Fabrication and properties valuation of Natural fiber and filler-based hybrid-polymer composites

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Abstract: Because of biodegradability, low weight, non-da000nger, instability, decreased condition, contamination, little effort, and simplicity of recyclability, natural fibre polymer composites are now being utilized in place of synthetic fibre reinforced polymer composites. By altering the fibre and epoxy percentages, to find the effect of sisal fibre content on mechanical characteristics of composites is the objective of research. Melt-mixing was used to make the composite, which was then laid out by hand layup method. The purpose of this research is to look at fibre oriented reinforced composite polymer nano composite materials that mix with hybrid composites such as JUTE, SISAL/EGG SHELL, and epoxy polymer in the ratio of sisal fibre 70% + jute 20% + Egg shell 10% and sisal fibre 60% + jute 20% + Egg shell 20% by volume. The mechanical characteristics were calculated by performing tests on the specimen's tension, hardness, and flexural qualities in line with ASTM standards.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Research in common fiber-supported polymer composites is quickly expanding, in terms of contemporary applications and fundamental research. They are modest, recyclable to some extent or completely, sustainable, and biodegradableWith the aid of composites, it is becoming more and more common to employ plants like sisal,banana,cotton,pineapple, hemp, flax,kenaf,jute, bamboo and other similar ones as a source of lignocellulosic filaments. In contrast to artificial filaments,glass and carbon used in composites construction, they are an attractive environmental alternative because of their accessibility, sustainability, low thickness, and cost as well as pleasant mechanical properties.The normal fiber containing composites are all the more innocent to the surroundings, and implemented

in areas such as transportation, defense applications, constructing as well as improvement ventures, consumer gadgets etc. Regular filaments order has been shown in Fig.1. Hand lay-up process is the least complex strategy for composite handling. The infrastructural prerequisite for this method is additionally insignificant. The handling steps are very number one. Dainty plastic sheets are carried out at the top and decrease a part of the form plate to get terrific floor of completion of the object. Support as woven mats or hacked strand mats are reduced in keeping with the shape length and set at the outer layer of form after Perspex sheet.Sausa et al [1] investigated results of three coping borders in mechanical behavior of slashed bagasse-polyester composite material.Barriers assessed had been: the dimensions of the slashed fabric, the pre-treatment had been given from the past handling of bagasse fabric in vegetation for extraction of sugar, booze, or alcohol and adornment. Results demonstrated composite materials made from bagasse that had been pre - treated for sugar and alcohol extraction and had lengths under network #20 sifter shown excellent mechanical exhibition.

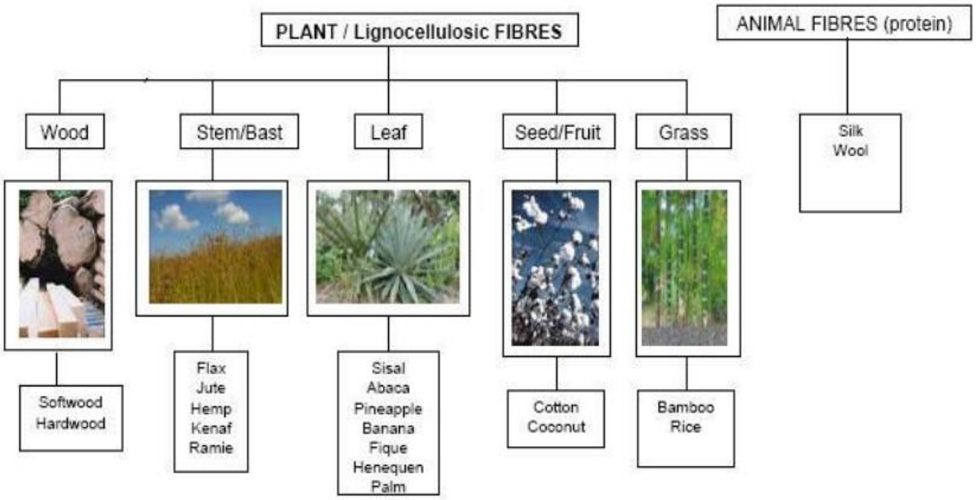

Fig.1. Hand lay-up process

Shinichi et al. [2] examined flexural modulus of the press-forming composites produced the usage of bagasse fiber and biodegradable pitch are combined with Cox's version's mathematical expectation to increase the pressure percentage of the bagasse fiber in the pass area. The effects on the flexural modulus are investigated with respect to a bagasse fiber's quantity component and duration. The effects on the flexural modulus are investigated with respect to a bagasse fiber's quantity component and duration. By adding less amount of bagasse fiber as 65 % of total test, flexural modulus increased.Flexural modulus increased with addition of a tiny amount of bagasse fiber up to 65% of the total amount in the test.The flexural modulus has grown by adding tiny amount bagassefiber up to 65% of the total amount in test. The mathematical forecast became in awesome concurrence with the trial end result.

