

Effective depth of footing slab

(i) Bending Moment Consideration

Bending moment at the face of column,

$$M_u = 236.72 \times \frac{2.18(2.18 - 0.4)^2}{8} \\ = 204.38 \text{ kN-m}$$

For the balanced design,

$$0.36 \times 15 \times 0.48 (1 - 0.42 \times 0.48) 2180 d^2 \\ = 204.38 \times 10^6$$

\therefore effective depth, $d = 217.85 \text{ mm}$

(ii) Two Way Shear Consideration

Punching shear,

$$\tau = \frac{236.72(2.18^2 - (0.4 + d)^2)}{4(0.4 + d)d}$$

where d is expressed in m and is treated as unknown.

Permissible shear stress is as follows :

$$\beta_c = 1.0$$

$$k_s = 0.5 + \beta_c = 0.5 + 1.0 = 1.5$$

which is greater than 1.0

Hence, take $k = 1.0$

$$\tau_c = 0.25 \sqrt{15} = 0.958 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

Permissible shear stress $= k_s \tau_c$

$$= 1.0 \times 0.0968$$

$$= 0.968 \text{ N/mm}^2 \text{ or } 968 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

For safety, $\tau \leq 968 \text{ kN/m}^2$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{236.72(2.18^2 - (0.4 + d)^2)}{4(0.4 + d)d} \leq 968 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$\therefore d \geq 0.344 \text{ m or } 344.6 \text{ mm.}$

(iii) One Way Shear Consideration

Try an effective depth = 345 mm.

As this value of effective depth is greater than that required from bending consideration, the tension reinforcement is calculated as

$$0.87 \times 415 A_{st} \left(345 - \frac{415 A_{st}}{15 \times 2180} \right) = 204.38 \times 10^6$$

$$A_{st} = 1753.9 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\frac{100 A_{st}}{bd} = \frac{100 \times 1753.9}{2180 \times 345} = 0.233$$

From IS : 456, $\tau_c = 0.35 \text{ N/mm}^2$, which is the minimum value for concrete grade : M15.

Nominal shear stress,

$$\tau_v = 236.72 \times \frac{(2.18 - 0.4 - 2 \times 0.345)}{2 \times 0.345} \\ = 373.95 \text{ kN/m}^2 \text{ or } 0.374 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

As $\tau_v > \tau_c$, the slab is unsafe in shear. The effective depth should therefore, be increased.

Try an effective depth, $d = 360 \text{ mm.}$

$$\therefore \tau_v = 236.72 \times \frac{(2.18 - 0.4 - 2 \times 0.36)}{2 \times 0.36} \\ = 348.5 \text{ kN/m}^2 \text{ or } 0.349 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

As $\tau_v < \tau_c$, the slab is safe in shear.

Hence, an effective depth is 360 mm for the foundation slab is alright.

