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# Experimental study and simulation analysis on design of stone mastic asphalt along Marshall mix methods using low-density polyethylene for eco-friendly nature

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## ABSTRACT

The extended traffic volume and backing require sufficient and solid pavements, which controls the black-top difficulty. A huge amount of assessment deal with the Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA) gives a difficult surface course. Various down to earth tries are made to adjust SMA mixes with built strands and polymers. Directly a day's plastic waste is the key issue for an eco neighbourly legitimate condition. In this assessment work, plastic waste like Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE) fundamental food thing sacks are used as an additional substance to diminish the leakage at high temperatures during limit, transportation, circumstance, and compaction to improve the interfacial security among sums and spread. Like this, the mix plan of SMA is executed with Marshall mix structure procedures. Marshall Stability Test finishes this testing research. The all out level of the SMA mix and the folio content was 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% by weight of genuine and plastic waste used was 5%, 10%, 15% by weight of bitumen. This current paper's objective is analyzing Objectives, advancement material piece, economy achieving by using waste materials and inclinations over the mixes. For sure, even in this work, we applied simulation investigation, as you can see in this paper.

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## 1. Introduction

Street arranges assumes an essential job in the country's financial turn of events, exchange, and social combination. The voyaging and security for the two individuals and products rely on the nature of street organizes as it were. As the populace is expanding day by day, it legitimately influences the movement request. Stone lattice black-top (SMA) is a hole evaluated HMA created in Germany in the 1960s, to oppose the mileage on asphalts brought about by studded tires. Later the blend was seen as more groove safe and sturdy than traditional thick reviewed blends, and this supported other European nations to use this blend. Some transportation organizations from the USA led an investigation visit to Europe in 1990, and they were dazzled with the presentation of SMA. This prompted point by the point research center, and field examinations on SMA and its effective execution made the blend one of the essential decisions for asphalt engineers. The stone framework

black-top has a higher extent of coarse totals and folio mortar contrasted with ordinary combinations. Great stone-to-stone contact exists between the counts framing rough total skeleton, which gives better quality and groove protection from the blend. The grim total framing adds to the sheer quality and compelling stacking appropriation example of vehicles to bear heavier traffic loads contrasted with the thick reviewed combinations. It comprises a blend of squashed coarse and fine totals, mineral filler, black-top concrete, and a stabilizer for the folio, for example, polymer or strands. The way of thinking of SMA is that the coarse total skeleton stone part gives a stone on stone contact to forestall rutting and give slide obstruction. It is mastic containing an entire coarse skeleton, which helps in even conveyance of the on-coming burdens. SMA builds the life of the wearing course and has

Numerous advantages. The danger of waste plastic won't settle until the commonsense advances are not started at the ground level. It is conceivable to improve the exhibition of bituminous blended utilized in the surfacing course of streets.

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**2. Simulations**

Simulations (SPICE) rely upon celebrated straight, practically identical conditions that purport to delineate our Non-Linear Universe. Along these lines, the reprobation/advised is: Linear infections don't delineate our Non-Linear Real-World. First, I present the Design Algorithm and Schematic, by then the Linear Simulation results, Measurements taken from genuine continuous estimations. Taking everything into account, I may give a couple of conditions in an enhancement; nevertheless, I have found that real Engineers realize requirements very well. I am up 'til now reviving my assignment (which you are following) with an eye on the above method to manage documentation. My innovative psyche is ceaselessly watching some new things to incorporate, which will improve the endeavor. Get-up-and-go licenses me to test my contemplations quickly and stay on the best track in a perfect world. The desire that helps a lot.



**3. Materials**

The segments of SMA comprise coarse totals, fine totals, filler, fastener, and added substances. SMA is a hole reviewed blend with 70–80% rough total of the absolute mass. The high percent of coarse aggregates convey substantial burdens by giving a stone-on-stone structure to forestall lasting distortion and provides strength. The staying fine totals, filler, and bitumen fastener assist with holding the stone structure. The added substances like waste plastic are utilized as a stabilizer to secure the mastic in the blend. They control the dampness, solidify the mastic lastly, direct the bitumen channel down (Figs. 1–9).

