

## AN IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECTS OF EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION ON THE EFFICIENCY AND EMISSIONS OF A COMMON-IGNITION ENGINE OPERATED ON DIESEL AND BLENDS OF JATROPHA OIL BIODIESEL

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### ABSTRACT

*Start of injection, also known as injection timing, refers to the point in time when the process of injecting fuel into the combustion chamber really starts. Crank angle degrees (CAD) relative to top dead centre (TDC) of the compression stroke is the standard way that it is stated. The diesel engine has been favoured for a significant amount of time in the areas of the military, as well as in power plants, transportation, engineering equipment, and agricultural machinery. This is due to the diesel engine's great thermal efficiency, strong dependability, adequate and steady power, and other attributes. For a very long time, using diesel engines to power commercial transportation on land or water has shown to be the most efficient use of resources. However, the reduction of emissions generated by diesel engines is a primary issue, which has led to the search for alternative fuels and the development of one-of-a-kind in-cylinder platforms that are compatible with treatment equipment. These efforts are being made in an attempt to ease emission problems to the maximum degree that is practically possible. In recent years, the use of biodiesel in the automotive sector has seen a major increase. This may be attributed to the depletion of fossil fuels as well as the pollution that comes along with its use. The production of biodiesel takes place regionally, and its energy content is low, but it has a significantly positive impact on the emissions of greenhouse gases. You need to do more research into*

*this particular aspect. The majority of biodiesels come from rice bran, rapeseed, palm, and canola oils, in addition to other regularly used culinary oils. According to the findings of the vast majority of earlier studies, the utilisation of bio-diesel results in the production of lower levels of carbon monoxide, particulate matter, and hydrocarbons as compared to clean diesel (D). The only potential drawback is that NOx emissions might potentially rise. Recirculating the exhaust gas, often known as EGR, is an efficient method for cutting down on NOx emissions. In the current study, 5%, 15%, and 25% of EGR flow rates are being used by the diesel engine when it is operating at half load. The engine is being fed diesel PD100 as well as blends of Jatropha biodiesel JOB15 and JOB30 in an effort to minimise NOx emissions while maintaining an injection pressure of 240 bar and an injection timing of 23°bTDC. Emission characteristics such as exhaust gas temperature (EGT), smoke parameters, and combustion parameters such as ignition delay, combustion duration and Start of combustion, end of combustion are to be evaluated, and engine performance parameters such as brake power (BP), brake specific fuel consumption (BSFC), and brake thermal efficiency (BTE) are to be recorded and compared with diesel and blends of biodiesel. Diesel, sustainability, alternative fuels, emissions, exhaust gas recirculation, and other related terms also feature prominently here.*

### INTRODUCTION

Many vegetable oils, including peanut oil, linseed oil, rapeseed oil, and sunflower oil, can all be utilized in diesel. Sustainability, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, regional development, and agricultural improvement are just a few of the benefits of using vegetable oil. The chemical properties of vegetable oils aids in lowering the emmissions of unwanted components when they are burned. According to Murayama et al., vegetable oil fuels have engine performance and exhaust gas emission levels for short-term operation only, but result in carbon

deposit build-up and piston ring sticking after extended operation.

Diesel engines have long been the least expensive mode of commercial transportation, both on land and at sea. Nonetheless, reducing emissions from diesel engines is a major concern, spurring efforts to develop unique in-cylinder platforms that are compatible with treatment equipment, as well as the

search for alternative fuels to the greatest extent feasible. Unlike the rest of the world, India's claim for diesel is approximately '6' times greater than gasoline, so looking for alternatives to diesel is an expected choice. Esters derived from vegetable oils are the best diesel replacements because they cause no engine modifications. Vegetable oils' chemical composition helps to reduce the emission of unwanted components when they are burned.

Vegetable oil fuels, according to Murayama et al., produced acceptable

engine performance and exhaust gas emission levels for short-term operation only, but caused carbon funds build-up and piston ring sticking after extended operation. They also suggested practical solutions to these problems, such as increasing the fuel temperature to 2200 degrees Celsius, blending 25% diesel fuel into vegetable oil, and blending 15% eth oils The blending method increases the efficiency of vegetable oil fuel while requiring little fuel processing and engine modification. Because of rising fuel demand and pollution from automobile and industrial emissions, biodiesel has emerged as a viable alternative to petrodiesel. The majority of energy requirements are met by petrochemical resources, coal, and natural gases. At current usage rates, it will be depleted soon. Many vegetable oils, including peanut oil, linseed oil, rapeseed oil, and sunflower oil, can be used in diesels. Sustainability, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, regional development, and agricultural improvement are just a few of the benefits of using vegetable oil.

### **BIOFUELS**

A biofuel is a fuel that is derived from living organisms, most commonly plants or plant-derived materials. Liquid biofuels are increasingly being examined as alternatives to diesel and petrol as fossil fuels due to their capacity to reduce numerous environmental stresses caused by the use of fossil fuels. Because biodiesel has fuel properties similar to diesel, it can be used as a diesel fuel substitute, either by itself or in pairing to diesel oil (Pasiyas et al.,

2206). It outperforms petroleum-based diesel in the following ways: It is sustainable, carbon-neutral, and biodegradable. faster, less toxic, higher flash point, and low sulphur content Cucurbita pepo is grown primarily for its fruits and leaves, which are commonly consumed as vegetables in Nigeria. Seed oil nowadays has no practical product. Cucurbita pepo seed oil appears to be a viable substitute oil for biodiesel production. The seed oil can be used to make a salad trying to dress when combined with honey or olive oil. Cooking destroys the oil's essential fatty acid, so it is seldom if ever used in cooking (Schinas et al., 2209).

#### **BIO-DIESEL**

Biodiesel is a type of alternative fuel made from vegetable oil or animal fat that is clearly tailored for diesel engines.

Biodiesel is a nontoxic, organic fuel that is ecofriendly and clean-burning. It can be used in any compression ignition engine (diesel engine).

It is a non-petroleum-based fuel, which means it is created without the use of fossil fuels such as oil or coal. This environmentally friendly fuel is made from renewable resources such as vegetable oils and fats. These oils and fats are transesterified into a fuel that can be blended with conventional petroleum-based diesel in any proportion or used directly in any diesel engine without modification.

#### **TRANSESTERIFICATION:**

It is the process of converting the organic group  $R''$  of an ester to the

organic collective  $R'$  of the an alcohol. These responses are frequently catalysed by an acid or basic catalyst. Lipases and other enzymes (biocatalysts) can also be used to carry out the reaction.

Enzymatic hydrolysis is the response of a triglyceride (fat/oil) with an alcohol to create esters and glycerol. A triglyceride is composed of three long-chain fatty acids linked together by a glycerin molecule. The type of fatty acids linked to glycerin determines the properties of the fat. The type of fatty acids used can influence the properties of biodiesel. During the transesterification, the triglyceride reacts with alcohol in the presence of a catalyst, which really is typically a strong alkaline such as sodium hydroxide. When the alcohol reacts with the fatty, the single-ester, also known as biodiesel and crude glycerol, is formed.

