

**Name Of Work:-Construction RCC road at Indravarna to Boriya road,  
Ta.Nandod District Narmada**

**GENERAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

**1.0 General :**

All measurements shall be made in the metric system. Different items of work shall be measured in accordance with the procedures set forth in the relevant sections read in conjunction with General Conditions of Contract. The same shall not however apply in the case of lump-sum items. All measurements and computations unless otherwise indicated shall be carried nearest to the following limits :

- (i) length and breadth... .... 10 mm
  - (ii) height, depth or thickness of earthwork, sub-base, bases, surfacing, and structural members .....5 mm
  - (iii) areas, .....0.01 Sq. Metre
  - (iv) cubic contents..... 0.01 cubic metre
- in recording dimensions of work the sequence of length, width and height or depth or thickness shall be followed.

**2.0 Measurement of lead for Materials :**

Where lead is specified in the contract for construction materials, the same shall be measured as described hereunder.

Lead shall be measured over the shortest practicable route and not the one actually taken and the decision of the Engineer-in-charge in this regard shall be taken as final. Distance upto and including 100 meters shall be measured in units of 50 metres, exceeding 100 metres but not exceeding 1 KM. in units of 100 metres and exceeding 1 km. in units of 500 metres. The half and greater than half of the units shall be reckoned as one and less than half of the units ignored. In this regard, the source of the material shall be divided into suitable blocks and for each block the distance from the centre of the block to the centre of placing pertaining to that block shall be taken as the lead distance.

**3. Surface Regularity of Sub grade & Pavement Courses :**

The surface regularity of completed sub-base courses and wearing surfaces in the longitudinal and transverse directions shall be within the tolerances indicated in Table below. The longitudinal profile shall be checked with a 3 metre long straight edge, at the middle of each traffic lane along a line parallel to the centre line of the road. The transverse profile shall be checked with a set of three camber boards at intervals of 10 metres.

**PERMITTED TOLERANCES OF SURFACE REGULARITY FOR PAVEMENT COURSES**

Sr. No	Type of Construction	Longitudinal Profile with 3 metre straight edge				Cross Profile	
		Maximum Permissible undulation in mm	Maximum number of undulation permitted in any 300m. length exceeding in mm.				Maximum permissible variation from specified profile camber template-mm
			18	12	10	6	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Earth Sub grade	36	30	-	-	-	15
2	Granular / lime / Cement Stabilised Sub – base.	23	-	30	-	-	12
3	Water Bound Macadam with nominal size metal (20-50) mm	18	-	-	30	-	8
4	Semi – Dense Carpet @	15	-	-	-	20	6

**Notes:-**

1 . These are for machine laid surfaces. If laid manually, due to unavoidable reason, tolerance upto 50 percent above these values in this column may be permitted. However, this relaxation does not apply to the values of maximum undulation for longitudinal and cross profiles mentioned in columns 3 and 8 in the table.

2. Surface evenness requirements in respect of both the longitudinal and cross profiles should be simultaneously satisfied.

3. **Rectification** : Where the surface irregularity of subgrade and the various pavement courses fall outside the specified tolerances, the contractor shall be liable to rectify these in the manner described below and to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-charge at his own cost.

(i) **Subgrade** : Where the surface is high, it shall be trimmed and suitably compacted. Where the same is low, the deficiency shall be corrected by adding fresh material. The degree of compaction and the type of material to be used shall conform to the specified requirements.

(ii) **Granular/Sub-base** : Same as at (i) above except that the degree of compaction and the type of material to be used shall conform to the specified requirements.

(iii) **Lime/Cement stabilized soil sub-base** : For Lime/Cement treated materials where the surface is high, the same shall be suitably trimmed while taking care that the material below is not disturbed due to this operation. However, where the surface is low, the same shall be corrected as described herein below.

For cement treated material, when the time elapsed between detection of irregularity and the time of mixing of the material is less than 2 hours, the surface shall be scarified to a depth of 50 mm, supplemented with freshly mixed material as necessary and recomposed to the relevant specification. When this time is more than 2 hours, the full depth of the layer shall be removed from the pavement and replaced with fresh material to specification. In either case, the area treated shall not be less than 5 metres long by 2 metres wide. This shall also apply to lime treated material except that the time criterion shall be 3 hours instead of 2 hours.

(iv) **Water Bound Macadam Base** : Where the surface is high or low, the top 75mm shall be scarified, reshaped with added material as necessary and recompacted. The area treated at a place shall not be less than 5 metres long and 2 metres wide.

(v) **Bituminous Constructions** : For bituminous constructions, other than wearing course, where the surface is low, the deficiency shall be corrected by adding fresh

material and recompaction to specifications.

Where this surface is high, the full depth of the layer shall be removed and replaced with fresh material and compacted to specifications. For wearing course, where the surface is high or low; the full depth of the layer shall be removed and replaced with fresh material and compacted to specifications in all cases where the removal and replacement of a bituminous layer is involved, the area treated shall not be less than 5 metre long and not less than 1 lane wide.

#### **4. Quality Control Tests During Construction :**

The materials supplied and the works carried out by the Contractor shall conform to the enclosed relevant specifications. For ensuring the requisite quality of construction, the materials and works shall be subjected to quality control test as described hereinafter, by the Engineer-in-charge. The testing frequencies set forth are the desirable minimum and the Engineer-in-charge shall have the full authority to carry out test as frequently as he may deem necessary to satisfy that the materials at work comply with the appropriate specifications. Test procedures for the various quality control tests are indicated in the respective sections of the specifications or for certain tests within this section. Where no specific testing procedure is mentioned, the test shall be carried out as per prevalent accepted engineering practice to the directions of the Engineer-in-charge.

#### **5. Tests on Earthwork for Embankment Construction :**

##### **5.1 Borrow Material :**

- (a) Sand Content (IS : 2720 Part IV)  
Two test per 8000 Cubic Metres of soil.
- (b) Plasticity Test (IS : 2720 Part-V)  
Each type to be tested. Two tests per 8000 Cubic Metres of soil.
- (c) Density test (IS : 2720 Part VII)  
Each soil type to be tested. Two tests per 8000 Cubic Metres of soil.
- (d) Moisture Content Test (IS : 2720 Part-II)  
One test for every 250 Cubic Metres of soil.

##### **5.2 Compaction Control :**

Control shall be exercised by taking at least one measurement of density for each 1000 square metres of compacted area, or closer as required to yield the minimum number of test results for evaluating day's work on statistical basis. The determination of density shall be in accordance with IS. : 2720 (Part XXVMI). Test locations shall be chosen only through random sampling techniques. Control shall not be based on the result of any one test but on the mean value of a set of 5-10 density determinations. The number of tests in one set of measurements shall be 5 as long as it is felt that sufficient control over borrow material and the method of compactions is being exercised. If considerable variations are observed between individual density results, the minimum number of tests in one set of measurement shall be increase to 10. The acceptance of work shall be subject to the condition that the mean dry density equals or exceeds the specified density and the standard deviation for any set of results is below 0.08 gm/cc. However for earthwork in shoulders and in top 500 mm portion of the embankment below the sub grade, at least one density measurement shall be taken for every 500 square meters of the compacted area provided further that the number of the tests in each set-of

measurement shall be at least 10. In other respects, the control shall be similar to that described earlier.

**6. Following materials shall conform to the Indian Standards shown against them :**

- (1) ....Cement.....
- (2) ....Sand for masonry.
- (3)....Sand for concrete.
- (4)....Coarse aggregate.
- (5)....Mild Steel...
- (6) ....High yield strength deformed bars
  - (a) Hot Rolled..... IS : 1139
  - (b) Cold Twisted..... IS : 1786

**7. Barrel thickness of pipes of different class shall be as under :**

Sr. No.	Internal Diameter of pipe in mm	Barrel thickness (in mm).		
		NP1	NP2	NP2
1	80	25	25	-
2	100	25	25	-
3	150	25	25	-
4	250	25	25	-
5	300	30	30	-
6	350	32	32	75
7	400	32	32	75
8	450	35	35	75
9	500	-	35	75
10	600	-	40	80
11	700	-	40	80
12	800	-	45	90
13	900	-	50	100
14	1000	-	55	100
15	1100	-	60	115
16	1200	-	65	115

**GENERAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR BUILDING WORKS**

**GENERAL:**

1. In the specifications "as directed" / "approved" shall be taken to mean "as directed" / "approved by the Engineer-in-Charge".
2. Wherever a reference to any Indian Standard appears in the specifications, it shall be taken to mean as a reference to the latest edition of the same in force on the date of agreement.
3. In "Mode of Measurement" in the specifications wherever a dispute arises in the absence of specific mention of a particular point of aspect the provisions on these particular points, or aspects in the relevant Indian Standards shall be referred to

4. All measurements and computations, unless otherwise specified, shall be carried out nearest to the following limits:

(i) Length, width and depth (height) 0.01 meter

(ii) Areas 0.01 Sq.Mt.

(iii) Cubic Contents 0.01 Cu.Mt.

In recording dimensions of work the sequence of length, width and height (depth) or thickness shall be followed.

5. The distance which constitutes lead shall be determined along the shortest practical route and note necessarily the route actually taken The decision of the Engineer-in-charge in this regard shall be taken as final.
6. Where no lead is specific, it shall mean "all leads"
7. Lift shall be measured from plinth level.
8. Up to "floor two level" means actual height of floor (Maxi 4 M) up to 3 Mt. above plinth level.
9. Definite particulars covered in the items of work, though not mentioned or elucidated in its specifications shall be deemed to be included therein.
10. Reference to specifications of materials as made in the detailed specification of the items of works is in the form of a designation containing them under of the specification of the material and prefix 'M' e.g. 'M-5',
11. Approval to the samples of various materials given by the Engineer-in-charge shall not absolve the contractor from the responsibility of replacing defective material brought on site or materials used in the work found defective at a later date. The contractor shall have no claim to any payment or compensation whatsoever on account of any such materials being rejected by the Engineer-in-charge.
12. The contract rate of the item of work shall be for the work completed in all aspects.
13. No collection of materials shall be made before it is got approved from the Engineer-in-charge.
14. Collection of approved materials shall be done at site of work in a systematic manner. Materials shall be stored in such a manner as to prevent damage, deterioration or intrusion of foreign matter and to ensure the preservation of their quality and fitness for the work.
15. Materials, if and when rejected by the Engineer-in-charge, shall be immediately removed from the site of work.
16. No materials shall be stored prior to, during and after execution of a structure in such

a way as to cause or lead to damage or overloading of the various components of the structure.

17. All works shall be carried out in a workmanlike manner as per the best techniques for the particular item.
18. All tools, templates, machinery and equipment for correct execution of the work as well as for checking lines, levels, alignment of the works during execution shall kept in sufficient numbers and in good working condition on the site of the work.
19. The mode, procedure and manner of execution shall be such that it does not cause damage or over-loading of the various components of the structure during execution or after completion of the structure.
20. Special modes of construction not adopted in general Engineering practice if proposed to be adopted by the Contractor, shall be considered only if the contractor provides satisfactory evidence that such special mode of construction is safe, sound and helps in speedy construction and Completion of work to the required strength and quality. Acceptance of the same by the Engineer-in-Charge shall not, however absolve the contractor of the responsibility of any adverse effects and consequences of adopting the same in the course of execution of completion of the work.
21. All installations pertaining to water supply and fixtures there of as well as drainage lines and sanitary fittings shall be deemed to be completed only after giving satisfactory tests by the contractor.
22. The contractor shall be responsible for observing the rules and regulations imposed under the "Minor Minerals Act", and such of the laws and rules prescribed by Government from to time.
23. All necessary safety measures and precautions {including those laid down in the various relevant Indian Standards) shall be taken to ensure to ensure the safety of men. Materials and machinery on the works as also of the work itself.
24. The testing charges of all materials shall be borne by the Contractor.
25. Approval to any of the executed items for the work does not in any relieve the contractor of his responsibility for the correctness, soundness and strength of the structure as per the drawings and specifications.

## **SPECIFICATIONS OF MATERIALS**

### **M-1 Water**

- 1.1. Water shall not be salty brackish and shall be clean, reasonably clear and free objectionable quantities of silt and traces of oil and injurious alkalis, salts, organic

matter and other deleterious material which will either weaken the mortar of concrete or cause efflorescence or attack the steel in R.C.C. Container for transport, storage and handling of water shall be clean. Water shall conform to the standard specified in I.S. 456-1978.

