



# APPLICATION OF CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE FOR SUSTAINABLE PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION- A REVIEW

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**Abstract-** Over the past few decades, there has been a sharp rise in the production of construction and demolition waste (CDW) on a global scale, which has led to environmental issues as a result of its unregulated disposal. The use of recycled materials has increased within the same time period, mostly for sustainable development and environmental protection. In lieu of inefficient disposal and management of this type of trash, the objective of this research is to examine the HMA production for pavement construction utilizing recycled construction and demolition waste aggregates. These materials can be utilized to construct unbound layer like base, sub-base, and subgrade of pavement. For the preservation of natural resources, sustainable pavements composed of recyclable materials have recently become essential. In place of natural aggregates like broken rocks, CDW has been considered as a recycling material, potentially lowering environmental effects and boosting the economic potential of recycling. It has been demonstrated that doing so reduces the carbon footprint of the construction industry, conserves natural resources, reduces hazardous emissions, and lowers total costs for paving construction and maintenance. This paper examines the investigations that have been conducted on the usage of aggregates made from building and demolition waste in asphalt and unbound pavement layers. Therefore, the primary goal of this paper has been to conduct a literature review that would identify alternate strategies to use CDW in pavement projects. In order to encourage highway administrations to create new technical criteria and recommendations on CDW recycling, this paper aims to propose techniques that will do just that. This study seeks to announce the beginning of a new age of economic innovation in pavement engineering.

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## 1 Introduction

Construction and demolition waste (CDW) production has grown remarkably as a result of the expansion of the construction industry. This has exacerbated issues brought on by ineffective administrative practices, like the uncontrolled and disorganized disposal of CDW, specifically in huge cities. Urban building is an ideal section for promoting the responsible use of waste materials and industrial by-products. As buildings, roads, walkways, bridges, and other structures are constructed and demolished, this business uses a lot of raw materials and produces a lot of garbage. Wood, plaster, concrete blocks, ceramics, mortar, asphalt concrete mills, bricks, simple and reinforced concrete make up the majority of this waste [1].

Maintaining natural resources now requires sustainable pavements made of recycled materials. In order to reduce possible environmental effects and increase the possible economic worth of recycling, CDW has been investigated as a material for recycling in place of natural aggregates like crushed rocks. Explicitly in structural layers like pavement sub base and base, recycled construction and demolition waste (RCDW) aggregate has been strongly employed as a granular material. RCDW aggregate's makeup can vary greatly based on the elements that make up its components (e.g., mortar, cement concrete, crushed stones, and ceramic) [2, 3].



The introduction of enormous volumes of these materials into the highway industry still stands as one of the most practical strategies. Despite the fact that there have been a variety of attempts to reduce accumulated CDW stockpiles. This is because large-scale asphalt projects are required. Which depend on enormous amounts of paving materials. Roadways continue to be the most accessible and pervasive form of transportation in the globe when compared to other transport forms (railway, airway, maritime, and multimodal). Any nation would have to make a significant financial expenditure to build long-lasting roadways made up of pavement layers placed at top of a compacted subgrade. The majority of total waste content (65–70%) is made up of concrete since reinforced concrete structures account for a significant share of common CDW globally. However, the use of any reclaimable/recyclable/reusable aggregates as a substitute material is anticipated to be more cost-effective, sustainable, environmentally safe, and satisfactorily consistent with the needed criteria as compared to natural substances. [4].

Huge quantities of CDW are typically disposed of at landfills, thus reduces the land's capacity and degrades the environment. In order to increase sustainability, recycled CDW has been used in subgrade construction, which not only reduces the need for building materials but also lessens the environmental harm that CDW causes to the environment. As an outcome, CDW recycling and utilization are essential for the growth of the sustainable construction industry [5].

Improved knowledge of CDW production and management, along with the environmental effects resulting from its management, is necessary to execute sustainable recycling initiatives. According to reports, recycled aggregates are environmentally sustainable in regions where virgin materials must be transported over great distances or where natural resources are extremely rare. In order to create sustainable CDW management systems, environmental and management challenges should be properly assessed. [6].

In figure 1. A generalized classification scheme for CDW depending upon its origin of resources is shown. It is generally recognized that depending on the regions in which they are produced, the amount and makeup of any residue, and in particular, CDW, can vary greatly. These influences include population development, topography, regional planning, soil characteristics legislation, building materials, and technologies. [7, 8].