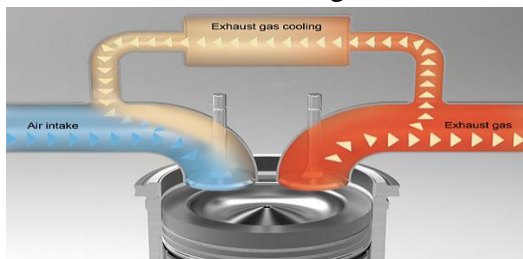
#### **RENEWABLE RESOURCES & NON-RENEWABLE SOURCES**

Natural resources, also known as renewable resources, are replaced by evolutionary selection and pushed inside the natural world. There are renewable and recyclable materials that are used for a specific amount of time during a cycle and can be used an infinite number of times.

Soil, water, forests, plants, and animals are all renewable resources if properly monitored, protected, and conserved in their natural habitat. Sustainable agriculture is the long-term cultivation of plant materials in a way that preserves plant and animal ecosystems.

### EGR – EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION – WORKING

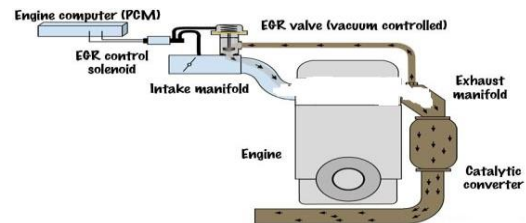
The operation of this process is straightforward, but the implications are profound. After the exhaust manifold and before the catalytic converter, there is an EGR-valve. This valve opens, allowing some of the exhaust gases to be redirected to the intake manifold and mixed with fresh air. Once mixed, the supply air in the fresh air is reduced or the temperature of the fresh air is slightly raised. Because flue gases have already been burned, they are now inert gases, with no free oxygen present. As a result, the nitrogen in the air is unable to react with the excess oxygen, and NOx (Nitrogen Oxides) establishment is reduced. This is one of the most dangerous gases in a tail pipe and must be controlled according to emission laws. Because these gases are static in character, they prevent ignition from reaching high temperatures, where all of the dangerous toxic gases are formed. To even further reduce the temperature of the burning, an EGR cooler is often attached to the modules before mixing it with fresh air.



**Fig 1: Exhaust gas recirculation representation**

### EGR – EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION – PRINCIPLE AND NEED

Exhaust Gas Recirculation, as the name implies, is the redirection of exhaust gases after the combustion process and their use to achieve various goals in the vehicle's engine. This could include anything including controlling the temperature inside the combustion chamber to improving a motor's fuel mileage and everywhere in between. As we all know, a quality of the air inside the combustion chamber, the ignition process, and the pressure and temperature inside the engine determine all of the performance, fuel, and emission parameters and output of a car; adjusting these could result in a slew of advantages in all of these areas. That is the reason why so much research has gone into these aspects and new technologies keep coming up as the emission and performance requirements keep on increasing. Governments are always bringing in tougher emission regulations to keep the environmental pollution in check and the customers are looking for more powerful or more fuel-efficient cars at the same time.



**Fig 2: Exhaust gas recirculation principle**

### EGR – EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION – ADVANTAGES

Now, as mentioned before, there are a ton of benefits to incorporating this

technology into vehicles. A lot of work has been done on this technology and it is a perfectly reliable technology. Many modern cars make use of this technique along with advanced components like the EGR cooler and sensors to take even more control of the exhaust gases. The main challenge in this is to keep a track of As previously stated, there are numerous advantages to incorporating this technology into vehicles. This technology was put through extensive testing and is completely reliable. Many modern cars use this technique in conjunction with advanced components such as the EGR cooler and sensors to gain even more control over the exhaust gases. exhaust gas mass and recirculate according to the requirements. Once this is accomplished, EGR offers numerous benefits such as reduced fuel consumption, control of temperature and pressure inside the combustion chamber, reduction of harmful and toxic pollutants, and much more. Under low load, the ignition lag of diesel engines is contained. There aren't many drawbacks to this technique, but ignition knock may be an issue in the case of gasoline engines. Because the addition of flue gases raises the temperature slightly. Another consideration could be the addition of components and the maintenance of ti. As a result, caution is required. Apart from that, this technology only has advantages.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

Many researchers have used jatropha oil (neat or modified) as a CI engine fuel, and the Indian government is promoting jatropha oil as a source of biofuel for partial diesel substitution. It is posited that waste lands in the country, including such rail track sides and other non-food cultivation, be used for the planting of jatropha trees..

According to G. Lakshmi Narayana Rao, the engine speed for JOBD and its mixture is shorter than for diesel oil due to the inherent oxygen content of JOBD, and the rate of pressure rise is faster for fuel and slower for JOBD [1]. Numerous research studies have highlighted JB15D850 and its blends' advantageous performance and emission characteristics

[2, 3]. Pramanik et al. found that blends containing up to 50% jatropha oil achieved acceptable thermal efficiency and specific fuel consumption Blends containing a lower percentage of jatropha oil had higher exhaust gas temperatures when compared to a diesel engine, but lower than neat jatropha oil in all cases

[4]. According to Forson et al., under comparable system parameters, Jatropha oil, diesel, and their blends exhibited similar results and greenhouse gas characteristics

[5]. Preheating jatropha oil improved dynamic performance and reduced emissions, according to Palaniswamy et al.

[6]. Reddy and Ramesh, among others When using neat jatropha oil in such a diesel engine, improving the injector intro pressure, injection timing, injection rate, and

goopy mess level resulted in a significant improvement in performance and emissions. [7]. Sundarapadian and Devaradjane et al., Performance and emission characteristics of JOBD are superior when compared to other methyl esters produced from other feedstock, Peak pressure is higher for Jatropha methyl ester compared to diesel [8]. According to various emission-related studies, Mofijur et al. found that biodiesel reduced hydrogen (HC), particles in the air (PM), but also carbon dioxide (CO), while raising carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions. Net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are expected to be lower due to crop growth, whereas NO<sub>x</sub> emissions can be reduced through technologies such as exhaust gas recirculation. [9]. Diesel engines are widely often used in internal combustion machines because of their high performance and effectiveness. Their efficiency is due to the high compression ratio, which generates heat and causes the fuel to spontaneously ignite. [10]The ongoing recognition of diminishing petroleum fuel reserves, as well as chance of using easily obtainable low-cost non-edible plant and waste-oils as sources of environmentally friendly renewable substitutes, has sparked a great deal of interest in biodiesel research. [11]. Biodiesel is made from animal fats, plant or vegetable seed oils, and foodservice waste oils and is consisted of hydroxyl fatty a Base catalysed trans-esterification reactions using sodium hydroxide (NaOH) or potassium hydroxide (KOH), which are

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[14] methyl fatty esters, the most commonly used biodiesel, are typically produced by trans-esterification of oils/fats with methanol in the presence of an alkaline substance.

[15-16]. The jatropha oil used as a biofuel as a fuel in a CI engine and the trans-esterified oil were compared to diesel. The trans-esterified jatropha oil is blended with diesel in the proportion of B25, and the B25 blend has nearly the same fuel consumption, higher mechanical efficiency, higher indicated thermal efficiency, and higher brake thermal efficiency by load variations than conventional diesel.

