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### OPTIMIZATION OF PROCESSED AMARANTH GRAIN FLOUR CHAPATTI USING RESPONSE SURFACE METHODOLOGY

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#### ABSTRACT

In the present investigation attempts have been made to process boiled amaranth grain (*amaranthus cruentus*) into flour and analyzing the physiochemical properties and proximate composition of flour and to develop fiber rich chapatti by the addition of optimized proportions of Wheat flour (WF), Boiled Amaranth Grain Flour (BAGF) and Water(W) with other ingredients using Response Surface Methodology (RSM) for acceptable Chapatti considering Carbohydrate, Protein, Fat, Fiber, Diameter, Product weight and overall acceptability as a response variables. Combinations of wheat flour, Boiled amaranth grain flour and Water with their lower and upper limits are 80-90g, 10-20g and 60-70g respectively were optimized by varying proportions to result a better quality chapatti. Whereas iodized salt and vegetable oil were kept constant for all formulations. Results revealed that, Response Surface Methodology (RSM) was applied for optimization, the multiple regressions was used to get optimum levels and it was found that desirable values of Carbohydrate (75.83g), Protein (13.16), Fat (3.45), Fiber (2.80 g), Diameter (6.19cm), Product weight (162.99g) and Overall Acceptability (7.30) was obtained for the corresponding optimum condition of wheat flour (80gm), boiled amaranth grain flour (20gm) and Water (70ml). Hence it is concluded that RSM was used successfully to optimize the level of wheat flour and boiled amaranth grain flour for the development of value added Chapatti.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*) is the major food produce among all the cereal crops. It is a staple food of large segment of world population. Wheat is extensively used for production of flat breads (Shewry, 1994) such as the steam-leavened chapatti, a major source of nutrients (Dhingra, 2001) and staple diet common to Pakistan, India, and some parts of Africa (Nurul-Islam, 1987). About 85% of wheat consumption in India is in the form of chapattis. Amaranth grains are lentil-shaped, very small (approximately 1 mm diameter) and light (Belton & Taylor, 2002). These grains have high nutritional and functional values which are associated with the quality and quantity of their proteins, fats and antioxidant potential (Gorinstein *et al.*, 2007). Amaranth grains have been identified as low glycaemic index food.

A low glycaemic index food are very important in the dietary treatment of diabetes mellitus, increases satiety, facilitate the control of food intake and has other health benefits for healthy subject in terms of post-prandial glucose and lipid metabolism (Rizkalla, 2002). Regular consumption of Amaranth grains may have important protective effects on risk for cardiovascular disease. Unleavened bread (chapatti and roti) is the staple diet of people in the India, utilizing almost 90 percent of the wheat produced in the region. The objective of this study is to investigate the effect of boiling on Physiochemical and microstructure of the amaranth grain and

to assess the nutritional characteristics and sensory quality of chapattis supplemented with boiled amaranth grain flour.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

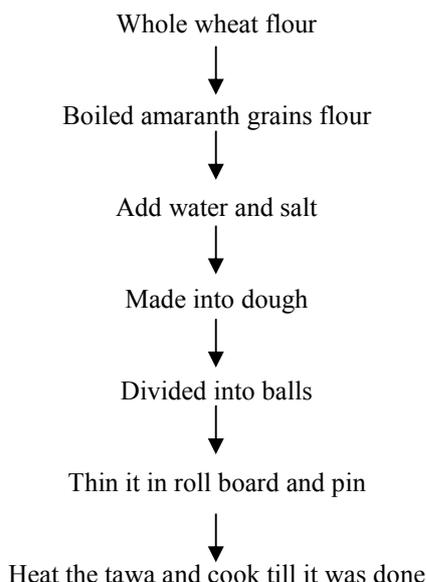
##### Boiling of Amaranth grain

Amaranth grain (*Amaranthus Cruentus*), wheat flour and table salt used for this investigation were procured from the Local market. All the ingredients procured from the market were checked for its purity. The boiling process of Amaranth grain was carried out with the standard procedure suggested by Sidhu and Scribel (1998).The boiled grains were dried and made into flour and paced in a air tight container for further analysis.

##### Physiochemical properties and microstructure of boiled amaranth grain and flour

Physical properties such as thousand grain weight and volume, hydration ratio and swelling capacity of the grain, rehydration ratio of grain flour was calculated by the method of Ranganna, (1986). Amylose and amylopectin content determined using spectrophotometer. The water absorption capacity and oil absorption capacity was determined by the method of Sathé *et al.*, (1982) and the bulk density of the boiled amaranth grain flour was determined using Ige, (1984). The chemical properties such as moisture, total ash, crude fibre, protein and fat were determined using AOAC method. The carbohydrate was assessed using Anthrone method. Morphology of the grain was assessed by Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM).

### Preparation of chapatti



### Experimental design (central composite rotatable designs)

The Response Surface Methodology (RSM) is a widely adopted tool for the quality of optimizations processes (P.Nazni *et al.*, 2011). The RSM, originally described by Box and Wilson (1951) is effective for responses that affect many factors and their interactions. The central composite rotatable composite design (CCRD), (Box and Hunter, 1957) was adopted to predict responses based on few sets of experimental data in which all factors were varied within a chosen range. The experiment consisted of 8 factorial runs, 6 axial runs and 6 center runs. The 3 independent variables were Wheat flour (g) ( $X_1$ ), Boiled amaranth grain flour (g) ( $X_2$ ) and Water (ml) ( $X_3$ ). Each variable was set at 5 levels and a total of 20 experiments were designed whereby formulation 15, namely the centre-point formulation, was repeated 6 times. The independent variables and their variation levels are shown in Table 1. The levels of each variable were established according to literature information and preliminary trials. The outline of the experimental layout with the coded and natural values is presented in Table 2.