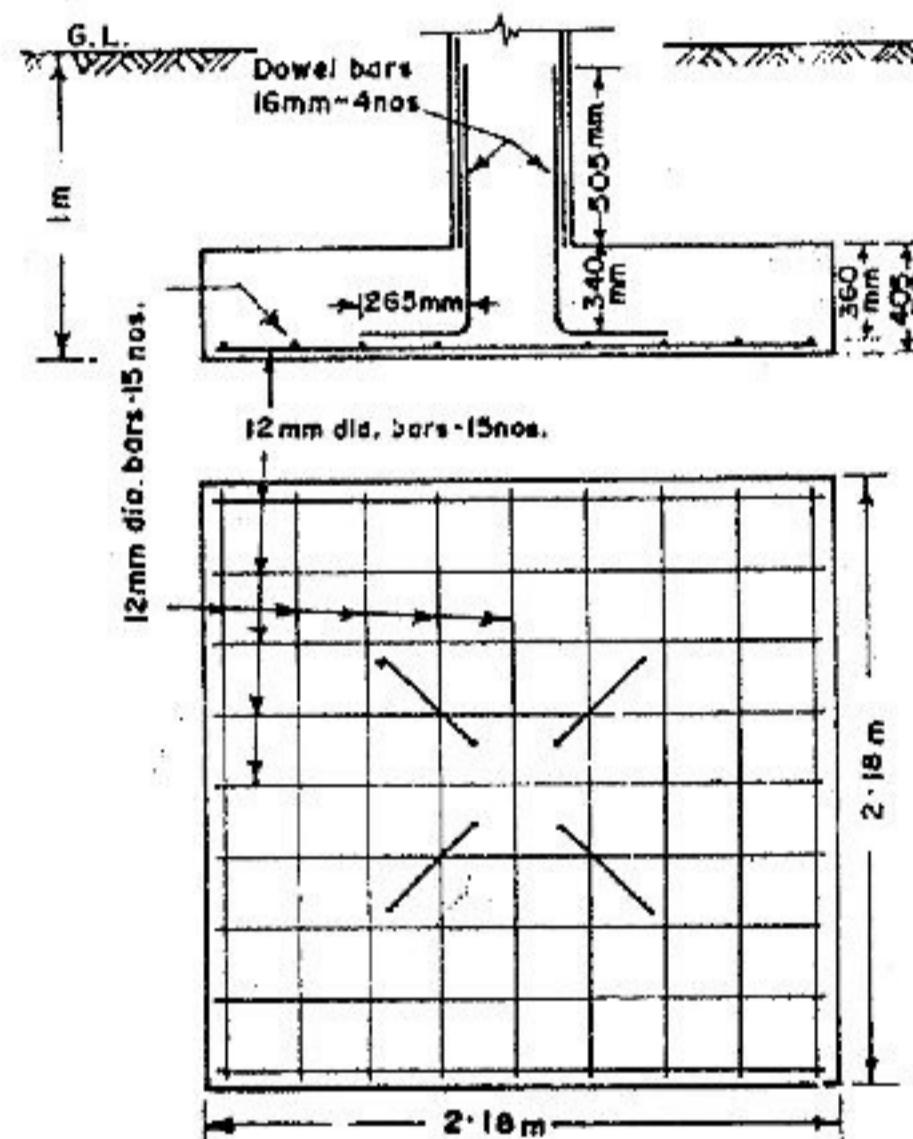
Tension reinforcement

Substituting all the values, we have

$$0.87 \times 415 A_{st} \left(360 - \frac{415 A_{st}}{15 \times 2180} \right) = 204.38 \times 10^6$$

$$A_{st} = 1670.9 \text{ mm}^2$$

Provide 12 mm dia. bars – 15 Nos. in each of the two orthogonal directions. Keep overall depth = 405 mm.



Bearing stress consideration

$$A_1 = (b + 4 D)^2 = (0.4 + 4 \times 0.4)^2 = 4 \text{ m}^2$$

$$A_2 = 0.4^2 = 0.16 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{A_1}{A_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{0.16}} = 5 > 2.0, \text{ hence, take its value as 2.0}$$

Permissible bearing stress

$$= 0.45 f_{ck} \sqrt{\frac{A_1}{A_2}} \\ = 0.45 \times 15 \times 2.0 \\ = 13.5 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

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$$\text{Actual bearing stress} = \frac{1125 \times 10^3}{400 \times 400}$$

$$= 7.03 \text{ N/mm}^2 < 13.5 \text{ N/mm}^2, \text{ hence it is safe.}$$

Dowel bars

Nominal dowel bars may be provided.

$$\text{Sectional area of bars} = \frac{0.5 \times 400 \times 400}{100}$$

$$= 800 \text{ mm}^2$$

16 mm dia. bars – 4 Nos. may be provided.

Development length of bars is as follows :

For 16 mm dia. bars in column,

$$I_d = \frac{16 \times 0.67 \times 415}{4 \times 1.2 \times 1.85} = 501 \text{ mm.}$$

For 16 mm dia. bars in foundation,

$$I_d = \frac{16 \times 0.67 \times 415}{4 \times 1.0 \times 1.85} = 601.2 \text{ mm.}$$

Hence, the dowel bars may be embedded for a length of 505 mm in the column and 605 in the foundation slab.

5. A rectangular R. C. column 60 cm × 40 cm carries a load of 80 tonne. Design a rectangular footing to support the column using M15 grade concrete and mild steel reinforcement. Safe bearing capacity of the soil = 20 t/m².

