

# A REVIEW ON UTILIZATION OF SITE WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR BETTERMENT OF CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

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Abstract: Construction waste becomes a global issue facing by practitioners and researchers around the world. Waste can affects the success of construction project significantly. More specifically, it has major impact on construction cost, construction time, productivity and sustainability aspects. This paper aims to minimize the construction waste and develop the SWMP (Site Waste Management Plan ).Study was carried out by focusing all the Stake Holders (i.e. clients, consultants and contractors) involved in construction project through preliminary questionnaire. Data was analyzed by RII, IMPI &MR methods with involving all factors of waste generation. Through identifying the causes and its correlation of the construction waste it gives better understanding to the construction community for future construction projects which benefit not only in term of economy but also the environment by implementing SWMP (Site Waste Management Plan ). This document sets out the basic structure of SWMPs and how companies can best use them to improve and manage their operations at all stages of site activity. It includes useful checklists and other guidance to help ensure the Plan is a practical tool.

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

In most parts of the world, construction industry consumes huge amount of natural resources and often generates large quantities of construction waste. A Construction waste consists of unwanted material produced directly or indirectly by the construction industries. This includes inert and non-biodegradable building materials such as concrete, plaster, wood, metal, broken tiles, bricks, masonry, insulation, nails, electrical wiring, and rebar, as well as waste originating from site. These wastes are heavy, having high density, very often occupy considerable storage space. This can have a negative impact on the profit margin of contractors. Reducing construction site waste reduces not only the cost of raw material purchase but also the cost of disposing of the waste created on site. It can also reduce wastage due to inefficiency on site e.g. source separation can reduce the amount of waste resulting from commingled disposal.

Construction site waste management and minimisation has a great potential to contribute to construction industry performance improvement as well as solve waste

management problems caused by the construction sector. A Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP) is simply a plan that details the amounts and types of wastes that will be produced on site and how they will be reused, recycled or disposed of. Site Waste Management Plans (SWMPs) are an important tool for construction companies and their clients, of all sizes, to improve their environmental performance, meet regulatory controls and reduce rising costs of disposing of waste.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF STUDY**

- To study the reason of waste and amount of Waste in Construction Industry.
- To check the requirement of SWMP in Construction Industries.
- Development of SWMP using various alternatives of reducing Waste in Construction.
- To check the feasibility of SWMP in Construction Industry for its betterment in terms of Ecology and Economy.

#### LITERATURE REVIEW

A number of studies have been carried out to determine the various waste generation factors in construction projects.

\*Mansi Jain et al., suggest that main contributor of waste generation are as Contractor, Client, logistic, designer, supplier, procurement, manufacture and management. The various barriers for widespread adoption of waste management system are as lack of awareness in the industry, lack of interest from clients, lack of proper training and education, lack of skilled labour, lack of market competition, lack of government Interventions, lack of waste reduction approach by architects & the measures to stimulate a widespread adoption of waste minimization are as government initiative - Policy implications, create awareness among clients and contractors, training and education.

\*Adewuyi,t.o & Otali, m. et al., find out the causes and factors affecting construction waste generation on building sites waste from uneconomical shapes. This study therefore recommended that construction stakeholders should consider the studied factors at every level of the construction processes and in their waste management plan. Due to least priority given to appropriate site waste minimization and management systems in Indian construction industry leads to generation of huge quantities of material waste. To mitigate problem of waste minimisation proper site waste management techniques,training&awareness programs should be organised.

\* Job Thomas Wilson P. M. et al., study that Major Contributors of Construction & Demolition waste in a project are Site management, Manufacturer, Procurement, Supplier, Designer, Logistics, Owner, Contractor. Common Barriers to waste management in India are, Items recovered during construction is not sold at lower rate, Feasibility of recycling is not even considered seriously, Landfill tax is not imposed by municipality, the waste is disposed without segregation, No penal action is taken against violators. By adopting proper construction and deconstruction procedure& Resource efficient design will lead to effective minimisation of Construction waste. The unique concept of "5 R" named as " Refuse", "

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Reduce", "Reuse", "Recycle", "Reinvent", act as essential tool in hand of Engineer to reduce & optimise construction waste. They concluded that it is possible to minimize the volume of C&D waste generated by identifying the potential waste early in the design.

\*Abhijith Harikumar, \*Sreejith M H, \*Priya A.Jacob, \*Aiswarya S studied that In India nearly 50% of Construction & Demolition waste is being re-used and recycled, while the remainder is mostly landfilled. General Waste Materials Originating from Construction are as Cement concrete, Bricks, Cement plaster, Steel (from RCC, door/window frames, roofing support, railings of staircase etc.), Rubble, Stone (marble, granite, sand stone), Timber (especially demolition of old buildings), Conduits (iron, plastic), Pipes (GI, iron, plastic). By adopting suitable recycling & reuse of waste materials it will not contribute to waste loads at dumping & disposal sites. It will also enhance betterment of ecofriendly environment & sustainability. Therefore Proper construction waste management can help in prioritizing reduction of building related waste through efficient jobsite practices.

#### **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

The preliminary data for this research was collected through a literature review and the use of a questionnaire survey targeted all stake holders which are included in construction industries in India. The literature review was conducted through books, conference proceedings, the Internet, and international project management journals. Few experts were interviewed and their opinions were taken to identify factors which affect waste generation in construction projects. As the outcome, total 81 factors that affect contractor performance may be encountered in a construction project were identified. The factors which affects the waste generation are then classified into seven various phases of construction (Design, Handling, Workers, Management, Site Condition, Procurement, External Factor) depending on their nature and mode of occurrence. The groups of factors affecting waste generation are shown in following charts. List of 81 factors of waste generation in construction work are given in Table-1.