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[18]. Continuous increase in costs had also resulted in the replacing of traditional fuels

with seasonal alternative fuels that can meet a portion of energy demand.

[19]. Varieties of biodiesels have promised the same thing, but in most cases, NOx emissions are higher

[20]. Biofuel blends, such as Jatropha biodiesel and turpentine oil, have lower emissions and lower brake thermal efficiency when compared to diesel.

[21].Engines with duel fuel mode Jatropha biodiesel and CNG have shown improved performance at higher loads and less NOx emissions

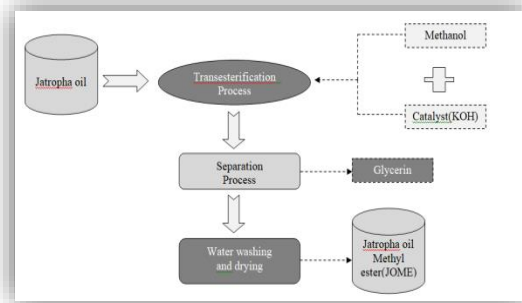
[22].It is noticed that in multi-cylinder diesel engine operating with hydrogen gas-biodiesel dual fuel mode with 20 % of EGR has reduction of 41% in NOx emissions at higher load

[23]. 30% of EGR with 40% of alcohol (butanol) additives by volume have shown lower CO and NOx compared to neat diesel

**DIESEL**

Diesel fuel is a mixture of hydrocarbons crude oil with boiling points ranging from 150 to 380°F o. Petroleum crude oils are made up of three types of hydrocarbons: paraffinic, naphthenic (or cycloparaffinic), and aromatic hydrocarbons. Unsaturated hydrocarbons (olefins) are uncommon in crude oil.. Unsaturated hydrocarbons (olefins) are uncommon in crude oil. It should be noted that the terms "paraffinic" and "naphthenic" sound archaic; we use them because they are still widely used in the petrochemical industry. In modern chemistry, the two

groups of hydrocarbons are referred to as alkanes and cycloalkanes. Diesel fuels used in automobiles are distillate fuels, which means they do not contain (uncracked) residuum fractions.

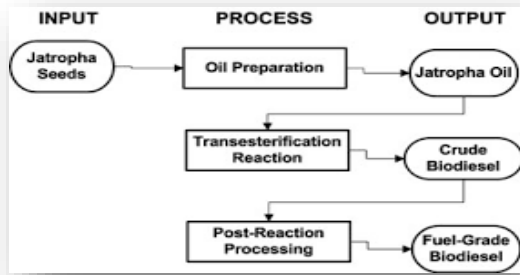


**Fig 3: Process for extraction of jatropha oil**

It should be noted that methyl and ethyl polyols can be transesterified to form esters with relatively large alkoxy groups. This is usually accomplished by heating the ester (methyl or ethyl) with in presence of the acid/base catalyst and the alcohol with a large alkoxy group, then dissipating off the smaller alcohol to drive the equilibrium respond in the desired direction.

Property	Jatropha oil	Jatropha biodiesel	Diesel
Density(15°C, kgm <sup>-3</sup> )	940	880	850
Viscosity (mm <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	24.5	4.8	2.6
Flash point (°C)	225	135	68
Pour point (°C)	4	2	-20
Water content (%)	1.4	0.025	0.02
Ash content (%)	0.8	0.012	0.01
Carbon residue (%)	1.0	0.20	0.17
Acid value (mgKOHg <sup>-1</sup> )	28.0	0.40	-
Calorific value (MJkg <sup>-1</sup> )	38.65	39.23	42

**Fig 4: Properties of Diesel and Biodiesel**



**Fig 5: Jatropha oil Biodiesel processing**



**Fig 6: Diesel and Jatropha oil Biodiesel**

Direct injection (DI) diesel engines are generally more efficient than indirect intravenous (IDI) systems. Because of the undivided combustion chamber and no loss at the throat, the direct injection system of a diesel engine (DI) consumes less fuel than a divided-chamber combustion

system (in other words, an oblique injection system) (IDI). As a result, the DI system is the primary stream for automobile diesel engines. In contrast, the DI system is subject to a severe barter between NO<sub>x</sub> and PM in exhaust emission and also produces more white or blue smoke than the IDI system, which requires the reduction of the these harmful substances from the standpoint of global environmental protection.

**THEORY**

**INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES**

- Heat Engines: A heat engine is a device that transform a fuel's chemical energy into thermal energy and then uses that energy to produce mechanical work. There are 2 types of heat engines.

1. External combustion engines;
2. internal combustion engines.

The product of burning is directly the motive liquid in an internal combustion engine. Internal-combustion engines include petrol, gas, and diesel engines, Rotary engine engines, and open cycle gas turbines. Internal combustion engines are also used in jet engines and rockets.

First Stroke: Charge effect during the piston's outward stroke.

2nd Stroke: Charge compaction during the piston's inward stroke.

3rd Stroke: Ignition of the air-fuel mixture during an inward dead centre, followed by plunger widening on the next outward stroke.

4th Stroke: Exhaust during the piston's next inward stroke.

**The Diesel Engine (1892) :-**

The term "diesel engine" refers to compression-ignition oil engines, either two or four stroke, with air less fuel injection. Rudolf Diesel (1858-1913), a German electrician born in Paris, is credited with creating the knowledge of compression ignition. In 1892, he proposed compressing air alone until it reached a high enough temperature to ignite the fuel that would be injected at the end of the compression stroke. In his first experiments, he attempts to inject coal dust into a cylinder containing highly compressed air.

**IC ENGINES CLASSIFICATIONS**

1. Otto Cycle Engines or Spark Ignition Engines
2. Diesel Cycle Engines or Compression Ignition Engines.
3. Four Stroke Engines ( One power stroke in two revolution of crankshaft)
4. Two Stroke Engines. ( One power stroke in one revolution of crankshaft)

**4.2 COMPARISION OF S.I. & C.I. ENGINES**

Description	S.I. Engines	C.I. Engines
1. Basic Cycle	Based on Otto Cycle	Based on Diesel Cycle
2. Fuel	Petrol, gasoline, High self ignition temp desirable.	Diesel oil, low ignition temp. desirable.
3. Introduction of fuel	Carburetor is used to mix fuel & air in proper proportion in suction stroke.	Fuel pump is used to inject fuel through injector at the end of compression stroke.
4. Ignition	Ignites with the help of spark plug.	Ignition due to high temp. caused by high compression of air & fuel.
5. Compression ration	6 to 10.5	14 to 22
6. Speed	High RPM	Lower RPM.
7. Weight	Lighter	Heavier
8. Starting	Low cranking effort	High cranking effort
9. Noise	Less	More

**APPLICATION OF S.I. & C.I. ENGINES.**

**S.I. Engines :-**

Small 2 stroke petrol engines are used when the cost of the prime mover is the most important consideration. Previously, moped.

**C.I. engines:** S.I. engines with four strokes are used in automobiles and mobile generator sets.

**Two-stroke C.I.** engines are used in powering vehicles where very high power diesel engines are used.

For all HEMMs, a 4 C.I. engine is used.