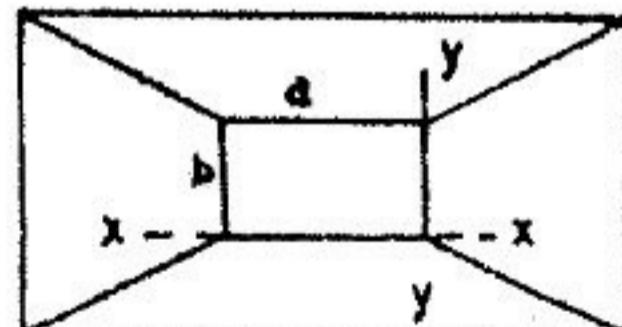
Solution: Load on column = 80 tonnes = 800 kN
Assume self weight of footing @ 10%

$$= 0.1 \times 800 = 80 \text{ kN}$$

Total load coming below footing

$$= (800 + 80) \text{ kN}$$

$$= 880 \text{ kN}$$



Area of footing required

$$= \frac{\text{Total}}{\text{S.B.C of soil}} = \frac{880}{200} = 4.4 \text{ m}^2$$

where, S.B.C. of soil = 20 t/m = 200 kN/m²

Since the column size is of ratio 2:3, therefore -

$$2x \times 3x = 4.4$$

$$\text{or } x = 0.856 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{Size of footing} = 2 \times 0.856$$

$$= 1.713$$

$$\cong 1.75 \text{ m}$$

$$L = 3 \times 0.856$$

$$= 2.568$$

$$= 2.75 \text{ m}$$

Adopt a size (1.75 m × 2.75 m) footing

Bearing pressure,

$$q_0 = \frac{\text{Net load}}{\text{Area of footing}}$$

$$= \frac{800}{1.75 \times 2.75} = 166.23 \text{ kN/m}^2$$

$$BM_{x-x} = q_0 \left(\frac{a+L}{2} \cdot \frac{B-b}{2} \right) \times \left[\frac{2L+a}{L+a} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \frac{B-b}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{q_0}{24} (2L + a)(B - b)^2$$

$$= \frac{166.23}{24} (2 \times 2.75 + 0.60)(1.75 - 0.4)^2$$

$$= 77 \text{ kNm}$$

$$M_{yy} = q_0 \left[\frac{B+b}{2} \cdot \frac{L-a}{2} \right] \left[\frac{2B+b}{2B+b} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{L-a}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{q_0}{24} [2B + b][L - a]^2$$

$$= \frac{166.23}{24} [2 \times 1.75 + 0.40] [2.75 - 0.6]^2$$

$$= 124.86 \text{ kNm}$$

The effective depths in two directions can be computed from,

$$d_{x-x} = \sqrt{\frac{77 \times 10^6}{0.87 \times 140}} = 795.1 \text{ mm}$$

$$d_{yy} = \sqrt{\frac{124.86 \times 10^6}{0.87 \times 140}} = 1012.6 \text{ mm}$$

Provide D = 1100 mm with d = 1025 mm

$$A_{st(x-x)} = \frac{77 \times 10^6}{140 \times 0.87 \times 1025} = 617 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$A_{st(y-y)} = \frac{124.86 \times 10^6}{140 \times 0.87 \times 1025} = 1000.12 \text{ mm}^2$$

Nominal shear stress,

$$\tau_v = \frac{V}{2[(a+d)+(b+d)]d_{cc}}$$

$$d_{ee} = 300 + \frac{960 - 300}{1650} \times \left(1650 - \frac{885}{2} \right) \\ = 783 \text{ mm}$$

$$\therefore \tau_v = \frac{1722.15 \times 10^3}{2[(550 + 885) + (550 + 885)]783} \\ = 0.383 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