**1.2.** If required by the Engineer-in-Charge it shall be tested by comparison with distilled water. Comparison shall be made by means of standard cement tests for soundness, time of setting and mortar strength as specified in I.S. 269-1976. Any indication of unsoundness, change in time of setting by 30 minutes or more or decrease of more than 10 per cent in strength, of mortar prepared with water sample when compared with the results obtained with mortar prepared with distilled water shall be sufficient cause for rejection of water under test.

**1.3.** Water for curing mortar, concrete or masonry should not be too acidic or too alkaline. It shall be free of elements which significantly affect the hydration reaction or otherwise interfere with the hardening of mortar or concrete during curing or those which produce objectionable stains or other unsightly deposits on concrete or mortar surfaces.

**1.4.** Hard and bitter water shall not be used for curing.

**1.5.** Potable water will generally be found suitable for curing mortar or concrete.

## **M-2. Lime**

**2.1.** Lime shall be hydraulic lime as per I.S. 712-1973. Necessary tests shall be carried out as per I.S. 6932 (Parts I to X) 1973.

**2.2.** The following field tests for limes are to be carried out:

- (1) A very rough idea can be formed about the type of lime by its visual examination i.e. fat lime bears pure white colour, lime in form of porous lumps of dirty white colour indicates quick lime, and solid lumps are the unburnt lime stone.
- (2) Acid tests for determining the carbonate content in lime. Excessive amount of impurities and rough determination of class of lime.

**2.3.** Storage shall comply with I.S. 712-1973. The slaked lime, if stored, shall be kept in a weather proof and damp-proof shed with impervious floor and sides to protect it against rain, moisture, weather and extraneous materials mixing with it. All lime that has been damaged in any way shall be rejected and all rejected materials shall be removed from site of work.

**2.4.** Field testing shall be done according to I.S 1624-1974 to show the acceptability of materials.

**M-3. Cement**

- 3.1.** Cement shall be ordinary Portland slag cement as per I.S.269-1976 or Portland slag cement as per I.S. 455-1976

**M-4. White Cement**

- 4.1.** The white cement shall conform to I. S. 8042-E-1978.,

**M-5. Coloured Cement**

- 5.1.** Coloured cement shall be with white or grey Portland cement as specified in the item of the work.
- 5.2.** The pigments used for coloured cement shall be of approved quality and shall not exceed 10% of cement used in the mix. The mixture of pigment and cement shall be properly ground to have a uniform colour and shade. The pigments shall have such properties to provide for durability under exposure to sunlight and weather.
- 5.3.** The pigment shall have the property such that it is neither affected by the cement nor detrimental to it

**M-6 Sand**

- 6.1.** Sand shall be natural sand, clean, well graded hard strong, durable and gritty particles free from injurious amounts of dust, clay lumps, nodules, soft or flaky particles, shale, alkali salts, organic matter, loam, mica or other deleterious substances and shall be got approved from the Engineer-in-Charge. The sand shall not contain more than 8 percent of silt as determined by field test, if necessary the sand shall be washed to make it clean.
- 6.2. Coarse Sand :** The fineness modulus of coarse sand shall not be less than 2.5 and shall not exceed 3.0. The sieve analysis of coarse sand shall be as under :

I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing sieve	I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing Sieve
4.75 mm	100	600 Micron	30 - 100
2.36 mm	90 to 100	300 Micron	5 - 70
1.18 mm	70 - 100	150 Micron	0 - 50

- 6.3. Fine Sand :** The fineness modulus shall not exceed 1.0. The sieve analysis of fine sand shall be as under :



I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing through	I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing through
4.75 mm	100	600 Micron	40 - 85
2.36 mm	100	300 Micron	5 - 50
1.18 mm	70 - 100	150 Micron	0 - 10

#### **M-7 Stone Dust :**

**7.1.** This shall be obtained from crushing hard black trap or equivalent. It shall not contain more than 8% of silt as determined by field test will measuring cylinder. The method of determining silt contents by fields test is given as under :

**7.2.** A sample of stone dust to be tested shall be placed without drying in 200 mm. measuring cylinder. The quantity of the sample shall be such that it fills the cylinder up to 100 mm. mark. The clean water shall be added up to 150 mm. mark. The mixture shall be stirred vigorously and the content allowed to settle for 3 hours.

**7.3.** The height of silt, visible as settled layer above the stone dust shall be expressed as percentage of the height of the stone dust below. The stone dust containing more than 8% silt shall be washed so as to bring the content within the allowable limit.

**7.4.** The fineness modules of stone dust shall not be less than 1.80.

#### **M-8. Stone Grit**

**8.1.** Grit shall consist of crushed or broken stone and be hard, strong, dense, durable, clean of proper gradation and free from skin or coating likely to prevent proper adhesion of mortar Grit shall generally be cubical in shape and as far as possible flakey elongated pieces shall be avoided. It shall generally comply with the provisions of I.S. 383-1970. Unless special stone of particular quarries is mentioned grit shall be obtained from the best black trap or equivalent hard stone as approved by the Engineer-in-charge. The grit shall have no deleterious with cement.

**8.2.** The Grit shall conform to the following gradation as per sieve analysis :

I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage Passing through sieve	I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage by Weight Passing through Sieve
4.75 mm	100	600 Micron	40 - 85
2.36 mm	100	300 Micron	5 - 50
1.18 mm	70 - 100	150 Micron	0 - 10

- 8.3** The crushing strength of grit will be such as to allow the concrete in which it is used to built up the specified strength of concrete.
- 8.4.** The necessary tests for grit shall be carried out as per the requirements of I.S.2386 (Parts I to VIII) 1963 as per instructions of the Engineer-in-charge. The necessity of test will be decided by the Engineer-in-charge.

#### **M-9. Cinder**

- 9.1.** Cinder is will burnt furnace residue which has been fused or sintered into lumps of varying sizes.
- 9.2.** Cinder aggregates shall be well burnt furnace residue obtained from furnace using coal fuel only it shall be sound clean and tree from clay dirt, ash or other deleterious matter.
- 9.3** The average grading for under aggregates shall be as mentioned below :

I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage Passing	I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage Passing
20 mm	100	4.75 mm	70
10 mm	86	2.36 mm	32

#### **M-10 Lime Mortar**

**10.1** Lime shall conform to specification M-2. Water shall conform to specification M-1.

Sand shall conform to specification M-6.

#### **10.2. Proportion of Mix:**

**10.2.1.** mortar shall consist of such proportions of slaked lime and sand as may be specified in item The slaked lime and sand shall be measured by volume

#### **10.3. Preparation of mortar:**

**10.3.1.** Lime mortar shall be prepared by wet process as per I S 1625-1971 .Power driven mill shall be used for preparation of lime mortar. The slaked lime shall be placed in the mill in an even layer and ground for 180 revolutions with a sufficient water. Water shall be added as required during grinding (care being taken not to add more water) that will bring the mixed material to a consistency of stiff paste. Thoroughly wetted sand shall then be added evenly and the mixture ground for another 180 revolutions.

#### **10.4. Storage:**

**10.4.1.** Mortar shall always be kept damp, protected from sun and ram till used up,

covering it by tarpaulin or open sheds.

**10.5. Use:**

- 10.5.1.** All mortar shall be used as soon as possible after grinding. It should be used on the day on which it prepared, But in no case mortar made earlier than 36 hours shall be permitted for use.

**M-11. Cement Mortar**

- 11.1.** Water shall conform to specification M-1. Cement shall conform to specifications M-3 and Sand shall conform to M-6

**11.2. Proportion of Mix**

- 11.2.1.** Cement and sand shall be mixed to specified proportion, sand being measured by measuring boxes, the proportion of cement will be by volume on the basis of 50 Kg/Bag of cement being equal to 0.0342 cu.m. The mortar may be hand mixed or machine mixed as directed.

**11.3. Preparation of Mortar :**

- 11.3.1.** In hand mixed mortar, cement and sand in the specified proportions shall be thoroughly mixed dry on a clean impervious platform by turning over at least 3 times or more till a homogeneous mixture of uniform colour is obtained. Mixing platform shall be so arranged that no deleterious extraneous material shall get mixed with mortar or mortar shall flow out. While mixing, the water shall be gradually added and thoroughly mixed to form a stiff plastic mass of uniform colour so that each particle of sand shall be completely covered with a film of wet cement. The water cement ratio shall be adopted as directed
- 11.3.2.** The mortar so prepared shall be used within 30 minutes of adding water. Only such quantity of mortar shall be prepared as can be used within 30 minutes.

**M-12. Stone Coarse Aggregate for Nominal Mix Concrete**

- 12.1.** Coarse aggregate shall be of machine crushed stone of black trap or equivalent and be hard strong, dense, durable, clean and free from skin and coating likely to prevent proper adhesion of mortar.
- 12.2.** The aggregate shall generally be cubical in shape unless special stones of particular quarries are mentioned aggregates shall be machine crushed from the best black trap or equivalent hard stone as approved aggregate shall have no deleterious reaction with cement. The size of the coarse aggregate for plain cement and ordinary reinforced cement concrete shall generally be as per the table given below.

However in case of reinforced cement concrete the maximum limit may be restricted to 6 mm. less than the minimum lateral clear distance between bars or 6- mm. less than the cover whichever is smaller.

**TABLE**

I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage passing for single sized aggregates of Nominal size			I.S. Sieve Designation	Percentage passing for single sized aggregates of Nominal size		
	40 mm	20 mm	16 mm		40 mm	20 mm	16 mm
80 mm	-	-	-	12.5 mm	-	-	-
63 mm	100	-	-	10 mm	0.5	0.02	0.30
40 mm	85-100	100	-	4.75 mm	-	0.5	0.5
20 mm	0-20	85-100	100	2.35 mm	-	-	-
16 mm	-	-	85-100				

**Note :** This percentage may be varied some what by the Engineer-in-charge when considered necessary for obtaining better density and strength of concrete.

**12.3.** The grading test shall be taken in the beginning and at the change of source of materials. The necessary tests, indicated in I.S. 383-1970 and 456~197f shall have to be carried out to ensure the acceptability. The aggregates shall be stored separately and handled in such a manner as to prevent the intermixing of different aggregates. If she aggregates are covered with dust, they shall be washed with water to make them clean. .

### **M-13. Black Trap or Equivalent Hard Stone Coarse**

**13.1. Aggregate For Design Mix Concrete :** Coarse aggregate shall be of machine crushed stone of black trap or equivalent hard stone and be hard, strong, dense, durable, clean and free from skin and coating likely to prevent proper adhesion of mortar.

**13.2.** The aggregates shall generally be cubical in shape. Unless special stones of particular quarries are mentioned, aggregates shall be machine crushed, from the best, black trap or equivalent hard stones as approved, Aggregate shall have no deleterious with cement

**13.3.** The necessary tests indicated in I S. 383-1970 and I.S.456-1978 shall have to be carried out to ensure the acceptability of the material.

**13.4.** If aggregate is covered with dust it shall be washed with water to make it clean.

### **M-14. Brick Bats Aggregate**

**14.1.** Brick bat aggregate shall be broken from well burnt or slightly over burnt and dense

bricks. It shall be homogeneous in texture, roughly cubical in shape, clean and free from dirt of any other foreign material. The brick bats shall be of 40 mm - 50 mm. size unless otherwise specified in the item. The under burnt or over burnt brick bats shall not be allowed.

**14.2** The brick bats shall be measured by suitable boxes or as directed.

#### **M-15. Bricks**

**15.1.** The bricks shall be hand or machine molded and made from suitable soils and kiln burnt. They shall be free from cracks and flaws and nodules of free lime they shall have smooth rectangular faces with sharp corners and shall be of uniform colour. The bricks shall be moulded with a frog of 100 mm. x 40 mm. and 10 mm. to 20 mm. deep on one of its flat sides. The bricks shall not break when thrown on the ground from a height of 600 mm.

