



A STUDY OF FACTOR AFFECTING LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECT USING FUZZY TOPSIS

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Abstract : This paper study about productivity of labour. Construction industry plays very important role in economy of country, and in construction industry labours is important factor and plays very important role in construction. The success of any construction project is depends upon the resources, material and labour productivity. Labour productivity is depend on or affected by various factors. For this study various factors affect labour productivity are identified and this factos are analyse by using the fuzzy TOPSIS method

IndexTerms - Labour productivity, factors, fuzzy TOPSIS.

1.INTRODUCTION

Construction industry is fast growing industry in world. Construction industry plays very important role in world economy. completion of project affects on the cost, time and quality of the work. For completion of project labours are important. There are various factors responsible for labour productivity. labour productivity is the output of labour.in construction industry labour can cover profit and give loss also to the contractor or engineer. There are different factors around the construction which affect the productivity that is output.in construction industry multiple activities are involved. all activities are depend upon resources like men, machinery, material etc. all resources use are important. For every construction project productivity cost, time, quality and safety are the main factors of concern.

This paper is to study or identify this different factors which affects the labour productivity. due to this labour productivity the time , cost, work, and safety about the construction is also give negative impact to the construction.

1.1NEED OF STUDY

Labour productivity rates are used as indicators of the construction time performance. Due to various factor labour productivity is affected and due to which time, cost, work progress are also affected.

2RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The general methodology of this study relies largely on the survey form the questionnaire and data that has been collected from the contractors, Engineers and builders. This study has adopted the more general definition of labor productivity and fuzzy logic is a method. Triangular fuzzy scale are used for this study. For this study various factors are study from different literature. The top 20 factors are identify and take for the study. Top 20 factors are; 1) lack of supervision, 2) delay in materials, 3) coordination among design discipline, 4) error in design drawing, 5) working overtime, 6) lack of leadership, 7) skill of labour, 8) payment delay, 9) labour availaibility, 10) material shortage, 11) equipment shortage, 12) temperature on site, 13) delay in decision making, 14) high wind, 15) rainfall, 16) site accident, 17) experience of labour, 18) labour age, 19) absence of training for labour, 20) improper planning

2.2FUZZY TOPSIS

TOPSIS (technique for order preference by similarity to ideal solution). The Fuzzy TOPSIS method is a technique that was extended from the concept of TOPSIS to tackle numerous MCDM problems in an uncertain environment. Fuzzy numbers were first applied by Chen and Hwang in 1992 to the TOPSIS method to establish the Fuzzy TOPSIS method. There are many advantages of using the Fuzzy TOPSIS method to solve MCDM problems. The fuzzy-TOPSIS method has become a very popular tool in recent times in a relatively large number of practical applications where user opinions and performance ratings are expressed in linguistic scores. Multi criteria decision maker problem have as common characteristics multiple objectives and multiple criteria which usually are in conflict with each other. The decision makers have to select, assess or rank these alternatives according to the weights

of the criteria. TOPSIS method is called as ideal solution.it is also called as multiple decision making method. In fuzzy topsis positive ideal solution and negative ideal solution are determine. Triangular fuzzy scale are used for this study.