**FIRING ORDER**

Every engine cylinder must fire once in every cycle. This requires for a 4 stroke 4 cylinder engine, the ignition system must

fire spark plug for every 180 deg. Of crank rotation. For a 6 cylinder engine the time available is still less.

Following are the firing order of muliti cylinder engines

Sl.no.	Engines Cylindres	Firing Order
1.	3 Cylinder Engine	1-3-2
2.	4 Cylinder Engine	1-3-4-2
3.	6 Cylinder Engine	1-5-3-6-2-4
4.	8 Cylinder V shape Engine	1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2
5.	12 Cylinder V shape Engine	1-4-9-8-5-2-11-10-3-6-7-12

## FUEL INJECTION

There are two types of injection system. They are

1. Air injection: A cam shaft motivated fuel pump quantifies and pumps fuel to the fuekl valve. The fuel valve is opened by a mechanical linkage controlled by a crank shaft, which also controls the injection timing.

2. Solid Injection: This is the injection of fuel into the chamber of combustion without first atomizing it. Every solid injection system must include a pump and an atomizing unit (Injector). Individual pump and injector systems, common rail systems, and distributor systems are the three types of solid injectors.

## ENGINE PERFORMANCE

Engine performance is indicated by the term efficiency.

Various type of efficiencies are

Indicated thermal efficiency :- It is a ratio of energy in the indicated horse power to the fuel energy.

Mechanical efficiency ;- It is ration of brake horse power to the indicated horse power.

Brake thermal efficiency :- It is the ration of energy in the brake horse power to the fuel energy.

Volumetric efficiency :- Volumetric efficiency is defined as the ration of air actually induced at ambient conditions to the swept volume of the engine.

Specific fuel consumption :- It is a ratio of fuel consumption per hour to the horse power.

Indicated Horse power :- is the power produced inside the cylinder.

Brake Horse Power :- is the power available at the crankshaft.

## SUPER CHARGING :-

Supercharging is a method of increasing inlet air density. This is accomplished by using a stress device known as a super charger to supply air at a pressure higher than the compression at which the engine naturally aspirates the ambient air.

## TURBOCHARGING:-

Supercharging is a method of increasing inlet air density. This is accomplished by using a stress device known as a super charger to supply air at a



Type: Single cylinder, four stroke vertical water cooled diesel engine  
 Rated power -5.2kw  
 Rated speed – 1500rpm  
 Bore Dia(D) – 87.5mm  
 Stroke (L) – 110mm  
 Compression ratio – 17.5: 1  
 C.V. of fuel for diesel – 42,000kj/kg  
 Density of diesel – 830kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Eddy Current Dynamometer**

Make: Techno Mech  
 Model: TMEC-10  
 KW = (Nm x RPM)/9549305  
 RPM: 1500-1600rpm  
 Dynamometer arm length –(Rm)-185mm  
**AVL DI GAS 444 N (five gas analyzer)**

Measurement Data	Resolution
CO – 0-10% Vol	0.0001% Vol
HC – 0-22000ppm Vol	1ppm/ 10ppm
CO <sub>2</sub> – 0-20 % Vol	0.1 % Vol
O <sub>2</sub> – 0-25 % Vol	0.01 % Vol
NO <sub>x</sub> – 0-6000ppm Vol	1ppm Vol

**AVL 437C SMOKE METER**

Measurement Data	Resolution
Opacity – 0-100%	0.1 %
Absorption(K Value)	0-99-99m <sup>-1</sup> 0.01 m <sup>-1</sup>

**EXPERIMENTAL ANALYSIS:  
RESULTS OBTAINED**

In this analysis, the engine runs at a continual injection pressure of 240 bar, an injection timing of 23°btdc, and a constant load (50%) with variable exhaust gas flow rates of (5%, 15%, and 25%).

**BLENDS USED**

PD100 is a pure diesel.  
 JOBD15 is a 100% volume mishmash of 15% Jatropha oil biodiesel and 85% diesel.  
 JOBD30 is a 100% volume mixture of 30% Jatropha oil biodiesel and 70% diesel.

**PERFORMANCE, COMBUSTION AND EMISSION RESULTS**

**Brake specific fuel consumption:**

BSFC	PD100	JOBD15	JOBD30
5	0.2468	0.25023	0.25898
15	0.24926	0.25189	0.2592
25	0.25125	0.2587	0.2625

**Table 1: bsfc values with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOBD15 and JOBD30**

**Brake thermal efficiency:**

The amount of torque available at the crankshaft of the engine is referred to as brake power. It is also given by the product of the torque available at the crankshaft and the crankshaft's angular speed.

The brake thermal efficiency is a type of engine thermal efficiency that is defined as the ratio of brake power at the engine crankshaft to power generated by fuel combustion.

BTE	PD100	JOBD15	JOBD30
5	36.9178	35.8952	35.2104
15	35.9854	35.0242	34.2654
25	34.8982	34.0123	33.2127

**Table 2: brake thermal efficiency values with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOBD15 and JOBD30**

**Exhaust gas temperature:**

The exhaust system releases engine exhaust methane into the environment. Mufflers and

emission aftertreatment devices are among the specialised components of the exhaust system. A number of exhaust gas properties must be known by the designer of the engine bay and/or exhaust system components.

EGT(°c)	PD100	JOB15	JOB30
5	197.625	187.9542	183.5656
15	201.354	197.898	191.0502
25	203.7878	199.0206	192.5566

**Table 3: Exhaust gas temperature with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOB15 and JOB30**

**Unburnt Hydrocarbons HC ppm:**

Diesel combustion is heterogeneous in nature as opposed to spark-ignited engines, where the combustible mixture is primarily homogeneous. Diesel fuel is injected into a cylinder that is filled with hot compressed air. Emissions produced by burning this heterogeneous air/fuel mixture are determined by the conditions present not only during combustion, but also during expansion and, especially, prior to the exhaust valve opening. Emissions creation is heavily influenced by mixture preparation during the ignition delay, fuel ignition quality, residence time at different combustion temperatures, expansion duration, and general engine design features. In essence, the concentration of various emission species in exhaust is a result of their formation and reduction in the exhaust system. Incomplete combustion products produced early in the combustion chamber may be oxidised later during the expansion stroke. The blending of hydrocarbon emissions with oxidising gases, as well as

the high combustion chamber temperature and sufficient residence time for the oxidation process, allow for more complete combustion.

HC	PD100	JOB15	JOB30
5	59	53	49
15	62	57	55
25	67	62	59

**Table 4: HC emissions with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOB15 and JOB30**

**5.4 Oxides of nitrogen:**

It's about nitrogen oxides. Purists would argue that it only relates to nitric oxide (NO) and nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>2</sub>), but most people include nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) in this definition as well. Other variants exist, but their concentrations in the atmosphere are insufficient.

