

Strengthening of Reinforced Concrete Beams using Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites.

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Abstract

Around the world, a lot of research is as of now being directed concerning the utilization of fiber reinforced plastic envelops, overlays and sheets by the fix and fortifying of reinforced solid individuals. Fiber-reinforced polymer (FRP) application is an exceptionally compelling approach to fix and fortify structures that have turned out to be fundamentally powerless over their life expectancy. FRP fix frameworks give a monetarily reasonable option in contrast to conventional fix frameworks and materials.

Exploratory examinations on the flexural and shear conduct of RC beams fortified utilizing continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets are completed. Remotely reinforced solid beams with epoxy-fortified GFRP sheets were tried to disappointment utilizing a symmetrical two point concentrated static stacking framework. Two arrangements of beams were threw for this trial test program. In SET I three beams frail in flexure were threw, out of which one is controlled bar and other two beams were fortified utilizing continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets in flexure. In SET II three beams frail in shear were threw, out of which one is the controlled bar and other two beams were fortified utilizing continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer

(GFRP) sheets in shear. The reinforcing of the beams is finished with various sum and setup of GFRP sheets.

Test information on load, diversion and disappointment methods of every one of the beams were gotten. The detail system and use of GFRP sheets for fortifying of RC beams is additionally included. The impact of number of GFRP layers and its introduction on extreme load conveying limit and disappointment method of the beams are investigated.

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Introduction

The maintenance, rehabilitation and updating of structural members, is maybe a standout amongst the most pivotal issues in civil engineering applications. In addition, a substantial number of structures built in the past utilizing the more established plan codes in various parts of the world are structurally risky as indicated by the new plan codes. Since substitution of such deficient components of structures brings about an immense measure of open cash and time, fortifying has turned into the adequate method for enhancing their heap conveying limit and expanding their administration lives. Infrastructure rot caused by untimely decay of buildings and structures has lead to

the examination of a few procedures for fixing or reinforcing purposes. One of the difficulties in reinforcing of solid structures is determination of a fortifying technique that will improve the quality and workableness of the structure while tending to confinements, for example, constructability, building activities, and spending plan. Structural reinforcing might be required because of a wide range of circumstances.

- Additional quality might be expected to take into account higher burdens to be put on the structure. This is frequently required when the utilization of the structure changes and a higher load-conveying limit is required. This can likewise happen if extra mechanical gear, documenting frameworks, grower, or different things are being added to a structure.

- Strengthening might be expected to enable the structure to oppose loads that were not foreseen in the first plan. This might be experienced when structural strengthening is required for burdens coming about because of wind and seismic powers or to enhance protection from impact stacking.

- Additional quality might be required because of an inadequacy in the structure's capacity to convey the first plan loads. Lacks might be the consequence of weakening (e.g., erosion of steel fortification and loss of solid section), structural harm (e.g., vehicular effect, exorbitant wear, intemperate stacking, and fire), or blunders in the first plan or development (e.g., lost or missing strengthening steel and insufficient solid quality). When managing such conditions, each project has its very own arrangement of confinements and requests. In the case of tending to space limitations, constructability confinements, toughness requests, or any

number of different issues, each project requires a lot of innovativeness in touching base at a reinforcing arrangement.

The dominant part of structural reinforcing includes enhancing the capacity of the structural component to securely oppose at least one of the accompanying interior powers caused by stacking: flexure, shear, pivotal, and torsion. Reinforcing is practiced by either decreasing the size of these powers or by upgrading the part's protection from them. Normal fortifying systems, for example, section amplification, remotely fortified fortification, post-tensioning, and supplemental backings might be utilized to accomplish enhanced quality and functionality.

Fortifying frameworks can enhance the opposition of the current structure to inner powers in either an inactive or dynamic way. Detached fortifying frameworks are normally connected just when extra loads, past those current at the time of establishment, are

connected to the structure. Holding steel plates or fiber-reinforced polymer (FRP) composites on the structural members are instances of aloof fortifying frameworks. Dynamic reinforcing frameworks ordinarily draw in the structure quickly and might be cultivated by acquainting outside powers with the part that balance the impacts of inward powers. Instances of this incorporate the utilization of outside post-tensioning frameworks or by jacking the part to ease or exchange existing burden. Regardless of whether uninvolved or dynamic, the principle challenge is to accomplish composite conduct between the current structure and the new fortifying components.

The choice of the most appropriate strategy for reinforcing requires cautious

thought of numerous variables including the accompanying engineering issues:

- Magnitude of solidarity increment;
- Effect of changes in relative part firmness;
- Size of project (techniques including unique materials and strategies might be less practical on little projects);
- Environmental conditions (techniques utilizing glues may be inadmissible for applications in high-temperature situations, outside steel strategies may not be reasonable in destructive conditions);
- In-put solid quality and substrate trustworthiness (the adequacy of strategies depending on attach to the current cement can be essentially restricted by low solid quality);
- Dimensional/freedom limitations (section broadening may be constrained by how much the expansion can infringe on encompassing clear space);
- Accessibility;
- Operational requirements (techniques requiring longer development time may be less alluring for applications in which building activities must be closed down amid development);
- Availability of materials, hardware, and qualified temporary workers;
- Construction cost, maintenance expenses, and life-cycle costs; and
- Load testing to confirm existing limit or assess new procedures and materials.

So as to stay away from the issues made by the consumption of steel support in solid structures, examine has shown that one could supplant the steel fortification by fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) fortification. Consumption of the steel fortification in reinforced cement (RC) structures influences the quality of both the steel and the solid. The quality of a consuming steel fortifying bar is diminished on account of a

decrease in the cross-sectional region of the steel bar. While the steel strengthening bars are consuming, the solid trustworthiness is disabled as a result of breaking of the solid cover caused by the extension of the consumption products.

