

# Hemp Stem Reinforced Concrete Composite Laminates

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## Abstract

This research is a continuation of the research work presented in reference [Soni et al 2024] in which a number of specimens were prepared. Micromechanical effective stem properties were computed. Here, we compare the weight of panels with different stem reinforcements. Also, we have prepared a new set of panels for walk-way applications. A set of frames is prepared and used to make a specific panel configuration (Figure 3). A simple method of computing the weight and volume difference between stem reinforced concrete and pure concrete panels is used (Figure 4). Properties of at least 4 specimens of hemp stem reinforced concrete composite specimens are measured.

## Keywords

Hemp, fiber, composites, laminates, micromechanics and macromechanics.

## Biographies

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