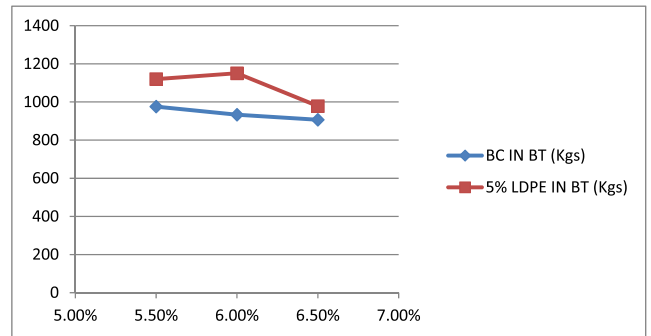


Fig. 1. Graph of proving ring of BC & 5% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% mix in BT.

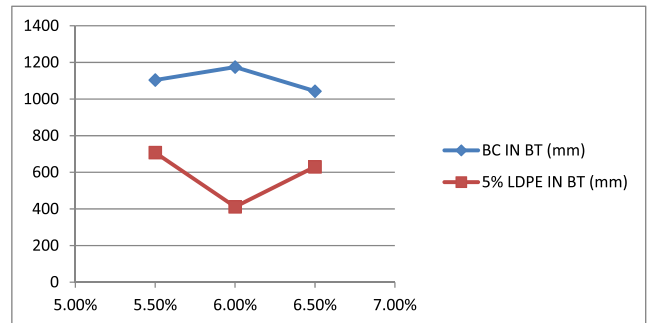


Fig. 2. Graph of dial guage of BC & 5% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% mix in BT.

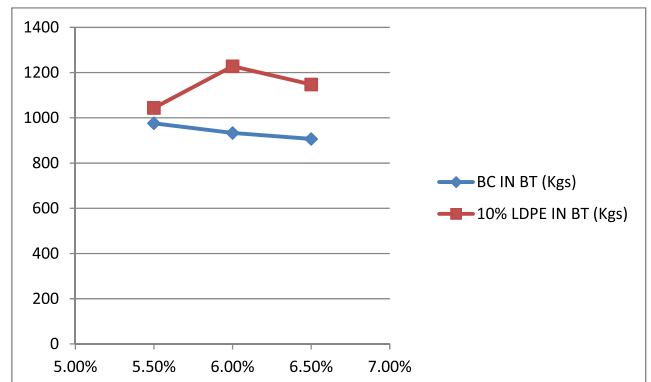


Fig. 3. Graph of proving ring of BC & 10% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% mix in BT.

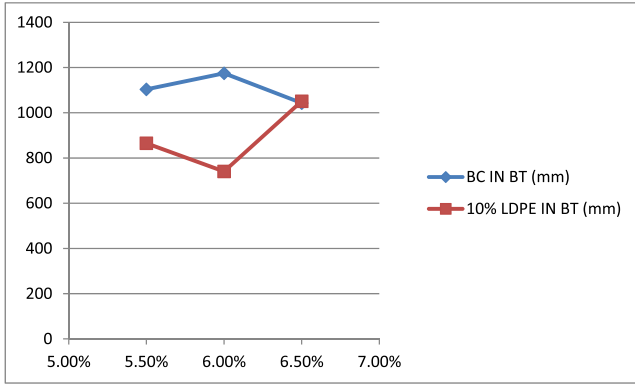


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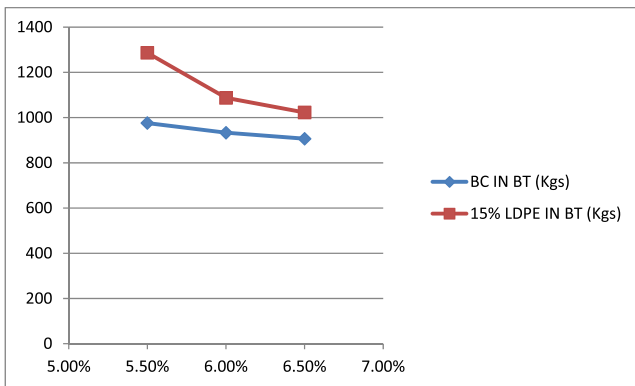


Fig. 5. Graph of proving ring of BC& 15% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% mix in BT.