Homogeneous variance is a necessary pre-requisite for (linear) regression models. Therefore, a reduction in variability within the objective response (dependent variables) was by transforming the data to standardized scores  $Z = (X - \bar{X}) / S$  where  $X$  = dependent variable of interest;  $\bar{X}$  = mean of dependent variable of interest and  $S$  = standard deviation). For each standardized scores, Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was conducted to determine significant differences among the treatment combinations. Also, data were analyzed using multiple regression procedures (Design Expert Version 8.0). To estimate Wheat flour, Boiled amaranth grain flour and Water effect on each objective response such as Carbohydrate ( $Y_1$ ), Protein ( $Y_2$ ), Fat ( $Y_3$ ), Fiber ( $Y_4$ ), Diameter ( $Y_5$ ), Cooked weight ( $Y_6$ ) and Overall acceptability ( $Y_7$ ), the standardized scores were fitted to a quadratic polynomial regression model by employing a least square technique (Gacula and Singh, 1984; Wanasundara and Shahidi, 1996). The model proposed for each response of  $Y$  was:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_{11} X_1^2 + \beta_{22} X_2^2 + \beta_{33} X_3^2 + \beta_{12} X_1 X_2 + \beta_{13} X_1 X_3 + \beta_{23} X_2 X_3$$

Where  $Y$  = the response,  $X_1$  = Wheat flour,  $X_2$  = Boiled amaranth grain flour,  $X_3$  = Water.  $\beta_0$  = intercepts,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  are linear,  $\beta_{11}$ ,  $\beta_{22}$ ,  $\beta_{33}$ , = are quadratic and  $\beta_{12}$ ,  $\beta_{13}$  and  $\beta_{23}$  are interaction regression coefficient terms, respectively. Coefficients of determination ( $R^2$ ) were computed. The adequacy of the model was examined based on three criterion, F value, Lack of Fit (LoF) and adequate precision value. The optimization was done by numerical optimization. Constraints were set to get the optimized coded value of the variable between the upper and lower limits of the variable. For each response, response surface plots were produced from the equations, by holding the variable with the least effect on the response equal to a constant value, and changing the other two variables.

### Sensory evaluation of developed chapattis

The sensory evaluation was carried out in order to get consumer response for overall acceptability of the boiled amaranth grain flour supplemented chapatti compared to the control chapatti (Wheat). The developed chapattis were served hot for the sensory evaluation. Products were evaluated by a panel of 10 semi-trained judges for different sensory attributes like appearance, flavour, taste, texture and overall acceptability. A 9-point hedonic scale ranging from 1 to 9, where 1 = extremely dislike and 9 = like was used to evaluate acceptability of sample. Data were subjected to analysis of variance (ANOVA) using the SPSS software and differences among means were compared using Duncan's Multiple Range test. A significance level of 0.05 was chosen.

### Statistical analysis

The analytical data obtained for BAGF chapattis were subjected to analysis of variance (ANOVA) (one way anova) using complete randomized design. The critical difference at  $p < 0.05$  was estimated and used to find significant difference if any.

### FINDINGS

#### Microstructure and Physiochemical proprieties of Raw and Boiled amaranth grain and its flour

##### Microstructure of Boiled amaranth grain by SEM

Boiled grain microstructure assessed in the magnification range of 500. Boiled grain showed that the particles were clustered together in the way of shapeless or mud-like structure. In this sample starch grains are distributed evenly over the entire area and it had irregular-shape with relatively smooth surfaces compared to the raw amaranth grain with the spherical whole starch structures. However, the starch grains are spread evenly in the raw seed and it is clearly visible. The internal structure of starch is affected by heat treatment (Figures 1). Granules of small granule starches are characterized by their very irregular, polygonal shape (Jane *et al.*, 1994). Afshari *et al.*, 2011 stated that 1000 grain weight is a very important measure of grain quality, which is effective on sprouting, grain potential, graining growth, and plant performance. This quality is dependent on the size of embryo and reserved nutrients quantity used for sprouting and growth. When compared to raw grain (1.04g), the boiled amaranth grain weight was increased as 1.5g. This may be due to absorption water during boiling. Regarding grain volume,

**Table 1. Independent Variables and Levels used for central composite rotatable design**

Variable	Symbols	Coded variable level				
		-1.68( $\mu$ )	-1	0	1	1.68( $\mu$ )
Wheat flour (g)	X <sub>1</sub>	76.59	80	85	90	93.40
Boiled amaranth grain flour (g)	X <sub>2</sub>	5.47	10	15	20	26.47
Water (ml)	X <sub>3</sub>	56.59	60	65	70	73.40

**Table 2. Experimental design in their natural units and coded form**

Design points	Independent variables in Uncoded form			Independent variables in coded form		
	X <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>2</sub>	X <sub>3</sub>	x <sub>1</sub>	x <sub>2</sub>	x <sub>3</sub>
1	80	10	60	-1	-1	-1
2	90	10	60	1	-1	-1
3	80	20	60	-1	1	-1
4	90	20	60	1	1	-1
5	80	10	70	-1	-1	1
6	90	10	70	1	-1	1
7	80	20	70	-1	1	1
8	90	20	70	1	1	1
9	76.59	15	65	-1.682	0	0
10	93.41	15	65	1.682	0	0
11	85	6.59	65	0	-1.682	0
12	85	23.41	65	0	1.682	0
13	85	15	56.59	0	0	-1.682
14	85	15	73.41	0	0	1.682
15	85	15	65	0	0	0
16	85	15	65	0	0	0
17	85	15	65	0	0	0
18	85	15	65	0	0	0
19	85	15	65	0	0	0
20	85	15	65	0	0	0

X<sub>1</sub>= Wheat flour, X<sub>2</sub> = Boiled amaranth grain flour, X<sub>3</sub> = Water**Table 3. Physicochemical properties of both Raw and Boiled amaranth grain and its flour**

S.No	Physicochemical properties	Raw Amaranth Grain (g/100g)	Boiled Amaranth Grain (g/100g)
1	Thousand Amaranth Grain weight	1.04 g	1.5g
2	Thousand Amaranth Grain volume	0.65ml	1ml
3	Amylose content	8.50 %	10.80%
4	Amylopectin content	38.50 %	48.20%
5	Water absorption of flour	2.13ml	3.84ml
6	Bulk density of flour	5.6g/ml	6.7g/ml
7	Moisture flour	7.4%	5.1 (%)
8	Total ash of flour	4.6%	4.2 (%)
9	Crude protein of flour	14.1%	13.3 (%)
10	Crude fibre of flour	7.2%	9.0 (%)
11	crude fat of flour	6.4%	6.6 (%)
12	Carbohydrate of flour	74.9	75(%)

