

# Comparison of Rutting Resistance of Stone Mastic Asphalt with Convention Mix

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**Abstract**— Rutting in flexible pavements is one of the common distress displayed on national highways of Pakistan. Various factors are related to these distress including overloading, high temperatures, and empirical design approach used for structural design but not limited to them. Stone mastic asphalt (SMA) considered an effective solution in heavily trafficked areas because of the larger single size aggregate that can be used with the increased bitumen thus controlling rutting. This study examined the rutting behavior of two stone mastic asphalt (SMA) mixtures selected on basis of nominal maximum aggregate size (NMAS): 19 mm, and 12.5 mm using Glass fiber 0.3% of the total SMA mixtures aggregate. On the other hand, NHA class A and Class B gradation to be used for convention mixtures for the rutting comparison with SMA mixtures. Superpave mix design used to be obtained optimum binder content for each mixture of SMA and convention mix. Wheel tracker test to be used to find out the rutting in each sample of SMA and Convention mixes. The SMA rutting results to be compared with convention mixes rutting and then SMA rutting results to be compared with each other i.e. SMA 19mm (NMAS) and SMA 12.5mm (NMAS).

**Keywords**— Mastic, Sone, Asphalt, Convention, HMA, Pavement, Aggregate.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Since the discovery of SMA in Europe throughout the Sixties, and when several trials in America, Australia, and alternative countries; it's up to such status/level that these days it's considered as the most effective pavement egress course for serious duty pavements, high-speed motorways, highways, and alternative roads have large traffic of trucks. (Craig mythologist, 1999) The basic purpose of SMA is to produce egress that offered the most resistance to wreck by adorned tires. Over the decades it well-tried to own a high resistance to plastic deformation from serious vehicle masses at high temperatures, at the constant time exhibiting smart vasoconstrictor properties.

SMA is found as a resilient asphalt egress alternative for residential highways and streets in Australia, Europe, North American nation, and U.S. The mixture while not extreme losses through the dirt removal system, instead of combination feed are the most well-liked Filler directly adds into the drum.

Generally, pelletized fibers add through a system designed for the addition of recycled materials, however, a lot of economical procedure is adding pelletized fiber through a mail line that uses mix with the hydrocarbon delivery. so that the fiber is caught by hydrocarbon at the amount of adding to the mixture. Stone mastic asphalt became an additional ANd established for the 1960s in Deutschland as an asphalt resistant damage by exploitation adorned tires. this sort of asphalt is well-liked in Europe to supply egress for closely trafficked roads, harbor areas, and airfields. It's referred to as hack mastic asphalt in German's speaking international locations, grit mastic asphalt or stone matrix asphalt is another name for it. Australian unremarkably referred to as it SMA or stone mastic asphalt There are many definitions of Stone Mastic Asphalt, APRG Technical observe two (1993) defines Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA) as a gap hierarchal sporting course asphalt with an excessive proportion of coarse combination that interlock to make a stone on the stone skeleton to repel everlasting deformation. the mixture stuffed with hydrocarbon and filler then fibers are introduced in entail to supply enough stability of the bitumen and to avoid evacuation of the binder during transportation and website. at the constant time because the definition of SMA by the manner of (Michaut,1995) that Stone mastic asphalt is gap hierarchal carrying route composed of crushed aggregates sure by means that of mastic mortar". owing to segregation problems binder content material is often extended. "these materials aren't pourable, it's communal apply to use an additive or modified binders within the assembly of those materials completely to allow the binder content material to be raised and to decrease segregation among the mortar and therefore the coarse fraction".