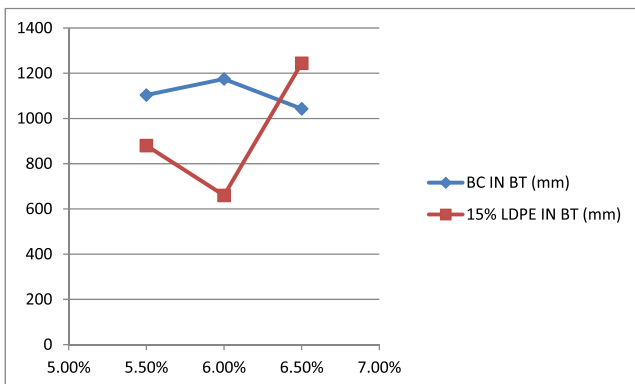


Fig. 6. Graph of dial guage of BC & 15% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% mix in BT.

#### 4. Aggregates

The quality, sturdiness, and groove obstruction of SMA relies for the most part upon totals. Before utilizing the calculations, they ought to be tried to check the appropriateness.

##### 4.1. Material testing

Tables 1 and 2

Table 1

Test results of Aggregates Properties.

S No	Name of the test	Specification	Test result	Specified value	Remark
1	Impact	IS 2386-Part 4	15.88	30	O.K
2	Crushing	IS 2386-Part 4	23.16	30	O.K
3	Los angels' abrasion	IS 2386-Part 4	23.88	30	O.K
4	Elongation & flakiness	IS 2386-Part 1	14.03	15	O.K
5	Angularity	IS 2386-Part 3	8	0-11	O.K
6	Water absorption	IS 2386-Part 3	0.45	0.1-2.0	O.K

Table 2

Test results of Bitumen Properties.

S No	Name of the test	Specification	Test results	
			CB	PMB
1	Penetration	IS 1203	87.5	81.5
2	Ductility	IS 1208	73	67
3	Softening point	IS 1205	54	64
4	Stripping value	IS 6241	20	15
5	Elastic recovery	IS SP 53	-	77

##### 4.2. Filler

The material that is going through 0.075 mm strainer is called filler. Rock dust, lime is utilized as fillers. Most outer filler cover (F/B) proportion of 1/2 to 1/5 based on weight is being used by numerous offices to restrain the measure of filler material. The filler hardening the rich folio and makes the mastic to hold.

##### 4.3. Bitumen

Bitumen is the fastener that holds the mastic together. We have utilized 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% bitumen by weight of total for this exploration work.





