

EXPERIMENTAL EVALUATION OF A CI ENGINE WITH BLENDS OF DIESEL AND PLASTIC PYROLYSIS OIL

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Abstract

Plastic waste disposal is a severe problem which leads to a great environmental pollution. Conventional fuels like Petrol and diesel are exhaustible hence alternative fuels find permanent solution in this regard. In this paper main focus has been made on waste plastic oil to use in the IC engine. The oil is blended with diesel in the ratio 10, 15, 20 & 30% & then tested in 4-S single cylinder engine (VCR Engine.). Result analysis of the blended oil experiment shows suitability for the internal combustion engine. Performance character of the blend oil B20 shows better as compare to other blends also B20 can be used as alternative fuel oil to diesel.

Keywords: Engine, Engine Performance, Alternative Fuel, Pyrolysis, Engine Emission.

1. INTRODUCTION

In today's life plastics are being used every where i.e in packing goods, manufacturing home appliances, machine components etc. as they are cheap, light weight and durable. Plastics are made of petroleum and its derivatives. The plastics are biodegradable hence its waste is increasing day by day in our surrounds. Plastics waste if disposed continuously leads to severe environmental pollution. Plastics cannot be buried or land filled to degrade. Burning of plastic also produces toxic gases hence that also not advisable. The recycling of plastic of course is difficult as different types of polymers are used to manufacture according the requirement but is now essential. Many plastics can be recycled. The PET bottles are recycled to manufacture products like bean bags, sleeping bags, tennis balls, combs etc. HDPE plastic can be reused for manufacturing .In our present research work focus is made to produce oil from waste plastics.

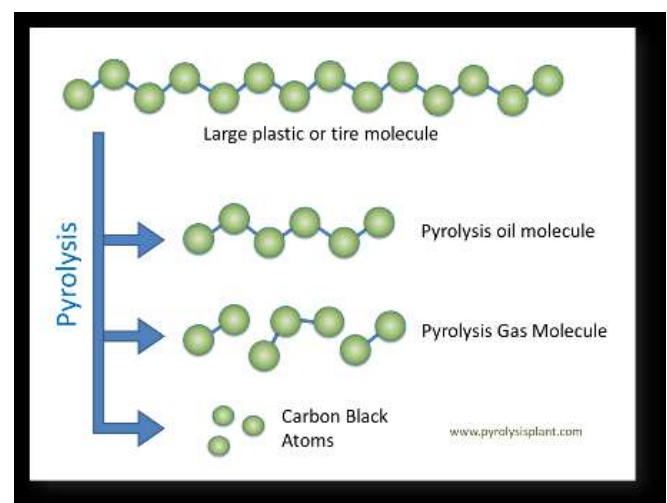
One of the important recycling processes of plastic waste is Pyrolysis process. pyrolysis is thermo chemical decomposition of organic material in presence of oxygen. The present work is on conversion of waste plastic oil in to usable oil for the running of IC engine. In this paper, preparation of blends of diesel oil with plastic pyrolysis oil at different proportion has been presented. The waste plastic oil thus produced is checked for feasibility as an alternate fuel oil for IC engine. Performance test is conducted on computerized single cinder 4-S diesel engine.

2. WASTE PLASTIC PYROLYSIS OIL

One of the most effective method of disposing of plastic is pyrolysis. It is the process of converting waste plastic to re usable fuel oil. The Pyrolysis process is taken place in the

reactor. Pyrolysis is the process thermal decomposition in the absence of air. Pyrolysis involves breaking of large molecule in to smaller ones. In pyrolysis plastic will not be burnt instead broken down to usable fuel oil HC gas and carbon black. In Plastic pyrolysis plastic waste is subjected to high temperature i.e more than 500 degree centigrade in absence of oxygen because plastic burns in presence of oxygen. The process is usually conducted in reactor. The gaseous products produced in pyrolysis process are condensed in water cooled condenser to convert to liquid oil.

Pyrolysis is an developing industry to protect the environment and producing the fuel oil to produce alternate fuel oil.