The rehabilitation of infrastructures isn't new, and different projects have been done far and wide in the course of recent decades. One of the methods used to fortify existing reinforced solid members includes outer holding of steel plates by methods for two-part epoxy glues. By along these lines, it is conceivable to enhance the mechanical execution of a part. The wide utilization of this strategy for different structures, including buildings and extensions, has shown its productivity and its comfort. Disregarding this reality, the plate holding procedure shows a few weaknesses because of the utilization of steel as reinforcing material. The chief disadvantages of steel are its high weight which causes challenges in taking care of the plates nearby and its helplessness against destructive situations. In addition, steel plates have constrained conveyance lengths and, subsequently, they require joints.

PRESENT INVESTIGATION

The reason for this examination is to investigate the flexural and shear conduct of reinforced solid beams fortified with shifting design and layers of GFRP sheets. All the more especially, the impact of the quantity of GFRP layers and its introduction on the quality and malleability of beams are investigated. Two arrangements of beams were created and tried up to disappointment. In SET I three beams feeble in flexure were threw, out of which one is controlled bar and other two beams were fortified utilizing continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets in flexure. In SET II three beams frail in shear were threw, out of which one is the controlled shaft and other

two beams were fortified by utilizing continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets in shear.

STRUCTURAL INVESTIGATIONS

The historical backdrop of fortified outer fortification in the UK returns to 1975 with the reinforcing of the Quinton Bridges on the M5 motorway. This plan pursued various long stretches of improvement work by the Transport and Road Research Laboratory (TRRL), (now TRL), in relationship with glue producers and the Department of Transport. As far as testing projects, innovative work proceeded at the TRRL and at a few scholastic establishments in the UK, most outstandingly at the University of Sheffield. Hypothetical examinations and the assessment of reasonable cements were associated to the broad shaft testing programs which were embraced.

Primer examinations were directed by Irwin (1975). Macdonald (1978) and Macdonald and Calder (1982) revealed four point stacking tests on steel plated RC beams of length 4900mm. These beams were utilized to give information to the proposed fortifying of the Quinton Bridges (Raithby, 1980 and 1982), and fused two diverse epoxy cements, two plate thicknesses of 10.0mm and 6.5mm offering width-to-thickness (b/t) proportions of 14 and 22, and a plate lap-joint at its middle. In all cases it was discovered that disappointment of the beams happened toward one side by level shear in the solid nearby the steel plate, beginning at the plate end and bringing about sudden division of the plate with the solid still joined, up to about mid-length. The outside plate was found to have a considerably more noteworthy impact regarding break control and solidness. The heaps required to cause a split width of 0.1mm were expanded by

95%, while the diversions under this heap were

considerably lessened. The post breaking solidness was observed to be expanded by between 35– 105% relying on the kind of glue utilized and the plate measurements. The highlights of this work turned into the subject of a progressively nitty gritty program of research at the TRRL (Macdonald, 1982; Macdonald and Calder, 1982), in which a progression of RC beams of length 3500mm were tried in four point bending. The beams were either plated as-cast or plated subsequent to being stacked to deliver a most extreme split width of 0.1mm. The impact of augmenting the plate while keeping up its cross-sectional region steady was contemplated. It was discovered that the plated as-cast and the pre-split beams gave comparable load/deflection bends, exhibiting the adequacy of outside plating for reinforcing purposes.

A broad program of research work completed at the University of Sheffield since the late 1970s has featured various impacts of outer, epoxy-reinforced steel plates on the functionality and extreme load conduct of RC beams. A concise synopsis of a portion of the examination findings is exhibited by Jones and Swamy (1995).

Steel plate reinforcing of existing structures has likewise been investigated in Switzerland at the Swiss Federal Laboratories for Material Testing and Research (EMPA) (Ladner and Weder, 1981). Bending tests were completed on RC beams 3700mm long, and the plate width-to-thickness (b/t) proportion was considered while keeping up the plate cross-sectional region consistent. The outside plate proceeded through and past the pillar bolsters,

with which they were not in contact, for a separation to such an extent that the fortified zone (48000mm²)

was the equivalent for each plate width. The outer plate was not attached to the solid shaft aside from in the safe haven regions past the backings. The outcomes plainly demonstrated that thin plating was more successful than thick tight plating, as noted in studies led in the UK. The viable port length l_a which enabled the plate to achieve yield before shear disappointment adjoining the reinforced zones was observed to be contrarily relative to the b/t proportion. Along these lines, as b/t expanded (wide, thin plates), the jetty length diminished.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To study the flexural behavior of reinforced solid beams.
- To study the impact of GFRP fortifying on extreme load conveying limit and disappointment example of reinforced solid beams.
- To study the shear conduct of reinforced solid beams.
- To study the impact of GFRP fortifying on the shear conduct of reinforced solid beams.

EXPERIMENTAL STUDY

The experimental study consists of casting of two sets of reinforced concrete (RC) beams. In SET I three beams weak in flexure were casted, out of which one is controlled beam and other two beams were strengthened using continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets in flexure. In SET II three beams weak in shear were casted, out of which one is the controlled beam and other two beams were strengthened by using continuous glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP) sheets in shear. The strengthening of the beams is done with varying configuration and layers of GFRP sheets. Experimental

data on load, deflection and failure modes of each of the beams were obtained. The change in load carrying capacity and failure mode of the beams are investigated as the amount and configuration of GFRP sheets are altered. The following chapter describes in detail the experimental study

CASTING OF BEAMS

Two sets of beams were casted for this experimental test program. In SET I three beams (F1, F2 and F3) weak in flexure were casted using same grade of concrete and reinforcement detailing. In SET II three beams (S1, S2 and S3) weak in shear were casted using same grade of concrete and reinforcement detailing.

