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Making Green Porous Concrete for Rain Water Harvesting and Urban Pavements

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Abstract: *Flooding is seen to be a common phenomenon due to urbanization and improper water drainage. Now a day's impervious concert is mainly used for making pavements and courtyards which does not allow rain water to drain and percolate under the ground. Due to improper drainage systems cities like Mumbai gets easily flooded with even less rainfall. Moreover, thermal radiation is emitted by these concrete blocks and create heat enhancing to rise in the global climatic temperature. So, if the material used is pervious in nature, the water will pass through the surface enhancing rain water harvesting and will recharge groundwater. Using impervious material leads to health hazards and leading to serious environmental damage. As a solution to the problem is to make pervious concrete pavement block with a green cover on the top from locally available materials. The more void space in this pavement blocks will allow water to percolate freely into the ground and allow grass to be cultured and grown on top of this pavement block which will lead to eco-friendly environment.*

Keywords: Pervious concrete, Ground water, Urban pavements, Water absorption, Porosity, Eco-Friendly.

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