Australian Requirements (AS2150 1995) define SMA as "high-grade hierarchical asphalt concrete of a toxic mixture giving a hard matrix material that is drained by a first-rate mixture, binder, and filler". BCA (1998) describes Stone Mastic Asphalt as "a hydrocarbon mixture of a gap that contains an excess of coarse and filler mixture, with only a few parts of sand size. while milling leads to waterproofing through proper local drainage." SMA includes unmatched composite and aggregate sizes to support themselves through a combination of pigmented colors. stability is required to produce sufficient hydrocarbon and stability to avoid spilling out of the steam during travel and site despite the appearance and internal layer thickness, voids are pronounced perfectly in the form of mastic in the composite form, while beyond the bottom voids it is partially formed. and open and provide a favorable skidding resistance to any respect speed and surface water relocation services (Nunn, 1994). The SMA structure is different from the royal circular asphalt. that is pure and obvious that when the mixture is considered to be just stone and mastic (bitumen, fine, filler and stabilization agent) the SMA inserts a solid stone bone by the rich (excess) exploitation of the mastic. by comparison; standard surface asphalt inserts AN underneath in a lean (lean) interior where a few stones are resolved by volume type. SMA incorporates a thick aggregate mixed material that forms a stone that is resistant to permanent conversion. The stone skin is filled with hydrocarbon mastic and filler in the fibers is added to transfer the energy content of the bitumen energy and to the binder exterior while transporting the surface. standard SMA formulations include 70-80% coarse mixture, 8-12% filler, 6.zero-7.zero% binder, and zero.three% fiber. the main objectives of this analysis are to study the fine-grained asphalt corrosion resistance (SMA) through the use of optical fiber as a stabilizer. to look at the light resistance of various Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA) mixtures. to investigate the impact of gradation on rutting resistance of the Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA) bearing route

## **II. LITERATURE REVIEW**

Stone mastic asphalt (SMA) can be a form of stone such as a canoe of a hierarchal gap mixture, reinforced along with the mastic support. what is the high content of binder, filler, and fiber to reduce binder drain? This structure enhances the facility and therefore SMA performance exceeds the maximum strength of asphalt. a large portion of the content of the binder content is important to make

sure of the characteristics of the thickness and durability of the SMA. B. E. Gite et al (2013) Stone mastic asphalt (SMA) had its origins in Deutschland before the 1960s as evidence of asphalt resistance to decorated tires. The asphalt-built stone quarry is known as asphalt in Europe by the highly-trafficked freeway, airports, and districts. it is collectively grown as a mastic asphalt isolated from German estates and is referred to as mastic asphalt, asphalt or stone asphalt. In Australia, it is sometimes developed as stone asphalt or SMA at high speed. there are various definitions of SMA [1]. The SMA was designed as a carrier course with high resistance to decorated tires within the Nineteen Sixties. It became the major genre that developed and manufactured asphalt video game equipment built in conjunction with a tv bit six inside where asphalt mastic was applied to the surface by hand or distribution boxes. the top five chippings versus eight or 8 according to the eleven were then exposed and glued to the ground (see for example). Stacked stone asphalt exerts the same amount of strength and durability as gauss asphalt but is often transported and made like concrete [2]. SMA can be a delicate balance between mastic and therefore a cohesive fraction that requires the best aggregates, the relative reliability of ANd with an unparalleled quantity of mineral fibers to avoid volatility. Production differences will control the combo surprisingly, hence the use of additive and/or modified binders. The design revolves around building a solid stone boat with high stone content, excessive hydrocarbon, and cement content and bonding service. the general limits are that the composite mixture (> two.36 millimeters) makes up 70-80% of the weight of the mixture, the fine mixture is 12-17% so the filler fraction is within the eighth and third% range. within the SMA study, its% throughput, 0.1 / 2 mm, 2.36 millimeters, and 4.75 millimeters are 10%, 20%, and 30% respectively so local growth comes to life. Fifteen stone crushed above 5 millimeters uses 70%, minerals, and high asphalt content and some reinforcement materials (using fibers or polymers) (Shen, et al, undated). The binder content is sometimes within the range of 6.5 - 7.5% by exploiting a mixing weight of 14 mm and 10 mixes. The mastic fills the voids that store the chips in the ANd have the added effect as the distribution of air gaps and consequently the strong asphalt (AAPA, 1993) [3].

SMA is best described as an issue heat mixing asphalt HMA containing a hazardous compaction vessel based on gradient-graded gradation and high bitumen content mud.

since the eighties, the Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA) site has been well used in Deutschland on best-selling streets. In the wake of its unbelievable performance began a national launch in Deutschland in 1984. If you think about it, because of its great performance, the use of SMA was justified on behalf of the highway and commercial asphalt managers (B. E. Gite et al). SMA provides an extremely reliable and durable HMA mix by comparing the composite asphalt mixture. This development is characterized by the creation of a stone boat that connects stones to SMA. It is largely based on several analytical reports and traffic engineering research will reap the potential for durability and durability.