STRENGTHENING OF BEAMS

Before bonding the composite fabric onto the concrete surface, the required region of concrete surface was made rough using a coarse sand paper texture and cleaned with an air blower to remove all dirt and debris. Once the surface was prepared to the required standard, the epoxy resin was mixed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Mixing was carried out in a plastic container (Araldite LY 556 – 100 parts by weight and Hardener HY 951 – 8 parts by weight) and was continued until the mixture was in uniform colour.

When this was completed and the fabrics had been cut to size, the epoxy resin was applied to the concrete surface. The composite fabric was then placed on top of epoxy resin coating and the resin was squeezed through the roving of

the fabric with the roller. Air bubbles entrapped at the epoxy/concrete or epoxy/fabric interface were to be eliminated. Then the second layer of the epoxy resin was applied and GFRP sheet was then placed on top of epoxy resin coating and the resin was squeezed through the roving of the fabric with the roller and the above process was repeated. During hardening of the epoxy, a constant uniform pressure was applied on the composite fabric surface in order to extrude the excess epoxy resin and to ensure good contact between the epoxy, the concrete and the fabric. This operation was carried out at room temperature. Concrete beams strengthened with glass fiber fabric were cured for 24 hours at room temperature before testing.



Fig. 3.10 Application of epoxy and hardener on the beam



Fig. 3.11 Fixing of GFRP sheet on the beam



Fig. 3.12 Roller used for removal of air bubbles

Analytical Study INTRODUCTION

This chapter is devoted to the development of an analytical model to analyse and design reinforced concrete beams strengthened in flexural by means of externally bonded glass fiber reinforced polymer composite sheets. The purpose of this analytical model is to accurately predict the flexural behavior of reinforced concrete beams strengthened with GFRP sheet.

FLEXURAL STRENGTHENING OF BEAMS

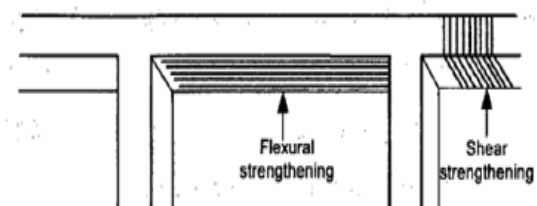


Fig. 4.1 Area for flexural and shear strengthening of beams

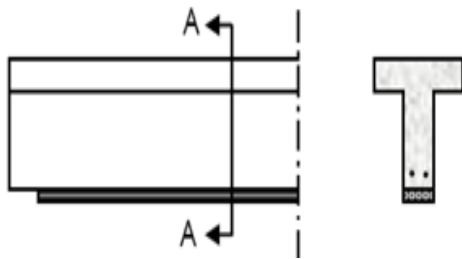


Fig. 4.2 Flexural strengthening of beam using FRP sheets at the bottom

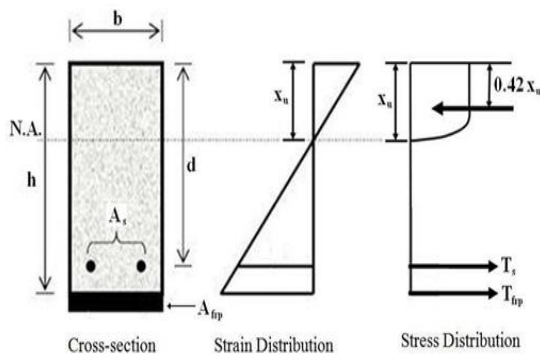


Fig. 4.3 Stress Strain diagram of singly reinforced beam strengthen with FRP

CALCULATION OF MOMENT OF RESISTANCE OF THE BEAMS

The moment of resistance of the SET I beams are obtained from the following calculations:

$$f_{ck} = 31 \text{ MPa}$$

$$b = 200 \text{ mm}$$

$$f_y = 415 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

$$A_{st} = 226.19 \text{ mm}^2$$

As per IS: 456 : 2000, Clause 38.1, ANNEX G, the total force due to compression is equal to the total force due to tension, hence

$$C = T$$

$$C_c = T_s$$

$$0.36 \times f_{ck} \times X_u \times b = 0.87 \times f_y \times A_{st} \times X_u = 36.59 \text{ mm}$$

$$MU = 0.36 \times f_{ck} \times X_u \times b (d - 0.42 \times X_u) = 17.12 \text{ KN - m}$$

Hence, the moment of resistance of beam F1 is 17.12KN-m.

Now considering the effect of strengthening of beam F2 using two layers of GFRP sheets, so along with the tensile force T_s an addition tensile force T_{frp} will be also acting.

The value of $T_{frp} = f_{frp} \times A_{frp}$ i.e. stress of GFRP X area of GFRP. The value of f_{frp} is obtained from the experimental testing.

$$f_{frp} = 334.5 \text{ N/mm}^2 \quad A_{frp} = 120 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$C = T$$

$$C_c = T_s + T_{frp}$$

$$0.36 \times f_{ck} \times X_u \times b = 0.87 \times f_y \times A_{st} + f_{frp} \times A_{frp} \times X_u = 54.54 \text{ mm}$$

$$MU = 0.36 \times f_{ck} \times X_u \times b (d - 0.42 \times X_u)$$

$$MU = 24.6 \text{ KN - m}$$

Hence the moment of resistance of beam F2 is 24.6 KN - m . Due to application of two layers of GFRP sheet at the soffit of the F2 beam, the moment of resistance of the beam F2 is higher than moment of resistance of beam F1. The depth of neutral axis and the moment of resistance of both the beams is presented in table 4.1.'