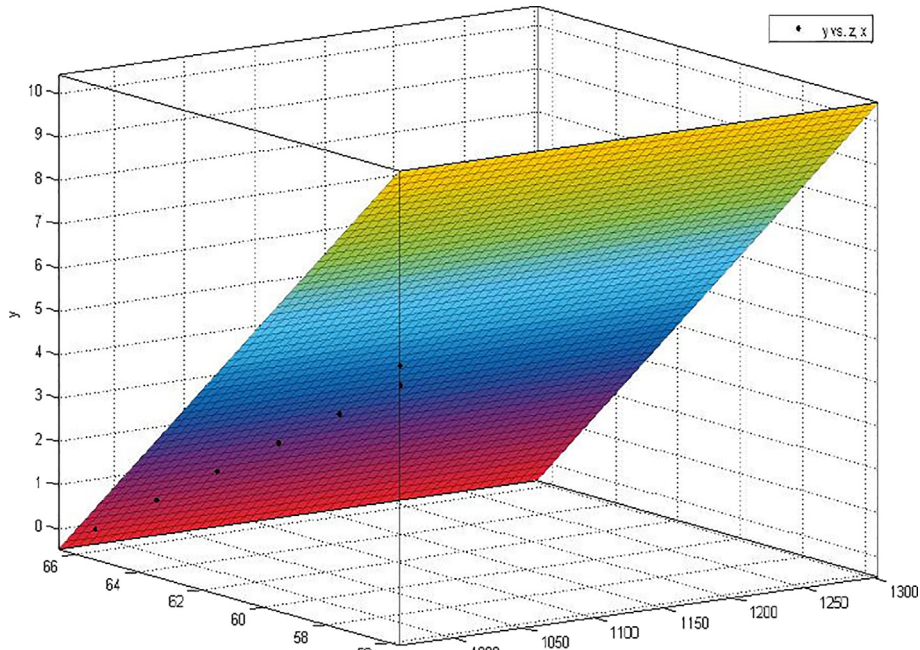


Fig. 7. X = B.T(5.5%) Y = P.T(0 to 15%) Z = proving ring readings(kgs).



4.4. Additives

The added substances are added to solidify the mastic and improve the bitumen properties at low and high temperatures. The added importance must be a bitumen transporter; squander plastic as a bitumen improver isn't adequate. All SMA with blows plastic likewise had lower bitumen content than required, or they also had LDPE blended in to accomplish the prerequisites. The appropriation of LDPE decides the quality of the blend.

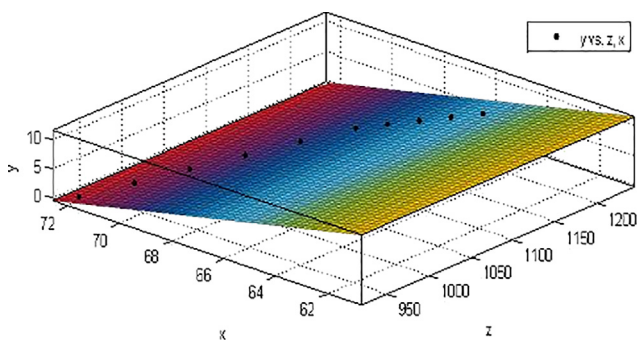


Fig. 8. X = B.T(6%) Y = P.T(0 to 15%) Z = proving ring readings (kgs).



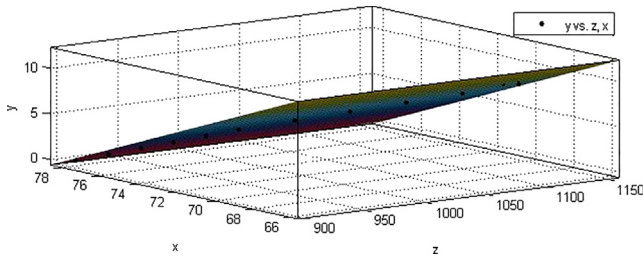


Fig. 9. X = B.T(6.5%) Y = P.T(0 to 15%) Z = proving ring readings (kgs).

190 °C. The bitumen (plain/changed) was warmed to 121–138 °C, and the main preliminary bitumen content was added to a pre-heated steel bowl. The blend was completely blended at a blending temperature of about 154 °C. The blend was compacted in a pre-heated Marshall shape by applying 75 blows on each example's face. Standards were set up at bitumen content 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% load of the blend. Compacted illustrations were expelled following 24 h utilizing an example extractor.

5.1.1. Marshall stability  
Tables 3–5

5.1.2. Void analysis  
Tables 6–9.



5. Test methods

5.1. Marshall stability test method

Marshall Mix Designs contains 1200 g of 12.5 mm total divisions, as turned out to be before, was pre-warmed to 175–

Table 3  
Mixing of 5% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% BT.