SMA mixtures are designed to contain excessive, asphalt content excess content sometimes to 5.5- 7% and high filter content. In traditional SMA, the use of unauthorized hydrocarbon in combination with a fibrous artifact as an escape is sufficient. at extremely high temperatures and extreme loading, a strong hydrocarbon range is achieved. SMA has been active in Europe for over thirty years. SMAs became the first workers in Europe as a mixture that could deal with damage to decorated tires, but the added benefit gained by SMA is that it lasted for a long time and with amazing body resistance. thanks to the SMA initiative in Europe, five world-class businesses within the SMA engineer roads were created for a specific purpose in 1991. these groups design strategies to exploit SMA congestion followed by processes. The formula unlimited contained an unbroken gradation band that adhered to the "60-30-10 rule. This rule states that sixty percent of composites are made of the hard mixture, thirty% are satisfactory composites, and 10% are the mineral artist. al (2004).

The first folder within the American equivalent of the structure of the SMA combos was created by the SMA Technical reduction (TWG) program and displayed in 1994. Within this book, one benchmarking brand was awarded. within the group, SMA certification that met the requirements of TWG may have an average length of 12,000 or 19,0 meters of high specification (in the definition of a roadmap). In 1997, the center heard on Asphalt technology (NCAT) carried out a feasibility study between over 40 SMA pipes and forty from everywhere we are. main all one hundred and forty SMA areas. In terms of performance, over 80% of the SMA surveyed roads had a height of four miles or much less. there have been six of the first 100 of the forty stages where teaching (more than six meters) is usually included in the SMA

layer. however, most of those problems are usually caused by production problems. another comment made during the performance analysis was that there was no evidence of fiber in any future. the thought behind the SMA event is completely misunderstood. The SMA combination contains important components al, 1993). The APRG (1998) suggests that the origin of the SMA can be excessive aggregate content with high concentration and filter content. This binder/filler combination works "mastic".

The stabilizing agent usually avoids evacuation of a specific shipping site. As a result of strokes between coarse composites coated with synthetic mastic, the following voids of air are less dense than they may in one case have typical royal asphalt. Styl mastic asphalt has a deformation that is unmatched in strength and strength characteristics, without being resistant to high fatigue. Pebble asphalt incorporates a dense surface texture that provides better skid resistance and lower noise characteristics than white asphalt. improved flexibility resistance, or resistance to evaporation, compared to high-strength asphalt is accomplished by using an optical material from the excess soluble content that forms the solid stone. In dense hierarchal asphalt, high-quality mastic provides durability. The increasing strength of SMA arising from its sluggish corrosion cases is obtained from the low permeableness of the binder formed by mastic cementing combined.

The increased resistance to fatigue may be the result of higher hydrocarbon content, greater hydrocarbon image, and lower air content. the high content of the binder should be forced to contribute to the flexibility and flexibility of the fracture arising from the broken bottom lanes. this is often based on expertise in tests conducted within United States, where cracks (hot and reflective) are now no longer a spoken problem. fat areas are seen as the largest organ. this is a result of fragmentation, degradation, and high content of asphalt or a negative amount of stability (Brown, et al, 1997). rich mastic gives a glorious performance and has great resistance to stress (integrated storage). Excessive binder and filling content provide long-lasting elasticity, resistance to fatigue, durability asphalt egress in nearby commercial areas. An ambitious project in planning the AN SMA is to combine to form a specific stone bone that involves fitting the right amount of binder. A good amount of binder helps to compress the aggregated particles, while the imperfections end up in a poorly absorbed mixture,



contain excess air voids, and have a thick skin in the adhesive layer and therefore are less attractive.

