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Effect of different levels of avocado (*Persia americana*) pulp incorporated in shrikhand

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Abstract

The present experiment was conducted at Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairy Science, College of Agriculture, Latur (VNMKV) during 2024-25. The *shrikhand* was prepared by blending 5, 10 and 15 percent of avocado Pulp. The physico-chemical analysis of developed product with 0, 5, 10 and 15 percent avocado pulp (T₁, T₂, T₃ and T₄) showed significant increase in percent fat from (9.43, 10.28, 11.50 and 12.35), Moisture content (43.47, 44.51, 46.19 and 46.88) and ash content (0.80, 0.83, 0.87 and 0.93). The percent protein and Total solid content of *shrikhand*, decreased significantly from 8.25, 7.84, 7.43 and 7.18 percent and 56.53, 55.49, 53.81 and 53.12 percent, respectively. The percent acidity was decreased significantly from 1.24 to 1.18, 1.07and 0.96 and pH was increased significantly (4.45, 4.53, 4.62and 4.70) due to higher level of addition of avocado pulp in *shrikhand*.

Keywords: Physico-chemical analysis, avocado pulp, acidity, shrikhand

Introduction

India is the world's top milk producer, with 239.30 million tonnes produced annually in 2023-24 compared to 230.58 million tonnes in 2022-23, recording a growth rate of 3.83%. The per capita availability of milk has reached 471 grams per day during the year 2023-24, which is more than the world average of around 329 grams per day in 2023 [1].

In India, fermented milk products utilize 7% of total milk produced and are primarily include *dahi, lassi* and *shrikhand*. These products have long been known for their nutritional and therapeutic value and play a crucial role in preparation of vitamin B-complex in human body. Several lactic acid bacteria produce natural antibiotic which help to prevent abdominal diseases. (Devi *et al.*, 2018) ^[4]. *Shrikhand* is a traditional Indian dessert made by fermentation of milk. It has semi solid and recognized for its sweetish sour flavour and therapeutic properties. In Gujrat cuisine *shrikhand* is served as side dish with breads like as poori (typically "*khaajapoori*" which is a savory fried flaky bread) or as dessert. It is commonly offered as part of a vegetarian thali in Gujrat restaurants and is famous as part of wedding feasts. It is often served chilled as a contrast to hot and spicy curry ^[2]. Avocado is also known as 'Superfood' because of its unique nutritional composition, Phytochemical content and health benefits. In addition to its use as food, Avocado has been traditionally used for serval medicinal purposes including hypotensive, hypoglycemic, anti-viral, anti-diarrheal and cardiovascular disease. Avocado pulp is also utilized in several dermatological compositions such as anti-aging agents, UV protection agents, emulsions for dry skin.

The present experiment on "Preparation of *shrikhand* blended with Avocado (*Persia americana*) pulp" was undertaken to find out physico-chemical properties of developed *shrikhand*.

Materials and Methods

The research was conducted during 2024-2025 in the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairy Science, College of Agriculture, Latur, Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth, Parbhani.

Materials

Collection of Materials

Buffalo milk (6% fat and 9% SNF) was procured from local market of Latur city (Natural Milk Pvt. Ltd., Latur). White crystalline cane sugar was collected from local market. Standard dahi culture (NCDC-167) was procured from NDRI, Karnal. Avocado fruit was collected from local market.

Methods

Preparation of *Shrikhand* blended with avocado (*Persia americana*) pulp

Treatment combination

Shrikhand blended with avocado pulp was prepared by using 35% sugar by weight of chakka and avocado pulp as per treatment.

T₁-100 Parts of *Chakka* (Control)

 T_2 -95 Parts of Chakka and 5 Parts of Avocado fruit pulp by weight

T₃.90 Parts of *Chakka* and 10 Parts of Avocado fruit pulp by weight

T₄₋85 Parts of *Chakka* and 15 Parts of Avocado fruit pulp by weight

Procedure for Preparation of shrikhand blended with Avocado pulp.

The shrikhand was prepared as per procedure given by

Andarepatil (2020). The buffalo milk (6% fat and 9% SNF) was heated at 80-85 °C for 15 minute and cooled up to room temperature 37 °C. After cooling milk was inoculated with Standard *dahi* culture (NCDC-167) @ 2 percent and incubated at 37 °C for 8-10 hrs. prepared *curd* was transferred in muslin cloth and hanged for removal of the whey for 6-8 hrs. The *chakka* obtained after draining were weighed. The *chakka* was used as base material for preparation of *shrikhand*. This *chakka* was mixed with sugar powder @ 35 percent and Avocado fruit pulp as per the treatment was added in *shrikhand*.



