

# Review of: "Enhancing Soil Stabilization in Soft Soils Through The Addition of Sand to Soil-Cement Piles: a Comprehensive Study"

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I have gone through the paper and it describes the work on "*Enhancing Soil Stabilization in Soft Soils through the Addition of Sand to Soil-Cement Piles: a Comprehensive Study*". The reviewer appreciates the workload undertaken by the authors. I found out that the similarity is uncanny, but there is a marginal difference with it. But still, the author needs to work a lot on your paper to be considered for publication. Here are some general comments, and for more specific ones, please take a look at the annotated version that I uploaded for you.

1. The write-up is very poor, and the knowledge of research language is missing. Each statement should be provided with proper references. However, the article needs a thorough language edit. Please revise it.
2. The abstract has to be rewritten. It is requested that the author, for ECO-CSB or ECO-CSSB additives, kindly write the full form at first use and then abbreviate it. Please provide a list of abbreviations.
3. The section by the name "background" has to be provided with suitable literature available beyond using all the stabilization techniques.
4. The nomenclature has to be improved, and a table has to be provided for the mixture variations.
5. The author is requested to provide the basic soil testing details in a new table and explain why the soil has to be stabilized with the techniques. Kindly explain the motive and novelty of the work.
6. It is seen that an 18-day curing period has been used for UCS testing. Kindly explain why the 18-day curing period has been considered, since ASTM 2166 suggests 7- and 14-day curing periods. Also provide the code/reference details referred to for the mentioned days,
7. The discussion must go much deeper by providing proper evidence for the strength evaluation. The research elaborates only the UCS strength is the only factor to optimise the admixtures' content.
8. The author mentioned the optimal composition is found to be 20% sand and 25% cement with the addition of a small

amount of additives. What was the small amount? It is supposed to clarify each statement before editing.

9. Does the author think 25% of cement is economical? Kindly clarify.

10. 20% of sand is also supposed to be very high; the author has to provide the details of the sand used and also clarify why so much high content is suggested?