**15.2.** The size of modular bricks shall be 190 mm.x 90 mm.x 90 mm.

**15.3.** The size of the conventional bricks shall be as under :  
( 9" x 4.3/8" x 2,3/4" ) 225 x 110 x 75 mm.

**15.4.** Only bricks of one standard size shall be used on one work. The following tolerances shall be permitted in the conventional size adopted in a particular work.  
Length + 1/8" ( 3.0 mm.) Width  $\pm$  1/16" ( 1.50 mm. ) Height + 1/16" ( 1.50 mm. )

**15.5.** The crushing strength of the bricks shall not be less than 35 Kg/Sq. Cm. The average water absorption shall not be more than 20 percent by weight Necessary tests for crushing strength and water absorption etc. shall be carried out as per I.S. 3495 ( Part-I to IV ) - 1976

#### **M-16. Stone**

- **16.1.** The stone shall be of the specified variety such as Granite/Trap Stone/ Quartzite or any other type of good hard stones. The stones shall be only from the approved quarry and shall be hard sound, durable and free from defects like cavities, cracks, sand holes, flaws injurious veins, patches of loose or soft materials etc. and weathered portions and other structural defects Or imperfections tending to affect their soundness and strength. The stone with round surface shall not be used. The percentage of water absorption shall not be more than 5% of dry weight. When tested in accordance with I.S. 1124-1974. The minimum crushing strength of stone shall be 200 Kg/.Sq. Cm. unless otherwise specified.

**16.2.** The samples of the stone to be used shall be got approved before the work is started

**16.3.** The Khanki facing stone shall be dressed by chisel as specified in the item for khanki

facing in required shape and size. The face of the stone shall be-so dressed that the bushing on the exposed face shall not project by more than 40 mm. from the general wall surface and on face to be plastered it shall not project by more than 19 mm. nor shall it have depressions more than 10 mm. from the average wall surface.

#### **M-17. Laterite Stone**

- 17.1.** Laterite stone shall be obtained from the approved quarry it shall be compacted in texture sound, durable and free from soft patch. It shall have minimum crushing strength of 100 Kg/Sq. Cm. in its dry condition. It shall not absorb water more than 20% of its own weight, when immersed for 24 hours in water. After quarrying, the stone shall be allowed to weather for some time before using in work.
- 17.2.** The stone shall be dressed into regular rectangular blocks so that all faces are free from waviness and unevenness, and the edges true and square
- 17.3.** Those types of stone in which white clay occurs should not be used
- 17.4.** Special corner stones shall be provided where so directed.

#### **M-18. Mild Steel Bars**

- 18.1.** Mild steel bars reinforcement for R.C C. work shall conform to I.S. 432 (Part -II) 1966 and shall be of tested quality. It shall also comply with relevant part of I.S. 456-1978.
- 18.2.** All the reinforcement shall be clean and free from dirt, paint, grease, mill scale or loose or thick rust at the time of placing
- 18.3.** For the purpose of payment, the bar shall be measured correct up to 10 mm. length and weight payable worked out at the rate specified below :

1.	6 mm	0.22 Kg./Rmt.	8.	20 mm.	2.47
		Kg/Rmt.			
2.	8 mm	0.39 Kg./Rmt.	9.	22 mm.	2.98
		Kg/Rmt.			
3.	10 mm	0.62 Kg./Rmt.	10.	25 mm.	
		3.85 Kg/Rmt.			
4.	12 mm	0.89 Kg./Rmt.	11.	28 mm.	
		4.83 Kg/Rmt.			
5.	14 mm	1.21 Kg./Rmt.	12.	32 mm.	
		6.31 Kg/Rmt.			
6.	16 mm	1.58 Kg./Rmt.	13.	36 mm.	
		7.99 Kg/Rmt.			

7.	18 mm	2.00 Kg./Rmt.	14.	40 mm.
		9.86 Kg/Rmt.		

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#### **M-19. High Yield Strength Steel Deformed Bars**

- 19.1.** High yield strength steel deformed bars shall be either cold twisted other rolled and shall conform to I.S. 1786-1966 and I.S. 1139-1966 respectively.
- 19.2.** Other provisions and requirements shall conform to specification No. M-18 for Mild Steel Bars.

#### **M-20. High Tensile Steel Wires**

- 20.1.** The high tensile wires for use in pre stressed concrete work shall conform to I.S.2090-1962.
- 20.2.** The tensile strength of the high tensile steel bars shall be as specified in the item. In absence of the given strength the minimum strength shall be taken as per Para 6-1 of the I.S. 1785-1962. Testing shall be done as per I.S. requirements.
- 20.3.** The high tensile steel shall be free from loose mill scale, rust, oil, grease, or any other harmful matter. Cleaning of steel bars may be carried out by immersion in solvent solution, wire brushing or passing through a pressure box containing Carborudum.
- 20.4.** The high tensile wire shall be obtained from manufacturers. in coils having diameter not less then 350 times the diameter of wire itself so that wire springs back straight on being uncoiled .

#### **M-21. Mild Steel Binding Wire**

- 21.1.** The mild steel wire shall be of 1.63 mm. or 1.22 mm. ( 16 to 18 gauge ) diameter and shall conform to I.S. 280-1972.
- 21.2.** The use of black wire will be permitted for binding reinforcement bars. It shall be free from rust oil paint, grease loose mill scale or any other undesirable coating which may prevent adhesion of cement mortar.

#### **M-22. Structural Steel**

- 22.1.** All structural Steel shall conform to I S. 226-1985: The steel shall be free from the defects mentioned in I.S 226-1975 and shall have a smooth finish. The material shall be free from loose mill scale, rust pits or other defects affecting the strength and durability. River bars shall conform to I.S. 1148-1973.
- 22.2.** When the steel is supplied by the Contractor test certificate of the manufacturers

shall be obtained according to I.S. 226-1975 and other relevant Indian Standards.

### **M-23. Galvanised Iron Sheets**

**23.1.** The galvanised iron sheets shall be plain or corrugated sheets of gauges as specified in item The G.I. Sheets shall conform to I.S.277-1977. The sheets shall be undamaged in carnage and handling either by rubbing off of zinc coating or otherwise. They shall have clean and bright surface and shall be free from dents, bends, holes, rust or white powdery deposit.

**23.2.** The length and width of G.I. sheets shall be as directed as per site condition.

#### **M-23.A : G.I. Valleys gutter, ridges**

**23.A.1.** The G.I. ridges and hips shall be of plain galvanised sheets Class - 3 of the thickness as specified in item. These shall be 600 mm. in width and properly bent up to shape without damage to the sheets in process of bending.

**23.A.2.** Valleys gutters and flashings shall also be of galvanised sheet of thickness as specified in item Valleys Shall be 900 mm. wide overall and flashing shall be 380 mm. wide overall They shall be bent to the required shape without damage to the sheet in the process of bending.

### **M-24. Asbestos Cement Sheets**

**24.1.** Asbestos cement sheets plain, corrugated of semi-corrugated shall conform to I.S.459-1970 The thickness of the sheets shall be as specified in the item. The sheets shall be free from all defects such as cracks, holes, deformities chipped edges or otherwise damaged.

#### **24.2. Ridges & Hips :**

**24.2.1.** Ridges and hips shall be of same thickness as that of A.C. sheets. The types, of ridges shall be suitable for the type of sheets and location.

**24.2.2.** Other accessories to be used in roof such as flashing pieces eaves filler pieces, valley gutters, north light, and ventilator curves, barge boards etc, shall be of standard manufacture and shall be suitable for the type of sheets and location.

### **M-25. Manglore Pattern Roof Tiles**

**25.1.** The mangalore pattern tiles shall conform to I S 654-1972 for Class AA or Class A type as specified in item. Samples of the tiles to be provided shall be got approved from the Engineer-in-charge. Necessary tests shall be carried out as directed.

### **M-26. Shuttering**

**26.1.** The shuttering shall be either of wooden planking of 30 mm. minimum thickness with or without steel lining or of steel plates stiffened by steel angles The shuttering shall



be supported on battens and beams and props of vertical bullies properly cross braced together so as to make the centering rigid. In places of bullies props, brick pillar of adequate section built in mud mortar may be used.

- 26.2.** The form work shall be sufficiently strong and shall have camber so that it assumes correct shape after deposition of the concrete and shall be able to resist forces caused by vibration of live load of men working over it and other incidental loads associated with it. The shuttering shall have smooth and even surface and its joints shall permit leakage of cement grout.
- 26.3.** If at any stage of work during or after placing concrete in the structure, the form work sags or bulges out beyond the required shape of the structure, the concrete shall be removed and work redone with fresh concrete and adequately rigid form work. The complete form work shall be got inspected by and got approved from the Engineer-in charge, before the reinforcement bars are placed in position.
- 26.4.** The props shall consist of bullies having 100 mm minimum diameter measured at mid length and 80 mm. at thin end shall be placed as per design requirement. These shall rest squarely on wooden sole plates 40 mm. thick and minimum bearing area of 0.10 sq.m laid on sufficiently hard base.
- 26.5.** Double wedges shall further be provided between the sole plate and the wooden props so as to facilitate tightening and easing of shuttering without jerking the concrete
- 26.6.** The timber used in shuttering shall not be so dry as to absorb water from concrete and swell or bulge nor so green or wet as to shrink after erection. The timber shall be properly sawn and planed on the sides and the surface coming in contact with concrete wooden form work with metal sheet lining or steel plates stiffened by steel angles shall be permitted
- 26.7.** As far as practicable, clamps shall be used to hold the forms together and use of nails and spikes avoided.
- 26.8.** The surface of timber shuttering that would come in contact with concrete shall be well wetted and coated with soap solution before the concreting is done. Alternatively coat of raw linseed oil or oil of approved manufacture may be applied in place of soap solution. In case of steel shuttering either soap solution or raw linseed oil shall be applied after thoroughly cleaning the surface. Under no circumstances black or burnt oil shall be permitted.
- 26.9.** The shuttering for beams and slabs shall have camber of 4 mm per meter ( 1 in 250 )

or as directed by the Engineer-in-charge so as to offset the subsequent deflection  
For cantilevers, the camber at free end shall be 1/50 of the projected length or as directed by the Engineer-in-charge.

**M- 27. Expansion Joints - Permoulded filler**

- 27.1.** The item provides for expansion joints in R.C C. frame structures for internal joints, as well as exposed joints, with the use of promoulded bituminous joint filler.
- 27.2.** Premoulded bituminous joints filler i.e. performed strip of expansion joints filler shall not get deformed, or broken by twisting bending or other handling when exposed to atmospheric condition. Pieces of joints filler that have been damaged shall be rejected
- 27.3.** Thickness of the per-moulded joints filler shall be 25 mm. unless otherwise specified.
- 27.4.** Premoulded bituminous joints filler shall conform to I S 1838-1961

**M-28. Expansion joints-Copper strips & hold .fasts**

- 28.1.** The item provide for expansion joints in R.C.C. frame structure for internal joints, as well as exposed joints, with the use of premoulded bituminous joints filler.
- 28.2.** Copper sheet shall be of 1.25 mm. width and or 1 25 mm. width and the " U " shape in the middle. Copper strip shall have holdfast of 3 mm diameter copper rod fixed to the plate soldered on strip at intervals of about 30 cm or as shown in the drawing or as directed. The width of each flange ( horizontal side ) of the copper plate Jo be embedded in the concrete work shall be 25 mm depth of "U" to be provided in the expansion joint, in the copper plate shall be of 25 mm.

**M-29. Teak wood**

- 29.1.** The teak wood shall be of good quality as required for the item to be executed. When the kind of wood is not specifically mentioned, good Indian teak wood as approved shall be used.
- 29.2.** Teak wood shall generally be free from large, loose dead or cluster knots, flaws, shakes, warps, twists, bends or any other defects. It shall generally be uniform in substance and of straight fibers as far as possible. It shall be free from rot decay, harmful fungi and other defects of harmful nature which will affect the strength, durability or its usefulness for the purpose for which it is required. The colour shall be uniform as for as possible. Any effort like paining using any adhesive materials made to hide the defects shall render the pieces liable to rejection by the Engineer-in-charge.
- 29.3.** All scantlings, planks etc. shall be sawn in straight lines and planes in the direction of

grains and of uniform thickness.

**29.4.** The tolerances in the dimensions shall be allowed at the rate of 1.5 mm per face to be planed.

**29.5. First class teak wood**

**29.5.1.** First class teak wood shall have no individual hard and-sound knots, more than 6 sq. cm. in size and the aggregate area of such knots shall not be more than 1% of area of piece, The timber shall be closed grained.

**29.6. Second Class Teak Wood:**

**29.6.1.** No individual hard and sound knots shall be more than 15 sq. cms. in size and aggregates area of such knots shall be not exceed 2% of the area of piece.