Beam	X_u (mm)	M_u (KN-m)
F1	36.59	17.12
F2	54.54	24.6

Table 4.1 Analytical calculations of beams F1 and F2

To increase flexural strength, FRP fabrics are bonded as an external reinforcement on the tension side of steel-reinforced concrete beams with fiber orientation along the member length. Depending on the ratio of FRP reinforcement area to the beam's cross-sectional area and the area of internal steel reinforcement, the increase in flexural strength can be more than 100%. However, a flexural strength increase up to 50% would be more realistic, which depends on practical considerations such as the concrete member dimensions, serviceability limits, ductility, and effective thickness of FRP fabric reinforcement. The design

philosophy of strengthening rectangular RC beams, is equally applicable to other shapes such as T- and I-sections having non-prestressed reinforcement.

ASSUMPTIONS

The accompanying suspicions are made in computing the flexural opposition of a section fortified with a remotely connected FRP framework:

- 1) Design counts depend on the genuine measurements, inside fortifying steel course of action, and material properties of the current part being reinforced;
- 2) The strains in the fortification and cement are specifically relative to the separation from the nonpartisan hub, that is, a plane section before loading stays plane in the wake of loading;
- 3) There is no relative slip between outer FRP support and the solid;
- 4) The shear misshapening inside the glue layer is ignored since the cement layer is thin with slight varieties in its thickness;
- 5) The greatest usable compressive strain in the solid is 0.003;
- 6) The elasticity of cement is dismissed; and
- 7) The FRP fortification has a direct flexible pressure strain relationship to disappointment.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

This section depicts the trial aftereffects of SET I beams (frail in flexure) and SET II beams (powerless in shear). Their behavior all through the static test to disappointment is depicted utilizing recorded information on avoidance behavior and a definitive load conveying limit. The split examples and the method of disappointment of each bar are likewise portrayed in this section.

Two arrangements of beams were tried for their definitive qualities. In SET I three beams (F1, F2 and F3) frail in flexure are tried. In SET II three beams (S1, S2 and S3) powerless in shear are tried. The beams F1 and S1 were taken as the control beams. It was seen that the beams F1 and S1 had less load conveying limit when contrasted with that of the remotely reinforced beams utilizing GFRP sheets. In SET I beams F2 is reinforced just at the soffit of the bar and F3 is fortified up to the unbiased pivot of the bar alongside the soffit of the pillar. SET II beams S2 is reinforced just along the edges of the bar in the shear zone and S3 is fortified by U-wrapping of the GFRP sheets in the shear zone of the pillar. Avoidance behavior and a definitive load conveying limit of the beams were noted. A definitive load conveying limit of the considerable number of beams alongside the idea of disappointment is given in Table 5.1.

FAILURES MODES

The flexural and shear quality of a section relies upon the controlling disappointment mode. The accompanying flexural and shear disappointment modes ought to be investigated for a FRP-fortified section:

- Crushing of the solid in pressure before yielding of the strengthening steel;
- Yielding of the steel in pressure pursued by burst of the FRP cover;
- Yielding of the steel in pressure pursued by solid squashing;
- Shear/pressure delamination of the solid (cover delamination); and
- Debonding of the FRP from the solid substrate (FRP debonding).

Various disappointment modes have been seen in the investigations of RC beams fortified in flexure and shear by GFRPs. These incorporate flexure disappointment,

shear disappointment, flexural disappointment due to GFRP crack and pulverizing of cement at the best. Solid pounding is accepted to happen if the compressive strain in the solid achieves its most extreme usable strain. Burst of the FRP cover is accepted to happen if the strain in the FRP achieves its plan break strain before the solid achieves its most extreme usable strain. Cover delamination or FRP debonding can happen if the power in the FRP can't be continued by the substrate. So as to forestall debonding of the FRP overlay, a restriction ought to be set on the strain level created in the cover.

The GFRP reinforced shaft and the control beams were tried to discover their definitive load conveying limit. It was discovered that the control beams F1 and S1 bombed in flexure and shear demonstrating that the beams were deficient in flexure and shear separately. In SET I pillar F2 flopped because of break of GFRP sheet in two pieces and afterward flexural-shear disappointment of the shaft occurred. Bar F3 bombed because of delamination of the GFRP sheet after that break of GFRP sheet occurred and afterward flexural-shear disappointment of the shaft. In SET I beams F2 and F3, GFRP break and flexural-shear sort of disappointment was noticeable when fortifying was finished utilizing both the wrapping plans. In SET II beams S2 and S3 flopped due to flexural disappointment and pulverizing of cement on the highest point of the bar. The SET II beams S2 what's more, S3 created major flexural breaks at a definitive burdens. In SET II beams S2 and S3 the flexural sort of disappointment was unmistakable when reinforcing was finished utilizing both the wrapping plans.