Nox	PD100	JOB15	JOB30
5	414	421	435
15	398	402	407
25	365	387	398

**Table 5: NOx emissions with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOB15 and JOB30**

**Carbon monoxide:**

Like other internal combustion engines, the diesel uses the energy in the fuel into mechanical power. Diesel fuel is a hydrocarbon mixture that, in an ideal combustion process, produces only carbon

dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) and water vapour (In fact, diesel exhaust gases are primarily composed of CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, and the remainder of the engine charge air). Other sources can contribute to pollutant emissions from internal combustion engines, usually in low concentrations but occasionally containing highly toxic material. Metals and other compounds from engine wear, as well as compounds emitted by emission control catalysts, are examples of these additional emission levels (via catalyst attrition or volatilization of solid compounds at high exhaust temperatures). Catalysts can also aid in the creation of new species that are not normally present in engine exhaust.

CO	PD100	JOB15	JOB30
5	0.27	0.265	0.262
15	0.274	0.273	0.269
25	0.282	0.276	0.272

**Table 6: CO emissions with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOB15 and JOB30**

**Combustion duration:**

Diesel engine combustion is extremely complex, and its detailed mechanisms have been unknown until the 1990s. Despite the availability of modern tools such as high speed photography used in "transparent" engines, computational power of modern computers, and the many mathematical models designed to mimic burning in diesel engines, its complexity seemed to defy researchers' tries to unlock its many secrets for decades. In the 1990s, the implementation of light image processing to the diesel burning process was critical to

greatly increasing understanding of this process. Diesel combustion is distinguished by a low overall A/F ratio. Peak torque environments frequently have the lowest average A/F ratio. To avoid excessive smoke formation, the A/F ratio at peak torque is typically kept above 25:1, well above the methyl ester (chemically correct) equivalence ratio of approximately 14.4:1. At idle, the A/F ratio in turboshaft engines can exceed 160:1..

CO	PD100	JB15D85	JB20D80
5	19	19	18
15	18	18	17
25	18	17	17

**Table 7 : Combustion duration with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOB15 and JOB30**

As a result, excess air in the cylinder after the fuel has burned continues to mix with ignition and hitherto burned gases throughout the combustion and expansion processes. Excess air and combustion products are overwhelmed when the exhaust valve is opened, explaining the oxidising nature of diesel exhaust. Although combustion occurs when vaporised fuel mixes with air, forming a locally rich but combustible mixture and reaching the proper ignition temperature, the overall A/F ratio is low. In other words, the majority of the air injected into the cylinder of a diesel engine is compressed and heated but never burns. The o<sub>2</sub> in the excess air aids in the fermentation of gaseous hydrocarbons and

carbon monoxide, minimise their concentrations in the exhaust gas to minimal levels..

**Rate of Pressure rise:**

In general, as engine speed increases, the pressure rise rate (dP/dq) decreases for both the diesel and the dual fuel turbocharger cases.

Crank Angle	ROPR AT 5% EGR PD100	ROPR AT 15% EGR PD100	ROPR AT 25% EGR PD100	ROPR AT 5% EGR JOBD15	ROPR AT 15% EGR JOBD15	ROPR AT 25% EGR JOBD15	ROPR AT 5% EGR JOBD30	ROPR AT 15% EGR JOBD30	ROPR AT 25% EGR JOBD30
-10	1.1251	0.9863	0.9452	0.9670	0.9562	0.9238	0.9655	0.9496	0.9223
-9	0.9978	0.9602	0.9117	0.9652	0.9459	0.9220	0.9548	0.9346	0.9116
-8	0.9654	0.9190	0.9222	0.9499	0.9178	0.9067	0.9365	0.9088	0.8933
-7	0.8832	0.9102	0.8566	0.9118	0.8802	0.8686	0.8982	0.8802	0.8550
-6	0.8545	0.8516	0.8113	0.8567	0.8504	0.8134	0.8465	0.8059	0.8032
-5	0.8142	0.8020	0.7622	0.8050	0.7981	0.7618	0.7978	0.7444	0.7546
-4	0.7985	0.7514	0.7341	0.7833	0.7502	0.7401	0.7748	0.7385	0.7316
-3	0.8954	0.8242	0.7689	0.8251	0.8198	0.7819	0.8168	0.8185	0.7736
-2	0.9902	0.9712	0.9154	0.9833	1.0366	0.9401	0.9898	1.0406	0.9466
-1	1.4526	1.3413	1.2604	1.3209	1.4258	1.2777	1.3591	1.4498	1.3159
0	1.8978	1.8565	1.7806	1.8517	2.0000	1.8085	1.9178	2.0189	1.8746
1	2.3854	2.2345	2.1425	2.4612	2.6123	2.4180	2.5307	2.6178	2.4875
2	2.6426	2.6245	2.3202	2.9194	3.0246	2.8762	2.9725	3.0169	2.9293
3	2.9996	2.8042	2.7562	3.0288	3.0578	2.9836	3.3542	3.0477	3.3110
4	2.7565	2.7325	2.5602	2.7825	2.7342	2.7193	2.8063	2.7231	2.7631
5	2.5412	2.2162	2.2178	2.2743	2.2150	2.2311	2.3272	2.2039	2.2840
6	2.1896	1.6673	1.7898	1.7297	1.6661	1.7900	1.7880	1.6550	1.7900
7	1.3452	1.2141	1.1499	1.2122	1.1622	1.1690	1.2778	1.1511	1.2346
8	0.7985	0.7854	0.6954	0.7500	0.7184	0.7068	0.8229	0.7073	0.7797
9	0.4502	0.3489	0.2990	0.3578	0.3356	0.3145	0.4236	0.3245	0.3804
10	0.0223	0.0222	-0.0209	0.0313	0.0053	-0.0119	0.0700	-0.0058	0.0268

**Table 8: Rate of pressure rise Vs Crank angle with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOBD15 and JOBD30**

The rate of pressure rise with relation to crank angle for fuel oil at rated load. Among the test fuels, diesel has the fastest rate of pressure rise. It is also observed that as JOBD in the fuel increases, the maximum pressure rate decreases.

**Heat release rate:**

The data logger provided thrust force and crank angle signals for the specified engine load. For 100 cycles, the information was saved in a computer-based digital data

acquisition system. Because no spatial variations were taken into account, the model is said to be zero-dimensional. The net heat release rate (NHRR) was calculated using the data obtained for the combustion cycle and the first law of thermodynamics by taking into account the average value of pressure and crank angle data.