**M-29. A Non-teak wood:**

The non-teak wood shall be chemically treated, seasoned as per I.S. Specifications and of good quality. The type of wood shall be got approved before collecting the same on site Fabrication of wooden members shall be started only after approval. For this purpose wood of Bio, Kalai, Sires. Saded, Behda, Jamun, Sisoo will be used for door where as only Kalai. Sires, Halda. Kalam etc. will be permitted for shutters after proper seasoning and chemical treatment.

The non-teak wood shall be free from large loose dead of cluster knots, flows, shakes, warps, bends or any other defects, It shall be uniform in substance and of straight fibers as far as possible It shall be free fro rots, decay, harmful fungi and other defects of nature which will effect the strength, durability or its usefulness for the purpose for which it is required. The colour of wood shall be uniform as far as possible. The scantlings planks etc. shall be saw in straight lines and planes in the direction of grain and of uniform thickness. The department will use the Agency to produce certificate from Forest Department in event of dispute and the decision of the Department shall be final and binding to the contractor. The tolerance in the dimension shall be allowed at 1.5 mm. per face to be planed.

**M-30. Wooden flush door shutters ( solid core )**

**30.1.** The solid core type flush door shutters shall be of decorative or non-decorative type as specified in the drawing. The size and thickness of the shutter shall be as specified in drawings or as directed. The timber species for core shall be used as per I.S.2202 ( part -I ) 1980. The timber shall be free from decay and insect attack Knots and knot holes less than half the width of cross-section of the members in which they occur may be permitted. Pitch pockets, pitch streaks and harmless pin holes shall be

permissible except in the exposed edges of the core members. The commercial plywood, cross-bands shall conform to I.S. 303-1275.

**30.2.** The face panel of the shutters shall be formed by gluing by the hot press process on both faces of the core with either plywood or cross-bands and face veneers. The hopping, rebating, opening of glazing, venation etc., shall be provided if specified in the drawing.

**30.3.** All edges of the door shutters shall be square. The shutters shall be free from twist or warp in its plane. Both faces of the shutters shall be sand papered to smooth even texture.

**30.4.** The shutters shall be tested for-

**(1) End immersion test:** The test shall be carried out as per I.S.2202 ( part-1 ) 1980 There shall be no delamination at the end of the test.

**(2) Knife Test :** The face panel when tested in accordance with I.S 1659-1979 shall pass the test.

**(3) Glue adhesion test :** The flush door shall be tested for glue adhesive test in accordance with I S 2202 ( part -I ) 1980. The shutters shall be considered to have passed the test, if no delamination occurs in the glue lines in the plywood and if no single determination more than 80 mm in length and more than 3 mm in depth has occurred in the assembly glue lines between the plywood face and the style and rail. Delamination at the corner shall be measured continuously around the corner Delamination at the knots, knot hole and other permissible wood defects shall not be considered in assessing the sample.

**30.5.** The tolerance in size of scud core type flush door shall be as under :

In Nominal thickness  $\pm 1.2$  mm. In Nominal height  $\pm 3$ mm

**30.6.** The thickness of the shutter shall be uniform throughout with a permissible variation of not more than 0.8 mm. when measured at any points.

#### **M-31. Aluminum doors, windows, ventilators**

**31.1.** Aluminum alloy used in the manufacture of extruded window sections shall conform to I.S. designation HEAWP of I.S. 733-1975 and also to I S. Designation WVG-WP of I.S 1285-1975 The section shall be as specified in the drawing and design. The fabrication shall be done as directed

**31.2.** The hinges shall be cast or extruded aluminum hinges of same type as in window but of larger size.

**31.3.** The hinges shall normally be of 50 mm. projecting type. Non-projecting type of

hinges may also be used if directed. The handles of door shall be of specified design. A suitable lock for the door Operable either from outside or inside shall be provided. In double shutter door, the first closing shutter shall have concealed aluminum alloy bolt at top and bottom.

### **M-32. Rolling Shutters**

- 32.1.** The rolling shutters shall conform to I.S.6248-1979 Rolling shutters shall be supplied of specified type with accessories. The size of the rolling shutters shall be specified in the drawings. The shutters shall be specified in the drawings. The shutters shall be constructed with interlocking lath sections formed from cold rolled steel strips not less than 0.9 mm. thick and 80 mm. wide for shutters up to 3.5 m .width not less than 1.25 mm. thick and 80 mm wide for shutters 3.5 m. in width and above unless otherwise specified.
- 32.2.** Guide channels shall be of mild steel deep channel section and of rolled pressed or built up (fabricated) joint less construction The thickness of sheet used shall not be less than 3.15 mm.
- 32.3.** Hood covers shall be made of M S. Sheets not less than 0.90 mm. thick. For shutters having width 3.5 Meter and above, the thickness of M.S. sheet for the hood cover shall be not less than 1 25 mm.
- 32.4.** The spring shall be of best quality and shall be manufactured from tested high tensile spring steel wire of strip of adequate strength to balance the shutters in all position. The spring pipe shaft etc. shall be supported on strong M S of malleable C I. brackets. The brackets shall be fixed on or under the lintel as specified with raw plugs and screws bolts etc.
- 32.5.** The rolling shutters shall be of self rolling up to 8 Sq. m. clear area without ball bearing and up to 12 Sq.m. clear area with ball bearing. If the rolling shutters are of larger, then gear operated type shutters shall be used.
- 32.6.** The locking arrangement shall be provided at the bottom of shutter at both ends The shutters shall be opened from outside.
- 32.7.** The Shutters shall be completed with door suspension shafts, looking arrangements, pulling hooks, handles and other accessories.

### **M-33. Collapsible Steel Gate**

- 33.1.** The collapsible steel gate shall be in one or two leaves and size as per approved drawings or as specified. The gate shall be fabricated from best quality mild steel channels, flats etc. Either steel pulleys or ball-bearings shall be provided in every

double channel Unless otherwise specified the particulars of collapsible gate shall be as under.

(a) Pickets : These shall be of 20 mm. M.S. channels of heavy sections unless otherwise shown on drawings. The distance centre to centre of pickets shall be 12 cms .with an opening or 10 Cms

(b) Pivoted M.S. flats shall be 20 mm x6 mm

(c) Top and bottom guides shall be from tee of flat iron of approved size.

(d) The fittings like stoppers fixing, locking cleats, brass handles and cast iron rollers shall be of approved design and size

#### **M-34. Welded Steel Wire Fabric**

**34.1** Welded steel wire fabric for general purpose shall be manufactured from cold drawn steel wire "as drawn" or galvanized steel conforming to I.S. 226-1975 with longitudinal and transverse wire securely connected at every intersection by a process of electrical resistance welding and conforming to I.S.4948-1974. it shall be fabricated and finished in workmanlike manner and shall be free from injurious defects and shall be rust proof The type of mesh shall be oblong or square as directed The mesh sizes and sizes if wire for square 3b well as oblong welded steel wire fabric shall be as directed The steel wire fabric in panels shall be in one whole piece in each panel as far as stock sizes permit.

#### **M-35 Expanded Metal Sheets**

**35.1.** The expanded metal sheets shall be free from flaws joints broken strands laminations and other harmful surface defects. Expanded metal steel sheet shall conform to IS-412-1975. except that blank sheets need not be with guaranteed mechanical properties The size of the diamond mesh of expanded metal and dimensions of strands (width and thickness) shall be as specified. The tolerance on nominal weight of expanded metal sheets shall be of + 10 percent.

**35.2.** Expanded metal in panels shall be in one whole piece in each panel as far as stock sizes permit. The expanded metal sheets shall be coated with suitable protective coating to prevent corrosion.

#### **M-36. Mild Steel Wire ( Wire Gauze Jali )**

**36.1.** Mild steel wire may be galvanized as indicated. All finished steel wire shall be well cleanly drawn to the dimensions and size of wire as specified in item. The wire shall be sound free from splits surface flaws, rough jagged and imperfect edges and other harmful surface defects and shall conform to I.S. 280-1978.

### **M-37. Plywood**

**37.1.** The plywood for general purpose shall conform I.S. 303-17-1975.

Plywood is made by cementing together than boards or starts of wood into panels. There are always an odd number of layers, 3,5,7,9, ply etc. The piles are placed so that grain of each layer is at right angles to the grain in the adjacent level.

**37.2.** The chief advantages of plywood a single board of the same thickness is the more uniform strength of the plywood, along the length and width of the plywood and greater resistance to cracking and splitting with charge in moisture content.

**37.3.** Usually synthetic resins are used to gluing, phenolic resins are usually cured in a hot press which compresses and simultaneously heats the plies between hot plates which maintain a temperature of 90 degree C to 140 degree C and a pressure of 11 to 14 Kg/ Sq. Cm on the wood. The time of heating may be anything from 2 to 60 minutes depending upon thickness

**37.4.** When water glue are used the wood absorbs so much water that the finished plywood must be dried carefully. When synthetic resins are used as adhesive the finished plywood must be exposed to an atmosphere of controlled humidity until the proper amount of moisture has been absorbed.

**37.5.** According to I.S. 303-1975 the plywood for general purpose shall be of the grades namely BWR, WWR and CWR depending up to the adhesives used for bonding the veneers and it will be further classified into six types namely AA, AB, AC, BB, BC and CC based on the quality of the two faces each face being of three kinds namely A, Band C After pressing, the finished plywood should be reconditioned to a moisture content not less than 8 percent and not more than 16 percent.

**37.6.** Thickness of plywood Boards

Board	Thickness	Board	Thickness	Board	Thickness	Board	Thickness
3 Ply	3 mm	5 Ply	5 mm	7 Ply	9 mm	9 Ply	16 mm
	4 mm		6 mm		13 mm		19 mm
	5 mm		8 mm		16 mm	11 Ply	19 mm
	6 mm		9 mm	9 Ply	13 mm		25 mm

### **M-38. Glass**

**38.1.** All glass shall be of the brief quality, free from specks, bubbles, smokes veins, air holes blisters and other defects. The kind of glass to be used shall be as mentioned in the item or specification or in the special provision or as shown in detailed drawings. Thickness of glass panes shall be uniform. The specifications for different

kinds of glass shall be as under.

### **38.2. Sheet Glass**

**38.2.1.** In absence of any specified thickness or weight in the item or detailed specifications of the item of work, sheet glass shall be weighing 7.5 Kg/Sq. m for panes up to 600 mm x 600 mm.

**38.2.2.** For panes larger than 600 mm x 600 mm and up to 800 mm x 800 mm the glass weighing not less than 8.75 Kg/Sq m shall be used for bigger panes up to 900 mm x 900 mm. glass weighing not less than 8.75 Kg/Sq. m shall be used. For bigger panes up to 900 mm x 900 mm. glass weighting not less than 11.25 Kg/Sq. m. shall be used

**38.2.3.** Sheet glass shall be patent flattened glass of best quality and for glazing and framing purposes shall conform to I.S. 1761-1960. Sheet glass of the specified colours shall be used, if so shown, on detailed drawings or so specified For important buildings and for panes with any dimension over 900 mm plate glass of specified thickness shall be used

### **38.3. Plate Glass:**

**38.3.1.** When plate glass is specified it shall be "polished patent plate glass" of best quality It shall have both the surface ground flat and parallel and polished to obtain clear undisturbed vision and reflection The plate glass shall be of the thickness mentioned in the item or as shown in the detailed drawing or as specified. In absence of any specified thickness, the thickness of plate glass to be supplied shall be 6 mm. and a tolerance of 0.20 mm shall be admissible

### **38.4. Obscured Glass:**

**38.4.1.** This type of glass transmits light so that vision is partially or almost completely obscured. Glass shall be plain rolled, figured, ribbed or fluted, or frosted glass as may be specified as required. The thickness and type of glass shall be as per details on drawings or as specified or as directed

### **38.5. Wired Glass:**

**38.5.1.** Glass shall be with wire netting embedded in a sheet of planet glass. Electrically welded 13 mm Georgian square mesh shall be used Thickness of glass shall not be less than 6 mm Wired glass shall be of type and thickness as specified

## **M-39. Acrylic Sheets**

**39.1.** Acrylic sheets shall be of thickness as specified in the item and of an specified shape and size as the case may be panels may be flat or curved It should be light in weight



it shall be colourless or coloured or opaque as specified in the item. Colourless sheet shall be as transparent as the finest optical glass. Its light transmission rate shall be about 95% Transparency shall not be affected for the sheets of larger thickness, it shall be extremely resistant to sunlight weather and low temperatures. It shall not show any significant yellowing or change in physical properties or loss of light transmission over a longer period of use. The sheet shall be impact resistant also. Sheets should be of such quality that they can be cut, bent, jointed as desired. Solution for the joints shall be used as per the requirement of manufacturer.

