after fourteen days, a year and a half, and 7 years were used to compile the results. Data analysis revealed that composite materials that resemble concrete and include a range of fillers have higher compressive strength and longevity. Density measurements showed that the rise in volumetric density of a few specific composites coincided with the improvement in strength. According to research, the strength of composites made with polymer matrix does not typically rise gradually over a few to several days. A collection of evaluated concrete composite containing vinyl-ether matrices wetted with fly ash from various sources also showed significant increase in strength over time.

**Si-Yao Guo et al., (2020) [21]** In order to enhance OPC mortar, a polymer-cement repair compound, four distinct doses of aqueous epoxy resin are added to it. On the basis of the experimental results and the results of the microstructural analyses, a suitable dose level was

established, and related procedures were also recommended. The flexural toughness and durability of the OPC-based mortar may be enhanced by the addition of aqueous epoxy resin, which is primarily responsible for the epoxy resin in the shape of polymer films. Although smaller dosages may not be able to produce polymer films and larger doses may introduce some air spaces in the binder solution, an appropriate dosage of epoxy resin (5% in this work) can produce the best mechanical strength, flexural toughness, and various interface bonding. The microstructure of the OPC-based mortars was considerably improved by the polymer films formed when the aqueous epoxy resin hardened, which led to superior flexural toughness and fractural behaviour, as shown by SEM analysis. As a result, this newly developed OPC mortar is a promising restorative option, but it needs to be applied in more situations. When aqueous epoxy resin is employed in sufficient quantities, it is strengthened.

**Jiaqing Wang, Qingli Dai et al., (2019) [22]** In this work, laboratory tests were used to evaluate the mechanical and thermal properties of rubber-modified epoxy concrete. The performance of rubber-epoxy treated concrete samples was compared to that of control samples. Rubber particles have the potential to improve the mechanical properties of epoxy concrete mixtures, especially in terms of compressive strength and ultimate tensile strength. Epoxy composite samples containing 5% rubber particles increased compressive strength and split tensile strength by about 9% and 8%, respectively, at the 95% confidence level. Additionally, samples with 10% rubber particles perform worse than samples with 5% rubber particles. Adding rubber slightly reduces the direct tensile strength of the epoxy resin, the deviation of the sample with 5% rubber particles is within 5%, does not affect the thermal compatibility, but does not affect the thermal conductivity. increase. The thermal conductivity of epoxy concrete containing 5% and 10% rubber particles decreased from 0.663 W/(m\*k) to 0.645 and 0.629 W/(m\*k), respectively. ASTM C884 recommends thermal compatibility testing of rubber-modified epoxy coating systems. Also, the water absorption of the control and rubber-modified samples was 0.5% and 0.5%, respectively. Overall test results show improved performance of rubber-modified epoxy concrete, making it easier to recycle tire rubber into epoxy polymer concrete to maintain existing concrete pavement structures maybe.

**M. HassaniNiaki et al., (2018) [26]** The mechanical properties of polymer concrete based on quaternary epoxy are explored in this work, as well as the ways in which basalt fibre and clay nanoparticles can improve them. First experimental investigations were carried out to determine the influence of chopped basalt fiber and different temperature up to 250°C on the compressive strength, flexural strength, splitting tensile strength and toughness of fiber reinforced PC. After being reinforced with 2 wt% basalt fibre, a quaternary PC's compressive strength increased by 10%, its flexural strength by 4.8%, and its splitting tensile strength by 35%. Moreover, the impact strength was increased by up to 4.15 times with the addition of 3 weight percent of basalt fibre. The findings revealed that basalt fibre has improved the PC's thermal stability and lessened the degradation of the BFRPC's residual strengths. By using nanoclay, the BFRPC's compressive, flexural, and impact strengths were improved. Yet, the ability to disintegrate under stress was gone.

