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## Physio-chemical properties of pellets using different feedstocks

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**Abstract :** This study was assumed to analysed the physico-chemical characteristics of seven dissimilar combination of biomass pellets was studied for their storage and combustion properties. The seven different proportion of soybean straw and cotton stalk feedstock  $T_1(80:20)$ ,  $T_2(70:30)$ ,  $T_3(60:40)$ ,  $T_4(50:50)$ ,  $T_5(40:60)$ ,  $T_6(30:70)$ ,  $T_7(20:80)$  were used during the experiment. the moisture content of feedstock was found ranges from 7.16 to 9.26 %. The volatile matter of feedstocks was recorded to be 69.48 to 72.06 % and ash content was noted 8.23 to 13.46 %. The fixed carbon was recorded during the experiment 6.19 to 13.34 %. The maximum bulk density was observed 634 kg/m³ in combination of  $T_3(60:40)$ . The highest and least mean for the heating value of the pellets produced different combinations ranged from 3997 to 4126 kcal/kg. It is concluded that the combination of  $T_3(60:40)$  produces better biomass pellets.

Key Words: Biomass, Densification, Moisture content, Bulk density, Pellets, Renewable

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