#### **M-40. Particle board**

**40.1.** The particle boards used for face panels shall be of best quality free from any defects. The particle boards shall be made with phenolmaldehyde adhesive. The particle boards shall conform to IS 3087-1905 "Specification for wood particle board for general purpose". The size and the thickness shall be as indicated.

#### **M-41. Expanded polystyrene or framed styrofoam slabs**

**41.1.** The expanded polystyrene ceiling boards and tiles shall be of approved make and shall be of sizes, thickness, finish and colour as indicated. It shall be of high density and suitable for use as insulating material. The insulating material shall be like slabs of Thermocole etc.

#### **M-42. Resin bonded fiber glass.**

**42.1.** The resin bonded fiber glass tiles or rolls shall be of approved make and shall be of sizes, thickness and finish as indicated.

**42.2.** For test of Mineral wool thermal insulation [Blanket] IS 3144-1965 shall be followed.

**42.3.** Insulation wool blankets shall be with the following coverings on one or both sides as indicated:

(1) Bituminous Hessian Kraft paper suitable for use in position where moisture has to be excluded.

(2) Hessian cloth or Kraft paper for keeping out dust

(3) G.I wire netting, suitable for surfaces to be plastered over

#### **M-43. Fixtures and fastenings**

##### **43.1. General:**

**43.1.1.** The fixtures and fastenings, that is butt hinges, tee and strap hinges, sliding door bolts, tower bolts, door latch, bath-room latch, handles, door stoppers, casement window fasteners, casement stays and ventilator catches shall be made of the metal as specified in the item or its specification.

**43.1.2.** They shall be of iron, brass, aluminum chromium plated iron, chromium plated brass, copper oxidised iron, copper oxidised brass or anodised aluminum as specified

**43.1.3.** The fixtures shall be heavy medium or light type. The fixtures and fastenings shall be smooth finished and shall be such as will ensue ease of operations.

**43.1.4.** The samples of fixtures and fastenings shall be got approved as regards, quality and shape before providing them in position.

**43.1.5.** Brass and anodised aluminium fixtures and fastenings shall be bright finished

**43.2. Holdfasts:**

**43.2.1.** Holdfasts shall be made from mild steel flat 30 cm length and one of the holdfasts shall be bent at right angle and two nos. of 6 mm. diameter holes shall be made in it for fixing it to the frame with screws. At the other end, the holdfast shall be forked and bent at right angles in opposite directions.

**43.3. Butt hinges:**

**43.3.1.** Railway standard heavy type butt hinges shall be used when so specified

**43.3.2.** Tee and strap hinges shall be manufactured from M S Sheet

**43.4. Siding door bolts (Aldrops):**

**43.4.1.** The aldrops as specified in the item shall be used and shall be got approved.

**43.5. Tower bolts (Barrel Type):**

**43.5.1.** Tower bolts as specified in the item shall be used and shall be got approved

**43.6. Door Latch:**

**43.6.1.** The size of door latch shall be taken as the length of latch.

**43.7. Bathroom Latch:**

**43.7.1.** Bathroom latch shall be similar to tower bolt.

**43.8. Handle:**

The size of the handles shall be determined by the inside grip length of the handles.

Handles shall have a base plate of length 50 mm. more than the size" of the handle.

**43.9. Door Catch:**

**43.9.1.** Door stoppers shall be either floor door stopper type or door catch type Floor stopper shall be of overall size as specified and-shall have a rubber cushion.

**43.10. Door Stoppers:**

**43.10.1.** Door catch shall be fixed at a height to about 900 mm from the floor level such that one part of the catch is fitted on the inside of the shutter and the other part is fixed in the wall with necessary wooden plug arrangements for appropriate fixity The catch

shall be fixed 20 mm inside the face of the door for easy operation of catch.

**43.11. Wooden Door Stop with hinges:**

**43.11.1.** Wooden door stop of size 100 mm x 40 mm x 40 mm shall be fixed on the door frame with a hinges of 75 mm. size and at a height of 900 mm. from the floor level  
The wooden door stop shall be provided with 3 coats of approved oil paint

**43.12. Casement Window Fastener:**

**43.12.1.** Casement window fastener for single leaf window shutter shall be left or right handed as directed.

**43.13. Casement stays (Straight Red Stay):**

**43.13.1.** The stays shall be made from a channel section having three holes at appropriate position so that the window can be opened either fully or partially as directed. Size of the stay shall be 250 mm to 300 mm. as directed.

**43.14. Ventilator Catch:**

**43.14.1.** The pattern and shape of the catch shall be as approved

**43.15. Pivot:**

**43.15.1.** The base and socket plate shall be made from minimum 3 mm. thick plate: and projected pivot shall not be less than 12 mm 'diameter and 12 mm. length and shall be firmly riveted to the base plate in case of iron pivot and in single piece plate in the case of brass pivot.

**M-44. Paints:**

**44.1. (A) Oil paints :**

**44.1.1.** Oil paints shall be of the specified colour and as approved. The ready mixed paints shall only be used. However, if ready mixed paint of specified shade or tint is not available white ready mixed paint with approved stainer will be allowed In such a case the contractor shall ensure that the shade of the paint so allowed shall be uniform.

**44.1.2.** All the paints shall meet with the following general requirements.

(i) Paint shall not show excessive setting in a freshly opened full can and shall easily be ready spread with a paddle to a smooth homogeneous state. The paint shall show no curdling, levering caking or colour separation and shall be free from lumps and skins.

(ii) The paint as received shall brush easily, possess good leveling properties and show no running or sagging tendencies.

- (iii) The paint shall not skin within 48 hours in a three quarters filled closed container.
- (iv) The paint shall dry to a smooth uniform finish free from roughness, grit unevenness and other imperfections.

**44.1.3.** Ready mixed paint shall be used exactly as received from the manufacturers and generally according to their instructions and without any admixtures whatsoever

**44.2. (B) Enamel paints:**

**44.2.1.** The enamel paint shall satisfy in general requirements in specification of oil paints, Enamel paint shall conform to I.S. 2933-1975.

**M-45. French Polish**

**45.1.** The French polish of required tint and shade shall be prepared with the below mentioned ingredients and other necessary materials:

- (i) Denatured spirit of approved quality (ii) Chandras (iii) Pigment.

**45.2.** The French polish so prepared shall conform to I S : 348-1 9C8.

**M-46. Marble chips for marble mosaic terrazzo**

**46.1.** The marble chips shall be of approved quality and shades. It shall be hard, sound, dense and homogeneous in texture with crystalline and coarse grains It shall be uniform in colour and free from stains cracks, .decay and weathering.

**46.2.** The size of various colours of marble chips ranging from the smallest up to 20 mm shall be used where the thickness of top wearing layer is 6 mm size The marble chips of approved quality and colours only as per grading as decided by the Engineer-in-charge shall be used for marble mosaic tiles or works.

**46.3.** The marble chips shall be machine crushed. They shall be free from foreign matter, dust etc. Except as above, the chips shall conform to I S 2114-1962

**M-47. Flooring Tiles**

**47.1. (A) Plain Cement tiles;**

**47.1.1.** The plain cement tiles shall be of general purpose type. These are the tiles in the manufacture of which no pigments are used. Cement used in the manufacture of tiles shall be as per Indian Standards.

**47.1.2.** The tiles shall be manufactured from a mixture of cement and natural aggregates by pressure process. During manufacture the tiles shall be subjected to pressure of not less than 140 Kg/Sq. Cm. The proportion of cement to aggregate in the backing of the tiles shall be not less than 1 .3 by weight The wearing face, through the tiles are of plain cement, shall be provided with stone chips of 1 to 2 mm. size. The proportions of cement to aggregate in the wearing layer of the tiles shall be three

parts of cement to one parts chips by weight. The minimum thickness of wearing layer shall be 3 mm. The colour and texture of wearing layer shall be uniform throughout its face and thickness. On removal from mould, the tiles shall be kept in moist condition continuously at least for seven days and subsequently, if necessary, for such long period as would ensure their conformity to requirements of I.S.1237-1980 regarding strength resistance to wear and water absorption.

**47.1.3** The wearing face of the tiles shall be plane, free from projections, depressions and cracks and shall be reasonably parallel to the back face of the tile. All angles shall be right angle and all edges shall be sharp and true.

**47.1.4.** The size of tiles generally be square shapes 24.85 Cm x24.85 Cm. or 25 Cm x 25 Cm The thickness of tiles shall be 20 mm.

**47.1.5.** Tolerance of length and breadth shall be plus or minus one millimeter  
Tolerance on thickness shall be plus 5mm.

**47.1.6.** The tiles shall satisfy the tests as regards transverse strength, resistance to wear and water absorption as per I.S 1237-1980.

**47.2. (B) Plain Coloured Tiles:**

**47.2.1.** The tiles shall have the same specification as for plain cement tiles as per (A) above expect that they shall have a plain wearing surface wherein pigments are used. They shall conform it I.S. 1237-1980.

**47.2.2.** The pigments used for colouring cement shall not exceed 10 percent by weight of cement used in the mix. The pigments, synthetic or otherwise, used for colouring tiles shall have permanent colour and shall not contain materials detrimental to concrete

**47.2.3** The colour of the tiles shall be specified in the item or as directed

**47.3. (C) Marble mosaic tiles:**

**47.3.1.** These tiles have same specification as per plain cement tiles except the requirements as stated below.

**47.3.2.** The marble mosaic tiles shall conform to I.S 1237-1980. The wearing face of the tiles shall be mechanically ground and filled. The wearing face of tiles shall be free from projections depressions and cracks and shall be reasonably parallel to the back face of the tiles. All angles shall be right angles and all edges shall be sharp and true.

**47.3.3.** Chips used in the tiles be from smallest up to 20 mm. size. The minimum thickness of wearing layer of tiles shall be 6 mm. For pattern of chips to be had on

the wearing face; a few samples with or without their full size photographs as directed shall be approved by the Engineer-in-charge, for approval.

**47.3.4.** Any particular samples if found suitable shall be approved by the Engineer-in-charge, or he may ask for a few more samples to be presented. The samples shall have to be made by the contractor till a suitable sample is finally approved for use in the work. The Contractor shall ensure that the tiles supplied for the work shall be in conformity with the approved sample only, in terms of its dimensions, thickness of backing layer and wearing surface, materials, ingredients, colour, shade, chips, distribution etc. required.

**47.3.5.** The tiles shall be prepared from cement conforming to Indian Standards or coloured port land cement generally depending upon the colour of tiles to be used or as directed.

**47.4. (D) Chequered Tiles :**

**47.4.1.** Chequered tiles shall be plain cement tiles or marble mosaic tiles. The former shall have the same specification as per (A) above and the latter as per marble mosaic tiles as per (C) except as mentioned below

**47.4.2.** The tiles shall be of nominal size of 250 mm. x 250 mm. or as specified. The centre to centre distance of chequer shall not be less than 25 mm. and not more than 50 mm. The overall thickness of the tile shall be 22 mm

**47.4.3.** The grooves in the chequers shall be uniform and straight. The depth of the grooves shall not be less than 3 mm. The chequered tiles shall be plain coloured or mosaic as specified. The thickness of the upper layer measured from the top of the chequers shall not be less than 6 mm. The tiles shall be given the first grinding with machine before delivery to site.

**47.4.4.** Tiles shall conform to relevant I.S 1237-1980. 47.5.

**47.5. (E) Chequered Tiles For Stair Cases :**

**47.5.1.** The requirements of these tiles shall be the same as chequered tiles as per (D) above except in following respects :

- (1) The length of a tile including nosing shall be 300 mm
- (2) The minimum thickness shall be 28 mm
- (3) The nosing shall have also the same wearing layer as at the top.
- (4) The nosing edge shall be rounded
- (5) The front portion of the tile for a minimum length of 75 mm. from and including the nosing shall have grooves running parallel to nosing and at centers not exceeding 25 mm. Beyond that the tiles shall have normal chequer pattern.

