

PROPERTIES OF PARTICLE BOARD FROM BAGASSE (*Saccharum officinarum* L) MIX WITH UNKNOWN SPECIES OF WOOD WASTE IN RELATION TO WOOD RATIO AND RESIN

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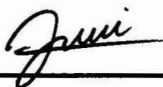
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ABSTRACT

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Properties of particleboard from bagasse (*Saccharum officinarum* L) mix with unknown species of wood in relation to wood ratio and resin content bounded with phenol formaldehyde has been studied. The particle board manufacturing were made with four ratio 100 bagasse and 60: 40 by mix with different resin content 9% and 11%. The boards produced were evaluated for its bending test (BS), internal bond (IB), water absorption (WA) and thickness swelling (TS) according to European Standard. The measurement of bending test used in this study is 350mm × 50mm × 12mm and for IB, WA, TS 50mm × 50mm. By using ratio 60 bagasse and 40 wood waste the board strength is good. The higher percentage of resin content will produce the better of particleboard properties. This study finds Bagasse can be the alternative new raw material in manufacturing of composite panel product because it can replace the wood in producing particle boards.

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