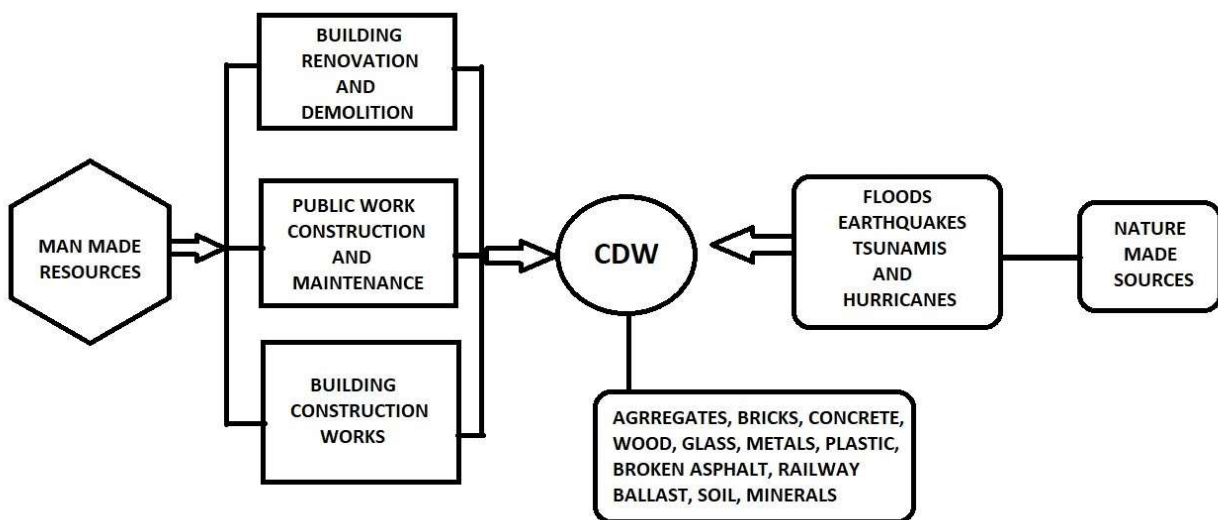


Figure 1: CDW classification based on source of origin

In light of this, the purpose of this study is to first outline numerous advantages of CDW recycling before attempting to increase current understanding of potential CDW incorporation into paving materials. This review study aims to inspire future ground-breaking research that will remove current barriers to the widespread use of CDW in flexible pavements in underdeveloped nations by providing background information. Future research in this area should also look into ways to modify asphalt plants of the present and the future generations in order to encourage states, municipalities, and contractors to work together even more closely on CDW recycling projects.



## **2 Issues Related to Construction and Demolition Waste (CDW)**

Solid wastes are typically used to describe the construction and demolition (C&D) materials produced by some construction and demolition activities. Solid wastes generated during the building, remodelling, and repair of individual homes, businesses, and other civil related projects are referred to as construction waste. Generally speaking, demolition trash are the leftovers from razed buildings and roadways. The environment is under a great deal of pressure due to the recent development of massive amounts of solid waste created throughout the world, with the construction and demolition industries producing the majority of these wastes.

In 2014, construction and demolition (CD) operations produced about 0.530 billion tonnes in the United States and 1130 million tonnes in China. Comparatively speaking, the construction industry in Europe generates 35% of the overall amount of garbage, which is double and quadruple times greater than total amount of home waste produced in the United States and Europe, accordingly. The European Union as a whole has accomplished the 2020 recovery horizon, including backfilling. Out of the 19 member nations, 11 still need to strengthen their recovery capacities in order to meet the EU goal. More over 0.368 billion tonnes of demolition and construction garbage were produced in the 28 EU members plus the United Kingdom in 2018 [9, 10].

Untreated C&D waste has been accumulated in landfills and rural regions, posing a serious hazard to the environment and public health. The C&D garbage landfill uses up valuable land and raises issues with water contamination, soil deterioration, and global warming. Investigating inefficient and sustainable development models is essential to recycle C&D waste. Construction and demolition waste (CDW) from initiatives like building new superstructures and infrastructures, as well as from rehabilitation and repair work on existing structures, is currently overflowing global landfills. The techniques used to get rid of this trash is a serious issue as well. The dumping of these substances, which is typically haphazard, has a serious pessimistic impression on the surroundings, contaminating the air, water, and soil. As well as exhausting places that might otherwise be livable [11].

Trash produced during the building, maintenance, restoration, and destruction of bridges, roads, building, and other infrastructure is referred to as construction and demolition (C&D) waste. It has certain negative environmental effects that include consuming valuable land space, depleting landfills, using energy and non-energy resources, depleting resources, and polluting the environment [12].

## **3 Use of CDW for sustainable pavement construction**

The majority of total waste content (65–70%) is made up of concrete since reinforced concrete structures account for a significant share of common CDW globally. In comparatively low level applications, like the road building industry, it is being proposed that the concrete obtained from regular CDW can be crushed and then utilized to replace all or at least a portion of freshly quarried (primary) aggregates.