Shibata et al. [3] organized biodegradable composites built up with bagasse fiber while antacid drugs and mechanical houses had been tested. Mechanical homes of the composites produced the usage of soluble base handled filaments were better than the untreated strands. Composites of 1% NaOH arrangement treated filaments confirmed best development. Around thirteen% improvement in elasticity, 14% in flexural electricity and 30% in affect

electricity have been determined, one after the other. After using a soluble base treatment, the strength and perspective percent of the fiber were increased to aid in the creation of the composite's mechanical structures.

Luz et al. [4] finished the stress and infusion shaping cycles to assess the effectiveness of the improved blender method for lattice (polypropylene) and fiber (bagasse cellulose, bagasse benzylatedbagasse andsugarcane). To determine flexural as well as elastic properties, the examples (composites,polypropylene plates) were cut into thin slices then put through mechanical tests [10]. The supportive asset of little techniques can be utilized to assess morphological analysis, microstructural examinations on crack ground, models from composite materials [12].

Bagasse fiber flooring along benzoic corrosive as a ground/interface modification and the BF-polyvinyl chloride composite mechanical properties were evaluated by Zheng et al. [5]. With the following, a routine cycle for the composite's planning becomes constant: PVC, BF, benzoic corrosive, and extraordinary handling additional ingredients were blended together and dry-mixed in a two-roll production facility under pressure shaping observation [13]. The aftereffects of the exploratory investigations showed that how much BF-polyvinyl chloride/Bagasse fiber, the sort of benzoic destructive, as well as the taking care of temperature all affected the mechanical behavior of composite materials, which are then inspected utilizing balanced excellent methodology [14].

The objective of this research is to use epoxy resin to make different composite laminates. Sugar cane jute, sisal, and egg shell in various ratios are used in this study. The hand lay approach is used for the production of composite samples [15]. ASTM D-638 is used to determine tensile strength. To investigate the tensile strength of each material independently, with the goal of using them in automotive applications. To investigate the material's flexural strength when it is blended in various quantities.

2. SELECTION OF MATERIALS :

Here the materials and strategies utilized to making the composites as well as the synthetic medicines and the machines and techniques used to describe the composites.

The unrefined substances required for assembling the composites are:

1. Epoxy resin
2. Jute
3. Sisal
4. Egg shell
4. Hardener

Jute

Jute is an alluring and adaptable fiber with a tasteful allure. The Golden Fiber has acquired massive notoriety all over the planet in view of its profile degradable person. It is a characteristic vegetable fiber which converges with soil and doesn't discharge poisonous vapor or buildup on burning.

Sisal fiber

Sisal fiber is gotten from leaves of plant. It is normally gotten by machine decortications. The strands are normally rich white, normal from 80-120 cm long and 0.2 - 0.4 mm in measurement and are brilliant by all accounts. The World creation is around 3000,000

tones, Brazil being the biggest maker followed by China, Mexico, Tanzania, Kenya and Madagascar.

Eggshell

Eggshell powder, since it contains calcium, iron, phosphorus and magnesium, suggested in certain nations for individuals take little milk to stay away from irregularities like mellowing of the bones or osteoporosis, particularly in more established individuals and in ladies during menopause.

Epoxy and hardener

The creation of the polymer lattice composite material was prepared at room temperatures. The necessary fixings are HY-951 Hardener, LY-556 Resin are blended completely in measuring utensil and the combination so made was moved to carbon texture the carbon composite is manufactured utilizing straightforward hand layup procedure to the form and the shape is fixed with the assistance of nuts and screws. Resins used in the present work as represented in the fig. 2. Preparation procedure is shown as flow chart in fig.3.