Fig 1: Preparation Avocado pulp Pandey et al. (2020)

Preparation of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

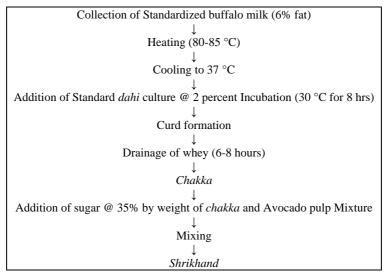


Fig 2: Flow chart of Avocado (Persea americana) pulp blended shrikhand

Physico-chemical analysis

Titrable acidity, pH, fat, protein, moisture, total solids, ash. Titrable acidity of sample was determined as per method outlined in IS 1479 (Part-I) (1960) (7), The fat content was determined by using Gerber's method described in in IS: 1224 (Part II) (1977) (8). The percent protein content of

shrikhand was determined by using Lowry method (1951). Moisture, total solids and ash percent was determined by methods described in IS: SP (Part XI) 1981.

Results and Discussion Acidity of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp

Table 1: Acidity of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

Treatment		Mean			
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean
T_1	1.23	1.26	1.21	1.24	1.24
T_2	1.16	1.19	1.17	1.19	1.18
T ₃	1.09	1.07	1.03	1.07	1.07
T ₄	0.92	1.02	0.94	0.96	0.96
SE±0.0141	CD at 5% 0.0434				

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

The mean value of percent acidity for control sample T_1 (1.24) and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp treatments T_2 (1.18), T_3 (1.07) and T_4 (0.96) were respectively. the percent acidity of control sample T_1 (1.24) was significantly higher than the treatment combinations. The percent Acidity decrease in *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp significantly as it is low acidic fruit.

Kumar *et al.* (2019) reported that addition of litchi pulp at 5, 10 and lactulose at 3, 6 and 9 percent results in decreased percent acidity content in developed product from 0.91 to 0.85.

pH of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

Table 2: pH of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment		Replication				
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean	
T_1	4.46	4.41	4.48	4.43	4.45	
T_2	4.51	4.49	4.56	4.54	4.53	
T ₃	4.66	4.58	4.64	4.61	4.62	
T ₄	4.73	4.66	4.71	4.69	4.70	
S.E±0.0159		C.D at 5% 0.0491				

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

The mean pH value of control sample and treated samples T_1 (4.45), T_2 (4.53), T_3 (4.62) and T_4 (4.70) were respectively. Lowest pH value observed in T_1 (4.45) and highest pH value in T_4 (4.70). The pH values of treatments increased towards increase in level of avocado pulp. Kumar *et al.* (2019) developed *shrikhand* by incorporating

Lactulose at 3, 6, 9 and litchi pulp 5 and 10 percent respectively, results increased in pH content in developed product from 5.34 to 5.71.

Fat content of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

Table 3: Fat content of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment		Maan			
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	\mathbb{R}_3	\mathbb{R}_4	Mean
T_1	9.50	9.20	9.70	9.30	9.43
T_2	10.10	10.30	10.20	10.50	10.28
T_3	11.30	11.40	11.50	11.80	11.50
T ₄	12.40	12.30	12.60	12.10	12.35
SE±0.1103	CD at 5% 0.3401				

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

Mean value of percent fat content in control sample T_1 (9.43) and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp T_2 (10.28), T_3 (11.50) and T_4 (12.35) percent respectively. Lower fat content observed in control sample T_1 (9.43) and higher fat content in T_4 (12.35). The result indicated that increase in fat content towards higher level of addition of avocado pulp was due to higher fat (unsaturated fat) content in avocado fruit. Masih *et al.* (2020) who mentioned that addition of maize milk in *shrikhand* at the rate of 10, 20 and 30 percent results in increased percent fat content in the developed product from 0.10 to 0.36.

Protein content of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

Table 4: Protein content of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment		Moon			
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean
T_1	8.26	8.21	8.38	8.16	8.25
T_2	7.93	7.76	7.87	7.81	7.84
T ₃	7.49	7.31	7.56	7.34	7.43
T ₄	7.13	7.29	7.08	7.22	7.18
SE±0.0483	CD at 5% 0.1488				

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

Mean value of percent protein content of control sample T_1 (8.25) and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp T_2 (7.84), T_3 (7.43) and T_4 (7.18) percent respectively. higher protein content observed in control sample T_1 (8.25) and lowest protein content in T_4 (7.18). The result showed that significant decrease in protein content towards higher level of addition of avocado pulp was due to low protein content

of avocado fruit than *chakka*. Kedaree *et al.* (2021) who reported that addition of kiwi fruit in *shrikhand* at the rate of 10, 15 and 20 percent which results in declined in percent protein content of developed product from 12.90 to 10.85.