**MehrabNodehi (2020) [31]** found out that polymer concrete improves the mechanical durability properties of concrete by using polymers such as epoxy, polyester, or vinyl ester compounds, as a coating, supplement, or cement alternative. These three resins can be used to

create polymer-impregnated concrete, polymer-coated concrete, polymer-modified concrete, and conventional or normal polymer concrete, depending on the application. For different types of concrete, polymer resins can be utilised in place of ordinary Portland cement (OPC). Production of high strength concrete with excellent corrosion and chemical resistance uses polymer concrete because it gains strength more quickly than regular concrete. When curing polymer concrete, thermosetting resins and hardener are used to start the crosslinking network reaction that will connect with the surrounding materials. Due to its impermeability and some other properties, polymer concrete has the potential to largely replaced OPC- based concrete and be added to precast buildings and restorations.

**Francisco Carrión et al., (2014) [36]** In this study, artificial microfillers were coupled with orthophthalic unsaturated polyester resin, waste aggregates from the recycling of concrete sleepers, and polymer concrete. The variation in the mechanical and physical properties of the polymer concrete was investigated based on the alteration of several variables, such as the type of recycled aggregates, resin levels (11 wt%, 12 wt%, and 13 wt%), and particle-size distributions of the micro fillers utilised. It was discovered that the mechanical properties of PC were improved when recycled basaltic aggregate was used in place of recycled limestone aggregate. In spite of absorbing more water than RLA aggregate, RBA aggregate was shown to have better mechanical behaviour. The PC manufactured from recycled basaltic rocks stiffened and had its mechanical characteristics improved due to the addition of more unsaturated polyester resin. Moreover, as resin percentage grew (>12%), PC became lighter and less absorbent. If more mechanical performance is required, it is possible to substitute some of the recycled basaltic aggregate (25wt% in this study) with natural basaltic aggregate to enhance compressive strength by more than 23.2%.

**Libo Yan et al., (2014) [37]** This study used experimental analysis to determine the axial compressive and flexural behaviour of a novel type of FRP-confined concrete known as FFRP-CFRC, which is made of naturally occurring flax fibre reinforced polymer (FFRP)-confined coir fibre reinforced concrete (CFRC). This new composite design featured an outside FFRP jacket and a CFRC core. Tube thickness, confinement, types of FFRP/CFRC interfacial bond, and specimen end conditions are all column parameters under axial compression. The significance of the tube end condition on the confinement performance of the FFRP tube-confined CFRC cannot be neglected in axial compression. The specimens with grinded tube ends showed greater ultimate stress, axial strain, absorbed energy, and ductility indices, respectively, by 8.3%, 12.4%, 10.0%, and 10.3%, than the specimens with flat tube ends.

**Libo Yan et al., (2014) [38]** To ascertain the potential of flax FRP tube-confined coir fibre reinforced concrete as a sustainable building material, experimental research has been conducted. The experiment results of plain concrete and coir fiber reinforced concrete under axial compression were provided. Among the observation are structural ductility, ultimate compressive strength, ultimate axial strength and hoop staining. They also study the dynamics of axial stress-strain, 36 cylindrical test specimens over all were used. There are two distinct coir fiber mass composition and two different tube thickness (2 and 4 layers), one percent each of cement and concrete was considered. Around 200% as strong as infinite PC and CFRC are the four layered FFRP encased PC and CFRC. With fiber making up 1% of the cement's weight, the FFRP constrained concrete composite's compressive strength and

ductility rise with tube thickness. Concrete crack can be filled with coir fiber that cannot be filled with FFRP. Inserting coir fibres into concrete improves its ultimate compressive strength and axial strain when compared to limited CFRC with a 1% fibre content. A high axial compressive strength for flax FRP tubes with limited PC and CFR cavities was discovered through experimentation.