**Table 4. Regression coefficient (coded variables) from quadratic model and their significance**

Coefficients	Carbohydrate (g)	Protein (g)	Fat(g)	Fiber (g)	Diameter (cm)	Cooked weight (g)	Overall acceptability (g)
Model	70.24**	12.17**	2.91**	2.42**	6.14**	162.42*	7.65 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>1</sub>	3.39**	0.61**	0.095**	0.084**	0.58**	3.04**	-0.32 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>2</sub>	3.81**	0.64**	0.45**	0.33**	0.029 <sup>NS</sup>	0.98 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.22 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>3</sub>	-0.064 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.054 <sup>NS</sup>	0.07 <sup>NS</sup>	0.12 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>1</sub> <sup>2</sup>	-0.031 <sup>NS</sup>	0.058**	0.018 <sup>NS</sup>	5.972*	-0.059 <sup>NS</sup>	-1.77 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.28 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>2</sub> <sup>2</sup>	-0.031 <sup>NS</sup>	-7.828 <sup>NS</sup>	0.019 <sup>NS</sup>	4.204 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.31**	-0.36 <sup>NS</sup>	0.071 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>3</sub> <sup>2</sup>	-0.029 <sup>NS</sup>	0.029 <sup>NS</sup>	0.021 <sup>NS</sup>	5.972*	-0.023 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.18 <sup>NS</sup>	0.071 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>1</sub> X <sub>2</sub>	0.11 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000	0.025 <sup>NS</sup>	-1.00 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.25 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>1</sub> X <sub>3</sub>	0.11 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.25 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>
X <sub>2</sub> X <sub>3</sub>	0.11 <sup>NS</sup>	0.08 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>	-0.25 <sup>NS</sup>	0.000 <sup>NS</sup>
F-value	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	0.0003	0.0299	0.8907
R <sup>2</sup>	0.999	0.995	0.989	0.999	0.912	0.762	0.278
Adj R <sup>2</sup>	0.9984	0.990	0.979	0.999	0.834	0.549	-0.370
Pred R <sup>2</sup>	0.9931	0.966	0.984	0.998	0.457	-0.487	-3.926
Adeq precision	118.32	48.12	37.72	169.57	11.53	6.56	2.59
Lack of fit	NS	S	NS	NS	NS	NS	S

\*\* - 1% significant level, \* - 5% significant level

NS = Not Significant, S = Significant

boiled grain has more (1ml) value than raw grain (0.65ml), because boiling will explode the grain when subjected to high temperature. Amylose essentially consists of linear chains, with a small amount of branching. Approximately 25% of starch in the main cereal crops is amylose. Amylopectin, making up around 75% of the starch, consists of linear chains of glucose residues linked to other ramifications through alpha-1, 6 bonding. A high percentage of amylose in food leads to the formation of "resistant starch", stimulating the activity of the intestinal flora and inducing the production of protective substances against colon cancer. Besides, foods with "high amylose" have a low glycemic index, which is beneficial to 25% of the insulin-resistant population and, by stimulating the formation of HDL cholesterol, prevents cardiovascular disease (Kuswanto, *et al.*,

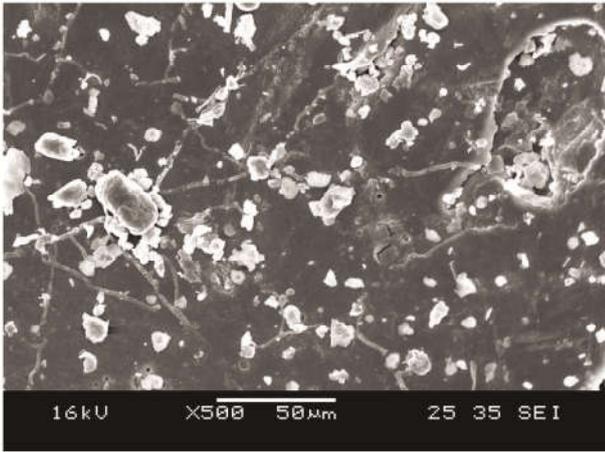


Fig. 1. Cross-Sectional morphologies of the boiled amaranth grain flour

2011). The amylose and amylopectin content of boiled amaranth grain was 10.08 and 48.20% respectively compared to raw grain which was only 8.5% and 38.5% respectively which showed that it has got high therapeutic value for the subjects with non-communicable diseases. The study results reports that, the water absorption capacity of the raw grain was less (2.13ml) compared to boiled grain (3.84ml), because higher the temperature, the greater the water absorption due to increased water diffusion rate (Sopade *et al.*, 1992).

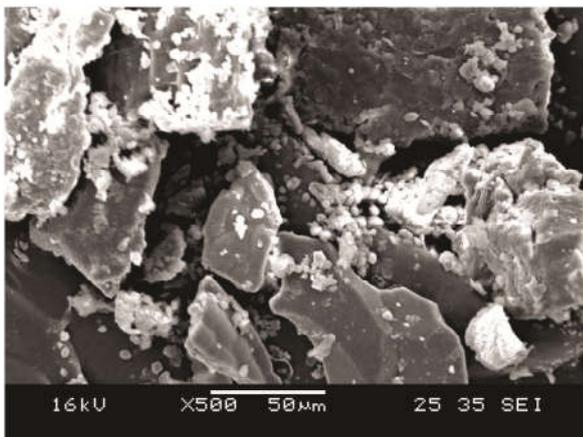


Fig. 2. Cross-Sectional morphologies of the raw amaranth grain flour

Bulk density is a measure of heaviness of a flour sample. The bulk density was affected by the processing method and dropped with moisture reduction. The high bulk density (6.7g/ml) compared to raw amaranth grain (5.6g/ml) may be due to the large particle size due to boiling as compared to the raw grain flour which had coarse particles. Grains are the

storehouses of many chemical components including nutrients, phytochemicals, and non-nutritive plant protective functional constituents. The nutritive value of millets is comparable to other cereals with slightly higher contents of protein and minerals (Gopalan *et al.*, 2002). Except moisture, all the other nutrients value such as ash, protein, fiber and fat has been increased during processing compared to the raw amaranth grain.

### Optimization of Boiled amaranth grain Flour Chapatti

The Chapatti prepared with the help of wheat flour, BAGF, water and Salt was characterized for its physiochemical and organoleptic characteristics. Carbohydrate ( $Y_1$ ), Protein ( $Y_2$ ), Fat ( $Y_3$ ), Fiber ( $Y_4$ ), Diameter ( $Y_5$ ), Cooked weight ( $Y_6$ ) and Overall acceptability ( $Y_7$ ) was measured as response variables.

### Diagnostic checking of fitted model and surface plot for various responses

Regression analysis indicated that the fitted quadratic model accounted that above 99% for carbohydrate, protein and fiber, 98% for fat, 91% for diameter, 76% for cooked weight and 27% for over all acceptability of the developed boiled amaranth grains flour incorporated chapatti. The values of regression coefficients, sum of squares, F values and P values for coded form of process variables are presented in Table 4.

### Carbohydrate

The carbohydrate of the developed chapatti was ranged from 63.02 to 77.4g. The coefficient of determination  $R^2$  was 99% of the regression model. The F value of the model is  $<0.0001$  and lack of fit is not significant. The developed model for noodle in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows:

$$Y_1(\text{Carbohydrate}) = +70.24 + 3.39X_1 + 3.81X_2 - 0.064X_3 - 0.031X_1^2 - 0.031X_2^2 - 0.029X_3^2 + 0.11X_1X_2 - 0.11X_1X_3 + 0.11X_2X_3$$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_1(\text{Carbohydrate}) = -25.1258 + 1.1470x_1 + 0.061x_2 + 0.4865x_3 - 1.222x_1^2 - 3.3867x_2^2 - 1.1518x_3^2 + 2.3157x_1x_2 - 4.4000x_1x_3 + 2.3157x_2x_3$$

The magnitude of P and F value in Table 4 indicates that the linear variables such as  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  and interaction variables  $X_1X_2$ ,  $X_1X_3$ ,  $X_2X_3$  had the positive contribution, the interaction variables such as  $X_1^2$ ,  $X_2^2$ ,  $X_3^2$  and linear variable  $X_3$  had negative contribution on Carbohydrate. The effect of Wheat flour, Boiled amaranth grains flour and Water on the carbohydrate level has been shown in Figs 3 to 5.