2.3 Methodology flow chart

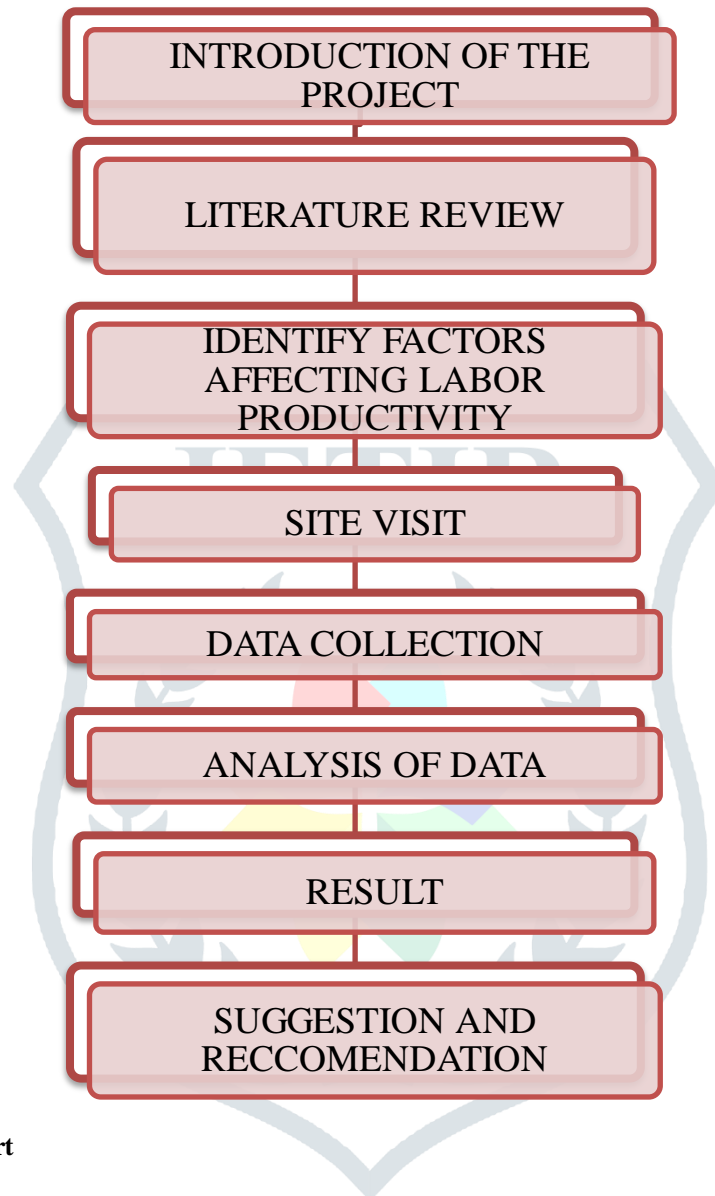


fig.2.3 methodology flow chart

3.2 Data collection

For the data collection questionnaire survey is carried out. The purpose of the questionnaire design is to determine the how much selected factors affect on the labor productivity.The following questions refer to a questionnaire hierarchical structure to determine the importance of the criteria i.e time, cost , work, safety. The questionnaire should be completed by experience person.the respondant response to the factoe (question) through number using 1- 4 scale are as follows;

Table 3.2.1 fuzzy triangular scale

scale	Definition	Fuzzy Triangular Scale
1	Weakly Affecting	(1, 2, 3)
2	Fairly Affecting	(3, 4, 5)
3	Strongly Affecting	(5, 6, 7)
4	Absolutely Affecting	(7, 8, 9)

Weightage of Criteria: Time, Cost, Work And Safety

To determine the weight of criteria we have discussions with faculty members and the following weights were decided.

Table 3.2.2 weightage of criteria

Criteria	Weightage	Fuzzy Number		
Time	high	5	6	7
Cost	Medium	3	4	5
Work	Low	1	2	3
Safety	Very high	7	8	9

4.Data Analysis

Step 1: The development of fuzzy set of MCDM problem is briefly in matrix format as [with the construction of the weight vector $[w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n]$]

Step 2: calculate aggregated fuzzy weights for criteria.

The aggregated fuzzy rating $\tilde{x}_{ij} = (a_{ij}, b_{ij}, c_{ij})$ of i th alternative w.r.t. j th criterion is obtained as follows:

Table 4.1 aggregated fuzzy weight in matrix format

SR.N O.	Factor	Time			Cost			Work			Safety		
1	Lack of supervision	5	6.68	9	1	6.653	9	3	6.72	9	1	5.882	9
2	Delay in material supply	1	6.8	9	3	5.8	9	1	6.04	9	1	2.6666667	9
3	Coordination among design discipline	1	6.12	9	1	4	9	1	5.32	9	1	2.44	9
4	Errors in design drawing	1	6	9	1	4.549	9	1	5.019607843	9	1	2.6	9
5	Working overtime	1	5.72	9	1	4.204	9	1	5.26	9	1	4.8431373	9
6	Lack of leadership	1	5.24	9	1	4.235	9	1	6.052631579	9	1	3.4	9
7	Skill of labour	1	5.373	9	1	3.922	9	1	5.568627451	9	1	4.2352941	9
8	Payment delay	1	7.24	9	1	6.32	9	1	6.31372549	9	1	2.68	9
9	Labour availability	1	6.833	9	1	5.510	9	3	6.31372549	9	1	2.4313725	9
10	Material shortage	1	6.784	9	1	5.569	9	1	6.277777778	9	1	2.7058824	9
11	Equipment shortage	1	6.471	9	1	5.176	9	3	6.12	9	1	2.8627451	9
12	Temperature on site	1	4.941	9	1	3.451	9	1	4.863	9	1	4.9803922	9