Fig. 2 Resins used in fabrication

2.1 PROCEDURE FOR FABRICATION

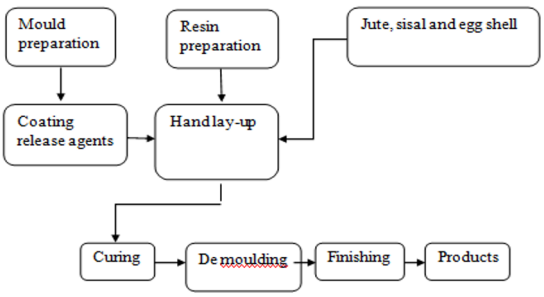

Fig. 3. Flow chart for fabrication procedure

Arrangement of cover composite The Jute, sisal and egg shell with epoxy sap lattice were utilized to prepare hybrid composites through hand layup procedure. The weight still up in the air by thinking about the thickness, explicit gravity and mass. The manufacture of the composite material was prepared at room temperatures. The determined weight proportion of epoxy pitch and hardener are blended involving mechanical stirrer for 10 min. The expected size of Jute, sisal and egg shell cut according to the necessary size and each layer is covered by the sap blend till the expected thickness of overlays got. The mold size taken

–length (mm)-100 mm, Width (mm)-200 mm.The composite preparation ratios are tabulated in Table-I. In Fig. 4 fabrication steps were shown.

Table.1sample preparation in ratios

Samples	Sisal (%wt.)	Jute (%wt.)	Egg shell (%wt.)
1	70	20	10
2	60	20	20
3	50	20	30

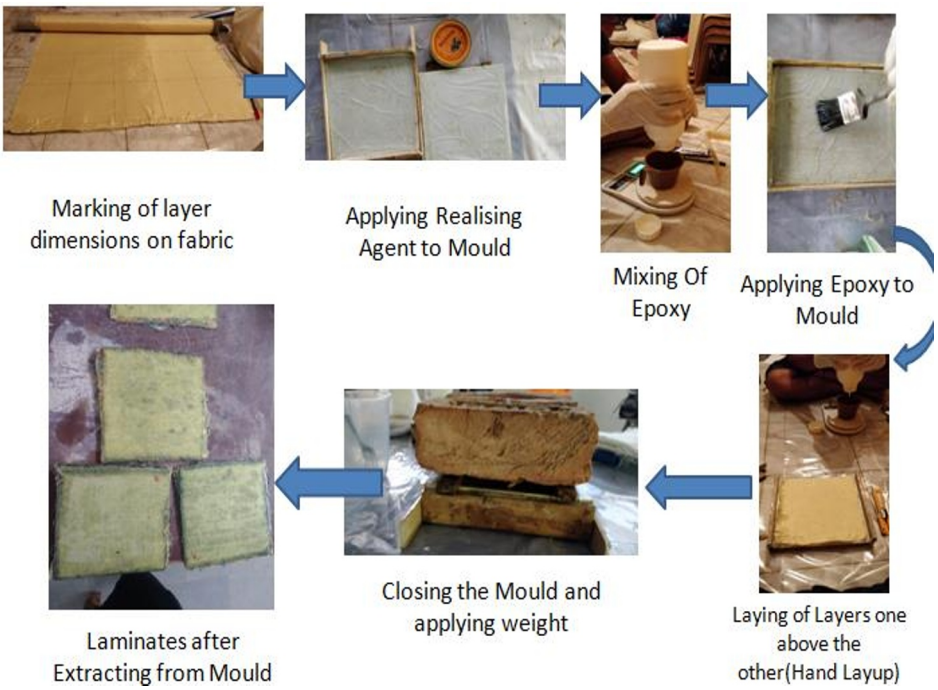

Fig. 4. Fabrication steps involved in the present study

Tensile tests

Tensile behavior like Tensile strength, elongation in hybrid composite, were tested in the present study. The Tensile sample is smooth and has an identical cross section with slanted tabs, backed by adhesive at the closure. The Tensile specimen is linearly shaped, with a continuous cross section consisting of beveled bars adhesively affixed at the ends. To reduce stress concentration on gripped area and thus to promote Tensile failure over the length of the specimen, a conforming and strain compatible material shall be used for the

end tabs. Nonwoven Ecarbon and Epoxy crossply tabs were found to yield satisfactory results.

Flexural Tests

The mechanical properties of sap and overlaid fiber composite materials shall be decided upon in the flexural tests. In this research, a higher number on the scale denotes tougher materials and a better resistance to indentation. Less resistance and softer materials are indicated by lower values.The phrase can also refer to a material's rating on a scale, such as an object with a Shore durometer of 90. This was created in the 1920s to gauge the appropriate level of material hardness.