Sr. No.	Type of Beam	Beam designation	Load at initial crack (KN)	Ultimate load (kN)	Nature of failure
1	Beams weak in flexure (SET I)	F1	30	78	Flexural failure
		F2	34	104	GFRP rupture + Flexure-shear failure
		F3	Not visible	112	GFRP rupture + Flexure-shear failure
2	Beams weak in shear (SET II)	S1	35	82	Shear failure
		S2	39	108	Flexural failure + Crushing of concrete
		S3	40	122	Flexural failure + Crushing of concrete

Table 5.1 Ultimate load and nature of failure for SET I and SET II beams

LOAD DEFLECTION HISTORY

The heap redirection history of the considerable number of beams was recorded. The mid-length redirection of each beam was contrasted and that of their individual control beams. Likewise the heap avoidance behavior was analyzed between two wrapping plans having a similar support. It was noticed that the behavior of the flexure and shear deficient beams when reinforced with GFRP sheets were superior to anything their relating control beams. The mid-length diversions were much lower when reinforced remotely with GFRP sheets. The charts contrasting the mid-range redirection of flexure and shear deficient beams and their

comparing control beams are appeared in Figs 5.4 and 5.8. The utilization of GFRP sheet had impact in deferring the development of break arrangement. In SET I when both the wrapping plans were viewed as it was discovered that the beam F3 with GFRP sheet up to the nonpartisan hub alongside the soffit had a superior load redirection behavior when contrasted with the beam F2 with GFRP sheet just at the

soffit of the beam. In SET II when both the wrapping plans were viewed as it was discovered that the beam S3 with U wrapping of GFRP sheet had a superior load avoidance behavior when contrasted with the beam S2 with GFRP sheet just along the edges of the beam.

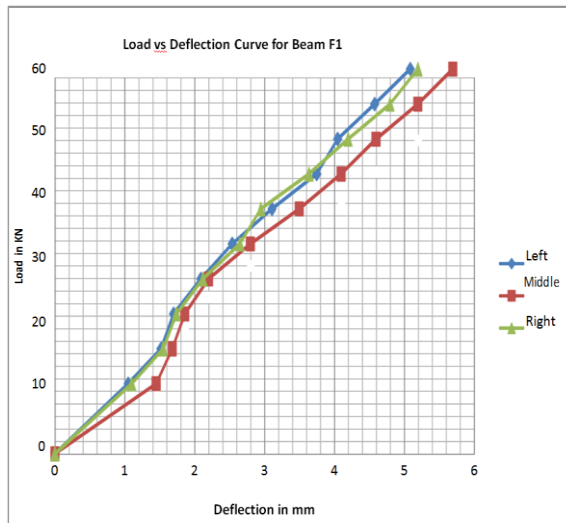


Fig. 5.1 Load vs Deflection Curve for Beam F1

Beam F1 was the control beam of SET I beams which were powerless in flexure however solid in shear. In beam F1 fortifying was not done. Two point static stacking was done on the beam and at the every addition of the heap, avoidance at the left, right and center dial checks were taken. Utilizing this heap and avoidance of information, stack versus diversion bend is plotted. At the heap of 30 KN beginning splits began going ahead the beams. Further with increment in stacking engendering of the breaks occurred. The beam F1 bombed totally in flexure.

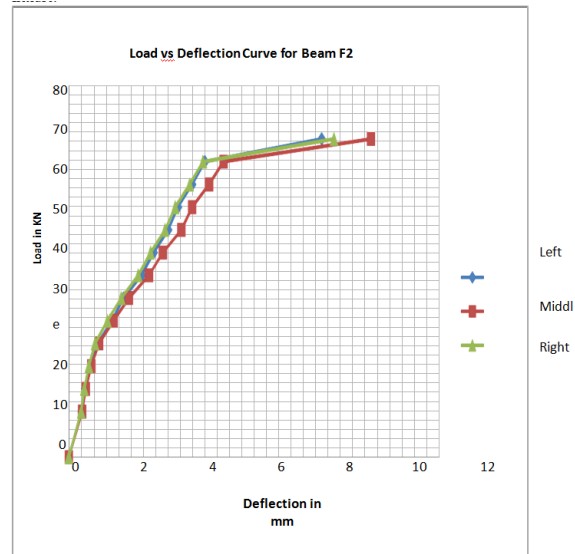
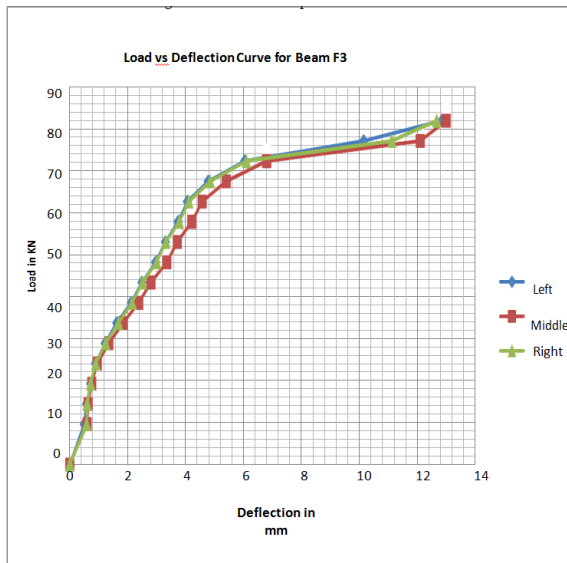


Fig. 5.2 Load vs Deflection Curve for Beam F2

Beam F2 of SET I beams which were powerless in flexure however solid in shear. In beam F2 reinforcing is finished by utilization of GFRP sheet just at the soffit of the beam. Two point static stacking was done on the beam and at the every addition of the heap, avoidance at the left, right and center dial measures were taken. Utilizing this heap and redirection of information, stack versus avoidance bend is plotted. At the heap of 34 KN introductory splits began going ahead the beams. Introductory breaks began at a higher load in beam F2 contrasted with beam F1. Further with increment in stacking engendering of the splits occurred. The beam F2 bombed in flexural shear. Beam F2 conveyed a higher extreme load contrasted with beam F1.