13	Delay in decision making	1	6.824	9	1	5.56	9	3	6.196	9	1	2.8571429	9
14	High wind	1	5.76	9	1	4	9	1	5.373	9	1	6.6	9
15	Rainfall	1	6.235	9	1	4.824	9	1	6.157	9	1	7.2941176	9
16	Site accident	5	7	9	1	6.16	9	5	6.863	9	5	7.76	9
17	Experience of labour	1	5.412	9	1	4.039	9	1	5.216	9	1	3.745098	9
18	Labour age	1	4.137	9	1	3.176	9	1	4.157	9	1	3.92	9
19	Absence of training for labour	1	6.157	9	1	5.647	9	3	6.24	9	3	6.8	9
20	Improper planning	5	6.980	9	3	6.62	9	5	6.980	9	3	7.28	9

Step 3 :calculate the normalized fuzzy decision matrix.

$$r_{ij} = \left(\frac{a_{ij}}{c_{ij}}, \frac{b_{ij}}{c_j}, \frac{c_{ij}}{c_j} \right), j \in B$$

$$r_{ij} = \left(\frac{a_j}{c_{ij}}, \frac{a_j}{c_{ij}}, \frac{a_j}{c_{ij}} \right), j \in C$$

$$c_j = \max c_{ij}, \text{if } j \in B$$

$$a_j = \min a_{ij}, \text{if } j \in C$$

Where B = set of benefit criteria and C = set of cost criteria

Table 4.2.Normalized fuzzy decision matrix

SR. NO.	Factor	5	6	7	3	4	5	1	2	3	7	8	9
1	Lack of supervision	0.111111	0.149700599	0.2	0.111111	0.150306748	1	0.3333333	0.746666667	1	0.11111111	0.6535948	1
2	Delay in material supply	0.111111	0.147058824	1	0.111111	0.172413793	0.3333333	0.1111111	0.671111111	1	0.11111111	0.2962963	1
3	Coordination among design discipline	0.111111	0.163398693	1	0.111111	0.25	1	0.1111111	0.591111111	1	0.11111111	0.2711111	1
4	Errors in design drawing	0.111111	0.166666667	1	0.111111	0.219827586	1	0.1111111	0.557734205	1	0.11111111	0.2888889	1
5	Working	0.111111	0.174825175	1	0.111111	0.237864078	1	0.1111111	0.584444444	1	0.11111111	0.5381264	1