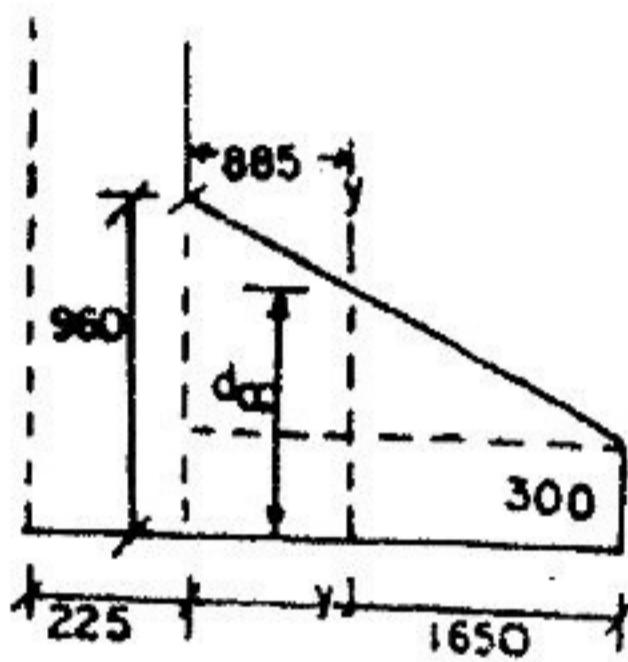
Permissible shear stress = $k_s \tau_c$

$$\text{where } k_s = 0.5 + \frac{550}{550} = 1.5$$

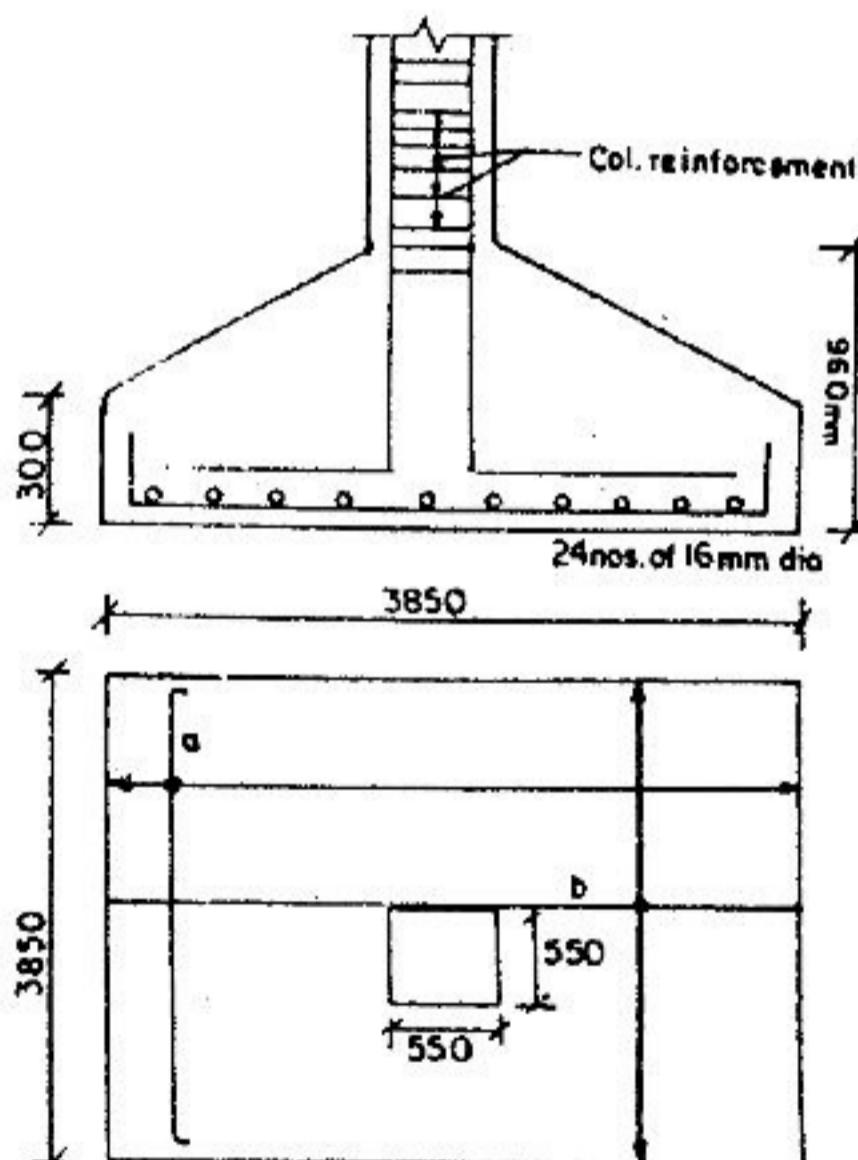
$$\text{but } k_s \nmid 1.0$$

$$\therefore k_s = 1.0$$

$$\therefore \text{Permissible shear stress} = 1.0 \times 0.16 \sqrt{f_{ck}} \\ = 1.0 \times 0.16 \sqrt{20} \\ = 0.716 \text{ N/mm}^2$$



Hence, safe in shear



6. A singly reinforced beam is made up of concrete grade M 15 and steel grade : Fe 415. Width of section = 300 mm and effective depth = 570 mm. Tension reinforcement is 16 mm dia. bars 6 Nos. The beam is provided with 6 mm dia. Two legged closed stirrups at a spacing of 150 mm c/c. Concrete cover on stirrups is 15 mm. If a tensile plastic hinge forms in the beam, estimate its rotation capacity. Distance of the point of contra-flexure from the section = 1.23 m.