### III. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This study has been directed in a prearranged and dependent style. first of all, to add clearness, the prevailing literature regarding the situation turned into located and reviewed in an element that helped in the development of conceptual definitions and strategies to be carried out for this research. The evaluation of literature turned into keeps ongoing sports that become directed constantly in similar to the opposite research paintings. consequently, the suitable fabric became selected to prepare the numerous mixes of conference and SMA. The bitumen used becomes from Attock Refinery constrained (ARL), having the penetration grade of 60/70 turned into decided on whilst mixture from Margalla quarry site become measured appropriate for these studies. The ingredients of SMA and convention Mixes were mixed with every other after foremost binder content material and aggregate gradation is selected consistent with NHA specification magnificence A & B for conference blend and NCAT gradation specification for SMA. The samples have been then compacted in curler Compactor at precise temperature with the desired range of passes and preferred stress.

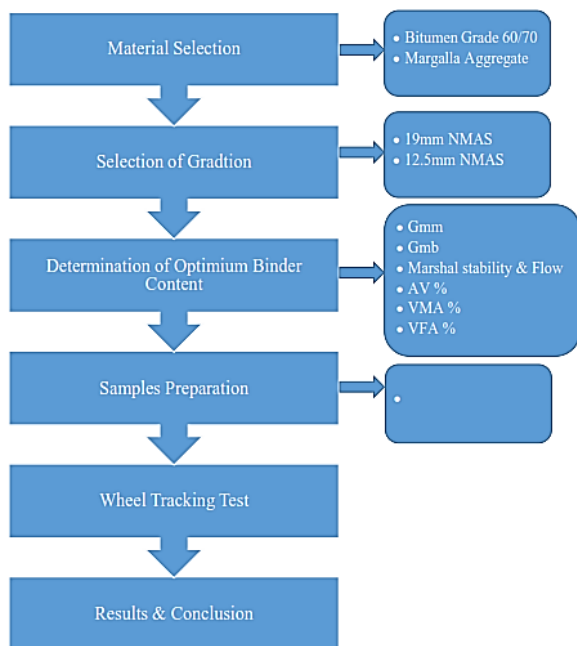


Figure 1: Research methodology flow chart

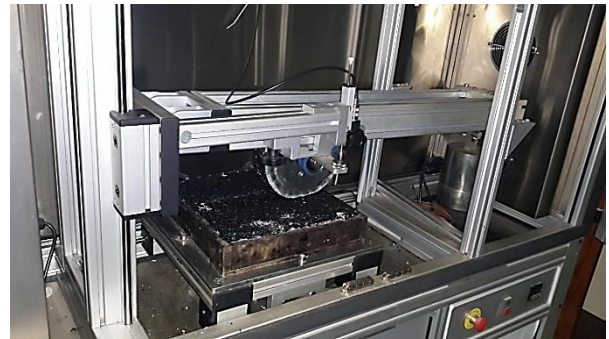


Figure 2: Wheel Tracker



Figure 3: Wheel Tracker Solid Rubber Tyre

### IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Aggregate gradation curves for stone mastic asphalt (SMA) wearing course aggregate composition. According to the National Centre for Asphalt Technology (NCAT) gradation specifications. Aggregate composition for conventional mix asphalt wearing course gradation according to NHA specifications.

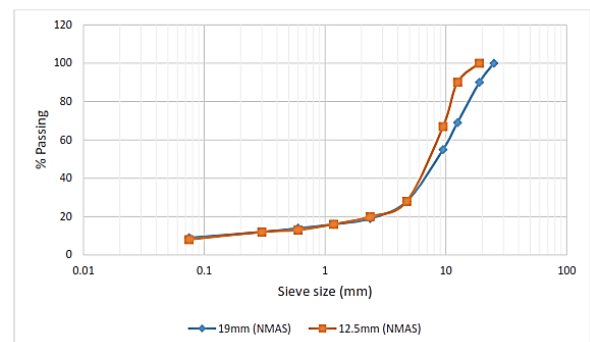
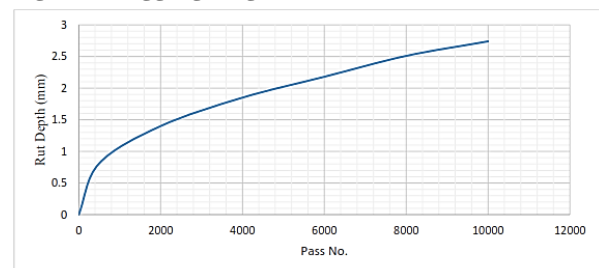
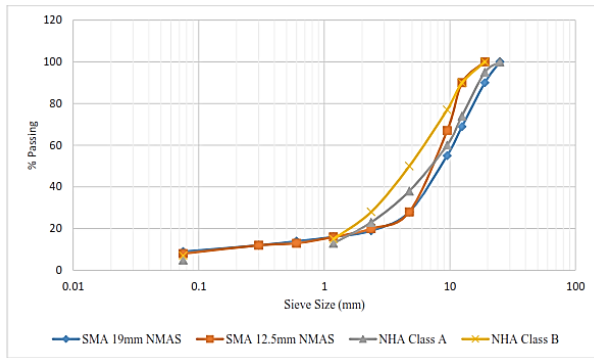