### Diagnostic checking of fitted model and surface plot for various responses

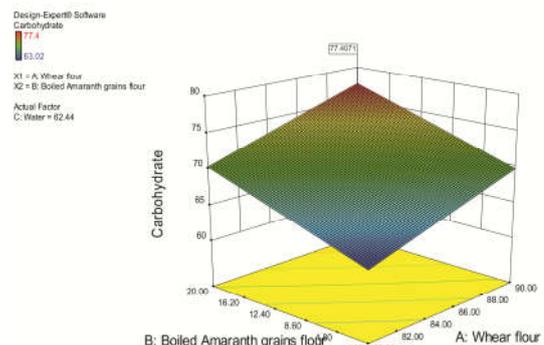


Fig. 3. Effect of BAGF and WF on Carbohydrate of Chapatti

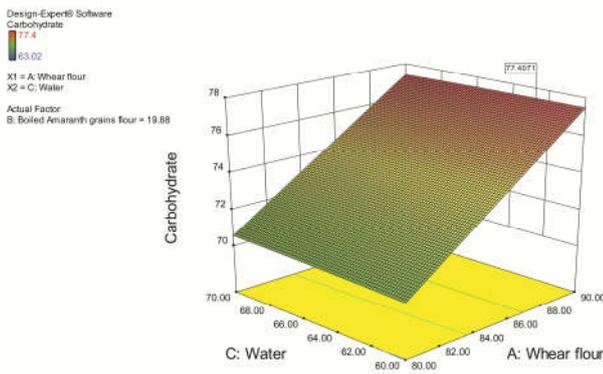


Fig. 4. Effect of Water and WF on Carbohydrate of chapatti

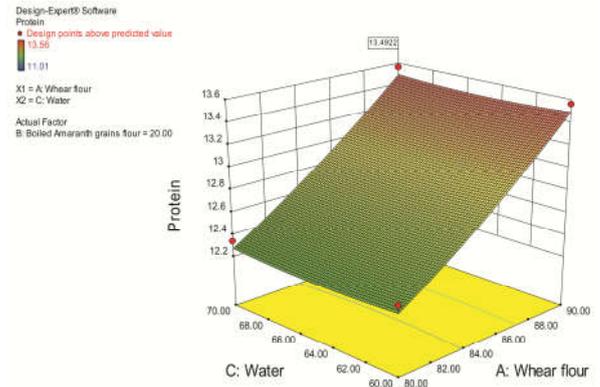


Fig. 7. Effect of Water and WF on protein of chapatti

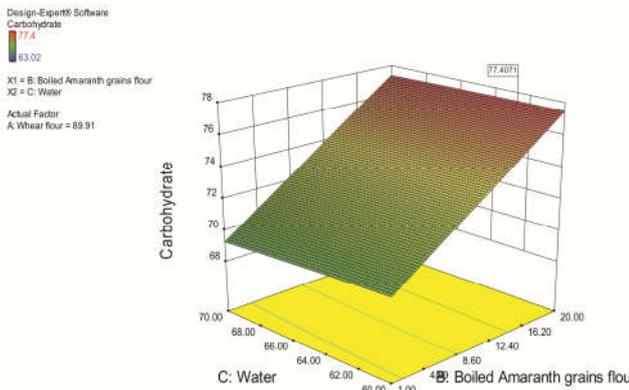


Fig. 5. Effect of Water and BAGF on Carbohydrate of chapatti

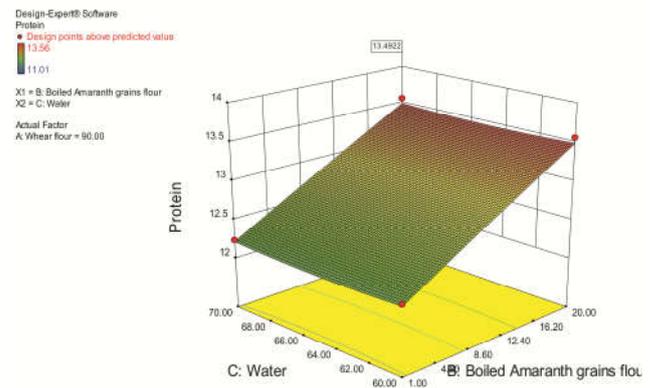


Fig. 8. Effect of Water and BAGF on protein of chapatti

**Protein**

The Protein content of the developed noodles was ranged from 11.01 to 13.56g. The coefficient of determination  $R^2$  was 99% of the regression model. The F value of the model is  $<0.0001$  and lack of fit is significant. The developed model for chapatti in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows:  
 $Y_2(\text{Protein}) = +12.17 + 0.61X_1 + 0.64X_2 + 0.000X_3 + 0.058X_1^2 - 7.828X_2^2 + 0.029X_2^3 + 0.000X_1X_2 + 0.000X_1X_3 + 0.000X_2X_3$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_2(\text{Protein}) = +22.6947 - 0.2698x_1 + 0.0691x_2 - 1.523x_3 + 2.3031x_1^2 - 8.6732x_2^2 + 1.1718x_2^3 - 1.6217x_1x_2 + 4.1607x_1x_3 - 1.4461x_2x_3$$

**Diagnostic checking of fitted model and surface plot for various responses:**

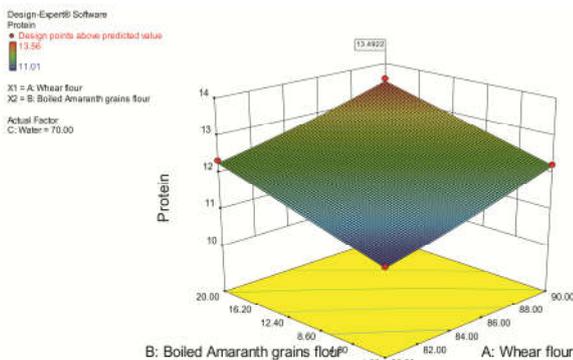


Fig. 6. Effect of BAGF and WF on Protein of chapatti

The magnitude of P and F value of indicates the maximum positive contribution by the linear, quadratic and interaction variables. But  $X_2^2$  and  $X_1X_3$  of quadratic and interaction variables had negative contribution for the fiber content. The effect of Wheat flour, BAGF and Water on the protein content has been shown in Figs 6 to 8.