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6	Lack of leaders hip	0.11 1111	0.1908 39695	1	0.11 1111	0.23611 1111	1	0.111 1111	0.67251 462	1	0.1111 11111	0.377 7778	1
7	Skill of labour	0.11 1111	0.1861 31387	1	0.11 1111	0.255	1	0.111 1111	0.61873 6383	1	0.1111 11111	0.470 5882	1
8	Payme nt delay	0.11 1111	0.1381 21547	1	0.11 1111	0.15822 7848	1	0.111 1111	0.70152 5054	1	0.1111 11111	0.297 7778	1
9	Labou r availa bility	0.11 1111	0.1463 41463	1	0.11 1111	0.18149 4662	1	0.333 3333	0.70152 5054	1	0.1111 11111	0.270 1525	1
10	Materi al shorta ge	0.11 1111	0.1473 98844	1	0.11 1111	0.17957 7465	1	0.111 1111	0.69753 0864	1	0.1111 11111	0.300 6536	1
11	Equip ment shorta ge	0.11 1111	0.1545 45455	1	0.11 1111	0.19318 1818	1	0.333 3333	0.68	1	0.1111 11111	0.318 0828	1
12	Tempe rature on site	0.11 1111	0.2023 80952	1	0.11 1111	0.28977 2727	1	0.111 1111	0.54030 5011	1	0.1111 11111	0.553 3769	1
13	Delay in decisio n makin g	0.11 1111	0.1465 51724	1	0.11 1111	0.17985 6115	1	0.333 3333	0.68845 3159	1	0.1111 11111	0.317 4603	1
14	High wind	0.11 1111	0.1736 11111	1	0.11 1111	0.25	1	0.111 1111	0.59694 9891	1	0.1111 11111	0.733 3333	1
15	Rainfa ll	0.11 1111	0.1603 77358	1	0.11 1111	0.20731 7073	1	0.111 1111	0.68409 5861	1	0.1111 11111	0.810 4575	1
16	Site accide nt	0.11 1111	0.1428 57143	0.2	0.11 1111	0.16233 7662	1	0.555 5556	0.76252 7233	1	0.5555 55556	0.862 2222	1
17	Experi ence of labour	0.11 1111	0.1847 82609	1	0.11 1111	0.24757 2816	1	0.111 1111	0.57952 0697	1	0.1111 11111	0.416 122	1
18	Labou r age	0.11 1111	0.2417 06161	1	0.11 1111	0.31481 4815	1	0.111 1111	0.46187 3638	1	0.1111 11111	0.435 5556	1
19	Absen ce of trainin g for labour	0.11 1111	0.1624 20382	1	0.11 1111	0.17708 3333	1	0.333 3333	0.69333 3333	1	0.3333 33333	0.755 5556	1
20	Impro per planni ng	0.11 1111	0.1432 58427	0.2	0.11 1111	0.15105 7402	0.333 3333	0.555 5556	0.77559 9129	1	0.3333 33333	0.808 8889	1

Step 4 : calculate wighted normalized fuzzy decision matrix.

$$v_{ij}=r_{ij} \times w_{ij} \quad i = 1,2, \dots, m \text{ and } j = 1,2, \dots, n$$

Table 4.3 weighted normalized fuzzy decision matrix

SR. NO.	Factor	Time	cost	work	safety								
1	Lack of supervision	0.555 556	0.898203 593	1 4	0.33 3333	0.6012 26994	5	0.33333 33	1.4933333 33	3	0.7777777 78	5.22875 82	9
2	Delay in material supply	0.555 556	0.882352 941	7	0.33 3333	0.6896 55172	1.666 6667	0.11111 11	1.3422222 22	3	0.7777777 78	2.37037 04	9
3	Coordination among design discipline	0.555 556	0.980392 157	7	0.33 3333	1	5	0.11111 11	1.1822222 22	3	0.7777777 78	2.16888 89	9
4	Errors in design drawing	0.555 556	1	7	0.33 3333	0.8793 10345	5	0.11111 11	1.1154684 1	3	0.7777777 78	2.31111 11	9
5	Working overtime	0.555 556	1.048951 049	7	0.33 3333	0.9514 56311	5	0.11111 11	1.1688888 89	3	0.7777777 78	4.30501 09	9
6	Lack of leadership	0.555 556	1.145038 168	7	0.33 3333	0.9444 44444	5	0.11111 11	1.3450292 4	3	0.7777777 78	3.02222 22	9
7	Skill of labour	0.555 556	1.116788 321	7	0.33 3333	1.02	5	0.11111 11	1.2374727 67	3	0.7777777 78	3.76470 59	9
8	Payment delay	0.555 556	0.828729 282	7	0.33 3333	0.6329 11392	5	0.11111 11	1.4030501 09	3	0.7777777 78	2.38222 22	9
9	Labour availability	0.555 556	0.878048 78	7	0.33 3333	0.7259 78648	5	0.33333 33	1.4030501 09	3	0.7777777 78	2.16122	9
10	Material shortage	0.555 556	0.884393 064	7	0.33 3333	0.7183 09859	5	0.11111 11	1.3950617 28	3	0.7777777 78	2.40522 88	9
11	Equipment shortage	0.555 556	0.927272 727	7	0.33 3333	0.7727 27273	5	0.33333 33	1.36	3	0.7777777 78	2.54466 23	9
12	Temperature on site	0.555 556	1.214285 714	7	0.33 3333	1.1590 90909	5	0.11111 11	1.0806100 22	3	0.7777777 78	4.42701 53	9
13	Delay in decision making	0.555 556	0.879310 345	7	0.33 3333	0.7194 2446	5	0.33333 33	1.3769063 18	3	0.7777777 78	2.53968 25	9
14	High wind	0.555 556	1.041666 667	7	0.33 3333	1	5	0.11111 11	1.1938997 82	3	0.7777777 78	5.86666 67	9
15	Rainfall	0.555 556	0.962264 151	7	0.33 3333	0.8292 68293	5	0.11111 11	1.3681917 21	3	0.7777777 78	6.48366 01	9
16	Site accident	0.555 556	0.857142 857	1 4	0.33 3333	0.6493 50649	5	0.55555 56	1.5250544 66	3	3.8888888 89	6.89777 78	9

