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#### **SUBJECT:**

Testing of fibre cement boards submitted by Everest Industries Ltd

#### **TESTED FOR:**

Everest Industries Limited The Genesis, A-32 Mohan Cooperative Industrial Estate Mathura Road New Delhi 110048 India

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### **TEST METHODS:**

- 1. Adopted ASTM C1185 : 2008 (2012) Standard Test Methods For Sampling And Testing Non-Asbestos Fiber-Cement Flat Sheet, Roofing And Siding Shingles, And Clapboards
  - Section 5 Flexural Strength (Modulus of Rupture) Equilibrium Conditioning
  - Section 5 Flexural Strength (Modulus of Rupture) Wet Conditioning
  - Section 6 Density
  - Section 8 Moisture Movement
  - Section 9 Water Absorption
  - Section 10 Moisture Content
  - Section 11 Water Tightness

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 Adopted ASTM D1037 : 2006a Standard Test Methods for Evaluating Properties of Wood-Base Fiber and Particle Panel Materials

Section 10 - Tension Parallel To Surface

Section 12 - Compression Parallel To Surface

Section 20 - Glue Line Shear (Block Type)

Section 21 - Falling Ball Impact

#### **DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLE:**

Fibre Cement board 'Everest Board'

#### **REMARKS**:

- 1. The flexural strength (equilibrium and wet conditioning), tensile strength and density tests were conducted in the presence of Mr Sharad Malli from Everest Industries on 25 Jul 2013.
- 2. The density test samples were cut to 50 mm x 50 mm from 305 mm x 152 mm prior to test.
- 3. The average values of two directions for flexural strength, moisture movement, moisture content and tensile strength tests are reported as requested by the client.
- 4. The compressive strength test samples were prepared by the client: 4-ply, each 50 mm x 50 mm bonded with epoxy adhesive.
- 5. The glue line shear block test samples were prepared by TUV SUD PSB Pte Ltd as follows:
  - a. 2-ply, each 45 mm x 50 mm were bonded with epoxy adhesive as one set.
  - b. Two sets were bonded to form a shear force test piece with 6 mm overhang.

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### TEST RESULTS:

### 'Everest Board', size 305 mm x 152 mm

Section 5 - Flexural Strength (Modulus of Rupture) Equilibrium Conditioning

Direction : Grain

Crosshead speed: 50 mm/min

| Sample Reference                | 1 /    | 2           | 3      | 4      | 5      |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Maximum Load (N)                | 337.46 | 322.36      | 313.67 | 319.24 | 334.02 |
| Length of Span (mm)             | 7/     |             | 254    |        |        |
| Width of Specimen (mm)          | 152    | 152         | 152    | 152    | 152    |
| Thickness (mm)                  | 8.89   | 8.78        | 8.75   | 9.14   | 8.84   |
| Flexural Strength (MPa)         | 10.70  | 10.48       | 10.27  | 9.58   | 10.71  |
| Average Flexural Strength (MPa) |        | 5, 1111 105 | 10.35  |        |        |

Direction : Across Grain

Crosshead speed: 50 mm/min

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| Sample Reference                | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| Maximum Load (N)                | 658.98 | 700.82 | 664.80 | 678.30 | 750.61 |
| Length of Span (mm)             |        |        | 254    |        |        |
| Width of Specimen (mm)          | 152    | 152    | 152    | 152    | 152    |
| Thickness (mm)                  | 9.02   | 9.04   | 8.92   | 9.02   | 9.03   |
| Flexural Strength (MPa)         | 20.30  | 21.50  | 20.94  | 20.90  | 23.07  |
| Average Flexural Strength (MPa) |        |        | 21.34  |        |        |

| Average Flexural Strength, two directions (MPa) | 15.85 |
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#### TEST RESULTS:

'Everest Board', size: 305 mm x 152 mm

Section 5 - Flexural Strength (Modulus of Rupture) Wet Conditioning

Direction : Grain

Crosshead speed: 50 mm/min

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| Sample Reference                  | 1 /    | 2           | 3      | 4      | 5      |
| Maximum Load (N)                  | 221.71 | 223.91      | 245.92 | 214.46 | 218.76 |
| Length of Span (mm)               | 7/     |             | 254    |        |        |
| Width of Specimen (mm)            | 152    | 152         | 152    | 152    | 152    |
| Thickness (mm)                    | 8.81   | 8.89        | 8.92   | 8.85   | 8.87   |
| Flexural Strength (MPa)           | 7.16   | 7.10        | 7.75   | 6.86   | 6.97   |
| Average Flexural Strength (MPa)   |        | 55 1111 HIS | 7.17   |        |        |

Direction : Across Grain Crosshead speed : 50 mm/min

Sample Reference 2 5 1 Maximum Load (N) 463.17 488.90 462.32 457.27 452.37 Length of Span (mm) 254 152 152 152 152 Width of Specimen (mm) 152 Thickness (mm) 8.91 9.05 8.95 8.91 8.93 Flexural Strength (MPa) 13.99 14.62 15.44 14.53 14.16 14.55 Average Flexural Strength (MPa)

| Average Flexural Strength, two directions (MPa) | 10.86 |
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### TEST RESULTS:

### 'Everest Board', size 50 mm x 50 mm

Section 6 - Density

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|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Sample Reference        | 1       | 2       | 3       | 4       | 5       | 6       |
| Dry Mass (kg)           | 0.03026 | 0.02963 | 0.03064 | 0.02919 | 0.02988 | 0.02968 |
| Saturated weight (kg)   | 0.04057 | 0.03956 | 0.04097 | 0.03941 | 0.04017 | 0.04002 |
| Suspended weight (kg)   | 0.01555 | 0.01580 | 0.01641 | 0.01538 | 0.01579 | 0.01555 |
| Volume (m³)             | 0.02502 | 0.02376 | 0.02456 | 0.02403 | 0.02438 | 0.02447 |
| Density (kg/m³)         | 1209.43 | 1247.05 | 1247.56 | 1214.73 | 1225.59 | 1212.91 |
| Average Density (kg/m³) |         |         | 122     | 26.21   |         | •       |