Solution: As the ultimate moment capacity is reached, plastic rotations occur.

Compressive force in concrete,

$$C = 0.36 f_{ck} X_u b \\ = 0.36 \times 15 \times 300 X_u = 1620 X_u \text{ N}$$

Tensile force in reinforcement,

$$T = 0.87 f_y A_{st} \\ = 0.87 \times 415 \times 4 \times 201.06 = 290371 \text{ N}$$

Equating compressive and tensile forces, we have

$$1620 X_u = 290371$$

$$\text{or } X_u = 179.24 \text{ mm}$$

Volume of concrete core in compression zone

$$= (300 - 2 \times 15)(179.24 - 15)$$

$$= 44345 \text{ mm}^3 \text{ per mm run}$$

Volume of transverse reinforcement per stirrup

$$= (300 - 2 \times 15 + 2)(179.24 - 15) \times 28.27 \\ = 16919 \text{ mm}^3$$

Hence,

$$\text{ratio, } p_b = \frac{16919}{150} \times \frac{1}{44345} = 0.00254$$

$$\therefore \varepsilon_{cu} = 0.0015$$

$$\left(1 + 150 \times 0.00254 + (0.7 - 10 \times 0.00254) \frac{570}{179.24} \right)$$

$$\text{Now } \varepsilon_{sy} = \frac{f_y}{1.15 E_s} + 0.002$$

$$= \frac{415}{1.15 \times 200000} + 0.002 = 0.0038$$

$$\varepsilon_{cy} = \frac{X_u}{d - X_u} \times \varepsilon_{sy} = \frac{179.24}{570 - 179.24} \times 0.0038 \\ = 0.00174$$

$$\therefore \varepsilon_p = \varepsilon_{cu} - \varepsilon_{cy} \\ = 0.00529 - 0.00174 = 0.00355$$

Here, $k_1 = 0.9$,

$k_3 = 0.887$ for concrete grade : M15

by interpolation, $z = 1230 \text{ mm}$, $d = 570 \text{ mm}$ and $X_u = 179.24 \text{ mm}$.

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Length of plastic hinge,

$$l_p = 0.8 \times 0.9 \times 0.887 \times \frac{1230}{570} \times 179.24 \\ = 247 \text{ mm}$$

Hence, plastic hinge rotation capacity,

$$\theta_p = \frac{\varepsilon_p l_p}{X_u} \\ = \frac{0.00355 \times 247}{179.24} = 0.00489 \text{ radians.}$$

7. A compression member has width = 300 mm and depth = 500 mm. It carries axial force along with a bending moment about the stronger axis. 8 mm diameter lateral ties are provided at 200 mm c/c concrete grade : M20 and steel grade : Fe 415. If a compression plastic hinge forms in the member, estimate its rotation capacity. Assume the length of plastic hinge to be equal to the depth of the member.

Solution: Cover on lateral ties

$$= 50 - \frac{1}{2} \times 16 - 8 = 34 \text{ mm.}$$

Volume of concrete core

$$= (500 - 2 \times 34)(300 - 2 \times 34) \times 1 \\ = 100224 \text{ mm}^3/\text{mm}$$

Volume of transverse reinforcement

$$= 2 [(500 - 2 \times 34 - 8) + (300 - 2 \times 34 - 8)] \times \frac{50.26}{200} \\ = 325.7 \text{ mm}^3/\text{mm}$$

$$p_b = \frac{\text{Volume of transverse reinforcement}}{\text{Volume of the core}} \\ = \frac{325.7}{100224} = 0.00325$$

Substituting all the values, we get

$$\varepsilon_{cu} = \left(\frac{p_b}{14600} \right)^{1/3} + 0.0035 \\ = \left(\frac{0.00325}{14600} \right)^{1/3} + 0.0035 \\ = 0.00956$$

Now

$$\varepsilon_{cc} = \varepsilon_{cu} - \varepsilon_c \\ = 0.00956 - 0.002 \\ = 0.00756$$

Hence, rotation capacity,

$$\theta_p = \frac{0.00756 \times 500}{500} \\ = 0.00756 \text{ radians.}$$

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- 34.** Maximum diameter of bars in beams is limited to
 (a) 25 mm
 (b) 40 mm
 (c) one eighth of the least dimension of the beams
 (d) one tenth of the depth