17	Experi ence of labour	0.555 556	1.108695 652	7	0.33 3333	0.9902 91262	5	0.11111 11	1.1590413 94	3	0.7777777 78	3.32897 6	9
18	Labou r age	0.555 556	1.450236 967	7	0.33 3333	1.2592 59259	5	0.11111 11	0.9237472 77	3	0.7777777 78	3.48444 44	9
19	Absen ce of trainin g for labour	0.555 556	0.974522 293	7	0.33 3333	0.7083 33333	5	0.33333 33	1.3866666 67	3	2.3333333 33	6.04444 44	9
20	Impro per planni ng	0.555 556	0.859550 562	1 .4	0.33 3333	0.6042 29607	1.666 6667	0.55555 56	1.5511982 57	3	2.3333333 33	6.47111 11	9

Step 5: compute the (FPIS) FUZZY POSITIVE IDEAL SOLUTION And (FNIS) FUZZY negative ideal solution

$A^+ = (v_1^+, v_2^+, \dots, v_n^+)$ an ideal solution
 $v_j^+ = \{max_i, v_{ij} min, v_{ij}\}$ BA = Benefit attribute
 $J \in B.A.J \in C.A.$
 $A^- = (v_1^-, v_2^-, \dots, v_n^-)$ Negative or ideal solution
 $v_j^- = \{man_i, v_{ij}, max_i, v_{ij}\}$ BA = Benefit attribute
 $J \in B.A.J \in C.A.$

Table 4.4 Ideal solution and negative ideal solution

A+	0.555 556	1.45023 6967	7	0.333 333	1.25925 9259	5	0.555 5556	1.551198 257	3	3.8888 88889	6.8977 778	9
A-	0.555 556	0.82872 9282	1.4	0.333 333	0.60122 6994	1.666 6667	0.111 1111	0.923747 277	3	0.7777 77778	2.1612 2	9

Step 6: calculate distance from each allternatine to the FPIS And to the FNIS.

$$d(A_1, A_2) = \sqrt{1/3}[(a_1 - a_2) + (b_1 - b_2) + (c_1 - c_2)]$$

$$d_i^+ = \sum_{j=1}^k d(v_{ij}, v_j^+), i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$d_i^- = \sum_{j=1}^k d(v_{ij}, v_j^-), i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Table 4.5 alternative to positive solution

Sr.no.	Factor	Time	cost	work	safety	Si+
1	Lack of supervision	3.248833	0.379915106	0.132578	2.038352	5.7996783
2	Delay in material supply	0.327868	1.952396811	0.28355	3.171563	5.7353775
3	Coordination among design disciline	0.271265	0.149683403	0.333504	3.268098	4.0225506
4	Errors in design drawing	0.259944	0.219363608	0.359347	3.199819	4.0384742
5	Working overtime	0.231683	0.177710115	0.338473	2.338194	3.0860593
6	Lack of leadership	0.176207	0.181758418	0.282864	2.869317	3.5101464
7	Skill of labour	0.192517	0.138136398	0.314088	2.549193	3.1939343