3.RESULTS

3.1 TensileStrength

UTM test results of the various composite samples shown in table 2 with various proportions of fiber content i.e., jute, sisal and egg shell.Elongation of composite material samples,tensile strength for various fiber content is shown in fig. 5 and fig. 6. From the fig. 6 and 7, results shown that tensile strength is greater for composite material with greater content of sisal fiber whereas the elongation is higher for the composite sample with lower content of sisal fiber.Tensile properties are obtained by Static Tensile test. The Tensile specimen is linearly shaped, with a continuous cross section consisting of beveled tabs adhesively affixed at the ends. The Tensile specimen is linearly shaped, with a continuous cross section consisting of beveled bars adhesively affixed at the ends. To reduce stress concentration on gripped area and thus to promote Tensile failure over the length of the specimen, a conforming and strain compatible material shall be used for the end tabs. Nonwoven Ecarbon and Epoxy crossply tabs were found to yield satisfactory results.

Table 2 Results of TensileStrength of composite samples

S. No	Samples	UTS (N/mm^2)	Elongation (%)
1	Sisal 70%+jute 20%+egg shell 10%	40.211	2.340
2	Sisal 60%+ jute 20%+egg shell 20%	35.844	3.80
3	Sisal 50%+ jute 20%+egg shell 30%	32.675	3.90

Mechanicalproperties like hardness, tensilestrength,flexuralstrengthwas improved by experimental investigation. The mechanicalpropertieswillbe change with change in omposition of fibers. Composite made from Sisal 70%+jute 20%+eggshell 10% had high tensilestrength and hardness maximum composites having Sisal 70%+jute 20%+eggshell 10%. Wheneggshellfiber percentage isdecreasing, tensilestrength and hardnessalsoincreases. So, thereis a bettertensile and flexuralstrengthis possible with Sisal 70%+jute 20%+eggshell 10%. By addingreinforcements to the sisal the hardness has been improved. Epoxy resin wear qualities have improved, and the inclusion of hardener and epoxy resin particles has increased hardness.