35. In R.C.C beams, the tension reinforcement can be cut off at a point when it is no longer needed if
 (a) enough bond length is available
 (b) the shear at cut off point does not exceed two thirds of permissible at that section
 (c) bending moment is zero
 (d) None of the above

36. Number of tension reinforcement bars in R.C.C beam that can be spliced at any section should not exceed
 (a) one third of the total
 (b) one fourth of the total
 (c) zero
 (d) half of the total

37. Slicing of the reinforcement bars in R.C.C beam can be done at a section, where
 (a) bending moment is less than the maximum bending moment
 (b) bending moment is less than the 1/2 of the maximum bending moment
 (c) bending moment is zero
 (d) shear force is zero

38. Increased depth of a beam causes
 (a) economy in steel
 (b) economy in concrete
 (c) increased stiffness of the section
 (d) All of the above

39. In a rectangular R. C. C beam, the ratio of maximum shear stress to average shear stress is
 (a) 1.25
 (b) 1.33
 (c) 1.43
 (d) 1.53

40. In a singly reinforced beam, subjected to shear force F, if d is the depth and b is the width of the section them maximum shear stress is
 (a) $\frac{F}{b \times d}$
 (b) $\frac{F}{b d^2}$
 (c) $\frac{F}{b^2 d}$
 (d) All of these

41. Minimum vertical spacing of the main bars in R.C.C beam should be
 (a) Dia of the bar or (maximum size of the aggregate +5 mm)
 (b) Maximum size of the bar
 (c) Maximum size of the bar or (2/3 maximum size of the aggregate)
 (d) None of the above

42. Main reason for providing number of reinforcing bars at a support in a simply supported beam is to resist in that zone
 (a) tensile stress (b) compressive stress
 (c) shear stress (d) bond stress

43. A doubly reinforced beam is used
 (a) when extra safety factor is required
 (b) when the depth and width of beam have to be restricted
 (c) when depth of beam is more than the width
 (d) a large moment of resistance is desired

44. A doubly reinforced beam is economical as compared to a singly reinforced beam, because
 (a) the size of the section is small
 (b) the depth of the section is small
 (c) compressive steel is under stressed
 (d) concrete is not stressed to its full value

45. For a cantilever of effective depth of 50 cm, the maximum span to satisfy vertical deflection is
 (a) 3.0 m (b) 2.5 m
 (c) 3.0 m (d) 4.5 m

46. The development length of bars as per I.S 456 is given by
 (a) $\frac{4 \text{ } \varnothing \sigma_s}{\tau_{bd}}$ (b) $\frac{\varnothing \sigma_s}{4\tau_{bd}}$
 (c) $\frac{2 \text{ } \varnothing \sigma_s}{3\tau_{bd}}$ (d) $\frac{\varnothing \sigma_s}{3\tau_{bd}}$

47. Due to shrinkage stresses, a simply supported beam having reinforcement only at bottom tends to
 (a) deflect downward
 (b) deflect upward
 (c) deflect upward or downward
 (d) None of the above

48. A beam curved in plan is designed for
 (a) bending moment and shear
 (b) bending moment and torsion
 (c) shear and torsion
 (d) bending moment, shear and torsion

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49. Economical depth of a T beam is given by the formula

(a) $\sqrt{\frac{M \times b_r}{\sigma_{st} \times r}}$

(b) $\sqrt{\frac{M \times b_r}{\sigma_{st} \times b_r}}$

(c) $\sqrt{\frac{M \times \sigma_{st}}{b_r \times r}}$

(d) $\sqrt{\frac{M \times \sigma_{st} \times b_r}{r}}$

where M is the applied moment, b_r is width of web, σ_{st} is the tensile stress in the steel and r is ratio of cost of steel to cost of concrete per cubic metre.

50. Which of the followings does not affect the development length?

- (a) Deflection of element
- (b) Bar diameter
- (c) Stress in bar
- (d) Design bond stress

51. Characteristic strength of cold worked deformed bars is determined at

- (a) 0.1% strain
- (b) 2% strain
- (c) ultimate strain
- (d) None of the above

52. In the limit state design for flexure, the area of the stress block for concrete is taken as

- (a) $0.36 f_{ck} X_n$
- (b) $0.42 f_{ck} X_n$
- (c) $0.53 f_{ck} X_n$
- (d) None of the above

53. When mild steel is cold twisted, its yield strength increases due to

- (a) Work-hardening effect
- (b) Increased bond between concrete and steel
- (c) formation of ribs on surface bars
- (d) None of the above

