# "Use of Fly Ash as a Construction Material"







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# **Upcoming Coal Fired Power Plants**

Station	Location	Capacity (MW)	Status
Jamshoro Coal Power Project	Jamshoro, Sindh	600	Under construction. Dawn, 27 Feb 2015
KE Coal Power Plant	Karachi, Sindh	660	Under construction.
HUBCO-II	Hub, Balochistan	1200	Under construction by GEDC
Sindh Engro Thar Coal Power Project	Tharparkar, Sindh	1200	Under construction.
Fauji Fertilizer Power	Port Qasim	118	Applied for License December 2014
Sahiwal Coal Power Project	Sahiwal, Punjab	1320	Under construction, May 2014. To be completed by 2016. Dawn, 27 Feb 15
Port Qasim Electric Power Co. (Sinohydro)	Port Qasim, Karachi, Sindh	1200	Under construction, May 2014, China's Power & Qatar's Al-Mirqab Group JV.
Thar Coal Power Plant	Tharparkar, Sindh	660	Proposed

6,898 MW to generate 5.2 million ton of fly ash/year (@ 750 MT / MW)

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# **K-Electric Bin Qasim TPS**





- Coal fired power plant generate Fly Ash (flue ash).
- Fly ash is fine particles that rise with flue gases.
- Fly ash is captured by electrostatic precipitators or filter bag

Unit 3 & 4 Planned to be Converted From Furnace Oil to Coal Fired

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# **Method of Fly Ash Transfer**





# **Fly Ash Parameters**

- LOI is a measurement of unburned carbon (coal) remaining in the ash.
- Fineness of fly ash is defined as the percent by weight of the material retained on the 0.044 mm (No. 325) sieve.
- **Chemical composition** of fly ash relates directly to the mineral chemistry of the parent coal.
- **Uniformity** of fly ash characteristics from shipment to shipment is imperative in order to supply a consistent product.



# **Fly Ash Standards**

#### Sample Oxide Analyses of Ash and Portland Cement

Compounds	Fly Ash Class F	Fly Ash Class C	Portland Cement
SiO <sub>2</sub>	55	40	23
Al <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>3</sub>	26	17	4
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7	6	2
CaO (Lime)	9	24	64
MgO	2	5	2
SO <sub>3</sub>	1	3	2

#### **ASTM C-618 & AASHTO M 295**



# **Types of Fly Ash**

Class C Hydraulic in Nature with High Calcium (CaO)

Pozzolanic in Nature with Low Calcium (CaO)

Class F

# Fly Ash - An Engineering Material

Fly ash improves three important properties in concrete:

- 1. Workability
- 2. Strength
- 3. Durability

Fly Ash Concrete suitable for concrete structures built in coastal and marine environment with exposure to severe environment.

# **Workability**



- Fly Ash aka mineral admixture gives workability, reducing honey combing and segregation.
- Concrete requires less water.
- Improve finish including fair face concrete.

### **Concrete Strength**



### **Concrete Durability**



#### **Swimming Pool**

# **Concrete Durability**



#### Crack most likely due to steel corrosion

# **Concrete Durability**



#### Free lime accumulation on overflow wall

# **Concrete Durability**



#### Close up of free lime accumulation

# **Durability-Reducing Free Lime**



- Fly ash in concrete provides Chloride & Sulfate Resistance not available in SR Cement.
- Make durable concrete (resistance to rebar corrosion and permeability).

# **More Benefits of Fly Ash Concrete**

- Ease of Pumping
- Reduced Bleeding
- Decrease Permeability
- Reduced Heat of Hydration

- Improved Finishing
- Reduced Efflorescence
- Reduced Shrinkage
- Reduced Alkali Silica
  Reactivity



#### **Darawat Dam**



#### Qasim International Container Terminal, Port Qasim, Karachi



#### **Gwadar Port**





Dubai Marina





Nepal Middle Marsyangdi Hydroelectric Project



Duqm Seaport, Oman



#### KASB Head Office, Block 2, Clifton, Karachi

### **High Strength Concrete with Fly Ash**



Burj Khalifa, Dubai



New Doha International Airport, Qatar



World Trade Center, Bahrain

# Where is Fly Ash used?

- Flowable Fill
- Marine Concrete
  Structures
- Concrete Pile
- Basement & Retaining Wall
- Fair Face Concrete
- Plaster Works
- Road Base/Sub-base

- Reclamation of low lying area
- Waste Stabilization / Solidification
- Water Retaining
  Structure
- Sewage Systems including Tanks & Treatment Plants

# **Flowable Fill**

- Mixture of coal fly ash, water, and Portland cement that flows like a liquid, sets up like a solid, is self-leveling, and requires no compaction or vibration to achieve maximum density.
- Designed to function in the place of conventional backfill materials such as soil, sand, or gravel and to alleviate problems and restrictions generally associated with the placement of these materials.

#### **Application**

# **Benefits of Flowable Fill**

- Allows placement in any weather conditions
- 100 percent density with no compactive effort
- Fills around/under structures inaccessible to conventional fill placement techniques
- Increases soil-bearing capacities
- Prevents post-fill settlement problems
- Increases the speed of backfilling operations
- Decreases the variability in the density of the backfilled materials

#### **Application**

# **Back Filling with Flowable Fill**









#### Conclusions

### **The Way Forward for Pakistan**

- 1. Increasing life of concrete roads and structures by improving concrete durability
- 2. Net reduction in energy use and greenhouse gas and other adverse air emissions when fly ash is used to replace or displace manufactured cement
- 3. Reduction in amount of coal combustion products that must be disposed in landfills
- 4. Conservation of other natural resources and materials.

#### Conclusions

# **Green Business**