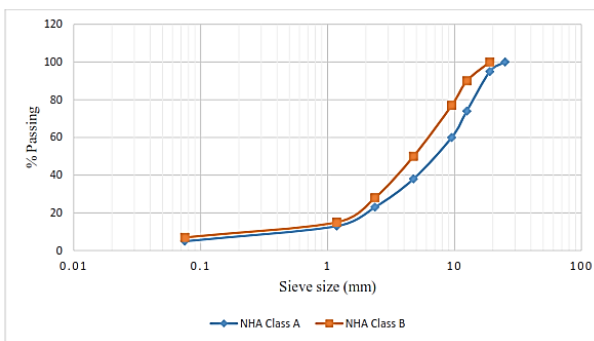
Figure 4: Aggregate gradation for SMA mixtures



**Figure 5: Aggregate gradation (NHA specifications)**



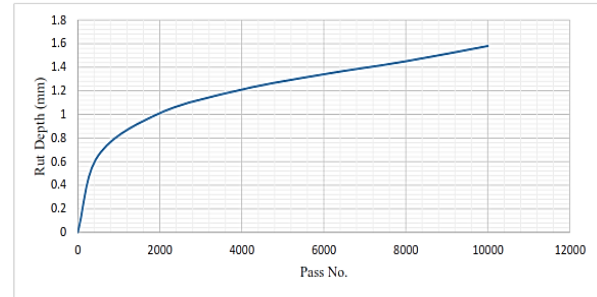
**Figure 6: SMA versus convention mix Aggregate gradation**



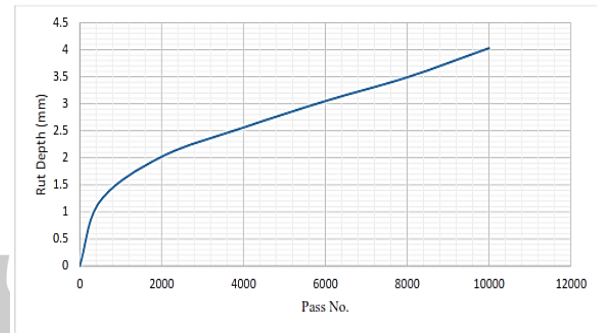
**Figure 7: Rutting in Stone Mastic Asphalt (19mm NMAS)**

A super pave mix design is used for the calculation of optimum binder content. The design perimeters and their calculation of super pave mix design are explained briefly in previous in the methodology portion. Optimum binder for stone mastic asphalt obtained 5.6 percent for 19mm (NMAS) gradation at 4% air voids while voids filled with asphalt (VFA) is 80 percent at 5.6 percent binder content. Optimum binder for stone mastic asphalt obtained 6.1 percent for 12.5mm (NMAS) gradation at 4% air voids while voids filled with asphalt (VFA) is 80 percent at 6.1 percent binder content. Optimum binder for stone mastic asphalt obtained 4 percent for NHA Class A gradation at 4% air voids while voids filled with asphalt (VFA) is 79 percent at 4 percent binder content. Optimum binder for stone mastic asphalt obtained 4.2 percent for NHA Class A gradation at 4% air voids while voids filled with asphalt (VFA) is 78 percent at 4.2 percent binder content. The effect of aggregate gradation from the rutting test also discussed in the results. Gradation of aggregate highly effect on asphalt rutting resistance of wearing course asphalt. Various Aggregate gradation results of different specifications used and optimum binder content for each

gradation Wheel Tracker typically measure the rut, created by the repeated passage of a wheel over asphalt concrete samples. The temperature is taken 40°C to perform a wheel tracking test and the temperature was the same for each sample of asphalt mix. The sustained load at wheel were 7KN and the number passed on the sample was fixed at 10000 for each mix.