54. The compression reinforcement in a beam design by limit state method is provided for

- (a) M_u
- (b) $M_u - M_{u,lim}$
- (c) $M_{u,lim}$
- (d) None of the above

55. Modulus of rupture of concrete is considered in the design of

- (a) Multi-storey buildings
- (b) Liquid retainings
- (c) Aerodromes
- (d) Bridge decks

56. Ultimate strength design of R.C.C. structures is also known as

- (a) modular ratio method
- (b) elastic stress method
- (c) load factor method
- (d) load and resistance factor method

57. Shrinkage deflection in RCC beam can be reduced by providing

- (a) Compression steel
- (b) Tension steel
- (c) Stirrups
- (d) Distribution steel

58. Composite construction provides monolithic action between

- (a) prefabricated steel beam and precast reinforced concrete beams
- (b) precast reinforced concrete and prestressed concrete beams
- (c) prefabricated steel beam and cast-in-situ concrete beam
- (d) cast-in-situ concrete beam and cast-in-situ concrete slab

59. In a double reinforced beam, the bond stress for bars in compression is increased over that for bars in tension by

- (a) 100%
- (b) 25%
- (c) 33%
- (d) None of the above

60. For splicing tension reinforcement in flexural members, the most suitable location is

- (a) point of inflection
- (b) point of maximum bending moment
- (c) at the supports
- (d) None of the above

61. Effective cover in tension reinforcement is measured from

- (a) bottom of reinforcing bar
- (b) centre of compression steel
- (c) top of beam
- (d) None of the above

62. Requirements of minimum shear reinforcement elements

- (a) cantilever beam
- (b) lintel
- (c) continuous beam
- (d) None of the above

63. Effective width of flange for a simply supported beam, can be calculated by formula, which uses the following three terms

- (a) span, breadth of web, flange thickness
- (b) span, thickness of web, flange thickness
- (c) span, thickness of web, width of flange
- (d) None of the above

64. For the same cross-sectional area which beam will deflect least

- (a) T-beam
- (b) Rectangular beam
- (c) Circular beam
- (d) I-beam

- 65.** Reinforcement or torsion is provided in the beam in the form of
 (a) longitudinal reinforcement only
 (b) shear reinforcement only
 (c) both longitudinal and shear reinforcements
 (d) None of the above
- 66.** Splices in reinforcement of flexural members will be governed by which one of the following considerations ?
 (a) Where bending moment is less than 50% of moment of resistance
 (b) Where bending moment is zero
 (c) Where shear force is zero
 (d) Where bending moment is 10% of the moment of resistance
- 67.** Portion of the slab, that acts with the beam in resisting compression depends upon
 (a) the slab thickness
 (b) the spacing of beam
 (c) the span of the beam
 (d) All of the above
- 68.** Distribution reinforcement in a simply supported slab is provided to distribute
 (a) load
 (b) shrinkage stress
 (c) temperature stress
 (d) None of the above
- 69.** For a slab, supported on its four edges with corners held down and loaded uniformly, the Marcus correction factor to the moments obtained by Grashoff Rankine theory is
 (a) more than 1 (b) less than 1
 (c) equal to 1 (d) None of the above
- 70.** Ratio of the diameter of reinforcing bars and the slab thickness is
 (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{1}{6}$
 (c) $\frac{1}{7}$ (d) $\frac{1}{8}$
- 71.** In a two-way slab the lifting of corners occurs due to
 (a) Zero moment at the centre
 (b) Torsional moments on the slab
 (c) Unbalanced moments on the slab
 (d) none of the above
- 72.** Marcus correction factor is applicable to
 (a) Deflection of simply supported beam
 (b) Bending moment in both directions, applicable to slabs supported
- (c) Modular ratio for slabs supported at four edges
 (d) all of the above
- 73.** In the formula $M_0 = WL_n/8$ for the flat slab, L_n is defined as
 (a) normal span (b) clear span
 (c) effective span (d) None of the above
- 74.** Critical section for shear in a flat slab is taken at
 (a) a distance for the face of support
 (b) a distance $d/2$ from the face of support
 (c) at the face of support
 (d) none of the above
 where d is effective depth of slab.
- 75.** Which of the following is generally not designed for shear
 (a) a slab (b) a cantilever beam
 (c) a footing (d) None of the above
- 76.** Wire mesh provided at the corners of a two-way slab
 (a) prevents corners from lifting
 (b) distributes bending moments uniformly
 (c) controls cracking of corners
 (d) None of the above
- 77.** For a cantilever of effective depth of 50 cm the maximum span to satisfy the vertical deflection limit is
 (a) 3.5 m (b) 4.0 m
 (c) 4.2 m (d) 4.5 m
- 78.** For a two-way slab, the main reinforcement is provided along the
 (a) length of the slab
 (b) breadth of the slab
 (c) diagonal of the slab
 (d) None of the above
- 79.** The permissible direct compressive stress on concrete in RCC columns is
 (a) equal to that in compression in bending
 (b) less than that in compression in bending
 (c) greater than in compression in bending
 (d) none of the above
- 80.** Minimum diameter of longitudinal bars in column is
 (a) 8 mm (b) 10 mm
 (c) 12 mm (d) 16 mm
- 81.** Minimum cover to the ties or spiral should not be less than
 (a) 15 mm (b) 20 mm
 (c) 25 mm (d) 30 mm