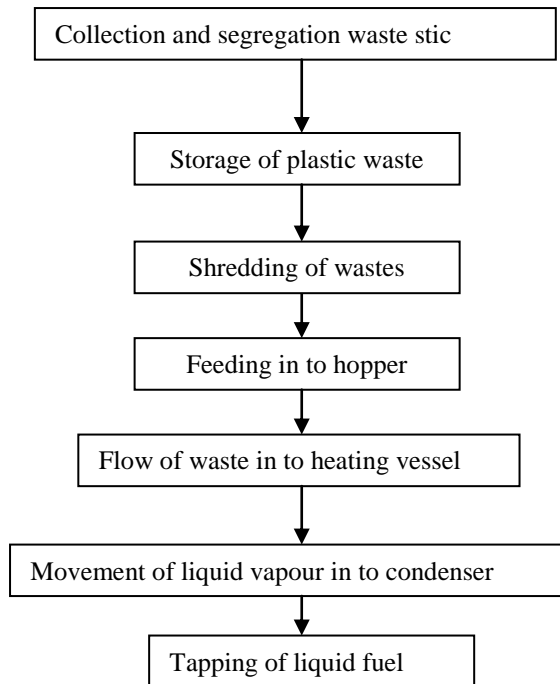


Fig -1: conversion of solid waste in to liquid fuel



Fig-2: Waste plastics



Fig-3: Waste plastic oil

3. ENGINE SET UP

The engine used for the test is a single cylinder 4-S diesel engine. The engine produces 5.2 Kilowatt of rate power at 1500rpm with a compression ratio of 18:1. The single cylinder four stroke diesel engine is used for the present work that produces 5.2KW at 1500 rpm.

The Engine Specification is given below in Table:1. The engine test rig is shown in Fig:4 The engine test rig is used for the various tests that are conducted at different load conditions. To start the experiment first engine is started by using diesel oil. This to warm the engine at beginning and then the engine is made to run on different blended oil. Burette is used to record the flow rate and exhaust gas temperature is recorded by sensors.



Fig-4: Computerized Single cylinder 4 stroke Diesel engine (VCR engine)

Engine Specifications

1	Parameters	Specifications
2	Type	TVI (kirlosker made)
3	Software used	Engine soft.
4	Nozzle opening pressure	200-205 bar
5	Governor type	Mechanical centrifugal type
6	No of cylinders	Single cylinder
7	No of strokes	4 stroke
8	Fuel	H.S. diesel
9	Rated power	5.2 kw (7hp) at 1500 rpm
10	Cylinder diameter (bore)	87.5mm
11	Stroke length	110mm
12	Compression ratio	18:1
Air measurement manometer		
13	Made	MX 201
14	Type	U type
15	Range	100-0-100mm
Eddy current dynamometer		
16	Model	AG-10
17	Type	Eddy current
18	Maximum	7.5Kw at 1500-3000rpm

4. ENGINE TESTS

Engine performance is an indication of the degree of success with which it is doing its assigned job that is the conversion of the chemical energy contained in the fuel into the useful mechanical work. The degree of success is compared on the basis of the following tests.

1. Specific fuel consumption
2. Brake thermal efficiency
3. Mechanical efficiency
4. Volumetric efficiency
5. Exhaust emissions

Specific fuel consumption is widely used to compare the performance of different engine. Mean effective pressure, gives an indication of engine displacement utilization. Higher the mean effective pressure higher will be power developed by the engine for a given displacement. Brake thermal efficiency is the true indication of the efficiency with which the thermodynamic is converted into mechanical work. It also accounts for combustion efficiency.

5. PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF ENGINE

5.1 Specific Fuel Consumption

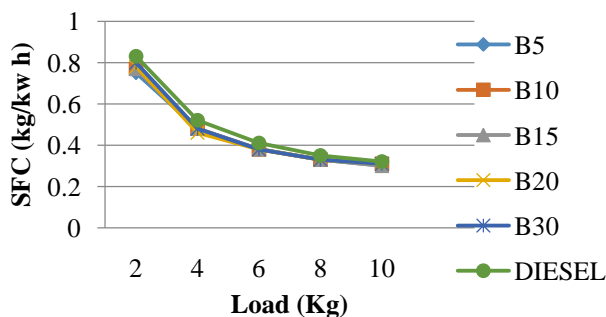


Fig-5: Variation of Specific fuel consumption with Load

Fig-5 shows that variation of specific fuel consumption with load. The graph shows that as the load increases specific fuel consumption decreases. For different blends specific fuel consumption is high in case of diesel.

5.2 Brake Thermal Efficiency

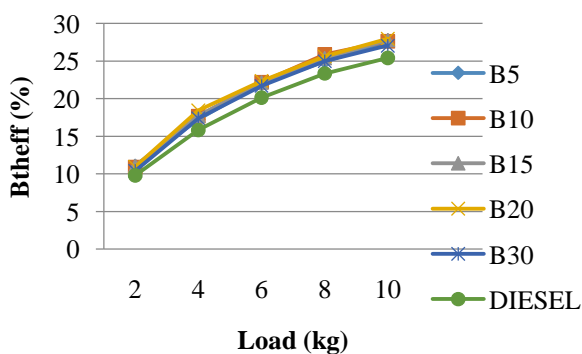


Fig-6: Variation of BTE with Load

Fig-6 variation of Brake Thermal Efficiency with load.

It is observed that as load increases BTE also increases for different blends. BTE is high in all blends as compared to diesel among all blends. B20 shows higher Brake Thermal Efficiency.

5.3 Mechanical Efficiency

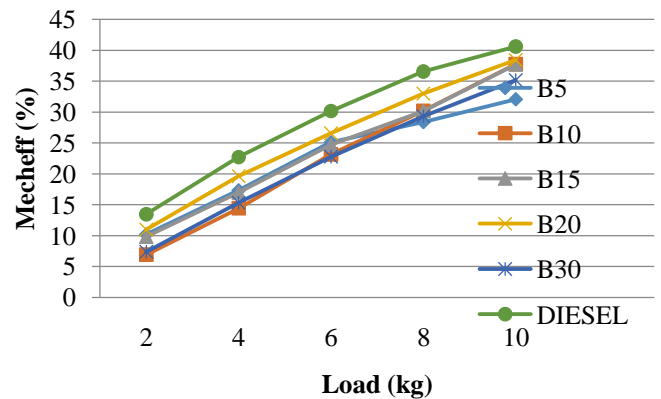


Fig-7: Variation of Mechanical efficiency with Load

Fig-7: Mechanical efficiency variation with load. It is observed that as load increases mechanical efficiency is increases with different blends. Mechanical efficiency is high in case of diesel than all blends.

5.4 Volumetric Efficiency

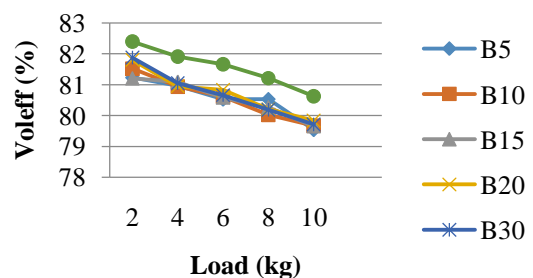


Fig-8: variation of volumetric efficiency with Load

Fig-8: Variation of volumetric efficiency with load. It is observed that the volumetric efficiency is slightly higher than diesel; at full load condition the volumetric efficiency is same in all blends and diesel.