**Fat**

The Fat content of the developed chapatti was ranged from  $847.84 \pm 74.27$  to  $2.42$  to  $3.51$  g. The coefficient of determination  $R^2$  was 98% of the regression model. The F value of the model is  $<0.0001$  and lack of fit is not significant.

The developed model for noodle in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows:

$$Y_3(\text{Fat}) = +2.91 + 0.095X_1 + 0.45X_2 + 0.000X_3 + 0.018X_1^2 + 0.019X_2^2 + 0.021X_2^3 + 0.000X_1X_2 + 0.000X_1X_3 + 0.000X_2X_3$$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_3(\text{Fat}) = +9.45073 - 0.10027x_1 + 0.042829x_2 - 0.10960x_3 + 7.01662x_1^2 + 2.13954x_2^2 + 8.43083x_2^3 - 6.71421x_1x_2 + 1.15304x_1x_3 - 8.00541x_2x_3$$

The magnitude of P and F value indicates the maximum positive contribution on the fat content. The linear terms of  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$  quadratic terms of  $X_1^2$ ,  $X_2^2$  and  $X_3^2$  and interaction terms of  $X_1X_2$ ,  $X_1X_3$ ,  $X_2X_3$  has the only positive effect on fat level. The effect of Wheat flour BAGF and Water on the fat content has been shown in Figs 9 to 11.

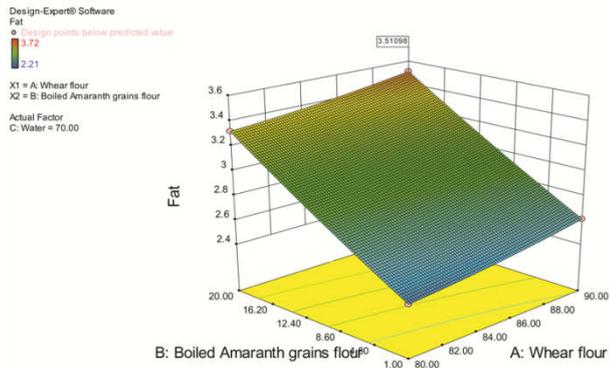


Fig. 9. Effect of BAGF and WF on Fat of chapatti

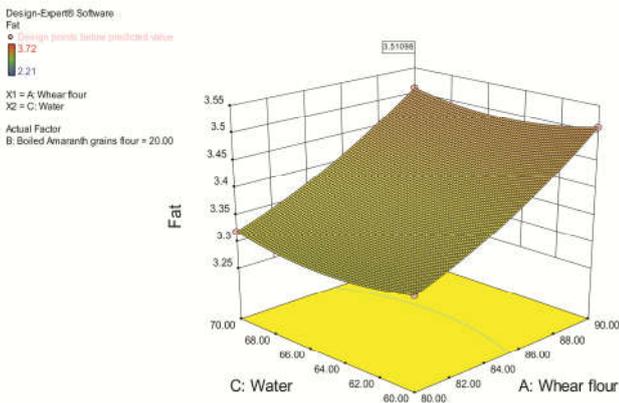


Fig. 10. Effect of Water and WF on Fat of chapatti

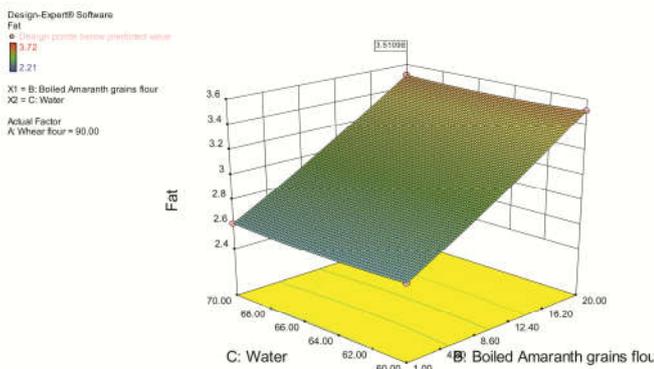


Fig. 11. Effect of water and BAGF on Fat of chapatti

**Fiber**

The Fiber content of the developed chapatti was ranged from 2.02 to 2.85 g. The coefficient of determination  $R^2$  was 99% of the regression model. The F value of the model is  $<0.0001$  and lack of fit is not significant.

The developed model for chapatti in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows

$$Y_4(\text{Fiber}) = +2.42 + 0.084X_1 + 0.33X_2 + 0.000X_3 + 5.972X_1^2 + 4.204X_2^2 + 5.972X_2^3 + 0.000X_1X_2 + 0.000X_1X_3 + 0.000X_2X_3$$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_4(\text{Fiber}) = +3.35919 - 0.02375x_1 + 0.033759x_2 - 0.031052x_3 + 2.38861x_1^2 + 4.65791x_2^2 + 2.38861x_2^3 + 0.0000x_1x_2 + 7.3598x_1x_3 - 1.23886x_2x_3$$

The magnitude of P and F value indicates the maximum positive contribution on the fiber content. All the terms such as linear terms of  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  quadratic terms of  $X_1^2, X_2^2$  and  $X_3^2$  and interaction terms of  $X_1X_2, X_1X_3, X_2X_3$  has only the positive effect on fiber input. The effect of Wheat flour, BAGF and Water on the fiber content has been shown in Figs 12 to 14.