#### **M-48. Rough Kotah Storm**

- 48.1.** The Kotah stones shall be hard even, sound, and regular in shape and generally uniform in colour. The colour of the stone shall generally be green Brown coloured shall not be allowed for use They shall be without any soft veins, cranks of flaws.
- 48.2.** The size of the stones to be used for flooring shall be of size 600 mm x 600 mm and/or size 600 mm. x 450 mm as directed However smaller sizes will be allowed to be used to the extent of maintaining required pattern. Thickness shall be as specified
- 48.3.** The edges of minus 30 mm on accounts of chisel dressing of edges shall be permitted for length as well as breadth. Tolerance in thickness shall be  $\pm 3$  mm
- 48.4.** The edges of stones shall be truly chiseled and table rubbed with coarse sand before paving. All angles and edges of the stones of shall be true, square and free from chipping and surface shall De true and plain.
- 48.5.** When machine cut edges are specified, the exposed and the edges at joints shall be machine cut The thickness of the exposed machine cut edges shall be uniform

#### **M-49. Polished Kotah Stoics**

- 49.1.** Polished kotah stone shall have the same specification as per rough kotah stone except as mentioned below :
- 49.2.** The stones shall have machine polished surface. When brought on site, the stones- shall be single polished or double polished depending upon its use. The stones for paving shall generally be single polished The stones to be used for dedo, skirting, sink, veneering, sills steps etc. where machine polishing after the stones are fixed in situ is not possible shall be double polished

#### **M-50. Dholpur Stone Slab**

- 50.1.** Dholpur stone slab shall be of best quality as approve by the Engineer-m-charge. The stone slab shall be without my veins, cracks, and flaws The stone slab shall be even sound and durable regular in snaps and of uniform colour
- 50.2.** The size of the stone shall be as specified in the item or detailed drawing or as approved by the Engineer-in-charge. The thickness of the stone shall be as specified in the item of work with the permissible tolerance of plus or minus 2 mm. The provision in respect of polishing as for polished kotah stone shall apply to polished Dholpur stone also. All angles and edges of the face of the stone slab shall be fine chiseled or polished as specified in the item of work and all the four edges shall be machine cut All angles and edges of the stone slab shall be true and plane.
- 50.3.** The sample of stone shall be got approved by the Engineer-in-charge for a particular

work It shall be ensured that the stones to be used in a particular work shall not differ much in shade or tint from the approved sample.

**M-51. Marble Slab**

- 51.1.** Marble slab shall be white or of other and of best quality as approved by the Engineer-in-charge
- 51.2.** Slabs shall be hard, close, uniform and homogeneous in texture. They shall have even crystalline grain and free from defects and cracks. The surface shall be machine polished to an even and perfect plane surface and edges machine cut true and square. The rear face shall be rough to provide key for the mortar.
- 51.3.** Marble slabs with natural veins, if selected shall have to be laid as per the pattern given by the Engineer-in-charge.  
Size of the slab shall be minimum 460 mm x 450 mm and preferably 600 mm x 600 mm. However, smaller sizes will be allowed to be used of the extent of maintaining required pattern.
- 51.4.** The slab shall not be thinner than the specified thickness at its thinnest part. A few specimen of finished slab to be used shall be deposited by the Contractor in the office for reference
- 51.5.** Except as above the marble slabs shall conform to I.S. 1130-1969

**M-52. Granite Stone slab**

- 52.1.** Granite shall be of approved colour and quality. The stone shall be hard, even sound and regular in shape and generally uniform in colour. It shall be without any soft veins, cracks or flaws.
- 52.2.** The thickness of the stone shall be specified in items
- 52.3.** All exposed faces shall be double polished to tender truly smooth and even reflecting surface. The exposed edges and corners shall be rounded off as directed. The exposed edges shall be machine cut and shall have uniform thickness.

**M-53. P.V.C. Flooring**

- 53.1.** P.V.C. sheets for P.V.C., floor covering shall be of homogenous flexible type conforming to I S 3462-1966. The P.V.C. covering shall neither develop any toxic effect while put to use nor shall give off any disagreeable odour.
- 53.2.** Thickness of flexible type covering tiles shall be as specified in the description of the item
- 53.3.** The flexible type shall be backed with Hessian or other woven fabric The following tolerances shall be applicable on the nominal dimensions of the rolls or tiles :



(a) Thickness + 015 mm.

(b) Length or Width

(1) 300 mm. Square tiles  $\pm 0.20$  mm. (3) 900 mm Square tiles  $\pm 0.60$  mm.

(2) 600 mm. Square tiles  $\pm 0.40$  mm. (4) Sheets and roll  $\pm 0.10$  percent.

#### **53.4. Adhesive:**

**53.4.1.** The adhesive for PVC flooring shall be of the type and make recommended by the manufactures of PVC sheets/tiles.

#### **M-54. Facing Tiles**

**54.1.** The facing tiles (burnt clay facing bricks) shall be free from cracks, and nodules of free lime. They shall be thoroughly burnt and shall have plane rectangular faces with parallel sides and sharp straight right angled faces. The texture of the finished surface that will be exposed when in place shall conform to an approved sample consisting not less than for stretcher bricks each representing the texture desired. The facing tiles shall have a pleasing appearance, sufficient resistance to penetration by ram and greater durability than common bricks. The tiles shall conform to I.S. 2691-1972.

**54.2.** The standard size of facing brick tiles shall be 19 x 9 x 4 cms. The facing brick tiles shall be provided with frog which shall conform to I.S. 11077-1976.

**54.3.** The permissible tolerance in dimensions specified above shall be as follows:

Size	Tolerance for	
	1st Class Brick	2nd Class Brick
19 cm.	$\pm 6$ mm	$\pm 10$ mm
9 cm.	$\pm 3$ mm	$\pm 7$ mm
4 cm.	$\pm 1.5$ mm	$\pm 3$ mm

**54.4.** The tolerance for distortion or warpage of face or edges of individual brick from a plane surface and from a straight line respectively shall be as follows:

Facing dimensions	Permissible tolerance
Max. below 19 cms.	Max. 2.5 mm
- do - above 19 cm.	Max. 3.0 mm

- 54.5.** The average compressive strength obtained as a sample of five tiles when tested in accordance with the procedure laid as per I S 1077-1976 shall be not less than 175 Kg/Sq Cm. The average compressive strength of any individual bricks shall be not less than 160 Kg / Sq.Cm.
- 54.6.** The average water absorption for five bricks tiles shall not exceed 12 percent of average weight of brick before testing. The absorption for each individual bricks shall not exceed 25 percent.
- 54.7.** The brick tiles when tested in accordance with I.S. 1077-1976, the rate of efflorescence shall not be more than "Slightly effloresced"

**M-55. White glazed tiles**

- 55.1.** The tiles shall be of best quality as approved by the Engineer-in-charge. They shall be flat and true to shape. They shall be free from cracks, crazing, spots, chips, edges and corners. The glazing shall be of uniform shade.
- 55.2.** The tiles shall be nominal size of 150 mm x 150 mm unless otherwise, specified. The maximum variation the stated sizes other than the thickness of tile shall be plus or minus 1.5 mm. The thickness of tile shall be 6 mm. Except as above the tiles shall conform to I.S. 1977-19/0.

**M-56. Galvanised iron pipes and fittings**

- 56.1.** Galvanised iron pipes shall be of the medium type and of required diameter and shall comply with I.S. 1239-1979. The specified diameter of the pipes shall refer to the inside diameter of the bore, clamps, screw and all galvanised iron fittings shall be of the standard 'R' or equivalent make.

**M-57. Bib cock and stop cock**

- 57.1.** A bib cock is a draw off tap with a horizontal inlet and free outlet. A stop cock is a valve with suitable means of connection for insertion in a pipe line for controlling or stopping the flow.
- 57.2.** They shall be of screw down type and of brass chromium plated and of diameter as specified in the description of the item. They shall conform to I S. 781-1977 and they shall be of best Indian make. They shall be polished bright.
- 57.3.** The minimum finished weight of bib cock and stop cock shall be as given below :

Diameter	Bib Cock	Stop Cock	Diameter	Bib Cock	Stop Cock
8 mm	0.25 Kg.	0.25 Kg.	15 mm	0.40 Kg.	0.40 Kg.
10 mm	0.30 Kg.	0.35 Kg.	20 mm	0.75 Kg.	0.75 Kg.

**M-58. Gun metal wheel valve**

- 58.1.** The gun metal wheel valve shall be of approved quality. These shall be of gun metal fitted with wheel and shall be of gate valve opening full way and of the size specified. These shall conform to I.S. 778-1971.

**M-59. White glazed porcelain wash basin**

- 59.1.** Wash basin shall be of white porcelain first quality best Indian make and it shall conform to I.S. 2556 (Part -IV) -1972 and I.S. 771-1979. The size of the wash basin shall be as specified in item. Wash basin shall be of one piece construction with continued over flow arrangements All internal angles shall be designed so as to facilitate cleaning. Wash basin shall have single tap hole as specified. Each basin shall have a circular waste hole which is either riveted or beveled internally with 65 mm. diameter at top and 10 mm. depth to suit the waste fitting. The necessary stud slot to receive the bracket on the under side of the basin shall be provided Basin shall have an internal soap holder which shall fully drain into the bowl.
- 59.2.** White glazed pedestal of the quality and colour as that the basin shall be provided where specified in the item. It shall be completely recessed at the back for reception of supply and wash pipe. It shall be capable of supporting the basin rigidly and adequately and shall be so designed as to make the height from the floor the floor to top of the rim of basin 750 mm. to 800 mm. as directed.

**M-60. European type water closet/with low flushing**

- 60.1.** The European type water closet shall be white glazed porcelain first quality and shall be of wash down type conforming to I.S. 2556-1973 and I.S. 771-1979.
- 60.2.** 'S' trap shall be provided as required with water seal not than 50 mm. The solid plastic seat and cover shall be of best Indian make conforming to I.S 2548-1980. They shall be made of moulded synthetic materials which shall be tough and hard with high resistance to solvents and shall be free from blisters and surface defects and shall have chromium plated brass hinges and rubber buffer of suitable size.

**M-61. Orrissa type water closet**

- 61.1.** The Specification of Orrissa type white glazed water closet of first quality shall conform to I.S. 2256 (Part-III) -1981 and relevant specification of Indian type water closet except that pan will be with the integral squatting pan of size 580 mm x 400 mm with raised footrest.

**M-62. Indian type water closet**

- 62.1.** The Indian type white glazed water closet of first quality shall be of size as specified

in the item and conforming to I.S. 771-1979 and I.S. 2556 – (Part-II) 1981. Each pan shall have integral flushing. It shall also have an inlet at back and front for connecting flush pipes as directed. The inside of the bottom of the pan shall have sufficient slope from the front towards the outlet and surface shall be uniform and smooth. Pan shall be provided with 100 mm. diameter 'P' or 'S' trap with approximately 50 mm. Water seal and 50 mm. diameter vent horn.

**M-62. A. Foot Rests**

**62.A.1.** A pair of whit glazed earthen ware rectangular foot to minimum size 250 mm. x 130 mm. x 20 mm shall be provided with the water closet.

**M-63. Glazed Earthen Ware Sink**

**63.1.** The glazed earthen-ware sink shall be of specified size, colour and quality. They sink shall conform, to I.S. 771 Part – II – 1979. The brackets for sinks shall conform to I.S. 775-1970.

**63.2.** The pipes shall conform to I.S. 1239-part-I 1973 and I.S. 404-1962 for steel and lead pipes respectively. 32 mm. brass waste coupling of standard pattern with brass chain and rubble plug shall be provided with sink.

**M-64. Glazed earthen-ware Lipped type flat back urinal/corner type urinal**

**64.1.** The lipped type urinal shall be fiat back or corner type as specified in the item and shall conform to I.S 771-1979. It shall be of best Indian make and size as specified and approved by the Engineer-in-charge. The flat back of corner type urinal must be of 1st quality free from any defects, cracks etc.

**M-65. Low level Enamel flushing tank**

**65.1.** The low level enamel flushing tank shall be of 15 liters capacity. It shall conform of I S 774-1971. The flushing cistern shall be of best quality and free from any defects. The flushing tank shall have outlet 32 mm. diameter. The outlet shall be connected with W.C. pan by lead pipe or P.V.C. pipe as specified. The flushing tank shall be provided with inlet and outlet for fixing G.I. inlet pipes and over-flow pipes. The flushing cistern shall be provided with chromium plated handle for flushing The flushing tank shall be provided with bracket of cast iron so that it can be fixed on wall at specified height. The brackets shall conform to I.S. 775-1970.