### TEST RESULTS:

'Everest Board', size 305 mm x 76 mm

Section 7 - Moisture Movement Test Temperature : 23°C Direction : Grain

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|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sample Reference          | 1      | 2      | 3      |
| Length at 30% RH (mm)     | 304.44 | 304.40 | 304.33 |
| Length at 90% RH (mm)     | 304.46 | 304.42 | 304.34 |
| Length Change (%)         | 0.0066 | 0.0066 | 0.0033 |
| Average Length Change (%) |        | 0.006  |        |

| Direction : Across Grain  |        |        |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sample Reference          | 1 CFID | 2      | 3      |
| Length at 30% RH (mm)     | 304.48 | 304.61 | 304.34 |
| Length at 90% RH (mm)     | 304.49 | 304.42 | 304.34 |
| Length Change (%)         | 0.0033 | 0.0033 | 0.0131 |
| Average Length Change (%) |        | 0.007  |        |

| Average Moisture Movement, two directions (%) | 0.007 |
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## TEST RESULTS:

'Everest Board', size 100 mm x 100 mm

Section 9 - Water Absorption Test condition : 23°C for 48 hrs

| Sample Reference             | 1      | 2      | 3      |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Weight before immersion (g)  | 110.06 | 111.01 | 108.81 |
| Weight after immersion (g)   | 149.18 | 149.22 | 147.61 |
| Water Absorption (%)         | 35.54  | 34.42  | 35.65  |
| Average Water Absorption (%) |        | 35.20  |        |





### TEST RESULTS:

'Everest Board', size 305 mm x 152 mm

Section 10 - Moisture Content

Test condition: 90°C till constant mass

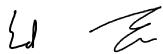
Direction : Grain

| Sample Reference             | 1      | 2      | 3      |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Initial Mass (g)             | 708.72 | 683.66 | 686.83 |
| Final Mass (g)               | 676.09 | 653.26 | 658.34 |
| Moisture Content (%)         | 4.82   | 4.65   | 4.32   |
| Average Moisture Content (%) |        | 4.60   |        |

Direction : Across Grain

| Sample Reference             |        | 2      | 3      |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Initial Mass (g)             | 555.60 | 550.40 | 559.41 |
| Final Mass (g)               | 535.84 | 525.38 | 539.10 |
| Moisture Content (%)         | 3.69   | 4.76   | 3.77   |
| Average Moisture Content (%) |        | 4.07   |        |

| Average Moisture Content, two directions (%) | 4.34 |
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### TEST RESULT:

'Everest Board', size 500 mm x 500 mm

Section 11 - Water Tightness Test condition : 23°C for 24 hrs, 50 mm height of water

| Sample Reference   | 1                                  |
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| Visual Observation | No water droplets at the underside |





### TEST RESULTS:

### 'Everest Board', Tensile test piece

Section 10 - Tension Parallel To Surface

Direction : Grain

Crosshead speed : 4 mm/min Grip length : 115 mm

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| Sample Reference               | 1 1     | 2       | 3       |
| Maximum Load (N)               | 2977.20 | 3008.51 | 3075.75 |
| Width of Specimen (mm)         | 38      | 38      | 38      |
| Thickness (mm)                 | 8.86    | 8.93    | 8.86    |
| Tensile Strength (MPa)         | 8.84    | 8.86    | 9.14    |
| Average Tensile Strength (MPa) |         | 8.94    |         |

Direction : Across Grain Crosshead speed : 4 mm/min Grip length : 115 mm

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| Sample Reference               | 1       | 2       | 3       |
| Maximum Load (N)               | 1316.17 | 1220.15 | 1279.89 |
| Width of Specimen (mm)         | 38      | 38      | 38      |
| Thickness (mm)                 | 8.81    | 8.82    | 8.85    |
| Tensile Strength (MPa)         | 3.93    | 3.64    | 3.81    |
| Average Tensile Strength (MPa) |         | 3.79    |         |

| Average Tensile Strength, two directions (MPa) | 6.37 |
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## TEST RESULTS:

'Everest Board', size 50 mm x 50 mm, 4-ply

Section 12 - Compression Parallel To Surface Test speed: 0.5 N/mm².s

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|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sample Reference                   | 1     | 2     | 3     |
| Maximum Load (N)                   | 98.04 | 95.99 | 92.65 |
| Test area (mm²)                    | 2500  | 2500  | 2500  |
| Compressive Strength (MPa)         | 39.22 | 38.40 | 37.06 |
| Average Compressive Strength (MPa) | A A   | 38.23 |       |





## TEST RESULTS:

### 'Everest Board', Shear force test piece

Section 20 - Glue Line Shear Block

Test speed: 0.6 mm/min

| Sample Reference        | 1       | 2       | 3       | 4       | 5       |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Length of Specimen (mm) | 45      | 45      | 45      | 45      | 45      |
| Width of Specimen (mm)  | 50      | 50      | 50      | 50      | 50      |
| Shear Force (N)         | 2896.21 | 4532.85 | 2521.26 | 5227.80 | 3443.51 |
| Average Shear Force (N) |         |         | 3724.33 |         |         |





## TEST RESULT:

### 'Everest Board', size 254 mm x 228 mm

#### Section 21 - Falling Ball Impact

| Sample Reference   | 1     |
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| Visual Observation | 2.3 m |





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