**Kyung-Chae Jung et al., (2014) [39]** The material properties of polymer concrete for runway restoration are evaluated in this essay. The weight-to-weight ratios used to combine epoxy resin and aggregates were 90:10, 85:15, 80:20, and 70:30. The examination's samples were made at room temperature (25 C). The degree of cure of the epoxy resin was continuously monitored by a dielectrometry sensor. The polymer concrete passed the cure monitoring test and was almost entirely cured (97.6%) in around 6 hours, making it suitable for runway rehabilitation. Examples of polymer concrete were made with four different aggregate contents ranging from 90% to 85% to 80% to 70%. According to the findings of the compressive and flexural tests, the polymer concrete specimen with 80% aggregate content had a respectably high flexural strength of 21.72 MPa and the maximum compressive strength of 55.71 MPa. They either exceeded or were comparable to those of cement-based concrete. Of all the specimens tested, it also displayed the greatest Young's modulus and the best level of workability for mixing and compacting. In a controlled environment room with temperatures ranging from 25 C to 85 C, each specimen's thermal expansion was monitored using a pair of FBG fibre optic sensors. The thermal expansion values were used to calculate the polymer concrete's coefficient of thermal expansion. The found mechanical properties were used to evaluate the polymer concrete's viability for usage as a runway repair material.

**MarinelaBărbuțet al., (2010) [44]** This study demonstrated how the solid wastes fly ash and silica fume affects the compressive, flexural and tensile strength of polymer concrete. In this paper, the results of an experimental investigation into the mechanical properties of epoxy PC with various types of filler are presented. The presence or absence of epoxy resin and carbon fibre all have an impact on the PC's compressive strength, flexural strength, and split tensile strength. As fillers, fly ash and silica fume were used. The identical combination components and filler dosages were employed to create each of the 15 versions in accordance with the experiment's concept. For both forms of PC, the epoxy resin percentage ranged from 12.8% to 18.8%, but the filler content was between 6.4 and 12.4%. Compression strength and split tensile strength increased as filler quantity increased, however flexural strength gradually declined. Fly ash produced greater mechanical strength values than the other filler type, silica fume. By adding more epoxy resin, the mechanical strength of PC with fly ash was increased more than with silica fume. The results of the experimental study show that fly ash in particular can be used to produce.

**M. Golestanehet al., (2010) [45]** Polymer concrete was created using silica powder as a filler. Used silica powder can be added as a filler to polymer concrete to enhance its physical properties and mechanical toughness. The mechanical properties of PC made with different filler composition (100, 150, 200%) and resin percentages (10, 15, 20%) were studied. Polymer concrete, has a compressive strength four times that of cement concrete, employed silica powder as a filler. Also, the cast PCs' compressive, flexural, and tensile strengths were evaluated. It was discovered that the maximal physical strength of the manufactured PCs was

significantly influenced by their chemical composition and filler content. When 15% resin and 200% filler were utilised, the PC specimen's compressive and flexural strengths were at their highest. The maximum tensile strength was obtained with 20% resin and 200% filler. Fine fillers usually provide materials with good mechanical strength due to their increased molecular compaction. The strength for compressive, flexural and tensile stresses were 128.9, 22.5, and 16.2 MPa, respectively. Manufacturing computers mechanical strength was four to five times that of Portland cement concrete.

**João Marciano Laredo dos Reis et al., (2009) [46]** Studied the mechanical properties of Polymer concrete reinforced with waste textile trimming. Two set of polymer concrete composition with varying (resin/sand or binder/fine aggregate) weight ratio were investigated. Recycled textile fibres made up 1% to 2% of the overall weight of each series. Flexural and compressive tests were performed at room temperature, and load vs. displacement graphs were created all the way to failure. The study took into account the behaviour of polymer concrete reinforced with textile fibres, as well as the effects of the resin/sand weight ratio and the fibre content. reduced qualities based on the amount of textile fibre. This tendency persisted after taking into account particular traits. Instead of the brittle failure that characterises unreinforced polymer concrete, adding more textile fibres results in a smoother failure. The findings demonstrate that as the amount of textile fibres is increased, the flexural strength of polymer concrete containing textile fibres decreases. When comparing regular polymer concrete with a 10% resin concentration to that with 1% and 2% textile fibre contents, respectively, flexural strengths drop on average by 27.4% and 50.7%. As comparison to simple polymer concrete with a 10% resin content, plain polymer concrete with a 12% resin percentage is over 25% stronger in flexion. In actuality, flexural strength of polymer concrete with 12% resin and 1% textile fibres is higher than that of concrete with only 10% resin.