**M-66. Cast iron flushing cistern.**

**66.1.** The cast iron flushing cistern shall be of 15 liters capacity. It shall conform to I.S. 774-1971. The flushing cistern shall be of best quality free from any defects. The flushing cistern shall have outlet of 32 mm diameter. The lead pipe shall conform to

I.S 404 (Part-I) - 1962; For fixing G.I. inlet pipes and overflow pipe 20 mm. dia. inlet and outlet shall be provided The flushing cistern shall be provided with galvanised iron chain and pull of sufficient length and shall be got approved from the Engineer-in-charge. The cast iron flushing cistern shall be painted with one coat of anticorrosive paint and two coats of paints The flushing cistern shall be fixed on two C I brackets The C I brackets shall conform to I S 775-1970.

#### **M-67. Flush cock**

**67.1.** Half turn flush cock (Heavy weight) shall be of gun metal chromium plated of diameter as specified in the description of the item. The flush cock shall conform to relevant Indian Standard.

#### **M-68. Cast iron pipes and fittings.**

**68.1.** All soil water, vent and anti syphonage pipes and fitting shall conform to I S.1729-1964. The pipes shall have spigot and socket ends with head on spigot end. The pipes and fitting shall be true to shape smooth, cylindrical, their inner and outer surfaces being as nearly as practicable concentric. They shall be sound and nicely cast and shall be free from cracks, laps, pinholes or there imperfection and shall be neatly dressed and carefully fettled.

**68.2.** The end of pipes and fittings shall be reasonable square to their axis.

**68.3.** The sand of cast iron pipes shall be of the diameter as specified in the description and shall be in lengths of 1.5 M., 1.8 M. including socket ends of the pipe unless shorter lengths are either specified or required at junctions etc. The pipes and fittings shall be supplied without ears unless specified or directed otherwise.

#### **68.4. Tolerances :**

**68.4.1.** The Standard weights and thickness of pipes shall be as shown in the following table A tolerance up to minus 10 per cent may however be -allowed against these standard weights

Sr. No.	Nominal dia. of Bore	Thickness	Overall 1.5 m long	Weight of Pipe	excluding ears
				1.8 m long	2 m. long
1.	75 mm	5.0 mm	12.83 Kg.	16.52 Kg.	18.37 Kg.
2.	100 mm	5.0 mm	18.14 Kg.	21.67 Kg.	24.15 Kg.

**68.4.2.** A tolerance up to minus 15 percent in thickness and 20 mm. length will be allowed For fittings tolerance in lengths shall be plus 25 mm. and minus 10 mm.

- 68.4.3.** The thickness of fittings and their socket and spigot dimensions shall conform to the thickness and dimensions specified for the corresponding sizes of straight pipes. The tolerance in weights and thickness shall be the same as for straight pipes.

**M-69. Nahni Trap**

- 69.1.** Nahni trap shall be of cast iron and shall be sound and free from porosity or other defects which affect serviceability. The thickness of the base metal shall not be less than 6.5 mm. The surface shall be smooth and free from craze, chips and other flaws or any other kind of defects which affect serviceability. The size of nahni trap shall be specified and shall be of self cleaning design.
- 69.2.** The Nahni trap shall be of-quality approved by the Engineer-in-charge and shall generally conform to the relevant Indian Standards.
- 69.3.** The Nahni trap provide shall be with deep seal, minimum 50 mm. except at places where trap with deep seal cannot be accommodated. The cover shall be cast iron perforated cover shall be provided on the trap of appropriate size.

**M-70. Gully Trap**

- 70.1.** Gully trap shall conform to I.S. 651-1980. It shall be some, free from defects such as fire-cracks or hair cracks. The glaze of the traps shall be free from crazing. They shall give a sharp clear note when struck with light hammer. There shall be no broken blisters.
- 70.2.** The size of the gully trap shall be as specified in the item.
- 70.3.** Each gully trap shall have one C.I. grating of square size corresponding to the dimensions, of inlet of gully trap. It will also have a water tight C.I. cover with frame inside dimensions 300 mm. x 300 mm. the cover with frame inside dimensions 300 mm. x 300 mm. the cover and weighing not less than 4.53 Kg. and the frame not less than 2.72 Kg. The grating cover and frame shall be of sound and good casting and shall have truly square machined seating faces.

**M 71. Glazed Stone Ware pipe And Fittings**

- 71.1.** The pipes and fittings shall be of best quality as approved, by the Engineer-in-charge. The pipe shall be of best quality manufactured from stone- ware of fire clay, salt glazed thoroughly burnt through the whole thickness, of a close, even texture, free from air blows, fire blisters, cracks and other imperfections, which affect the serviceability. The inner and outer surfaces shall be smooth and perfectly glazed. The pipe shall be capable to withstand pressures or 1.5 M lead without showing sign of leakage. The thickness of the wall shall not be less than 1/12th of the internal dia.

The depth of socket shall not be less than 38 mm. The socket shall be sufficiently large to allow a joint of 6 mm. around the pipe.

**71.2.** The pipes shall generally conform to relevant I S 651-1980.

**M-72. Wall Peg Rail**

**72.1.** The aluminum wall peg rail shall have three aluminum pegs approved quality and size. It shall be fixed on teakwood plank of size 450 mm x 75 mm x 20 mm. The teakwood shall be French polished or oil painted as specified.

**M-73. G.I. Water Spot**

**73.1.** The G.I. pipes of 40 mm dia shall be of medium quality and specials shall be of 'R' brand or equivalent brand of best approved quality

**73.2.** The pipe shall have length as required for the thickness of wall in which it is fixed and at outside end tee bend cut at half the length shall be provided and at other end coupling shall be provided to have better fixing. The water spout shall be provided as per detailed drawing or as directed.

**M-74. Asbestos Cement pipe (A.C. pipe)**

**74.1.** The asbestos cement pipe of diameter as specified in the description of the item shall conform to I.S. 1626-1980. Special like bends, shoes, cowls, etc. shall conform to relevant Indian Standards. The interior of pipe shall have smooth finish, regular surface and regular internal diameter. The tolerance in all dimensions shall be as I.S. 1626-part-I-1980.

**M-75. Crydon Ball valve**

**75.1.** Ball valve of screwed type including polythene float and necessary level etc shall be of the size as mentioned in the description of item and shall conform to I.S 1703-1977

**M-76. Bitumen Felt For Water proofing And Damp Proofing**

**76.1.** Bitumen felt shall be on the fiber bases and shall be of type 2, self finished felt grade-2 and shall conform to I.S. 1322-1970

**M-77. Selected Earth**

**77.1.** The selected earth shall be that obtained from excavated material or shall have to be brought from outside as indicated in the items. If item does not indicate anything the selected earth shall have to be brought from outside.

**77.2.** The selected earth shall be good yellow soil and shall be got approved from the Engineer-in-charge. In no case black cotton soil or similar expansive and shrinkable soil shall be used. It shall be clean and free from all rubbish and perishable

materials, stones or brick bats. The clods shall be broken to a size of 50 mm or less. Contractor shall make his own arrangement at his own cost for land for borrowing selected earth. The stacking of material shall be done as directed by the Engineer-in-charge in such a way not to interfere with any construction all activities and in proper stacks.

- 77.3.** When excavated material is to be used only selected stuff got approved from the Engineer-in-charge shall be used. It shall be stacked separately and shall, comply with all the requirements of selected earth mentioned above.

**M-78. Barbed Wire**

- 78.1.** The barbed wire shall be of galvanized steel and it shall generally conform to I.S. 278-1978. The barbed wire shall be of types-I whose nominal diameter for line wire shall be 2.5 mm. and point wire 2.24 mm. The nominal distance between two barbs shall be 75 mm unless otherwise specified in the item. The barbed wire shall be formed by twisting together two fine wires. One containing the barbs. The size of the line and point wires and barb spacing shall be as specified above. The permissible deviation from the nominal diameter of the line wire and point wire shall not exceed  $\pm 0.08$  mm
- 78.2.** The barbs shall carry four points and shall be formed by twisting two point wires, each two turns tightly round one line wire making altogether four complete turns. The barbs shall have a length of not less than 13 mm and not more than 18 mm. The point shall be sharp and cut at an angle not greater than 35 degree of the axis of the wire forming the barbs.
- 78.3.** The line and point wires shall be circular in section, free from scale and other defects and shall be uniformly galvanized. The line wire shall be in continuous length and shall not contain any welds other than those in the rod before it is drawn. The distance between two successive splices shall not be less than 15 meters.
- 78.4.** The lengths per 100 Kg. of barbed wire I.S. type I shall be as under:
- |                    |                   |              |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Nominal 1000 meter | Minimum 934 meter | Maximum 1066 |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
- Meter.



**Item No:- 1 Box Cutting the road surface to proper slope and camber for making a base for road work including removing the excavated stuff and depositing on the road side slope as directed upto 50 Mt lead.**

The sub grade/sub-base/ base to receive the water bound macadam course shall be prepared to the specified grade and camber and made of dust and other extraneous materials. Any nets or soft places shall be corrected in on approved manner and rolled until firm. Cutting shall be paid on cross section area as established by the longitudinal level and cross sections for this purpose. The work shall be started after the initial longitudinal section of the ground and cross sections are taken and recorded. The final surface shall confirm to proper profile, camber and super-elevation etc. as directed by the Engineer. The earthwork shall be paid on sectional measurements, cross sectional etc taken. No allowance or payments shall be made for materials excavated prior to the taking of levels by the Engineer. The rate is inclusive of cutting in all soil and Murrum including removal of all shrubs, jungle cutting, cutting stuff in slopes, side drain bank etc complete. This item also includes the clearing the sides and demarking the line as per requirement and cutting out the. existing trees on the road side, no extra payment will be paid for at the time of preparing final bill, the road formation in embankment and cutting shall have be perfect condition true to grade, camber and side slope duly dressed and damages due to rain cuts etc., during entire working period shall have to be done by the contractor. The work taken in length shall be completed in all respects viz. width, grades, camber, side drains, side slopes etc. and measurements for incomplete work shall not be taken otherwise. 1.0 Mode of Measurement & Payment: 1.1. The unit rate box cutting shall include the cost of all materials, tools and plant required for excavation in all type of soils in grade and camber, line and levels and finishing as per direction of the Engineer-in-charge, excavation and all other incidental expenses for producing item of box cutting of specified breadth and depth and grade to complete the item or its components as shown on the drawings and according to these specifications. 1.2. The box cutting shall be measured for its cross sectional area and computing volumes of earth work in cubic metres by the method of average end areas 1.3. The payment will be made on Cubic Metre basis of the finished work.

**Item No.2 :-**

**Construction of Granular sub-base by providing well graded material for grade-I (B.T. stone Agg. 53mm to 9.5 mm 50%, 9.50 mm to 2.36 mm 20%, 2.36 below 30%) including spreading in uniform layers with motor grader on prepared surface, mixing by mix in place method with rotavator at OMC, and compacting with smooth wheel roller to achieve the desired density, complete as per Technical Specification Clause 401. For Grade-I Material**

**Scope:-**

This work shall consist of laying and compacting natural sand, murrum, gravel, crushed stone on prepared subgrade in accordance with the requirements of these specifications. The material shall be laid in one or more layers as sub-base or lower sub-base and upper sub-base (termed as sub-base hereinafter) as necessary according to lines, grades and cross sections shown on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer.

**Materials:-**

The material to be used for the work shall be natural sand, murrum, gravel, crushed stone depending upon the grading required. Materials like crushed slag, crushed concrete brick metal & kanker may be allowed only with the specific approval of the Engineer.

Maximum particle size of the corresponding gradings for the natural sand, murrum, gravel, crushed stone materials are given at Table 400-2. The grading to be adopted for a project shall be as specified in the Contract.

**Physical requirements :-**

The materials shall have a 10 percent lines value of 50 kN or more (for sample in soaked condition) when tested in compliance with BS:812(Part 111). The water absorption value of the coarse aggregate shall be determined as per IS: 2386 (Part 3), if this value is greater than 2 per cent, the soundness test shall be carried out on the material delivered to site as per IS: 383. For Grading II and III materials, the CBR shall be determined at the density and moisture content likely to be developed in equilibrium conditions which shall be taken as being the density relating to a uniform air voids content of 5 percent.