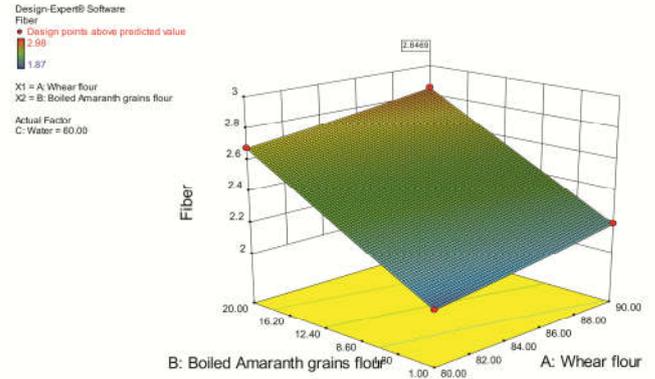


Fig. 12. Effect of BAGF and WF on Fiber of chapatti

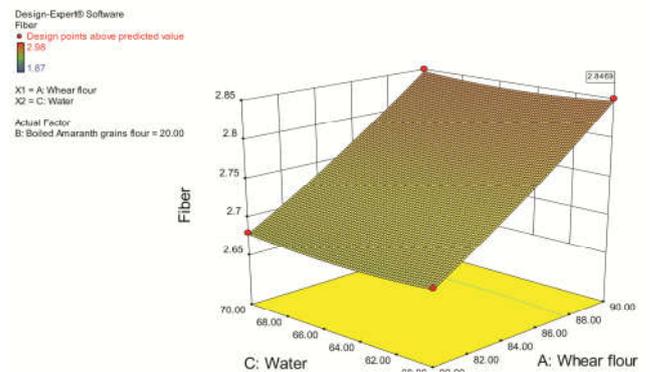


Fig. 13. Effect of Water and WF on Fiber of chapatti

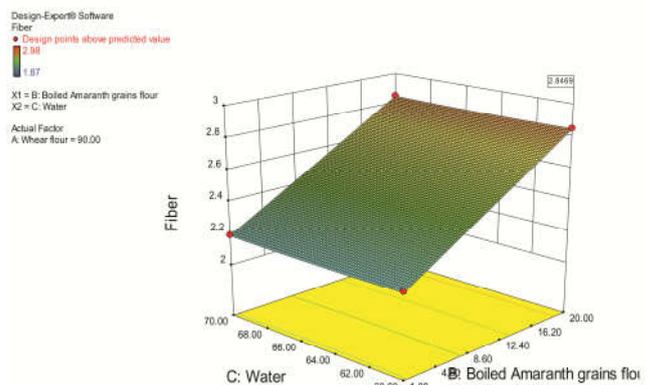


Fig.14: Effect of Water and BAGF on Fiber of chapatti

**Diameter**

The Diameter acceptability of the developed chapatti was ranged from 5 to 6.5. The coefficient of determination  $R^2$  was 91% of the regression model. The F value of the model is 0.0003 and lack of fit is not significant.

The developed model for chapatti in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows

$$Y_5(\text{Diameter}) = +6.14 + 0.58X_1 + 0.029X_2 + 0.054X_3 - 0.059X_1^2 - 0.31X_2^2 - 0.023X_2^3 + 0.025X_1X_2 + 0.000X_1X_3 + 0.000X_2X_3$$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_5 (\text{Diameter}) = -5.32453 + 0.51026x_1 + 0.029522x_2 + 0.1321852x_3 - 2.34801x_1^2 - 3.39266x_2^2 - 9.33800x_3^2 + 5.26316x_1x_2 - 2.61028x_1x_3 - 4.13699x_2x_3$$

The magnitude of P and F value indicates the maximum positive contribution and minimum negative contribution on the diameter of the product. All the terms such as linear terms of X1, X2, X3 quadratic terms of X<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup>, X<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup> and X<sub>3</sub><sup>2</sup> and interaction terms of X<sub>1</sub>X<sub>2</sub>, X<sub>1</sub>X<sub>3</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>X<sub>3</sub> has the positive effect on diameter. But X<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup>, X<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup> and X<sub>3</sub><sup>2</sup>. The effect of Wheat flour, BAGF and Water on the fiber content has been shown in Figs 15 to 17.

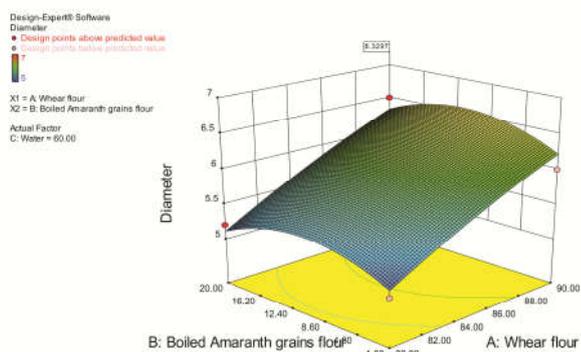


Fig. 15. Effect of BAGF and WF on Diameter of chapatti

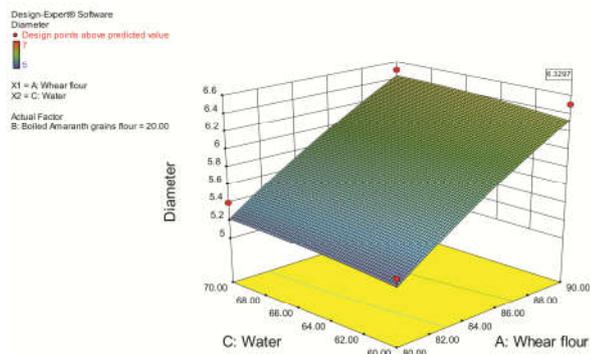


Fig. 16. Effect of Water and WF on Diameter of chapatti

**Cooked chapatti weight (CCW)**

The Cooked chapatti weight acceptability of the developed chapatti was ranged from 154 to 165. The coefficient of determination R<sup>2</sup> was 76% of the regression model. The F value of the model is 0.0299 and lack of fit is not significant.

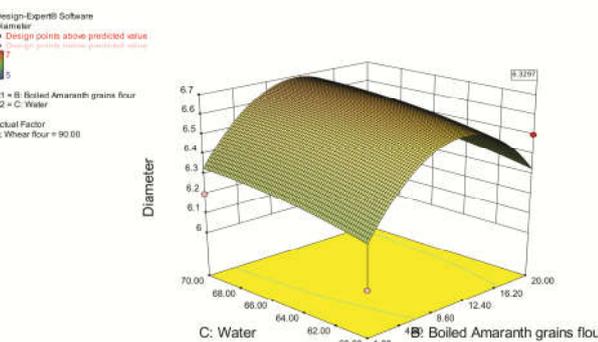


Fig. 17. Effect of Water and WF on Diameter of chapatti

The developed model for chapatti in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows

$$Y_6(\text{CCW}) = +162.42 + 3.04X_1 + 0.98X_2 - 0.077X_3 - 1.77X_1^2 - 0.36X_2^2 - 0.18X_3^2 - 1.00X_1X_2 - 0.25X_1X_3 - 0.25X_2X_3$$

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_6(\text{CCW}) = -509.2323 + 13.51555x_1 + 2.31737x_2 + 1.82087x_3 - 0.070800x_1^2 - 3.94237x_2^2 - 7.16089x_3^2 - 0.021053x_1x_2 - 0.010000x_1x_3 - 5.26316x_2x_3$$

The magnitude of P and F value indicates the positive contribution and negative contribution on the cooked weight of the product. Expect the linear terms X<sub>1</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>, X<sub>3</sub>, quadratic terms of X<sub>1</sub><sup>2</sup>, X<sub>2</sub><sup>2</sup> and X<sub>3</sub><sup>2</sup> and interaction terms of X<sub>1</sub>X<sub>2</sub>, X<sub>1</sub>X<sub>3</sub>, X<sub>2</sub>X<sub>3</sub> has the negative effect on product weight. The effect of Wheat flour, BAGF and Water on the weight of the product has been shown in Figs 18 to 20.