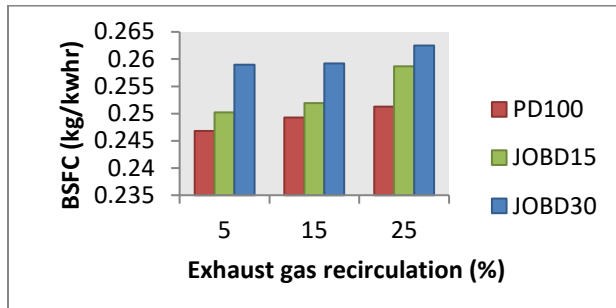
Crank Angle	HRR AT 5% EGR PD100	HRR AT 15% EGR PD100	HRR AT 25% EGR PD100	HRR AT 5% EGR JOBD15	HRR AT 15% EGR JOBD15	HRR AT 25% EGR JOBD15	HRR AT 5% EGR JOBD30	HRR AT 15% EGR JOBD30	HRR AT 25% EGR JOBD30
-10	-2.614	-2.240	-2.614	-2.883	-2.316	-2.883	-2.184	-2.684	-2.184
-9	-0.253	-2.080	-0.253	-2.633	-2.036	-2.633	-1.904	-2.554	-1.904
-8	-2.270	-2.020	-2.270	-2.373	-1.826	-2.373	-1.694	-2.434	-1.694
-7	-1.780	-1.850	-1.780	-1.833	-1.436	-1.833	-1.304	-2.064	-1.304
-6	-0.790	-0.650	-0.790	-0.823	-0.696	-0.823	-0.564	-1.144	-0.564
-5	0.950	0.780	0.950	0.777	0.604	0.777	0.736	0.626	0.736
-4	3.560	3.320	3.560	3.517	3.154	3.517	3.286	3.846	3.286
-3	8.680	7.640	8.680	8.507	8.124	8.507	8.256	9.356	8.256
-2	16.540	14.980	16.540	16.127	15.884	16.127	16.016	17.246	16.016
-1	23.980	23.020	23.980	24.867	24.884	24.867	25.016	26.006	25.016
0	32.120	30.250	32.120	31.647	32.074	31.647	32.206	32.726	32.206
1	34.780	33.160	34.780	34.117	34.994	34.117	35.126	34.996	35.126
2	32.060	32.010	32.060	32.527	33.764	32.527	33.896	32.976	33.896
3	29.460	27.850	29.460	29.437	30.664	29.437	30.796	29.456	30.796
4	27.020	26.860	27.020	26.967	27.934	26.967	28.066	26.776	28.066
5	25.140	24.930	25.140	24.927	25.834	24.927	25.966	24.796	25.966
6	22.980	23.580	22.980	23.287	24.284	23.287	24.416	23.206	24.416
7	22.140	22.660	22.140	22.337	23.314	22.337	23.446	22.456	23.446
8	21.540	21.810	21.540	21.547	22.484	21.547	22.616	21.766	22.616
9	21.020	21.270	21.020	21.117	21.774	21.117	21.906	21.346	21.906
10	20.980	20.670	20.980	21.027	21.211	21.027	21.356	20.976	21.356

**Table 9 : Heat release rate Vs Crank angle with respect to exhaust gas flow rates of 5%, 15% and 25% for fuels PD100, JOBD15 and JOBD30**

The in-cylinder pressure reflects the combustion process, which includes piston work on gas, heat transfer to combustion chamber walls, and mass flow in and out of divot regions in between piston, piston rings, and cylinder liner. The combustion process spreads throughout the combustion chamber, and each of these processes must be linked to the cylinder pressure.

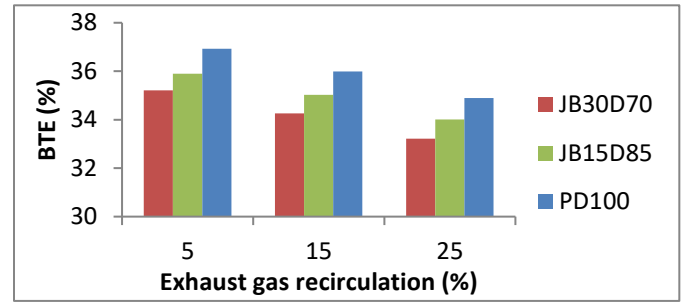
**RESULTS (GRAPHS) AND CONCLUSIONS**

**ENGINE OPERATING AT 240 BAR PRESSURE AND 23°bTDC AND AT A CONSTANT LOAD (50 %) WITH VARIABLE EGR VALVE OPENINGS(5%, 15% AND 25%):**



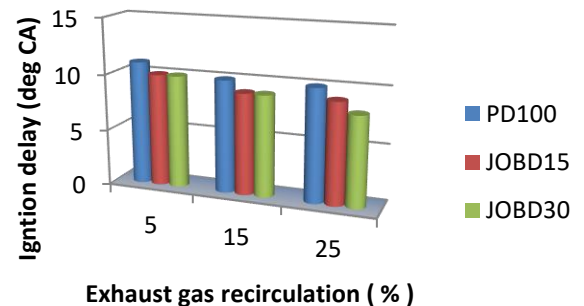
**Fig 7: Brake specific fuel consumption with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

**Brake thermal efficiency-** The comparison of brake thermal efficiency of various fuels PD100, JOBD15, and JOBD30 at 240bar injection pressure and 23°bTDC of injection timing at rated engine speed 1500 rpm at various loads is shown in the figure. The thermal efficiency of the brakes increases as the load for all fuels. The thermal efficiency of Jatropa-diesel blends decreases as the percentage of Jatropa oil in the blend increases. The decrease in thermal efficiency as the ration of Jatropa-diesel blends intensifies is due to the earlier start of combustion than for diesel, that increases compression work. Because the engine operates with constant injection advance, the shorter ignition delay of JOBD causes combustion to begin much before TDC. This increases compression work as well as heat loss, lowering the engine's efficiency.



**Fig 8: Brake thermal efficiency with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

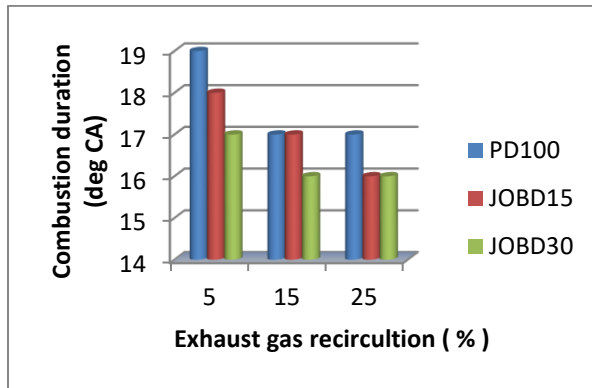
**Ignition delay-** In a diesel engine, ignition delay is the time between the start of injection and the start of combustion. Figure depicts the variation of fuel injection with pile for gas and jatropa biofuels blends. In a diesel engine, ignition delay is the time between the Figure depicts the variation of ignition delay with load for diesel, JOBD, and its mixes. It has been discovered that the ignition delay of JOBD and its blends is less than that of diesel at all loads, and that the ignition delay decreases with an increase in the amount of JOBD in the blend at all loads.



**Fig 9: Ignition delay with respect to**

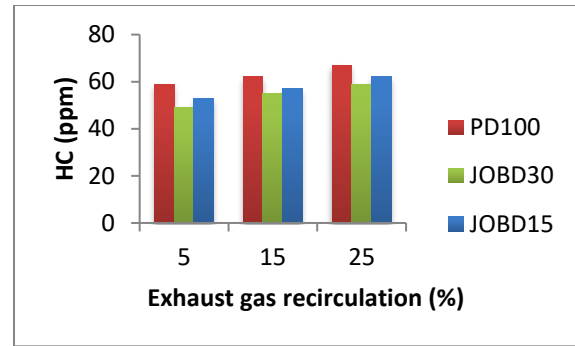
### VARIABLE EXHAUST GAS FLOW RATES

**Combustion duration** - Figure depicts the differences of combustion with load for all test fuels. Because of the increased fuel mass injected, the duration of combustion increases with an increase in load for all fuels.