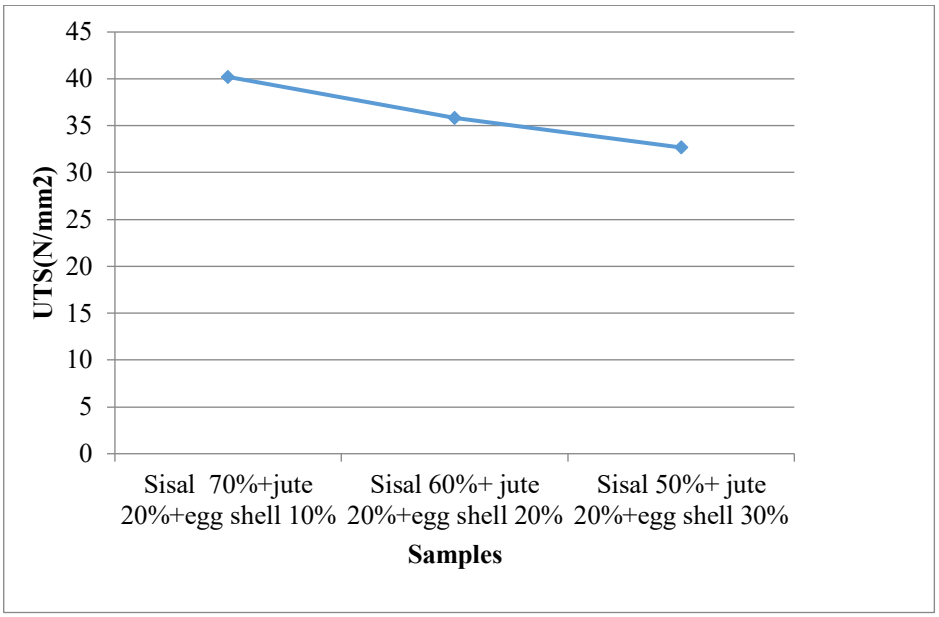

Fig. 5 Composition of the composite vs tensilestrength

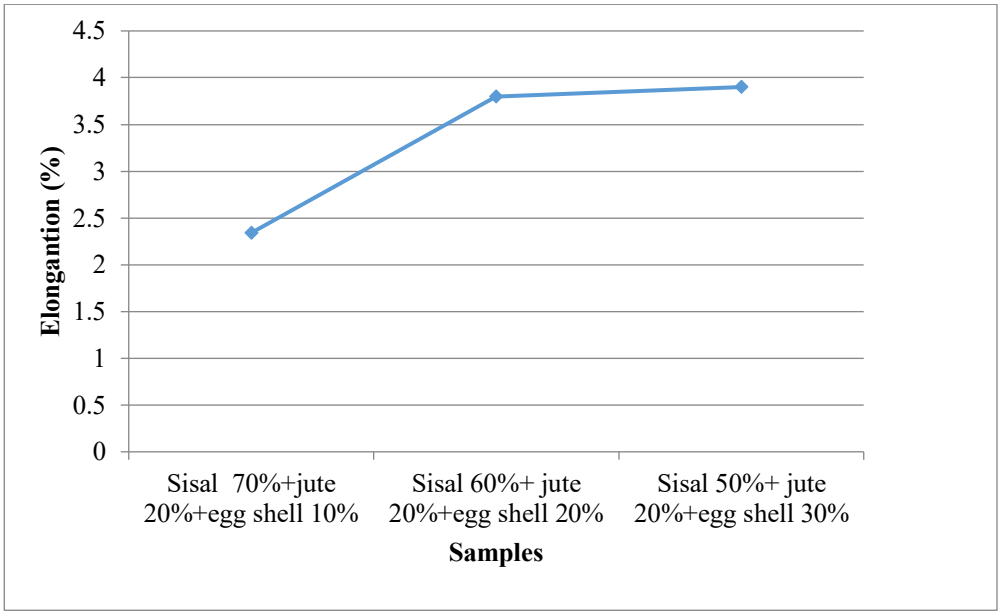

Fig. 6 Composition of the composite vs elongation

3.2 SHORE D HARDNESS TEST

Table 3 shows the hardness test results of the various composite samples with various proportions of fiber content i.e., jute, sisal and egg shell. Fig. 7 shows the shore D hardness of the composite samples for various fiber content. From the fig. 7, results showed that the

hardness number is greater for the composite sample with more content of sisal fiber.Shore hardness is a gauge of a material's resistance to identification. The Shore hardness scales are used to gauge how hard various materials are (soft gels, rubber fibres, rigid plates, and soft rubber fibres are a few examples)..To provide everyone a common point of reference, scales were created. In this research, a higher number on the scale denotes tougher materials and a better resistance to indentation. Less resistance and softer materials are indicated by lower values.The phrase can also refer to a material's rating on a scale, such as an object with a Shore durometer of 90. This was created in the 1920s to gauge the appropriate level of material hardness.

Table 3 Results of hardness of composite sample

S. No	Samples	Shore D hardness
1	Sisal 70%+jute 20%+egg shell 10%	94
2	Sisal 60%+ jute 20%+egg shell 20%	93
3	Sisal 50%+ jute 20%+egg shell 30%	92