The load conveying limit of the control beams and the reinforce beams were discovered and is appeared in fig. 5.11 and 5.12. The control beams were loaded up to their extreme loads. It was noticed that of the considerable number of beams, the reinforce beams F2, F3 and S2, S3 had the higher load conveying limit contrasted with the controlled beams F1 and S1. An imperative character to be seen about the utilization of GFRP sheets is the high flexible behavior of the beams. The shear disappointment being sudden can prompt colossal harm to the structure. Be that as it may, the bendable behavior gotten by the utilization of GFRP can give us enough cautioning before a definitive disappointment. The utilization of FRP can defer the underlying breaks and further improvement of the splits in the beam.

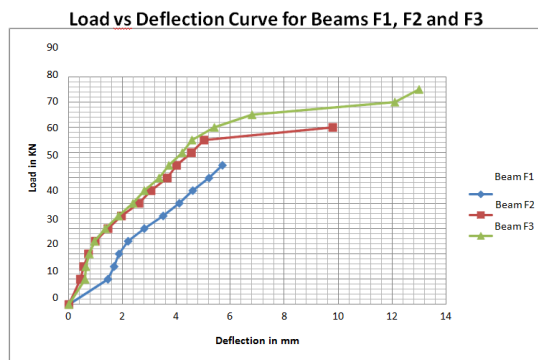


Fig. 5.4 Load vs Deflection Curves for Beams F1, F2 and F3]

From the load and deflection of information

of SET I beams F1, F2 and F3, load versus deflection bend is plotted for all the three beams. From this load versus deflection bend, unmistakably beam F1 has bring down extreme load conveying limit contrasted with beams F2 and F3. Beam F1 had likewise experienced higher deflection contrasted with beams F2 and F3 at a similar load. Beam F2 had higher extreme load conveying limit contrasted with the controlled beam F1 yet lower than beam F3. Beam F3 had higher extreme load conveying limit contrasted with the beams F1 and F2. Both the beams F2 and F3 had experienced relatively same deflection upto 65 KN load. After 65 KN load beam F3 had experienced same deflection as beam F2 yet at a higher load contrasted with beam F2. The deflection experienced by beam F3 is most noteworthy. Beam F2 had experienced higher deflection than beam F1.

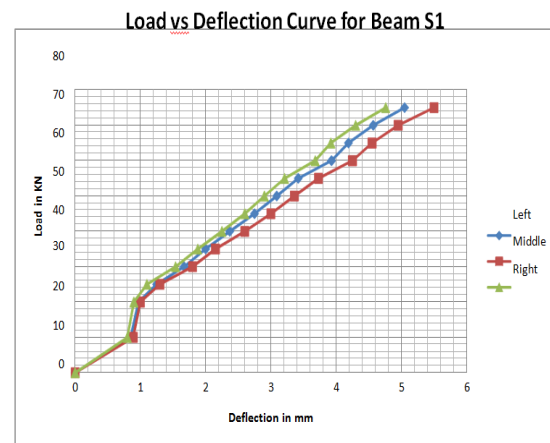


Fig. 5.5 Load vs Deflection Curve for Beam S1

COMPARISION OF RESULTS

The aftereffects of the two arrangement of beams tried are appeared in Table 5.1. The disappointment mode, load at beginning break and extreme load of the control beams without fortifying and the beams reinforce with two layers GFRP sheet are exhibited. The troubles inalienable to the comprehension of reinforce structural part behavior exposed to flexure and shear have

not permitted to build up a thorough hypothetical plan approach. The multifaceted nature of the issue has then made essential a broad exploratory research. Snapshot of obstruction of the SET I beams was determined systematically and was contrasted and the got test results

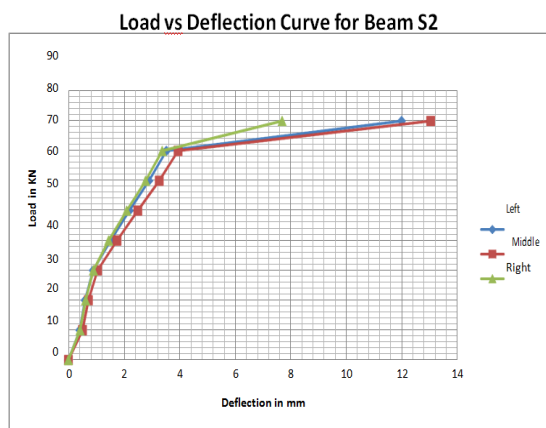


Fig. 5.6 Load vs Deflection Curve for Beam S2

Beam S2 of SET II beams which were powerless in shear yet solid in flexure. In beam S2 fortifying is finished by use of GFRP sheet just on the opposite sides of the beam. Two point static loading was done on the beam and at the every addition of the load, deflection at the left, right and center dial measures were taken. Utilizing this load and deflection of information, load versus deflection bend is plotted. At the load of 39 KN introductory splits began going ahead the beams. Introductory splits began at a higher load in beam S2 contrasted with beam S1. Further with increment in loading spread of the splits occurred. In beam S2 just flexural splits were created lastly the beam bombed by flexural disappointment and squashing of cement. Beam S2 conveyed an extreme load higher than beam S1 yet lower than beam

S3.