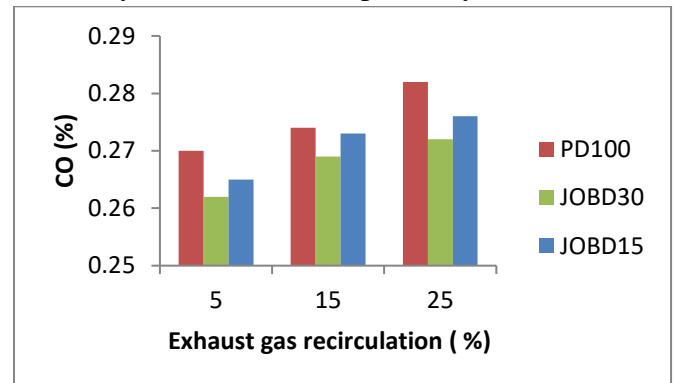
**Fig 10: Combustion duration with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

**Unburned hydrocarbon (UBHC) emissions-** The graph depicts the variation of UBHC emissions with load for test fuels. As the pressure increases, there is an obvious increase in HC emissions for all energy sources. This trend could be explained by the presence of fuel-rich mixtures at higher loads It has been discovered that increasing the proportion of JOB in the blend reduces UBHC emissions. This demonstrates that the presence of oxygen in JOB, as well as the higher combustion temperature, promote hydrocarbon oxidation.



**Fig 11: Hydrocarbons with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

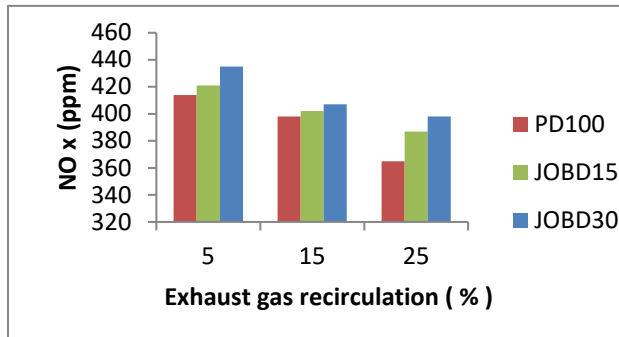
Figure illustrates the thermal efficiency of hydrocarbon (HC) with brake power for varied EGR percentages. Diesel has higher HC emissions than biodiesel without and with EGR up to 50% of engine load. At 50% engine load, the HC emission for 5%, 15%, and 25% biodiesel increases in comparison to diesel. At rated load, EGR HC emissions are cut by 5% and 15%, respectively.



**Fig 12: CO emissions with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

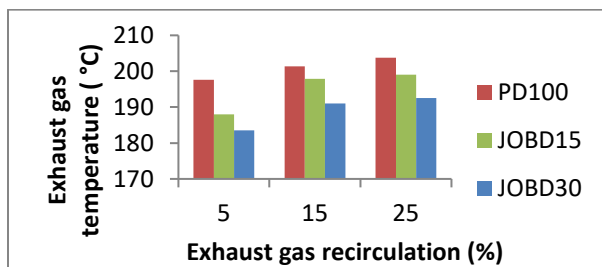
The figure depicts the change in percentage Co and hc with respect to brake power. All curves with EGR have nearly the same amount of CO emission and a typical value of 0.03% by volume up to 50% of engine load. However, CO emissions will increase at full load. The CO emission rises as the

percentage of EGR with bioethanol increases. At rated load, 25% EGR is found to be 0.77% by volume, 1.57% by volume, and 2.54% by amount for 5% and 15%, respectively.



**Fig 13: NO<sub>x</sub> emissions with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

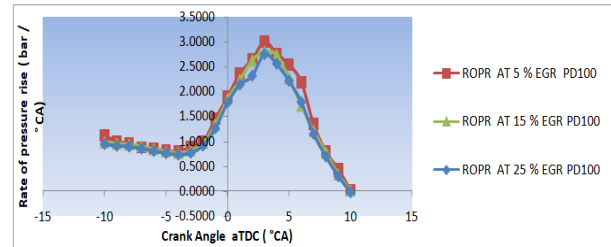
It is also observed that as the sum of JOBD in the blend increases, so do the NO<sub>x</sub> emissions. This increase could be attributed to the fact that JOBD is an oxygenated fuel, which results in better combustion and thus higher combustion temperature is attained. This higher temperature promotes NO<sub>x</sub> formation.



**Fig 14: Exhaust gas temperature with respect to variable Exhaust gas flow rates**

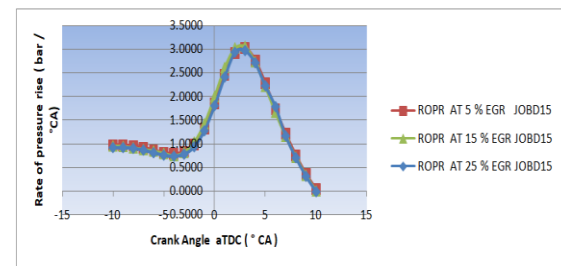
For all loads, the exhaust gas temperature improves as the percentage of JOBD in the

test fuel increases. This could be due to the JOBD's high oxygen content, which improves combustion and thus raises exhaust gas temperatures.



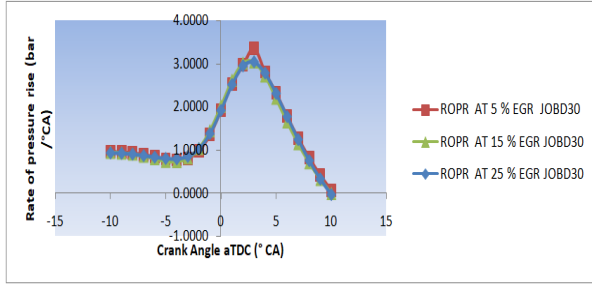
**Fig 15: Rate of pressure rise Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for PD100 fuel**

Among the test fuels, diesel has the fastest rate of pressure rise. It is also observed that as JOBD in the gas increases, the maximum pressure rate decreases. This is because the combustion duration varies with the percentage of bio - fuels in the fuel.



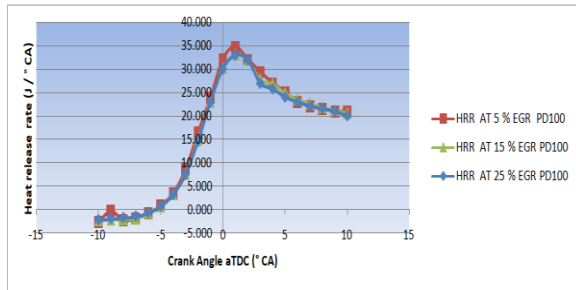
**Fig 16: Rate of pressure rise Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for JOBD15 fuel**

When tried to compare to JOBD and its mixes, the which was before phase of diesel is very intense, resulting in a high pressure rise as more fuel is accumulated during the delay period.