Moisture content of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

Table 5: Moisture content of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment	Replication				Moon
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean
T_1	43.73	43.21	43.67	43.27	43.47
T_2	44.38	44.69	44.43	44.52	44.51
T ₃	46.23	46.09	46.31	46.13	46.19
T_4	46.84	46.97	46.79	46.92	46.88
SE±0.0816	CD at 5% 0.251	4			

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

mean value of percent moisture content for control sample and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp were T_1 (43.47), T_2 (44.51), T_3 (46.19) and T_4 (46.88) percent respectively. The lowest percent moisture content found in control sample T_1 (43.47) and highest moisture content in T_4 (46.88). The

result indicated that moisture content significantly increased in *Shrikhand* towards higher level of addition avocado pulp it could be due to higher moisture content (72.30 percent) of avocado fruit.

Similar observations on moisture content recorded by Chavan *et al.* (2022) prepared *shrikhand* by addition of jamun pulp at 10, 20 and 30 percent results in increased moisture content in developed product from 40.18 to 48.64.

Total solid content of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp

Table 6: Total solid content of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment		Mean			
	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean
T_1	56.27	56.79	56.33	56.73	56.53
T_2	55.62	55.31	55.57	55.48	55.49
T ₃	53.77	53.91	53.69	53.87	53.81
T ₄	53.16	53.03	53.21	53.08	53.12
SE±0.0816		CD at 5% 0.2514			

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

Mean value of percent Total solid content for control sample T_1 (56.53) and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp were T_2 (55.49), T_3 (53.81) and T_4 (53.12) percent respectively. The percent Total solid content of control sample T_1 (56.53) was significantly higher than T_4 (53.12) treatment combination. The result indicated that total solid content significantly decreased in *Shrikhand* towards higher level of addition avocado pulp it could be due to higher moisture content (73.2 percent) of avocado fruit.

Sameem *et al.*. (2020) studied physico-chemical properties of *shrikhand* prepared by using dragon fruit pulp at 3, 6 and 9 percent and observed that total solid content in developed product was decreased from 57.33 to 53.48.

Ash content of shrikhand blended with avocado pulp

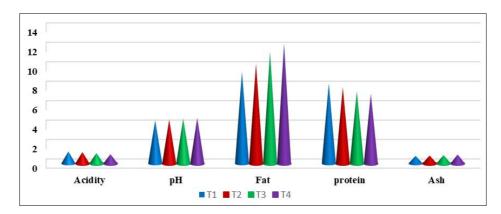
Table 7: Ash content of *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp (percent)

Treatment	Replication				Mean
Treatment	\mathbf{R}_1	\mathbb{R}_2	R ₃	R ₄	Mean
T_1	0.81	0.76	0.82	0.79	0.80
T_2	0.84	0.80	0.87	0.82	0.83
T ₃	0.87	0.83	0.91	0.86	0.87
T ₄	0.92	0.89	0.96	0.93	0.93
SE±0.0148	CD at 5% 0.0458				

The values with different small letter superscripts row wise differ non significantly at 5 percent level of significance.

Mean value of percent Ash content for Control sample T_1 (0.79) and *shrikhand* blended with avocado pulp was for T_2 (0.83), T_3 (0.87) and T_4 (0.93) percent respectively. Highest percent ash content was observed T_4 (0.93) than T_1 (0.80) control sample.

The results of present experiment are similar with Deshmukh (2021) who prepared *shrikhand* by using date pulp at 10, 20 and 30 percent and observed that incorporation of date pulp results in increased in ash content of developed product from 0.85 to 1.05.



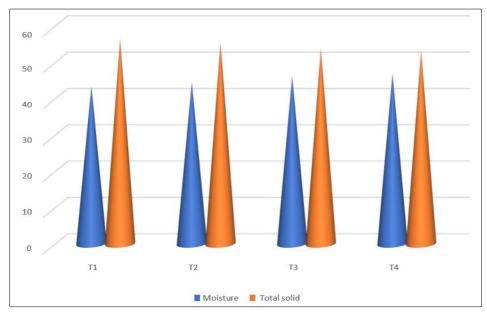


Fig 3: Physico-chemical properties of shrikhand blended with Avocado (Persia americana) Pulp

Conclusion

The value added, nutritional *shrikhand* could be prepared by with avocado pulp. From the results of physico-chemical analysis, it could be concluded that 5 percent avocado pulp could be added in *shrikhand* without affecting taste and overall acceptability of developed product.

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