8	Payment delay	0.358828	0.36162211	0.27048	3.165926		4.1568556
9	Labour availability	0.330353	0.307889705	0.154197	3.271798		4.0642384
10	Material shortage	0.32669	0.312317282	0.271974	3.154997		4.0659779
11	Equipment shortage	0.301934	0.280899373	0.169253	3.089155		3.8412402
12	Temperature on site	0.136227	0.057832224	0.373713	2.293736		2.8615081
13	Delay in decision making	0.329625	0.311673766	0.163055	3.091494		3.895847
14	High wind	0.235888	0.149683403	0.329238	1.892283		2.6070924
15	Rainfall	0.281731	0.2482554	0.277502	1.812044		2.6195323
16	Site accident	3.251244	0.3521309	0.015094	0		3.6184689
17	Experience of labour	0.197189	0.155288746	0.342207	2.733457		3.428142
18	Labour age	0	0	0.443932	2.666449		3.1103809
19	Absence of training for labour	0.274654	0.318077232	0.159639	1.024358		1.7767282
20	Improper planning	3.251098	1.961306958	0	0.931271	FPIS	6.1436758

Table 4.6 alternative to negative ideal solution

Sr.no.	Factor	Time	cost	work	safety	Si+
1	Lack of supervision	3.248833	0.379915106	0.132578	2.038352	5.7996783
2	Delay in material supply	0.327868	1.952396811	0.28355	3.171563	5.7353775
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5	Working overtime	0.231683	0.177710115	0.338473	2.338194	3.0860593
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13	Delay in decision making	0.329625	0.311673766	0.163055	3.091494		3.895847
14	High wind	0.235888	0.149683403	0.329238	1.892283		2.6070924
15	Rainfall	0.281731	0.2482554	0.277502	1.812044		2.6195323
16	Site accident	3.251244	0.3521309	0.015094	0		3.6184689
17	Experience of labour	0.197189	0.155288746	0.342207	2.733457		3.428142
18	Labour age	0	0	0.443932	2.666449		3.1103809
19	Absence of training for labour	0.274654	0.318077232	0.159639	1.024358		1.7767282
20	Improper planning	3.251098	1.961306958	0	0.931271	FPIS	6.1436758

Step 7: calculate the closeness coefficient CC_i for each factors.

$$CC_i = \frac{d_i^-}{d_i^- + d_i^+}, i=1,2,\dots,m$$

Table 4.7 closeness coefficient

Sr.no	factors to be consider	Cci
1	Lack of supervision	0.413482329
2	Delay in material supply	0.388689422
3	Coordination among design disciline	0.569724509
4	Errors in design drawing	0.570446538
5	Working overtime	0.679738643
6	Lack of leadership	0.627509969
7	Skill of labour	0.663012521
8	Payment delay	0.57229271
9	Labour availability	0.573460324
10	Material shortage	0.578129612
11	Equipment shortage	0.595913907

12	Temperature on site	0.697268984
13	Delay in decision making	0.592687117
14	High wind	0.74126047
15	Rainfall	0.751344236
16	Site accident	0.609366368
17	Experience of labour	0.635806107
18	Labour age	0.657786212
19	Absence of training for labour	0.815847192
20	Improper planning	0.336003061

Step 8: give rank to the factors.

5.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

According to the closeness coefficient the rank is given to the factors.

Table 5 rank

Sr.no	factors to be consider	Cci
1	Absence of training for labour	0.815847192
2	Rainfall	0.751344236
3	High wind	0.74126047
4	Temperature on site	0.697268984
5	Working overtime	0.679738643
6	Skill of labour	0.663012521
7	Labour age	0.657786212
8	Experience of labour	0.635806107
9	Lack of leadership	0.627509969
10	Site accident	0.609366368
11	Equipment shortage	0.595913907
12	Delay in decision making	0.592687117

13	Material shortage	0.578129612
14	Labour availability	0.573460324
15	Payment delay	0.57229271
16	Errors in design drawing	0.570446538
17	Coordination among design discipline	0.569724509
18	Lack of supervision	0.413482329
19	Delay in material supply	0.388689422
20	Improper planning	0.336003061

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