Proving Ring readings (Kgs)	Sample No.	Mixing of BC with 5.5% BT	Mixing of 5% LDPE with 5.5% BT	Mixing of BC with 6% BT	Mixing of 5% LDPE with 6% BT	Mixing of BC with 6.5% BT	Mixing of 5% LDPE with 6.5% BT
Dial guage Readings	1	850	1180	940	1042	1025	905
	2	955	1060	928	1230	745	1050
	3	1123	1120	932	1180	950	980
	<b>Average</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>1120</b>	<b>933.3333</b>	<b>1150.667</b>	<b>906.6667</b>	<b>978.3333</b>
	1	678	510	1178	485	1115	600
	2	1723	880	1171	350	1004	670
	3	910	733	1175	400	1010	620
<b>Average</b>	<b>1103.667</b>	<b>707.6667</b>	<b>1174.667</b>	<b>411.6667</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>630</b>	

Table 4  
Mixing of 10% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% BT.

Proving Ring readings (Kgs)	Sample No.	Mixing of BC with 5.5% BT	Mixing of 10% LDPE with 5.5% BT	Mixing of BC with 6% BT	Mixing of 10% LDPE with 6% BT	Mixing of BC with 6.5% BT	Mixing of 10% LDPE with 6.5% BT
Dial guage Readings	1	850	1026	940	1145	1025	1045
	2	955	1005	928	1290	745	1198
	3	1123	1100	932	1250	950	1200
	<b>Average</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>1043.667</b>	<b>933.3333</b>	<b>1228.333</b>	<b>906.6667</b>	<b>1147.667</b>
	1	678	858	1178	610	1115	1210
	2	1723	918	1171	890	1004	963
	3	910	820	1175	722	1010	980
<b>Average</b>	<b>1103.667</b>	<b>865.3333</b>	<b>1174.667</b>	<b>740.6667</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>1051</b>	



6. Simulation analysis

6.1. Case 1

Tables 10–12.



Linear model Poly25:

$$f(x,y) = p00 + p10*x + p01*y + p20*x^2 + p11*x*y + p02*y^2 + p21*x^2*y + p12*x*y^2 + p03*y^3 + p22*x^2*y^2 + p13*x*y^3 + p04*y^4 + p23*x^2*y^3 + p14*x*y^4 + p05*y^5$$

**Table 5**  
Mixing of 15% LDPE with 5.5%, 6%, 6.5% BT.

Proving Ring readings (Kgs)	Sample No.	Mixing of BC with 5.5% BT	Mixing of 15% LDPE with 5.5% BT	Mixing of BC with 6% BT	Mixing of 15% LDPE with 6% BT	Mixing of BC with 6.5% BT	Mixing of 15% LDPE with 6.5% BT
	1	850	1250	940	1397	1025	1003
	2	955	1310	928	1205	745	1015
	3	1123	1300	932	660	950	1050
	<b>Average</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>1286.667</b>	<b>933.3333</b>	<b>1087.333</b>	<b>906.6667</b>	<b>1022.667</b>
<b>Dial guage Readings</b>	1	678	619	1178	700	1115	1123
	2	1723	1042	1171	620	1004	1300
	3	910	980	1175	660	1010	1310
	<b>Average</b>	<b>1103.667</b>	<b>880.3333</b>	<b>1174.667</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>1244.333</b>

**Table 6**  
Void analysis of the conventional mix.

S.No.	Bitumen Content	Bulk Specified Gravity	Air Voids	Voids in Mineral Aggregate	Voids filled Bitumen
1	5	2.424	7.508	20.513	56.74
2	5.5	2.448	7.05	20.325	63.113
3	6	2.465	6.371	20.19	70.01
4	6.5	2.481	5.87	19.85	79.52

**Table 7**  
Void analysis of 5% Plastic mixed Bitumen mix.

S.No.	Bitumen Content	Bulk Specified Gravity	Air Voids	Voids in Mineral Aggregate	Voids filled Bitumen
1	5	2.431	7.21	19.98	57.65
2	5.5	2.457	6.74	19.712	64.48
3	6	2.478	5.88	19.27	71.87
4	6.5	2.487	5.42	18.85	81.25

