THE STUDY OF ORIENTED STRAND BOARD (OSB) FROM LUDAI SPECIES WITH THE DENSITY 500 KG/M^3, 600 KG/M^3 AND 700 KG/M^3 AT 5% RESIN CONTENT

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Oriented strand board (OSB) is a multi-layered board made from strands of wood of predetermines shape and thickness together with a binder. The strands in the outer-layers a aligned and parallel to the board length or width, the strand in the centre layer or layers can be randomly oriented or aligned, generally at right angles to the strand of the external layers. Ludai (*Sapium baccatum*) has potentials for commercialize in OSB productions. Recovery of wood strands production has the high percentage (90.29%). It able recommended for commercial production of OSB. OSB from Ludai species is also has the high value of MOE and MOR in bending test and appropriates for many uses. OSB with 700 Kg/m^3 density shows the good strength properties and has the low percentage of thickness swelling and water absorption. This new panel product is able to improve their properties and be as a substitute to other panel products such as MDF and Particle board.