The next phase includes preparation of questionnaire based on Relative Importance Index (RII) technique, Importance index (IMPI) and Mean rank (MR) approach are used for giving ranking to factors affecting waste generation in construction projects. Survey questionnaire based on these techniques are given in Appendix 1.

#### A. Data Analysis Approach:

The Relative Importance Index (RII) will be used to rank (R) the different factors that affect the waste generation. These rankings make it possible to cross-compare the relative importance of the factors as perceived by groups of respondents (i.e. architect/engineer, contractors, and developer/owner, etc.). Each individual factor RII perceived by all respondents will be used to assess the general and overall rankings in order to give an overall picture of the factor of contractor performance in Indian construction industry. This RII technique is used by many researchers like, Desai Megha et al., Hany Abd Elshakour et al. (March 2012) to rank the various performance factors in construction projects. The formula to calculate RII given below:

RII= 
$$\frac{\Sigma w}{A*N}$$

Where,

W = Weighting given to each factor by the respondents (ranging from 1 to 4),

A = Highest weight (i.e. 4 in this case),

N = Total Number of respondents.

#### SUMMARY

Present study outlines the major factors affecting to waste generation in construction projects in Indian context. Based on literature study and from interview of experts, 81 factors were identified under 7 construction phases. Further methodology is suggested to work out critical factors by Relative importance index ,Important index and Mean rank methods. Survey Questionnaire is prepared based on these methods. It is proposed to carry out ranking of waste generation factor from Relative importance index ,Important index and Mean rank methods and find out most top ten factors which affects the waste generation.

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Various Phases	No	Factors affect waste generation of construction	
Design	Frequent design changes		
	2	Design errors	
	3	Lack of design information	
	4	Poor design quality	
	5	Slow drawing distribution	
	6	Incomplete contract document	
	7	Complicated design	
	8	Inexperience designer	
	9 Error in contract documentation		
	Interaction between various specialists		
	Poor coordination of parties during design stage		
	12	Last minute client requirements	
Handling	13	Wrong material storage	

#### APPENDIX-I Table-1 Factors affecting waste generation

	14	Poor material handling				
	15	Damage during transportation				
	16	Poor quality of materials				
	17	Equipment failure				
	18	Delay during delivery				
	19	Tools not suitable used				
	20	Inefficient methods of unloading				
	21	Materials supplied in loose form				
Workers	22	Workers' mistakes during construction				
	23	Incompetent worker				
	24	Poor attitudes of workers				
	25	Damage caused by workers				
	26	Insufficient training for workers				
	27	Lack of experience				
	28	Shortage of skilled workers				
	29	Inappropriate use of materials				
	30	Poor workmanship				
	31	Worker's no enthusiasm				
	32	Inventory of materials not well documented				
	33	Abnormal wear of equipment				
	34	Lack of awareness among the workers				
	35	Too much overtime for workers				
Management	36	Poor planning				
	37	Poor controlling				
	38	Poor site management				
	39	Poor supervision				
	40	Inappropriate construction methods				
	41	Lack of coordination among parties				
	42	Poor information quality				
	43	Late information flow among parties				
	44	Scarcity of equipment				
	45	Lack of waste management plans				
	46	Resources problem				
	47	Rework				
	48	Waiting periods				
	49	Communication problems				
	50	Outdated equipment				
	51	Non availability of equipment				
	52	Lack of knowledge about construction				
	53	Long project duration				
	54	Lack of influence of contractors				
	55	Lack of environmental awareness				
Site	56	Leftover materials on site				

Condition	57	Waste resulting from packaging			
	58	Poor site condition			
	59	Congestion of the site			
	60	Lighting problem			
	61	Difficulties accessing construction sites			
	62	Unforeseen ground conditions			
	63	Interference of others crews at site			
Procurement	64	Ordering errors			
	65	Items not in compliance with specification			
	66	Error in shipping			
	67	Mistakes in quantity surveys			
	68	Supplier errors			
	69	Wrong material delivery procedures			
	70	Over allowances			
	71	Frequent variation orders			
	72	Different methods used for estimation			
	73	Waiting for replacement			
External	74	Effect of weather			
Factor	75	Accidents			
	76	Pilferage			
	77	Lack of legislative enforcement			
	78	Vandalism			
	79	damages caused by third parties			
	80	Festival celebration			
	81	Unpredictable local conditions			

### APPENDIX-II

Section A

(Quantity of Wastage)

Sr.	Matarial	Quantity Of	Estimated	Unit	Cost of
No.	Material	Wastage	Quantity	Cost	Wastage
1.	Steel				
2.	Concrete				
3.	Bricks				
4.	Cement				
5.	AAC blocks (Autoclave				
	unaerated cement block)				
6.	Cement Bags				
7.	Sand				
8.	Mortar				
9.	Coarse Aggregate				
10.	Nails				
11.	Binding Wire				

12.	Wood (formwork)				
13.	Granite Stone				
14.	Tiles				
Total Wastage Cost =					

### Section D

How you utilize waste material on your side

Sr. No.	Material	Reuse	Recycle	Salvage	Dumping
1.	Steel				
2.	Concrete				
3.	Bricks				
4.	Cement				
	AAC blocks				
5.	(Autoclave unaerated				
	cement block)				
6.	Cement Bags				
7.	Sand				
8.	Mortar				
9.	Coarse Aggregate				
10.	Nails				
11.	Binding Wire				
12.	Wood (formwork)				
13.	Granite Stone				
14.	Tiles				

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