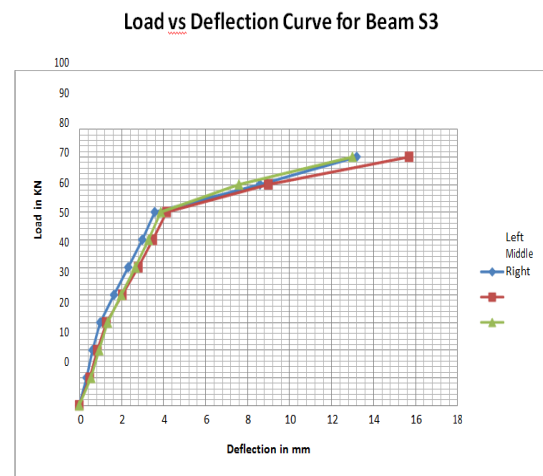


Fig. 5.7 Load vs Deflection Curve for Beam S3

Beam S3 of SET II beams which were powerless in shear yet solid in flexure. In beam S3 fortifying is finished by use of GFRP sheet as U-wrap on the beam. Two point static loading was done on the beam and at the every addition of the load, deflection at the left, right and center dial measures were taken. Utilizing this load and deflection of information, load versus deflection bend is plotted. At the load of 39 KN beginning splits began going ahead the beams. Introductory splits began at a higher load in beam S3 contrasted with beams S1 and S2. Further with increment in loading engendering of the breaks occurred. In beam S3 like beam S2 just flexural splits were produced lastly the beam bombed by flexural disappointment and smashing of cement, yet beam S3 conveyed a higher extreme load contrasted with both beam S1 and S2.

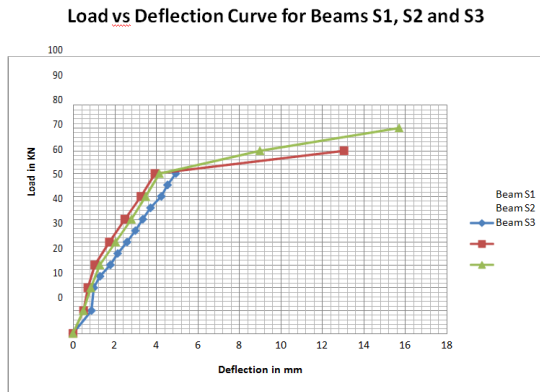


Fig. 5.8 Load vs Deflection Curves for Beams S1, S2 and S3.

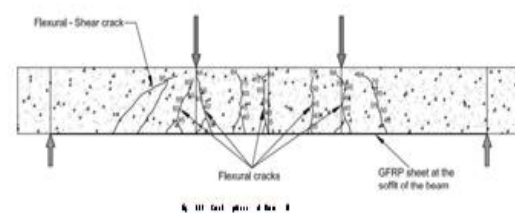
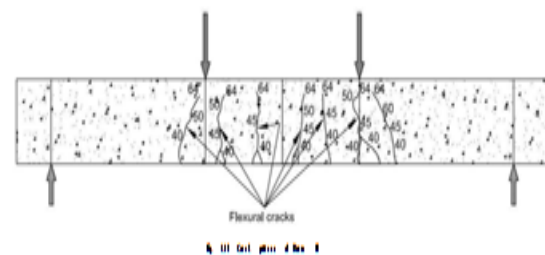
From the load and deflection of information of SET II beams S1, S2 and S3, load versus deflection bend is plotted for all the three beams. From this load versus deflection bend, unmistakably beam S1 has bring down extreme load conveying limit contrasted with beams S2 and S3. Beam S1 had additionally experienced higher deflection contrasted with beams S2 and S3 at a similar load. Beam S2 had higher extreme load conveying limit contrasted with the controlled beam S1 however lower than beam S3. Beam S3 had higher extreme load conveying limit contrasted with the beams S1 and S2. Both the beams S2 and S3 had experienced relatively same deflection upto 70 KN load. After 70 KN load beam S3 had experienced same deflection as beam S2 yet at a higher load contrasted with beam S2. The deflection experienced by beam S3 is most elevated. Beam S2 had experienced higher deflection than beam S1.

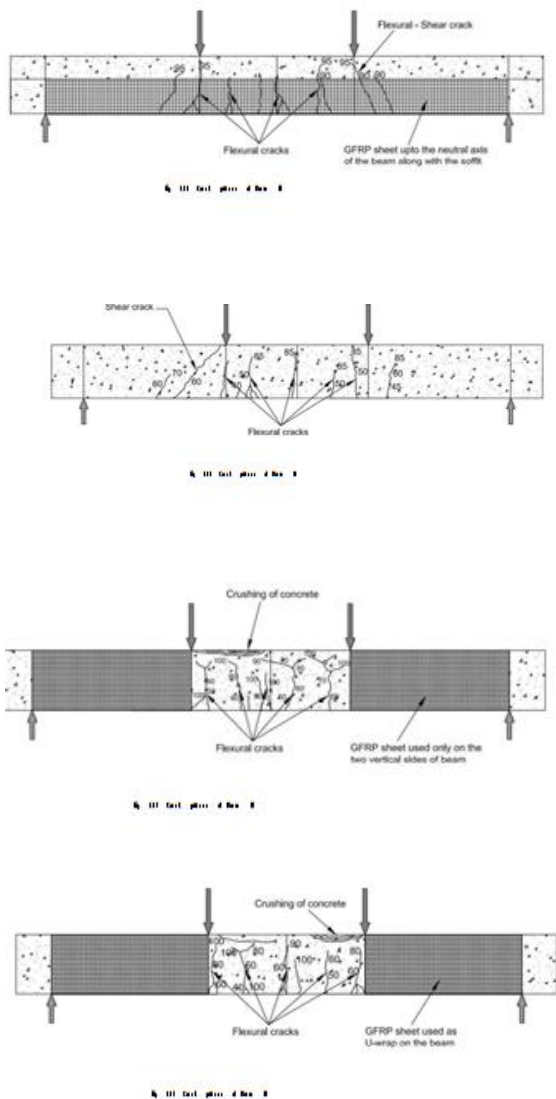
Crack Pattern

The crack patterns at fall for the tried beams of SET I and SET II are appeared in Fig. 5.13 to 5.18. In SET I the controlled beam F1 showed generally separated and lesser number of cracks contrasted with reinforced beams F2 and F3. The fortified beams F2 and F3 have likewise indicated cracks at generally close separating. This demonstrates the improved solid