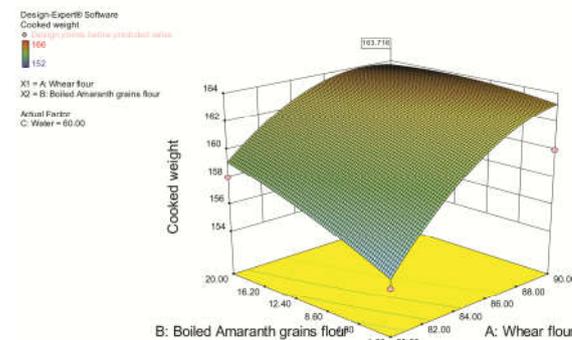


Fig. 18. Effect of BAGF and WF on Weight of chapatti

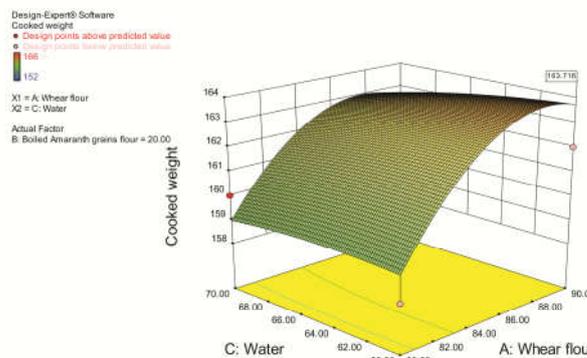


Fig. 19. Effect of Water and WF on weight of chapatti

**Overall Acceptability**

The overall acceptability of the developed chapatti was ranged from 7 to 9. The coefficient of determination R<sup>2</sup> was 27% of

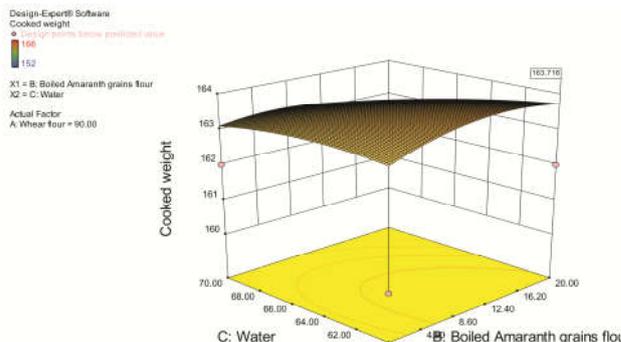


Fig.20. Effect of Water and BAGF on Weight of chapatti

the regression model. The F value of the model is 0.8907 and lack of fit is significant.

The developed model for noodle in the form of uncoded (actual) process variables is as follows:

$$Y_7(\text{Overall acceptability}) = +7.65 - 0.32X_1 - 0.22X_2 + 0.12X_3 - 0.28X_1X_2 + 0.071X_1X_3 + 0.071X_2X_3 - 0.25X_1^2 + 0.000X_2^2 + 0.000X_3^2$$

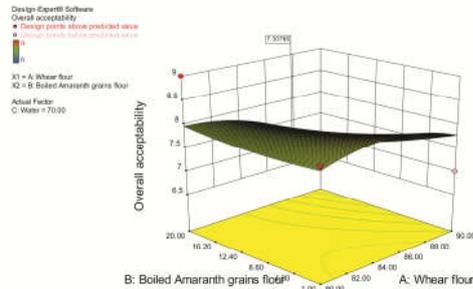


Fig. 21. Effect of BAGF and WF on Overall acceptability of chapatti

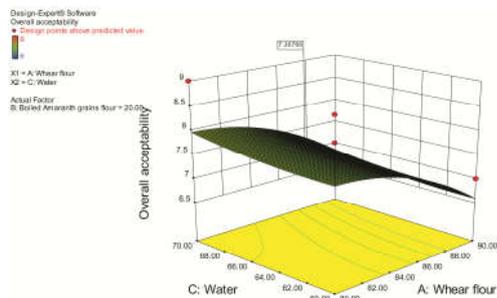


Fig. 22. Effect of Water and WF on Overall acceptability of chapatti

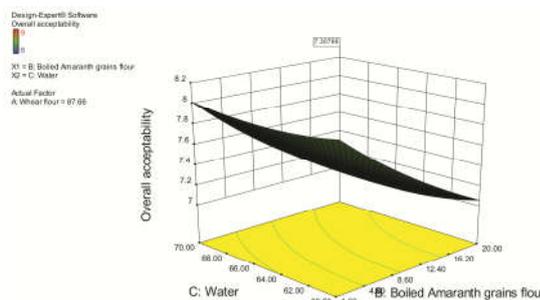


Fig. 23. Effect of Water and BAGF on Overall acceptability of chapatti

In coded form of process variables, the model equation is as follows:

$$Y_7(\text{Overall acceptability}) = -62.79833 + 1.91630x_1 + 0.40747x_2 - 0.34235x_3 - 0.011319x_2^2 + 7.81963x_1x_3 + 2.82289x_2x_3 - 5.26316x_1^2 - 9.73457x_2^2 + 4.13182x_3^2$$

The magnitude of P and F value in Table 4 indicates the linear terms of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , quadratic terms of  $X_1^2$ , interaction terms of  $X_1X_2$  had the negative effects. The effect of Wheat flour, Boiled amaranth grains flour and Water on the overall acceptability has been shown in Figs 21 to 23.

Criteria of optimum value for the responses

Table 5. Criteria of optimum value for the responses

Process variable	Optimum value	Response	Optimum value
Wheat flour (g)	80.00	Carbohydrate	75.83
Boiled amaranth grain flour (g)	20.00	Protein	13.16
		Fat	3.45
Water(g)	70.00	Fiber	2.80
		Diameter	6.19
		Cooked weight	162.99
		Overall acceptability	7.30

For the optimization variables, the responses, that is carbohydrate, protein, Fat, Fiber, Diameter, Cooked weight and overall acceptability were selected on the basis that these responses had direct effect on the acceptability and quality of chapattis. To consider all the responses simultaneously for optimization, the multiple regression was used to get compromise optimum conditions and it has found that the values were 75.83, 13.16, 3.45, 2.80, 6.19, 162.99 and 7.30 for carbohydrate (g), protein (g), Fat (g), Fiber (g), Diameter (cm), Cooked weight (g) and Overall acceptability respectively, corresponding to the optimum condition of Wheat flour 80g as  $X_1$ , Boiled amaranth grain flour 20g as  $X_2$  and water 70ml as  $X_3$ . Among the 20 variations of chapattis, V10 have scored highest mean value (8.50) the other variations in appearance. In colour attributes, V8 obtained 8.70 of highest score than V6 (6.50). Regarding flavour attributes, the highest score 8.70 is obtained by the variation V7 which is followed by the variation V18 with least score of 8.00 is obtained.

