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#### **ABSTRACT:**

This research is about the mechanical treatment of base course material.

The base course in Khartoum state is facing a problem of scarcity. Nowadays, it is hard to find base course materials comply with the specifications for constructing roads. Therefore, some of the materials supplied from quarries to constructional locations need to be treated. There are several ways and methods of soil treatment and stabilization but in this research, the soil treated by the mechanical stabilization.

The purpose of treatment is for improving of soil properties. This method is so simple and easy as well as the good results obtained. Moreover, it is not costly, comparing to other soil treatment methods such as the chemical stabilization.

In the research, three samples were collected from materials supplied to construction locations from quarries.

For treating the samples, percentages of sand, natural gravels and crushed stone were added in many trials, so as to improve the engineering properties of the material and to conform to the requirements.

The results were magnificent and base course materials conformed to the specifications were obtained which could be used in roads construction as base materials.

From the research, it is obvious that the subbase material could be treated to act as base course materials.

## مستخلص:

تعانى ولاية الخرطوم من ندرة مواد الاساس و بالتالى صعوبة الحصول على مواد اساس مطابقة للمواصفات تصلح لتشيد الطرق. و عليه، بعض مواد الاساس التى يتم توريدها للموقع قد تحتاج للمعالجة حيث هنالك العديد من الطرق المستخدمة لمعالجة التربة. و هذا البحث يتناول معالجة مواد طبقة الاساس ميكانيكيا.

معالجة التربة ميكانيكيا من اسهل و ابسط طرق المعالجة و ارخصها مقارنة مع المعالجات الاخرى كالمعالجة باستخدام المواد الكيميائية مثل الاسمنت. كما ان معالجة التربة ميكانيكيا تعطى نتائج جيد بحيث يمكن الحصول على مواد اساس وفقا للمواصفات.

فى هذا البحث، استخدامت ثلاثة عينات، اخذت من مواقع تشييد من مقالع مختلفة بولاية الخرطوم حيث تم اختبار ها معمليا لتحديد مواصفات تلك العينات.

تمت المعالجة باضافة نسب مختلفة من الرمل، الخرسانة الطبيعية أو الحجر المكسور في عدة محاولات و ذلك لتحسين الخواص الهندسية لها و الحصول على مواد اساس وفقا للمواصفات المطلوبة.

من النتائج المعملية، تم الحصول على مواد اساس مطابقة للمواصفات بعد معالجتها ميكانيكيا، صالحة الاستخدام في تشييد الطرق.

الدراسة توصلت الى امكانية معالجة مواد الاساس المساعد ميكانيكيا لاستخدامها كمواد لطبقة الاساس.

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS:**

N.G.L.	Natural Ground Level			
CBR	California Bearing Ratio			
M.D.D.	Maximum dry Density			
O.M.C.	Optimum Moisture Content			
PI	Plasticity Index			
PL	Plastic Limits			
LL	Liquid Limit			
PM	Maximum Plasticity Modulus			
TFV	Ten Percent Fines Value			
U.C.S.	Unconfined Compressive Strength			
h.p.	Horsepower			
psi	Pound per square inch			
F	Fahrenheit			
mm	Millimeter			
dm	Decimeter			
km	Kilometer			
kg	Kilogram			
KN	Kilo Newton			
T1, T2,	Traffic Categories			
GBI,A	Granular roadbase, fresh, crushed rock			
GB1,B	Granular roadbase, crushed rock, gravel or boulders			
GB2,A	Granular roadbase, dry-bound Macadam			
GB2,B	Granular roadbase, water-bound Macadam			
GB3	Granular roadbase, natural coarsely graded granular material including processed and modified gravels			
GS				
GC	Granular subbase, natural gravel			
	Granular capping layer, gravel or gravel soil			
AASHTO	American Associated States of Highway and Transportation Official			
BS	British Standard  Transport Passarah Laboratory, Overseas Pata note 21			
TRL	Transport Research Laboratory - Overseas Rote note 31			