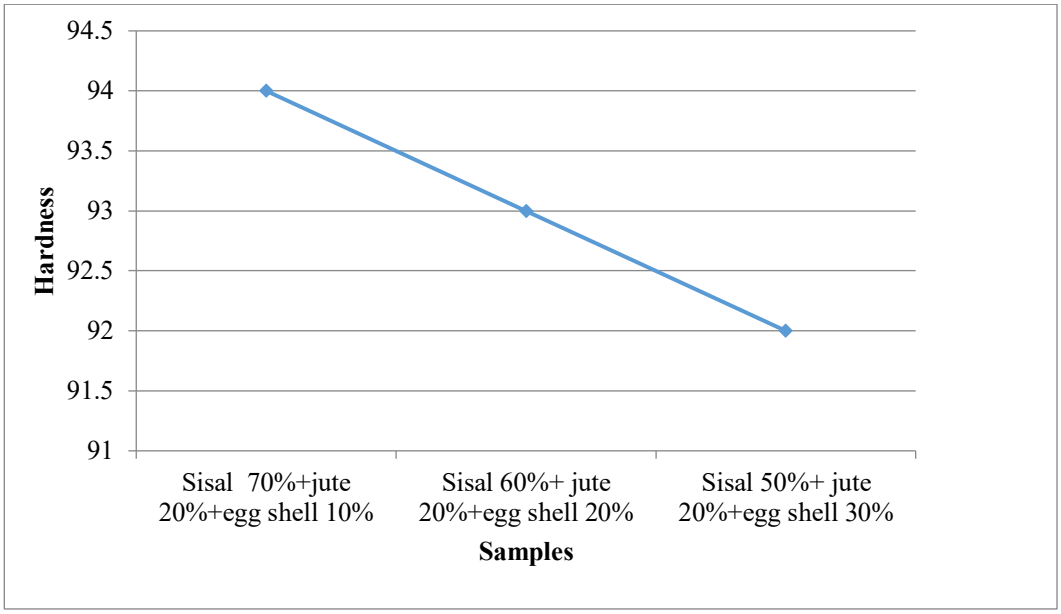

Fig. 7. Composite composition versus Hardness

3.3 FLEXURAL TEST

In Table -4 flexural strength test results of the various composite samples with various proportions of fiber content i.e., jute, sisal and egg shell. Fig. 8 shows flexural strength of composite material samples for differnent fiber content. From the fig. 8, results showed

that the flexural strength is greater for the composite sample with more content of sisal fiber.

Table 4 Results of flexuralstrength of composite samples

s. no	sample	flexural strength (N/mm^2)
1	Sisal 70%+jute 20%+egg shell 10%	67.14
2	Sisal 60%+ jute 20%+egg shell 20%	40.97
3	Sisal 50%+ jute 20%+egg shell 30%	33.45

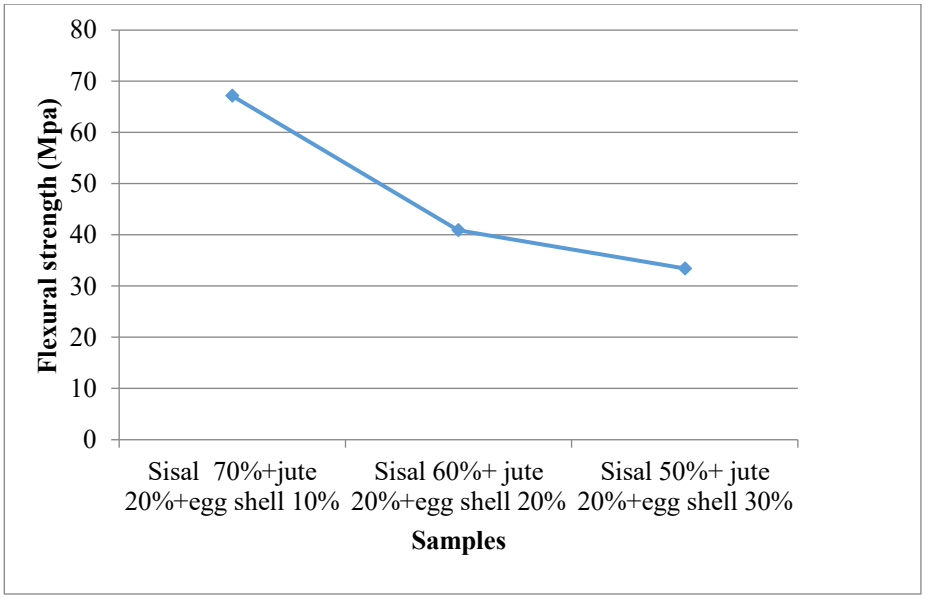

Fig. 8 Composition of the composite vs flexural strength

4. CONCLUSION

Various composite laminates using epoxy resin are manufactured in the current study. The fibres tested in this experiment were sisal, jute, and egg shell. These fibers are treated to different ratios (Sisal 70% +jute 20% +egg shell 10%, Sisal 60% + jute 20% +egg shell 20%, Sisal 50% + jute 20% +egg shell 30%). The fabrication is done by hand lay method and by ASTM D638 tensile strength is calculated. The results of the experiment show that mechanical qualities like tensile strength,hardness, flexural strength have better for higher content of sisal fiber in composite material samples. As the content changed mechanical behaviour also changed. Sisal 70 percent + jute 20% + egg shell 10% composites showed high tensile strength and hardness, with Sisal 70 percent + jute 20% + egg shell 10% composites having the highest tensile strength and hardness. Tensile strength and hardness improve as the amount of egg shell fibre decreases. As a result, Sisal 70 percent + jute 20 percent + egg shell 10 percent can provide greater tensile and flexural strength

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