**Table 8**  
Void analysis of 10% Plastic mixed Bitumen mix.

S.No.	Bitumen Content	Bulk Specified Gravity	Air Voids	Voids in Mineral Aggregate	Voids filled Bitumen
1	5	2.478	6.85	19.35	59.04
2	5.5	2.494	6.17	19.11	66.37
3	6	2.519	5.36	18.56	74.53
4	6.5	2.531	4.92	18.27	84.12



where  $x$  is normalized by mean 1100 and std 81.63  
and where  $y$  is normalized by mean 61.05 and std 3.142

6.2. Case 2



Linear model Poly25:  
 $f(x,y) = p00 + p10*x + p01*y + p20*x^2 + p11*x*y + p02*y^2 + p21*x^2*y + p12*x*y^2 + p03*y^3 + p22*x^2*y^2 + p13*x*y^3 + p04*y^4 + p23*x^2*y^3 + p14*x*y^4 + p05*y^5$   
 where  $x$  is normalized by mean 1122 and std 86.61  
and where  $y$  is normalized by mean 66.6 and std 3.428

6.3. Case 3

Linear model Poly25:  
 $f(x,y) = p00 + p10*x + p01*y + p20*x^2 + p11*x*y + p02*y^2 + p21*x^2*y + p12*x*y^2 + p03*y^3 + p22*x^2*y^2 + p13*x*y^3 + p04*y^4 + p23*x^2*y^3 + p14*x*y^4 + p05*y^5$   
 where  $x$  is normalized by mean 1026 and std 76.84  
and where  $y$  is normalized by mean 72.15 and std 3.714

**Table 9**  
Void analysis of 15% Plastic mixed Bitumen mix.

S.No.	Bitumen Content	Bulk Specified Gravity	Air Voids	Voids in Mineral Aggregate	Voids filled Bitumen
1	5	2.455	7.13	19.72	58.54
2	5.5	2.479	6.54	19.54	65.73
3	6	2.495	5.68	18.95	72.69
4	6.5	2.504	5.23	18.63	82.87

**Table 10**  
Simulation analysis of Marshal mix design by using BT 5.5% and LDPE 5%, 10%, 15%.

BITUMEN (PERCENTAGE)	BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (PERCENTAGE)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	FINAL BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	PROVING RING READINGS (KGS)
5.50	66.00	0%	0.00	<b>66.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	976.00
5.50	66.00	1%	0.66	<b>65.34</b>	<b>0.66</b>	1004.80
5.50	66.00	2%	1.32	<b>64.68</b>	<b>1.32</b>	1033.60
5.50	66.00	3%	1.98	<b>64.02</b>	<b>1.98</b>	1062.40
5.50	66.00	4%	2.64	<b>63.36</b>	<b>2.64</b>	1091.20
5.50	66.00	5%	3.30	<b>62.70</b>	<b>3.30</b>	1120.00
5.50	66.00	6%	3.96	<b>62.04</b>	<b>3.96</b>	1104.80
5.50	66.00	7%	4.62	<b>61.38</b>	<b>4.62</b>	1089.60
5.50	66.00	8%	5.28	<b>60.72</b>	<b>5.28</b>	1074.40
5.50	66.00	9%	5.94	<b>60.06</b>	<b>5.94</b>	1059.20
5.50	66.00	10%	6.60	<b>59.40</b>	<b>6.60</b>	1043.60
5.50	66.00	11%	7.26	<b>58.74</b>	<b>7.26</b>	1029.20
5.50	66.00	12%	7.92	<b>58.08</b>	<b>7.92</b>	1140.80
5.50	66.00	13%	8.58	<b>57.42</b>	<b>8.58</b>	1189.40
5.50	66.00	14%	9.24	<b>56.76</b>	<b>9.24</b>	1238.00
5.50	66.00	15%	9.90	<b>56.10</b>	<b>9.90</b>	1286.60