**Byung-Wan Jo et al., (2008) [47]** The purpose of this research was to investigate some of the solid waste problems that have arisen as a result of the deterioration of concrete and plastics. For this purpose, the mechanical properties of polymer concrete were evaluated, more especially Polymer concrete made from recycled coarse aggregate and unsaturated polyester resins from PET plastic waste. The strength and resistance to acids and alkalis of polymer concrete were evaluated by varying the coarse to fine aggregate ratio and resin content. After the result, three significant observations were made. Initially we discovered the polymer concrete formed from recycled aggregate and a resin derived from recycled PET became stronger up to a specified resin concentration. Yet after that, the strength diminishes somewhat. In the end, polymer concrete with 9% resin content was unaffected by HCl, but polymer concrete constructed completely of recycled materials showed limited acid resistance. The 100% recycled aggregate used in the polymer concrete did not appear to be harmed by alkali chemicals, according to the weight change and compressive strength.

**VerónicaMorote-Martínez et al., (2008) [48]** Unsaturated polyester resin (UPR) containing styrene monomer was used in this work to stabilise Marrónemperador marble shards. The enhancement of numerous properties, particularly the mechanical ones, required the use of a sizeable amount of nanosilica (0.5-3 wt%). Uncured UPR-nanosilica hybrids were characterised using rotational rheology, gelation was monitored using a texture analyzer, and the viscoelastic and thermal properties of the films formed from cured UPR-nanosilica were



evaluated. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) was used to assess the nanosilica's level of dispersion in the UPR-nanosilica composites. The marble pieces coated with UPR nanosilica were put through three-point bending and impact strength tests to determine how well they performed mechanically. By adding pseudoplasticity, thixotropy, and increased viscosity, nanosilica enhanced the rheological properties of the UPR solution. The bigger elevation was produced using nanosilica at a weight percentage of over 2%. Due to interactions between the filler and styrene, the addition of nanosilica is thought to have shortened the gel time of the UPR resin. On the other hand, in the cured UPR-nanosilica composites, the nanosilica was added to improved the glass transition temperature and raised the degree of crosslinking. The enhanced UPR capabilities of marble fragments treated with nanosilica increased their impact resistance.

**J.P. Gorninski et al., (2007) [49]** Fly ash, isophthalic polyester, and orthophthalic polyester, two types of unsaturated polyester resins, four different filler concentrations, and eight different polymeric mortar compositions are all examined for their chemical resistance in this study. Seven different acid conditions that are indicative of those that typically lead to corrosive processes in industrial settings were used to test the samples. The flexural strength values for both isophthalic polyester PC (18-23 MPa) and orthophthalic polyester PC (18-20 MPa) were relatively high in contrast to the typical values of high-strength cement concrete. The samples with 8% fly ash had significantly lower scores for flexural strength when compared to the other compositions. The study found that the number of holes in PC compounds may have an impact on the degree of strength loss. In other words, as fly ash content increased, the PC composition showed improved "packing," which reduced the spread of aggressive agents. This was confirmed by the SEM study, which showed that the compositions containing 8% fly ash (higher porosity) were exposed to more intense chemical attack because the aggressive solutions had an easier time reaching the binder-aggregate interface.

