PROPERTIES OF PARTICLE BOARD MADE FROM BATAI (*paraserianthes falcataria*) USING PHENOL FORMALDEHYDE

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In this study, 5% and 7% of phenol formaldehyde (PF) will use and mixed the particle size of 1.0 mm and 2.0 mm of *Paraserianthes falcataria.* Mechanical and physical properties were determined using BS EN 1993 Standard method. The result showed that the density significant effect on all the board properties except for thickness swelling (TS). Resin content showed only significant effect on thickness swelling (TS). Particle size showed significant effect on MOE and IB. The interaction of density, resin content and particle size showed significant effect on all board properties except for MOR, MOE and TS. In conclusion, the particleboard made from Batai spp does not meet the standard requirement for BS EN 1993.