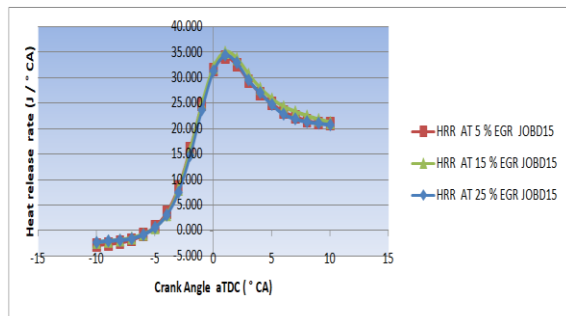
**Fig 17: Rate of pressure rise Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for JOBD30 fuel**

As a result, the quantity of fuel gathered during the ignition delay is inversely proportional to the amount of JOBD in the fuel.



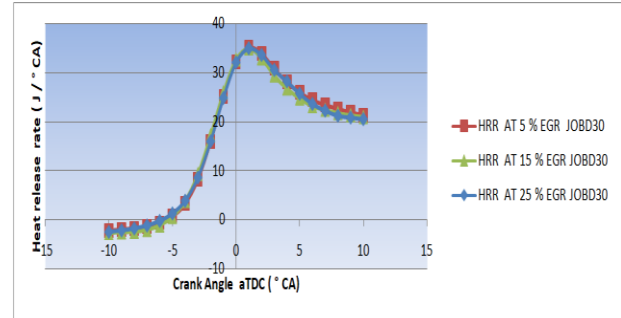
**Fig 18: Heat release rate Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for PD100 fuel**

It is observed that the value of maximum heat release rate decreases with the increase of JOBD in the fuel.



**Fig 19: Heat release rate Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for JOBD15 fuel**

Heat release rate is a variable that varies with the state of the combustion process and the rise in stress inside the cylinder, and high temperature release rates are observed here as a result of hot gases through the exhaust gas recirculation.



**Fig 20: Heat release rate Vs Crank angle at variable Exhaust gas flow rates for JOBD30 fuel**

According to the same figure, the maximum heat release rate for 5% and 15% biodiesel fuels is around 3-4° CA bTDC and 5° CA bTDC for those other fuel sources.

### SAMPLE CALCULATIONS

Maximum load calculation

$$\text{Maximum load (W)} = \frac{BP \times 60 \times 1000}{2\pi N Rm} = \text{----- N}$$

$$= \text{----kgf}$$

BP = Rated power in kw

N = Rated speed = 1500 rpm

Rm = Radius of the dynamometer arm length in m

$$1. \text{ Brake power (BP)} = \frac{2\pi N(W \times 9.81)Rm}{60 \times 1000} = \text{----}$$

$$\text{kw}$$

N = speed of the engine in rpm

W = Applied load in 'N'

Rm = Radius of the dynamometer arm length in m

$$2. \text{ Indicated Power (IP)} = \frac{\text{IMEP} \times \text{LAN} / 2 \times 10^5}{60 \times 1000} = \dots$$

---kw

IMEP = Indicated mean effective pressure in bar

L = Stroke length in m

D = Cylinder diameter in m

A = Cylinder area in m<sup>2</sup>

$$\text{Where, } A = \frac{\pi \times D^2}{4} = \dots \text{m}^2$$

$$3. \text{ Total fuel consumption (TFC)} = (q \times \text{Density of the fuel}) / t = \dots \text{kg}$$

Where, q = volume of fuel consumed = 10 x 10<sup>-6</sup> m<sup>3</sup>

t = time taken for 10g of fuel consumption in sec

$$4. \text{ Specific fuel consumption (SFC)} = \text{TFC} / \text{BP} = \text{kg/kwh}$$

Where, TFC = Total fuel consumption

BP = Brake power in kw

$$5. \text{ Mechanical efficiency } (\eta_m) = (\text{BP} / \text{IP}) \times 100 = \dots \%$$

$$6. \text{ Brake thermal efficiency } (\eta_{bt}) = \text{BP} / (\text{TFC} \times C_v) \times 100 = \dots \%$$

### CONCLUSIONS

For varying exhaust gas flows of 5%, 15%, and 25%, the performance, emission, and spark ignition of a single cylinder four stroke diesel engine fuelled with diesel PD100 and blends of jatropha oil biodiesel JOBD15 and JOBD30 at an injection pressure of 240bar and constant injection timing of 23°bTDC at engine rated speed of 1500rpm are investigated. The following are the key findings:

1. Because of the inherent oxygen content, the ignition timing for Jatropha and its blends JOBD15 and JOBD30 was found to be lower than that of diesel oil PD100.
2. The rate of pressure rise for diesel PD100 is higher than for jatropha oil biodiesel blends JOBD15 and JOBD30.
3. The rate of pressure rise decreases as the percentage volume of jatropha oil biodiesel in the fuel increases.
4. Because of the early combustion start of seed oil biodiesel and its blends JOBD15 and JOBD30, which increases compression work, the brake thermal efficiency of jatropha biodiesel and its blends is slightly lower than that of diesel PD100.
5. NOx emissions from jatropha oil biodiesels JOBD15 and JOBD30 are generally higher than diesel, while HC, CO, and soot density emission levels are lower than diesel D100. Based on the findings, it is possible to conclude that jatropha methyl ester and its derivatives are a viable alternative to diesel. Jatropha oil biodiesel blends emit fewer emissions than petroleum. diesel, except NOx, and have satisfactory combustion and performance characteristics.
6. The emission test was performed on a 437C smoke metre and an AVL DIGAS 444N, and the results were recorded. It is clear that the biodiesel blend has a much lower CO emission percentage than diesel.
7. Based on the findings, it is concluded that the JOBD30 blend has nearly the same fuel consumption, higher mechanical efficiency, and higher thermal efficiency of brakes by

load variation as the conventional diesel PD100.

8. A sudden increase in in-cylinder gas pressure is noted after 50% load.

9. Because of the higher CV of biodiesel, the specific consumption of fuel is higher when compared to diesel.

10. The exhaust gas temperature of biodiesel is higher than that of diesel due to complete combustion, which raises the combustion chamber temperature.

10. The smoke emission from biodiesel increases as the percentage of EGR increases; this is due to dilution in the combustion chamber, which results in incomplete combustion. As the percentage of EGR increases, so does the amount of smoke produced.

11. When compared to diesel, Jatropha biodiesel emits less CO and HC. This could be because biodiesel contains more oxygen. When the percentage of EGR is increased, CO and HC emissions increase. When the load on the engine is increased, the NO<sub>x</sub> emission increases continuously, which could be due to an increase in cylinder temperature.

12. The formation of NO<sub>x</sub> is seen to be reduced as the percentage EGR is enhanced, which is due to incomplete combustion and a lower cylinder temperature

13. NO<sub>x</sub> emissions with 5%, 15%, and 25% are 25%, 48%, and 61% lower, respectively, than neat diesel.

14. NO<sub>x</sub> formation is significantly reduced and found to be lowest at 15% EGR, but the Brake Thermal Efficiency is reduced.

15. The best use of exhaust heat energy for NO<sub>x</sub> reduction must be considered.

#### SCOPE FOR FUTURE WORK

1. The performance, combustion, and emission characteristics of diesel engines can be assessed to obtain improved performance by shifting the biodiesels and changing the infusion timings and injection pressures.

2. Furthermore, in the future, the achievement, combustion, and emission characteristics of an engine can be evaluated using ternary fuels, which include the addition of low reactivity fuels (alcohols) to diesel and biodiesel.

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