Table 6. Organoleptic evaluation of the developed chapatti

Variations	Appearance	Colour	Flavour	Texture	Taste	Over all Acceptability
V1	7.70 ± 1.25 <sup>ab</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69	7.70 ± 1.56 <sup>a</sup>	6.70 ± 2.00 <sup>abcde</sup>	8.20 ± 0.63 <sup>c</sup>	8.20 ± 0.63 <sup>cd</sup>
V2	8.0 ± 0.66 <sup>b</sup>	8.00 ± 1.24 <sup>cd</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>a</sup>	8.20 ± 1.75 <sup>abc</sup>	8.30 ± 0.82 <sup>bc</sup>	8.30 ± 0.82 <sup>cd</sup>
V3	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>b</sup>	8.10 ± 0.99 <sup>bcd</sup>	7.90 ± 0.73 <sup>a</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.30 ± 0.82 <sup>bc</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>cd</sup>
V4	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>b</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>a</sup>	7.70 ± 1.33 <sup>e</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>bc</sup>	8.10 ± 0.56 <sup>cd</sup>
V5	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>b</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>a</sup>	7.00 ± 2.00 <sup>abcde</sup>	8.10 ± 0.56 <sup>bc</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>cd</sup>
V6	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>b</sup>	6.50 ± 1.71 <sup>a</sup>	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>a</sup>	8.40 ± 0.51 <sup>ab</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>bc</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>cd</sup>
V7	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>b</sup>	7.40 ± 1.50 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.50 ± 0.70 <sup>a</sup>	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>abcde</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>a</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>cd</sup>
V8	7.70 ± 0.48 <sup>ab</sup>	8.70 ± 0.48 <sup>d</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>a</sup>	7.50 ± 1.43 <sup>cde</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>b</sup>	8.00 ± 0.66 <sup>cd</sup>
V9	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>b</sup>	7.60 ± 1.83 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>a</sup>	7.90 ± 1.28 <sup>abcde</sup>	8.00 ± 0.66 <sup>c</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>cd</sup>
V10	8.50 ± 0.70 <sup>b</sup>	6.70 ± 2.00 <sup>ab</sup>	8.20 ± 0.63 <sup>a</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>c</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>bc</sup>
V11	8.00 ± 1.05 <sup>b</sup>	7.20 ± 1.75 <sup>abc</sup>	8.30 ± 0.82 <sup>a</sup>	8.00 ± 0.81 <sup>de</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>bc</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>cd</sup>
V12	7.70 ± 1.15 <sup>ab</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>cd</sup>	8.30 ± 0.82 <sup>a</sup>	7.70 ± 1.25 <sup>cde</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>c</sup>	6.50 ± 1.71 <sup>cd</sup>
V13	7.80 ± 1.39 <sup>ab</sup>	7.70 ± 1.33 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>a</sup>	8.0 ± 0.66 <sup>abcde</sup>	8.00 ± 1.24 <sup>bc</sup>	7.40 ± 1.50 <sup>cd</sup>
V14	6.80 ± 1.61 <sup>a</sup>	7.00 ± 2.00 <sup>abc</sup>	8.10 ± 0.56 <sup>a</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>bcd</sup>	8.10 ± 0.99 <sup>e</sup>	8.70 ± 0.48 <sup>d</sup>
V15	8.00 ± 1.56 <sup>b</sup>	8.40 ± 0.51 <sup>cd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>a</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>cde</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>c</sup>	7.60 ± 1.83 <sup>cd</sup>
V16	7.70 ± 1.25 <sup>ab</sup>	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>cd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>a</sup>	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>bcde</sup>	7.80 ± 1.22 <sup>c</sup>	6.70 ± 2.00 <sup>cd</sup>
V17	8.20 ± 1.47 <sup>b</sup>	7.50 ± 1.43 <sup>abcd</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>a</sup>	8.40 ± 0.69 <sup>de</sup>	6.50 ± 1.71 <sup>e</sup>	7.20 ± 1.75 <sup>cd</sup>
V18	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>b</sup>	7.90 ± 1.28 <sup>bcd</sup>	8.00 ± 0.66 <sup>a</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>abcde</sup>	7.40 ± 1.50 <sup>bc</sup>	7.70 ± 1.15 <sup>cd</sup>
V19	8.10 ± 0.73 <sup>b</sup>	8.30 ± 0.67 <sup>cd</sup>	8.40 ± 0.84 <sup>a</sup>	6.80 ± 1.61 <sup>abcde</sup>	7.00 ± 2.00 <sup>e</sup>	7.80 ± 1.39 <sup>a</sup>
V20	8.10 ± 1.28 <sup>b</sup>	8.00 ± 0.81 <sup>bcd</sup>	8.20 ± 0.78 <sup>a</sup>	8.00 ± 1.56 <sup>a</sup>	8.40 ± 0.51 <sup>bc</sup>	6.80 ± 1.61 <sup>ab</sup>
F value	1.35	1.976	0.599	2.082	3.018	3.856
P value	0.158	0.012	0.904	0.007	0.000	0.000

\*\* - Significant at 0.01% level; \* - Significant at 0.05% level; NS - No significant (Values with different superscripts are significantly different from each other on application of Duncan multiple Range test)

In texture attributes, V6 scored highest of 8.40 than V1 which scored the least score of 6.70. Regarding taste, the highest score of 8.40 is scored by the variations of V6, V7, V10, V12 and V20 and is followed by the least score by V18 and V19 with score of 7.40 and 7.00. Regarding over all acceptability attributes, the highest score 8.40 is scored by V5, V6 and V9 followed by the least score 6.50 is obtained by V12. Results of the Duncan's test revealed that there was significant difference for all the variations.

## Conclusion

Response Surface Methodology (RSM) was used successfully to optimize the level of wheat flour, BASF and Water for the development of Chapatti. The incorporation of Boiled Amaranth Grain Flour (BASF) had an impact on the physicochemical and sensory properties of chapattis. The incorporation of BASF significantly increased in the nutrients. However, they had significantly decreased ( $P < 0.05$ ) acceptability of product when the flour increased. The sensory evaluation result showed there were only slight differences between the values of sensory attributes with the increasing incorporation of BASF. The overall acceptability of chapatti with high proximate composition (high fiber and normal carbohydrate) of the chapatti can be prepared using the combination of 80g of wheat flour, 20 g of boiled amaranth grain flour and 70ml of water. In conclusion, this study provides useful functional information for the future development of Amaranth Grain Flour-based food products.

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