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OIL PALM EMPTY FRUIT BUNCH FIBRE (OPEFB) IN THERMOSETTING POLYMER COMPOSITE

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Innovation Idea:

The studies of characteristics in natural fibres have been intensified in recent decades. However, the application of its use is still not widespread. Due to the issue of environmental conditions being increasingly affected by carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions, significant changes in climate and weather patterns are also observed. This research offers a new idea that can be commercialised, taking substantial steps in introducing natural fibre-reinforced polymer composite (NFRPC) products. This especially pertains to the distinctive characteristic of OPEFB in the construction industry market. The selection of methods in forming innovative products for this structural material is also important to guarantee a stronger product and competitive in the current market. This is the reason for the shift in the use of new products or novel construction methods in the future to ensure the sustainability of construction is upheld while at the same time offer conservation to the environment. This study was conducted by employing a qualitative approach involving laboratory experiments. Through these experiments, the acquisition of performance data based on the research objectives could be accomplished. The study also intends to commercialise this innovation idea. The results of the study lead to a unique innovation, allowing potential users to have confidence in evaluating and thus moving forward to the development of this product.

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