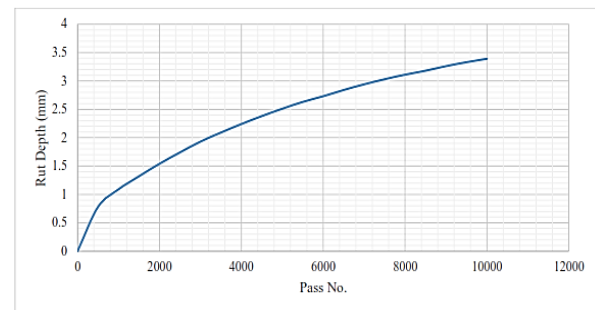


**Figure 8: Rutting in Stone Mastic Asphalt(12.5mm NMAS)**



**Figure 9: Rutting in convention mix (NHA Class A)**

Then the rutting comparison is shown in Graph. For stone mastic asphalt (19mm NMAS) versus convention mix asphalt (NHA class A). SMA (19mm NMAS) occurs just 31% rutting as compare to convention mix (NHA class A) at normal temperature 40 °c, while maximum standard rut depth was taken 12mm, and the number of passes is 10000. SMA gives 69% better results against rutting than convention mix.



**Figure 10: Rutting in convention mix (NHA Class B)**

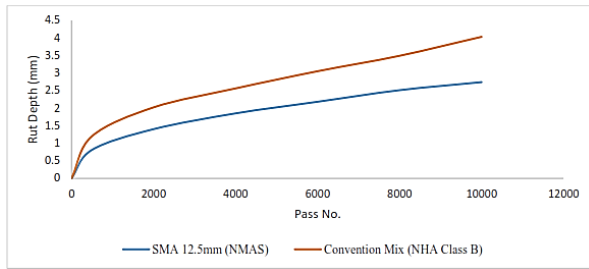


Figure 11: Rutting in of SMA (19mm NMA S) vs. Conventional Mix (Class A)

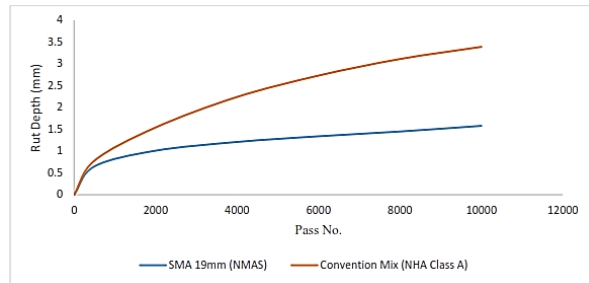


Figure 12: Final rut depth of SMA (19mm NMA S) vs. Conventional Mix (Class A)

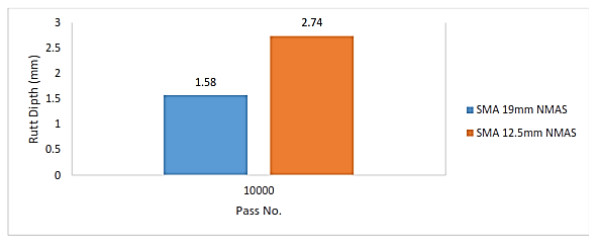


Figure 13: Rutting in of SMA (12.5mm NMA S) vs. Conventional Mix (Class B)

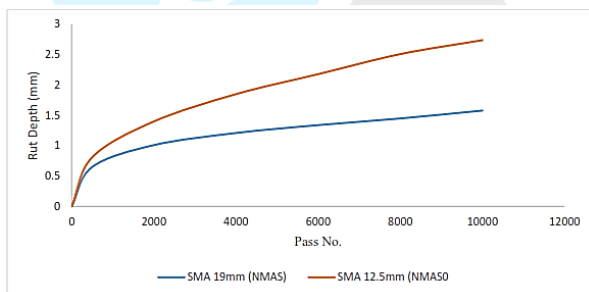


Figure 14: Final rut depth of SMA (12.5mm NMA S) vs. Conventional Mix (Class B)