5.4 Emission Testing

5.4.1 Carbon Monoxide

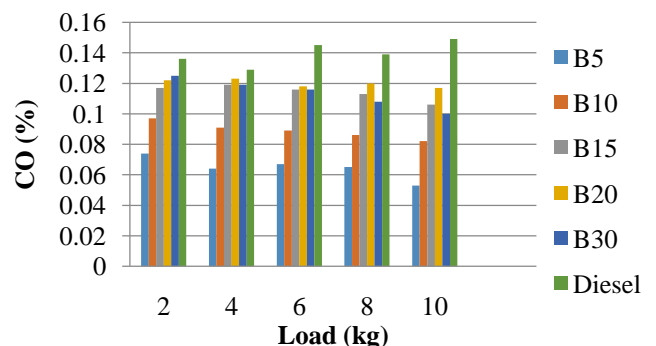


Fig-9: Carbon Monoxide with Load

Figure: 9, shows that variation of CO with load. It is observed that as blending increases CO emission decreases. CO emission is more in case of diesel as compared to all blends.

5.4.2 Carbon Dioxide

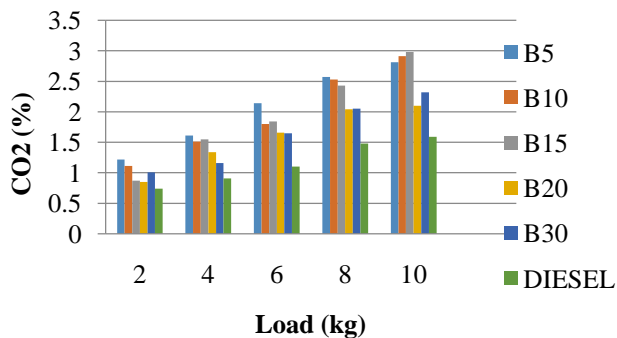


Fig-10: Variation of CO₂ with Load

Fig-10: Variation of CO₂ with load. It is observed that as load increases the emission of CO₂ increases this is because of the more carbon particles in the plastic oil. So the CO₂ emission is more as compared to diesel.

5.4.3 Hydrocarbon

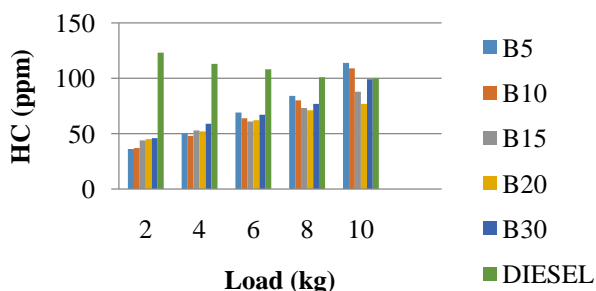


Fig-11: Variation of HC with Load

Fig-11 shows that variation of HC with load. It is observed that as blending increases the emission of HC increases, as compared to diesel HC emission is low in case of blends.

5.4.4 Nitrogen Oxides

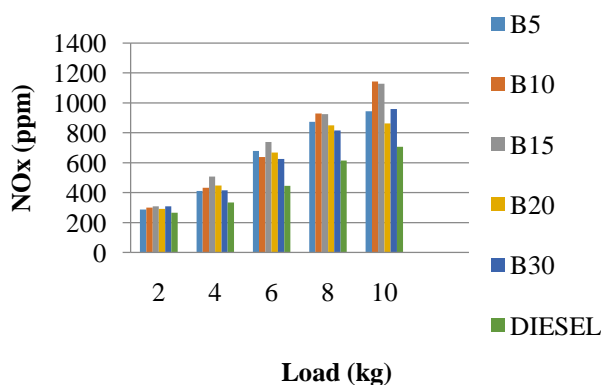


Fig-12: Variation of NO_x with Load

It is observed that as the blending increases NO_x emission is goes on increases. NO_x emissions are higher than diesel this is because of incomplete combustion of oil and higher viscosity of oil.

6. CONCLUSION

The following conclusions are made by conducting the experiment using single cylinder engine.

1. The engine can be able to run with 50% of blends.
2. After B50 the engine starts to vibrate and emission parameters also increase.
3. From the analysis the blend B20 shows better performance compared to other blends in the sense of better performance characteristics like Brake Thermal Efficiency, specific fuel consumption and decreases in emission like CO, HC. Hence the blend B20 can be used as the substitute for diesel.
4. NO_x emission is high as compared to diesel.

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