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82. Design of uncracked reinforced column subjected to combined compression and bending is

(a) $\frac{\sigma_{cc}}{\sigma_{acc}} + \frac{\sigma_{cb}}{\sigma_{acb}} \leq 1$ (b) $\frac{\sigma_{cc}}{\sigma_{cc}} + \frac{\sigma_{cb}}{\sigma_{acb}} < 1$

- (c) $\sigma_{cc} + \sigma_{cb} \leq 1$ (d) none of these

where σ_{cc} = axial compressive stress

σ_{acc} = allowable compressive stress

σ_{cb} = bending compressive stress

σ_{acb} = allowable bending compressive stress

83. As per IS 456 minimum reinforcement in a column shall not apply if the slenderness ratio is less than

- (a) 12 (b) 16
(c) 18 (d) 20

84. A column is considered as a long column if its slenderness ratio is more than

- (a) 15 (b) 20
(c) 24 (d) 28

85. As per IS:456 the column is considered as a short column if its slenderness ratio is less than

- (a) 12 (b) 15
(c) 18 (d) 24

86. For a longitudinal reinforcing bar in a column, the minimum cover shall neither be less than the dia of bar nor less than

- (a) 15 mm
(b) 20 mm
(c) 25 mm
(d) 40 mm

87. Maximum reinforcement in a column is

- (a) 4% (b) 5%
(c) 6% (d) 8%

88. If the effective length of a 32 cm dia column is 4.40 mts, slenderness ratio is

- (a) 45 (b) 50
(c) 55 (d) 60

89. Equivalent concrete area of R.C.C given by $[A_{st} + (m - 1)A_{sc}]$ is given by

- (a) load factor method
(b) modular ratio method
(c) working stress method
(d) None of the above

90. Diameter of ties in a column should be greater than

- (a) or equal to 5 mm
(b) or equal to 1/4 of dia of main bar
(c) 5 mm but less than 1/4 of main bar
(d) 5 mm and more than 1/4 of main bar

91. Due to circumferential action of the spiral in a spirally reinforced column

- (a) capacity of column decreases
(b) capacity of column increases
(c) ductility of column increases
(d) both (a) and (b) increases

92. Which of the following member should have maximum cover ?

- (a) Interior column in a building
(b) Exterior column in a building
(c) Column partly submerged in sea water
(d) Column fully submerged in sea water

93. In a RCC column if ties are not provided, the column is likely to

- (a) fail by buckling (b) fail by crushing
(c) behave like a beam (d) none of the above

94. For the same cross-sectional area spiral tied column shows more strength than rectangular tied column because

- (a) spiral confines concrete in case
(b) spiral consumes more steel
(c) spacing of rectangular ties can be varied more easily
(d) none of the above

95. If a column has more cross-sectional area than that required to carry the load, then minimum per cent of steel is calculated based on

- (a) Actual area
(b) Area required to carry the load
(c) Area excluding clear cover
(d) none of the above

96. The corner bars in a square column must be tied in two perpendicular directions because

- (a) otherwise each bar will behave independently
(b) load carrying capacity of one bar depends on how it is tied to other
(c) the failure can be in any mutually perpendicular directions
(d) none of the above

97. Effective height of a column is

- (a) twice the actual height for a hinge column
(b) same as actual height for a free standing column
(c) the distance between two consecutive points of contraflexures
(d) none of the above