**J.M.L. Reis et al., (2003) [50]** To produce polymer concrete, a mixture of composites, monomers and aggregates must be polarized. The polymerized act as the binders for clusters. Mix the initiator and accelerator into resin before it is combined with the inorganic particles to begin the curing process. The two-parameter model was employed in this research to assess the fracture behaviour of chopped glass fiber reinforced polymer concrete in accordance with RILEM guidelines. Calculating the critical stress intensity factor, KIC, and the crack tip opening displacement, two size-independent fracture metrics, is simple and can be done using this method. (CTOD). The CTOD was determined for testing central notched beams under three-point bending with given clip gauges. Used glass was sliced into 25 and 6-millimeter-long threads. Additionally, the fibers received pre-treatments to improve their fracture and resin-adhesion properties. Fiber involvement often improved the flexural strength and fracture properties of polymer concrete. The elastic elasticity of glassfiber polymer concrete is increased by 39%. The TPM's findings demonstrate that epoxy PC with glass fiber reinforcement enhances all of the factors taken into account in this manner. The glass fiber reinforcement boost the modulus of elasticity of PC-Epoxy by 39% under the same condition, and the material's resistance to the elongation of crack, KIC is significantly higher by 352%.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

After reviewing several researches and studies, it can be concluded that:

- Maximum tensile strength (29.66 MPa) and maximum compressive strength (10% and 5%, respectively) of vinyl ester resin are best achieved at these percentages (4.21 MPa).
- The ideal concentration of silica fume for maximal tensile strength (100 MPa) and compressive strength (37.69 MPa) is 10%. (6.56 MPa).
- Blends with 5% vinyl ester and 10% silica fume have the highest maximum tensile and compressive strength.
- Orthophthalic Polyester resin must make up a minimum of 12% of the material. To be Precise, it's 73% aggregate, 12% resin and 15% filler. Glass fiber has a maximum compressive strength of 83.5 MPa, while steel has a maximum compressive strength of 75 Mpa.
- Compressive strength has increased as a result of the increased resin ratio. This is due to the possibility that boosting the resin ratio will make the filler components moister and more well-coated, hence strengthening adhesion. The resin ratio of the mixes with the maximum compressive strength is 15%. The tensile strength of concrete has decreased as a result of e-plastics. However, the rise of the e-5% plastic results in a minor loss of strength. It shows that eplastic material can be used to remediate concrete.
- When polymer concrete derived from electronic plastic waste was used, the flexural strength decreased. The amount of e-plastic utilised and the resin to filler ratio both had an impact on how much the flexural strength decreased.
- Repair and restoration of damaged concrete structures can be carried out with the help of polymer resins. Since its practical use more than 50 years ago, it has proven useful in many applications, including sealing and coating concrete surfaces, reducing permeability, and increasing the overall strength of structural members under dynamic loading proven.
- They can be used for small repairs. Polyester resins often have a lower market value than epoxy resins.
- Compared with alternative binders such as OPC and geopolymer-based concrete, polymer concrete has many advantages such as shorter curing time and no rigid curing schedule.
- Polyester resins have lower tensile strength and higher rates of water absorption and decomposition than other major thermoset plastics. Epoxy resin are best suited for situations that require high mechanical strength, durability and heat resistance when used in shows.
- Compared with other existing adhesives polymer resins are virtually non-corrosive and can significantly increase the service life of concrete structures. Unlike most other binder system, such as alkaline activated materials, Polymer concrete can be cured at

room temperature and does not require a special curing schedule. Within hours to days, it will restore about 70% of its full power. Due to the low glass transition ability of polymer resins, OPC and geopolymers concrete are often superior to Polymer concrete in terms of fire resistance.

- Although polyester is more durable, vinyl ester resins have worse bonding capabilities and can cause delamination in repaired areas.
- Epoxy resin has been extensively employed in pavement construction as a thermosetting agent in the form of epoxy concrete, epoxy adhesives, and epoxy coatings. With its unique three-dimensional cross-linking network structure and functional groups, the epoxy material used in the pavement offers remarkable thermal stability, tensile strength, adhesive capabilities, anti-corrosion, and chemical resistance. their unique skills.
- The development of polymer-concrete composites may be significantly influenced by the relative cost of polymers to them. The primary source of raw materials for the manufacture of polymers is petroleum. Given the situation of the world economy and growing oil prices, it appears likely that polymer prices will rise. This will make it very challenging to manufacture and use concrete-polymer composites.

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