However, in recent years, interest in the Super paver design that is based on the volumetric characteristics of HMA has grown. These basic volumetric characteristics of asphaltic mixtures include air voids, voids filled with bitumen, dry bulk density, and voids in mineral aggregate. Asphaltic pavement's in-situ performance is directly influenced by the design's dependability, the quality of the materials used, the construction methods used, the amount of traffic, the environment, and the pavement's functional and structural resistance to deterioration. The volumetric and mechanical characteristics of HMA by CDW have been described in a wide variety of research up to this point. The use of coarser RCA (Recycled Concrete Aggregate) enhanced efficiency in the form of stiffness and stability, according to the results of earlier experiments. This noticeable improvement is related to the transformation of RCA particles into surfaces that are severely crushed and have sharp edges, which immediately increases friction force in the HMA matrix. [13]- [16].

In instance, structural layers such as pavement base sand sub bases have effectively utilized recycled construction and demolition waste (RCDW) as a granular pavement material. However, the applications of scrap tyres in civil engineering projects are widely known. These applications include reuse for generating plastic and rubber goods, producing feedstock of carbon black, burning for the creation of steam, and building cement as a fuel for the kiln. Crumb rubber (R) is used in applications in civil engineering because it offers great soundproofing, good acid resistance, strong water resistance, absorbs plastic energy, and has a significant impact resistance. The porosity, strength, and deformability of the C&D



aggregates including rubber were affected by the effects of high temperature, and it was determined that adding rubber to the aggregates would improve their response to significant temperature exposure in terms of deformability and strength. [17, 18].

Over the past few decades, production of construction and demolition (C&D) materials, such as recovered concrete aggregate (RCA) and dragging asphalt fragments (DAP), has significantly increased. Demolition of concrete structures yields the RCA, whereas demolition of asphalt pavements yields the DAP. In recent years, these materials have been extensively used in modern road constructions, particularly in the subgrade layer, thereby lowering their potential environmental impact and achieving sustainability on a global scale. The issues of inelastic response to high dynamics loads were solved by increasing energy absorption by introducing clay towards the RCA and DAP materials. As the moisture content being used compaction rose, the swelling percentages observed with the CBR tests dropped. This implies that in order to lessen the economic and environmental problems throughout the world, the C&D materials in the manner used here may be blended with clay at relevant content for subgrade of road pavement [19]- [21].

Some of the innumerable advantages of potential CDW recycling include conserving the planet's limited natural resources, reducing manufacturing dependence on raw materials, saving the money, getting rid of waste stockpiles, lowering main disposal costs, and - unquestionably - making the world's environment cleaner and more sustainable. [22].

#### 4 CDW Recycling Advantages and Consequences

Table 1. Also exemplifies some of the countless advantages of CDW recycling, some of which include conserving the planet's limited natural resources, reducing manufacturing dependence on raw materials, saving money, getting rid of waste stockpiles, lowering main disposal costs, and - without a doubt - making the world's environment cleaner and more sustainable [23]-[25].

*Table 1 CDW Recycling advantages and consequences*

<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Consequences</b>
Financial Resource Savings	Energy decrease for virgin materials process, refining, extracting and transportation
Decrease in Raw material dependency	High industrial material use and low use of earth resources
Natural resource preservation	Future protection of natural habitats
Environment protection	Prevention of change in climate
Waste stock elimination	Decrease in water and air pollution and greenhouse gas emission
Decrease in expenses related to disposal	Landfilling and haulage cost decrease

There is a lot of possibility for CDW to be recycled and used again. Aggregates made from CDW are highly sought-after on the market for usage in construction materials and projects. Numerous studies have been conducted in recent years to determine whether it is feasible to use CDW in projects including ceramic materials, mortar, and concrete, a landfill cover layer, asphalt, and roadways [26]- [28].

#### 5 Conclusion

The viability of employing CDW as paving materials for new construction was assessed in this study. This review paper's major finding can be summed up as follows:

1. This study explores the practicality of using recycled construction and demolition waste aggregates to manufacture hot asphalt mixtures for roadways in order to decrease the environmental effect caused by incorrect management and disposal of building and demolition waste.



2. Due to its exceptional strength and bearing capacity, using CDW-derived materials in the construction of roadway bases and sub bases is another advantageous option.
3. Before being used in subgrades, the primary CDW are complex mixtures that require careful manufacturing processes to be completed, and before pavement is constructed, the water content and maximum particle sizes of the preparatory CDW materials must comply with criteria.
4. Given that their acceptance can be gauged based on their real laboratory and field determined properties, in pavements the use of CDWs is probably one of their greatest applications. Their constituents are typically natural aggregates, which is typically advantageous for their application as unbound layers.
5. Using CDWs in pavement construction has shown to be a practical way to take advantage of their remaining good characteristics. The quality of the finished product is greatly influenced by the recycling procedures and the proper selection and classification of the raw waste materials.

In order to mitigate the environmental issues caused by the improper management and waste disposal. This study explores the practicality of using recycled construction and demolition waste aggregates to manufacture hot asphalt mixtures for paving urban roadways in order to decrease the environmental effect caused by incorrect management and disposal of building and demolition waste. Numerous habitats and species, and also climate change and air pollution are negatively impacted by poor waste management.

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