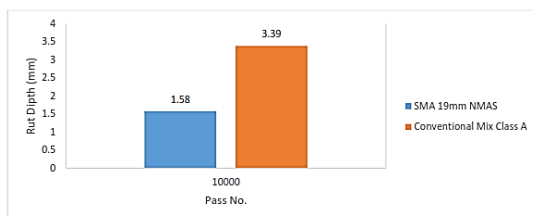


Figure 15: Rutting in SMA (12.5mm NMA S) vs. SMA (19mm NMA S)

Then the rutting comparison is shown in the graph. For stone mastic asphalt (12.5mm NMA S) versus convention mix asphalt (NHA class B). In SMA (12.5mm NMA S) occurred just 40% rutting as compare to convention mix (NHA class B) at normal temperature 40°C, while maximum standard rut depth was taken 12mm, and the number of the pass was 10000. SMA gives 60% better results against rutting than convention mix.

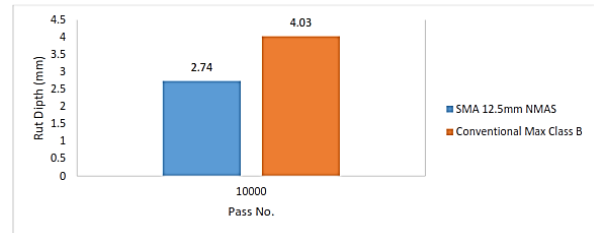


Figure 16: Final rut depth of SMA (12.5mm NMA S) vs. SMA (19mm NMA S)

Then rutting comparison is shown in Graph For stone mastic asphalt (19mm NMA S) versus SMA (12.5mm NMA S). SMA (19mm NMA S) occurs just 35% rutting as compare SMA (12.5mm NMA S) at normal temperature 40 °C, while maximum standard rut depth was taken 12mm, and the number of passes was 10000. SMA (19mm NMA S) gives 65% better results against rutting than SMA (12.5mm NMA S).

## VII. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The extraordinary Stone Mastic Asphalt and convention blend gradation combinations produced inside the laboratory have been examined in wheel tracker machine for his or her rutting performance and other factors that drastically impact the performance of pavement and it was concluded that the gradation of mixture maximum large thing that effect the performance of the pavements in case of studying rutting behavior of asphalt pavements. In SMA (19mm NMA S) occurred simply 31% rutting as examine to convention mix (NHA forty-six class A), sixty-nine % better effects against rutting than conference mix. In SMA (12.5mm NMA S) came about just forty% rutting as evaluate to conference mix (NHA magnificence B), offers 60% better consequences towards rutting than convention mix. The outcomes executed standard that stone mastic asphalt given better outcomes against rutting than conference mix but when compare between stone mastic asphalt 19mm NMA S and 12.5mm NMA S, In Stone Mastic Asphalt (19mm NMA S) befall simply 35% rutting as examine Stone Mastic Asphalt (12.5mm NMA S), gives sixty-five % higher outcomes towards

rutting than SMA (12.5mm NMAS) consequently from the remaining result got here to understand that the gradation of the aggregate most huge element that affects the overall performance of the pavements in case of studying rutting behavior of asphalt pavements.

This research can be further stretched to discover different sizable factors that affect the rutting in the pavement along with gradation of the mixture, alternate in temperature while acting wheel monitoring take a look at and percent of glass fiber, etc. additionally, this research technique may be hired to calculate the performance of different form of asphaltic pavement systems with special bitumen contents. furthermore, the addition of diverse performance-enhancing additives for asphaltic concrete can also be searched in destiny to forecast the performance of a pavement structure. further to above the software of SMA should be recommended many of the specialists of motorway engineering to unfold responsiveness, specialists, and frauds and prospective benefits of Stone Mastic Asphalt to the working professionals. This takes a look at might additionally help to sensitize pavement layout engineers about the mechanistic approach of pavement layout. “

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