**Table 11**  
Simulation analysis of Marshal mix design by using BT 6% and LDPE 5%,10%,15%.

BITUMEN (PERCENTAGE)	BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (PERCENTAGE)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	FINAL BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	PROVING RING READINGS (KGS)
6.00	72.00	0%	0.00	<b>72.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	933.30
6.00	72.00	1%	0.72	<b>71.28</b>	<b>0.72</b>	976.76
6.00	72.00	2%	1.44	<b>70.56</b>	<b>1.44</b>	1020.22
6.00	72.00	3%	2.16	<b>69.84</b>	<b>2.16</b>	1063.68
6.00	72.00	4%	2.88	<b>69.12</b>	<b>2.88</b>	1107.14
6.00	72.00	5%	3.60	<b>68.40</b>	<b>3.60</b>	1150.60
6.00	72.00	6%	4.32	<b>67.68</b>	<b>4.32</b>	1166.14
6.00	72.00	7%	5.04	<b>66.96</b>	<b>5.04</b>	1181.68
6.00	72.00	8%	5.76	<b>66.24</b>	<b>5.76</b>	1197.22
6.00	72.00	9%	6.48	<b>65.52</b>	<b>6.48</b>	1212.76
6.00	72.00	10%	7.20	<b>64.80</b>	<b>7.20</b>	1228.30
6.00	72.00	11%	7.92	<b>64.08</b>	<b>7.92</b>	1200.10
6.00	72.00	12%	8.64	<b>63.36</b>	<b>8.64</b>	1171.90
6.00	72.00	13%	9.36	<b>62.64</b>	<b>9.36</b>	1143.70
6.00	72.00	14%	10.08	<b>61.92</b>	<b>10.08</b>	1115.50
6.00	72.00	15%	10.80	<b>61.20</b>	<b>10.80</b>	1087.30

**Table 12**  
Simulation analysis of Marshal mix design by using BT 6.5% and LDPE 5%, 10%, 15%

.BITUMEN (PERCENTAGE)	BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (PERCENTAGE)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	FINAL BITUMEN (GRAMS)	PLASTIC (GRAMS)	PROVING RING READINGS (KGS)
6.50	78.00	0%	0.00	<b>78.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	906.60
6.50	78.00	1%	0.78	<b>77.22</b>	<b>0.78</b>	920.94
6.50	78.00	2%	1.56	<b>76.44</b>	<b>1.56</b>	935.28
6.50	78.00	3%	2.34	<b>75.66</b>	<b>2.34</b>	949.62
6.50	78.00	4%	3.12	<b>74.88</b>	<b>3.12</b>	963.96
6.50	78.00	5%	3.90	<b>74.10</b>	<b>3.90</b>	978.30
6.50	78.00	6%	4.68	<b>73.32</b>	<b>4.68</b>	1012.16
6.50	78.00	7%	5.46	<b>72.54</b>	<b>5.46</b>	1046.02
6.50	78.00	8%	6.24	<b>71.76</b>	<b>6.24</b>	1079.88
6.50	78.00	9%	7.02	<b>70.98</b>	<b>7.02</b>	1113.74
6.50	78.00	10%	7.80	<b>70.20</b>	<b>7.80</b>	1147.60
6.50	78.00	11%	8.58	<b>69.42</b>	<b>8.58</b>	1122.60
6.50	78.00	12%	9.36	<b>68.64</b>	<b>9.36</b>	1097.60
6.50	78.00	13%	10.14	<b>67.86</b>	<b>10.14</b>	1072.60
6.50	78.00	14%	10.92	<b>67.08</b>	<b>10.92</b>	1047.60
6.50	78.00	15%	11.70	<b>66.30</b>	<b>11.70</b>	1022.60

## 7. Results and discussion

- 1) 10% plastic substance gives an expansion in the solidness of about 64%, 18%, and 75% individually contrasted with the customary SMA blend.
- 2) The channel down worth declines with an expansion in plastic substance, and the worth is just 0.09% at 10% plastic substance and ends up being a successful balancing out added substance in SMA blends.
- 3) Marshall test has been conducted, and results of proving ring and dial gauge have been noted down and observed at 10–15% LDPE mix with Bitumen has good performance when compared to other mixes.
- 4) In this work, we perform a simulation investigation, and we made an equation.

## Declaration of Competing Interest

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## Further Reading

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