constraintment because of the GFRP reinforcing. This composite activity has brought about moving of disappointment mode from flexural disappointment (steel yielding) in the event of controlled beam F2 to stripping of GFRP sheet if there should be an occurrence of reinforced beams F2 and F3. The debonding of GFRP sheet has occurred due to flexural-shear cracks by giving cracking sound. A crack ordinarily starts in the vertical course and as the load builds it moves slanted way because of the joined impact of shear and flexure. On the off chance that the load is expanded further, cracks propagate to top and the beam parts. This sort of disappointment is called flexure-shear disappointment.

In SET II beam S1 the shear cracks began at the focal point of short shear range. As the load expanded, the crack began to enlarge and propagated towards the area of loading. The cracking patterns demonstrate that the point of basic slanted crack with the flat hub is about 45° . For fortified reinforced solid beams S2 and S3, the quantities of vertical cracks were expanded contrasted with controlled beam S1.





COMPARISON OF RESULTS

The results of the two set of beams tested are shown in Table 5.1. The failure mode, load at initial crack and ultimate load of the control beams without strengthening and the beams strengthen with two layers GFRP sheet are presented. The difficulties inherent to the understanding of strengthen structural member behavior subjected to flexure and shear have not allowed to develop a rigorous theoretical design approach. The complexity of the problem has then made necessary an extensive experimental research. Moment of resistance of the SET I beams was calculated analytically

and was compared with the obtained experimental results

SET I Beams	M_u from analytical study	M_u from experimental study
F1	17.12KN-m	26.00KN-m
F2	24.60KN-m	34.68KN-m

Table 5.2 Comparison of M_u value obtained from analytical and experimental study

Conclusion

In this exploratory examination the flexural and shear behavior of reinforced solid beams fortified by GFRP sheets are contemplated. Two arrangements of reinforced cement (RC) beams, in SET I three beams feeble in flexure and in SET II three beams powerless in shear were threw and tried. From the test outcomes and determined quality qualities, the accompanying ends are drawn:

A) SET I Beams (F1, F2 and F3)

1. Initial flexural splits show up at a higher load by reinforcing the beam at soffit. A definitive load conveying limit of the reinforce beam F2 is 33 % more than the controlled beam F1.

2. Load at beginning breaks is additionally expanded by fortifying the beam at the soffit and on the opposite sides of the beam up to the unbiased pivot from the soffit. A definitive load conveying limit of the fortify beam F3 is 43 % more than the controlled beam F1 and 7 % more than the reinforce beam F2.

3. Analytical analysis is likewise completed to locate a definitive minute conveying limit and contrasted and the test results. It was discovered that diagnostic analysis predicts bring down an incentive than the trial discoveries.

4. When the beam isn't reinforce, it flopped in flexure yet in the wake of fortifying the beam in flexure, at that point flexure-shear disappointment of the beam happens which is more perilous than the flexural disappointment of the beam as it doesn't give much cautioning before disappointment. In this way it is prescribed to check the shear quality of the beam and complete shear reinforcing alongside flexural fortifying whenever required.

5. Flexural reinforcing up to the nonpartisan hub of the beam builds a definitive load conveying limit, however the splits created were not unmistakable up to a higher load. Because of imperceptibility of the underlying splits, it gives less cautioning contrasted with the beams fortify just at the soffit of the beam.

6. By reinforcing up to the unbiased hub of the beam, increment in a definitive load conveying limit of the beam isn't critical and cost contribution is very nearly three times contrasted with the beam fortify by GFRP sheet at the soffit as it were.

B) SET II Beams (S1, S2 and S3)

1. The control beam S1 bombed in shear as it was made deliberately powerless in shear.

2. The beginning breaks in the fortify beams S2 and S3 shows up at higher load contrasted with the un-reinforce beam S1.

3. After fortifying the shear zone of the beam the underlying breaks shows up at the flexural zone of the beam and the split enlarges and propagates towards the impartial pivot with increment of the load. The last disappointment is flexural disappointment which shows that the GFRP sheets increment the shear quality of the beam. A definitive load conveying limit of

the reinforce beam S2 is 31 % more than the controlled beam S1.

4. When the beam is fortify by U-enclosing by the shear zone, a definitive load conveying limit is expanded by 48 % contrasted with the control beam S1 and by 13% thought about the beam S2 reinforce by holding the GFRP sheets on the vertical sides alone in the shear zone of the beam.

5. When the beam is fortify in shear, at that point just flexural disappointment happens which gives adequate cautioning contrasted with the weak shear disappointment which is cataclysmic disappointment of beams.

6. The holding between GFRP sheet and the solid is unblemished up to the disappointment of the beam which obviously demonstrates the composite activity due to GFRP sheet.

7. Restoring or redesigning the shear quality of beams utilizing GFRP sheet can result in expanded shear quality and solidness with no unmistakable shear splits. Reestablishing the shear quality of beams utilizing GFRP is an exceedingly powerful system.

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