**TABLE 400-2, GRADING FOR COARSE GRADED GRANULAR SUB-BASE MATERIALS**

IS Sieve Designation	Percent by weight passing the IS Sieve		
	Grading I	Grading II	Grading III
75.0 mm	100	-	-
53.0 mm		100	
26.5 mm	55-75	50-80	100
9.50 mm			
4.75 mm	10-30	15-35	25-45

2.36 mm			
0.425 mm			
0.075 mm	<10	<10	<10
CBR Value (Minimum)	30	30	20

Note:- The material passing 425 micron (0.425 mm) sieve for all the three grading when tested according to IS: 2720(Part 5) shall have liquid limit and plasticity index not more than 25 and 6 percent respectively.

### **Strength of sub-base:-**

It shall be ensured prior to actual execution that the material to be used in the sub-base satisfies the requirements of CBR and other physical requirements when compacted and finished.

When directed by the Engineer, this shall be verified by performing CBR tests in the laboratory as required on specimens remolded at field dry density and moisture content and any other tests for the "Quality" of materials, as may be necessary.

Item No:-3

Providing and laying 150mm thick wet mix macadam (W.M.M.) in one layers using machine crushed black trap aggregate of 40 to 50 mm size in the material with water OMC in mechanically mix (pug mill) carriage of mix material by contractor's own tipper to site of work including laying, spreading and compacting in sub base, base course on well prepared under base of compacting as per MOST specification to achieve the desired density (Mechanically laid).

## **406. WET MIX MACADAM SUB-BASE/BASE**

### **406.1. Scope**

This work shall consist of laying and compacting clean, machine crushed chips and granular material, premixed with water, to a dense mass on a prepared sub grade/sub-base/base or existing pavement as the case may be in accordance with the requirements of these specifications. The material shall be laid in single layer as necessary to lines, grades and cross-sections shown on the approved drawings or as directed by the Engineer.

The thickness of a single compacted Wet Mix Macadam layer shall not be less than 125mm. When vibrating or other approved types of compacting equipment are used, the compacted depth of a single layer of the sub-base course may be up to 125 mm with the approval of the Engineer.

### **406.2. Materials**

#### **406.2.1. Aggregates**

##### **406.2.1.1. Physical requirements :**

Coarse aggregates shall be crushed stone. If crushed gravel / single is used, not less than

90 percent by weight of the gravel / single pieces retained on 4.75 mm sieve shall have at least two fractured faces. The aggregates shall conform to the physical requirements set forth in Table 400-12 below.

If the water absorption value of the coarse aggregate is greater than 2 per cent, the soundness test shall be carried out on the material delivered to site as per IS: 2386 (Part-5).

**TABLE - 400-12. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS OF COARSE AGGREGATES FOR  
WET MIX MACADAM FOR SUB-BASE/BASE COURSES**

<b>Test</b>	<b>Test Method</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
1. * Los Angeles Abrasion value or *Aggregate impact value. percent (Max)	IS: 2386 (PART-4) IS: 2386 (PART-4) or IS: 5640	40 percent (Max) **30
2. Combined Flakiness and (Max)** Elongation indices (Total)	IS: 2386 (PART-I)	35 percent

\* Aggregate may satisfy requirements of either of the two tests.

\* To determine this combined proportion, the flaky stone from a representative sample should first be separated out. Flakiness index is weight of flaky stone metal divided by weight of stone sample. Only the elongated particles are separated out from the remaining (non-flaky) stone metal. Elongation index is weight of elongated particles divided by total non-flaky particles. The value of flakiness index and elongation index so found are added up.

#### **406.2.1.2. Grading requirements:**

The aggregates shall conform to the grading given in Table 400.13.

**TABLE 400.13**

**GRADING REQUIREMENTS OF AGGREGATES FOR WET MIX MACADAM**

IS Sieve Designation	Percent by weight passing the IS sieve
53.00 mm	100
45.00 mm	95-100
26.50 mm	-
22.40 mm	60-80
11.20 mm	40-60
4.75 mm	25-40
2.36 mm	15-30
600.00 Micron	8-22
75.00 Micron	0-8

Materials finer than 425 micron shall have Plasticity Index (PI) not exceeding 6.

The final gradation approved within these limits shall be well graded from coarse to fine and shall not vary from the low limit on one sieve to the high limit on the adjacent sieve or vice versa.

**406.3. Construction Operations**

**406.3.1. Preparation of base:** The surface of the subgrade/sub-base/base to receive the wet mix macadam course shall be prepared to the specified lines and crossfall (camber) and made free of dust and other extraneous material. Any ruts or soft yielding places shall be corrected in an approved manner and rolled until firm surface is obtained if necessary by sprinkling water. Any sub-base/base/surface irregularities, where predominant, shall be made good by providing appropriate type of profile corrective course (levelling course) to Clause 501 of these Specifications.

As far as possible, laying wet mix macadam course over an existing thick bituminous layer may be avoided since it will cause problems of internal drainage to the pavement at the interface of two courses. It is desirable to completely pick out the existing bituminous course where wet mix macadam is proposed to be laid over it.

**406.3.2. Provision of lateral confinement of aggregates:** While constructing wet mix macadam, arrangement shall be made for the lateral confinement of wet mix. This shall be done by laying materials in adjoining shoulders along with that of wet mix macadam layer and following the sequence of operations described in Clause 404.3.3.

**406.3.3. Preparation of mix:** Wet Mix Macadam shall be prepared in an approved mixing plant of suitable capacity having provision for controlled addition of water and forced/positive mixing arrangement like pug mill or pan type mixer of concrete batching plant. The plant shall have following features:

- i. For feeding aggregates- three/ four bin feeders with variable speed motor
- ii. Vibrating screen for removal of oversize aggregates
- iii. Conveyor Belt
- iv. Controlled system for addition of water
- v. Forced/positive mixing arrangement like pug-mill or pan type mixer
- vi. Centralized control panel for sequential operation of various devices and precise process control
- vii. Safety devices

Optimum moisture for mixing shall be determined in accordance with IS: 2720 (Part-8) after replacing the aggregate fraction retained on 22.4 mm sieve with material of 4.75 mm to 22.4

mm size. While adding water, dew allowance should be made for evaporation losses. However, at the time of compaction, water in the wet mix should not vary from the optimum value by more than agreed limits. The mixed material should be uniformly wet and no segregation should be permitted.

**406.3.4. Spreading of mix:** Immediately after mixing, the aggregates shall be spread uniformly and evenly upon the prepared sub grade/sub- base/base in required quantities. In no case should these be dumped in heaps directly on the area where these are to be laid nor shall their hauling over a partly completed stretch be permitted.

The mix may be spread either by a paver finisher or motor grader. For portions where mechanical means cannot be used, manual means as approved by the Engineer shall be used. The motor grader shall be capable of spreading the material uniformly all over the surface. Its blade shall have hydraulic control suitable for initial adjustments and maintaining the same so as to achieve the specified slope and grade.

**The mix may be spread by a paver finisher. The paver finisher shall be self-propelled of adequate capacity with following features:**

- i. Loading hoppers and suitable distribution system, to provide a smooth uninterrupted material flow for different layer thicknesses from the tipper to the screed.
- ii. Hydraulically operated telescopic screed for paving width up to 8.5 m and fixed screed beyond this. The screed shall have tamping and vibrating arrangement for initial compaction of the layer.
- iii. Automatic levelling control system with electronic sensing device to maintain mat thickness and cross slope of mat during laying procedure.

In exceptional cases where it is not possible for the paver to be utilized, mechanical means like motor grader may be used with the prior approval of the Engineer. The motor grader shall be capable of spreading the material uniformly all over the surface.

The surface of the aggregate shall be carefully checked with templates and all high or low spots remedied by removing or adding aggregate as may be required. The layer may be tested by depth blocks during construction. No segregation of larger and fine particles should be allowed. The aggregates as spread should be of uniform gradation with no pockets of fine materials.

The Engineer may permit manual mixing and /or laying of wet mix macadam where small quantity of wet mix macadam is to be executed. Manual mixing/laying in inaccessible / remote locations and in situations where use of machinery is not feasible can also be permitted. Where manual mixing/laying is intended to be used, the same shall be done with the approval of the Engineer.

#### **406.3.5. Compaction:**

After the mix has been laid to the required thickness, grade and cross fall / camber the same shall be uniformly compacted, to the full depth with suitable roller. If the thickness of single compacted layer does not exceed 100 mm, a smooth wheel roller of 80 to 100 KN weight may be used. For a compacted single layer up to 200 mm, the compaction shall be done with the help of vibratory roller of minimum static weight of 80 to 100 KN or equivalent capacity roller. The speed of the roller shall not exceed 5 km/h.

In portions having unidirectional cross fall / super elevation, rolling shall commence from the lower edge and progress gradually towards the upper edge. Thereafter, roller should progress parallel to the centre line of the road, uniformly over-lapping each preceding track by at least one third width until the entire surface has been rolled. Alternate trips of the roller shall be terminated in stops at least 1 m away from any preceding stop.

In portions in camber, rolling should begin at the edge with the roller running forward

and backward until the edges have been firmly compacted. The roller shall then progress gradually towards the centre parallel to the centre line of the road uniformly overlapping each of the preceding tracks by at least one-third width until the entire surface has been rolled.

Any displacement occurring as a result of reversing of the direction of a roller or from any other cause shall be corrected at once as specified and/or removed and made good.

Along forms, kerb, walls or other places not accessible to the roller, the mixture shall be thoroughly compacted with mechanical tampers or a plate compactor. Skin patching of an area without scarifying the surface to permit proper bonding of the added material shall not be permitted.

Rolling should not be done when the sub grade is soft or yielding or when it causes a wave-like motion in the sub-base / base course or sub grade. If irregularities develop during rolling which exceed 12 mm when tested with a 3 metre straight edge, the surface should be loosened and premixed material added or removed as required before rolling again so as to achieve a uniform surface conforming to the desired grade and cross fall. In no case should the use of unmixed material be permitted to make up the depressions.

Rolling shall be continued till the density achieved is at least 98 per cent of the maximum dry density for the material as determined by the method outlined in IS: 2720 (Part-8).

After completion, the surface of any finished layer shall be well closed, free from movement under compaction equipment or any compaction planes, ridges, cracks and loose material. All loose, segregated or otherwise defective areas shall be made good to the full thickness of the layer and recomputed.

#### **406.3.6. Setting and drying :**

After final compaction of wet mix macadam course, the road shall be allowed to dry for 24 hours.

#### **406.4. Opening to Traffic**

Preferably no vehicular traffic of any kind should be allowed on the finished wet mix macadam surface till it has dried and the wearing course lay.

#### **406.5. Surface Finish and Quality Control of Work**

**406.5.1. Surface evenness :** The surface finish of construction shall conform to the requirements of Clause 902.

**406.5.2. Quality control:** Control on the quality of materials and works shall be exercised by the Engineer in accordance with Section 900.

#### **406.6. Rectification of Surface Irregularity**

Where the surface irregularity of the wet mix macadam course exceeds the permissible tolerances or where the course is otherwise defective due to sub grade soil getting mixed with the aggregates, the full thickness of the layer shall be scarified over the affected area, reshaped with added premixed material or removed and replaced with fresh premixed material as applicable and recomputed in accordance with Clause 406.3. The area treated in the aforesaid manner shall not be less than 5 m long and 2 m wide. In no case shall depressions be filled up with unmixed and ungraded material or fines.

#### **406.7. Arrangement for Traffic**

During the period of construction, arrangement of traffic shall be done as per Clause 112.

#### **406.8. Measurements for Payment**

**Wet mix macadam** shall be measured as finished work in position in **cubic metres**,

**406.9. Rates**

The Contract unit rate for **wet mix macadam** shall be payment in full for carrying out the following operations including full compensation for all components listed below.

1. Making arrangements for traffic to Clause 112 except for initial treatment to verges, shoulders and construction of diversions;
2. Furnishing all materials to be incorporated in the work including all royalties, fees, rents where necessary and all leads and lifts;
3. All labour, tools, equipment and incidentals to complete the work to the Specifications;
4. Carrying out the work in part widths of road where directed and
5. Carrying out the required tests for quality control.



Item No :- 4

Construction of dry lean cement concrete Sub- base over a prepared sub-grade with coarse and fine aggregate conforming to IS: 383, the size of coarse aggregate not exceeding 25 mm, aggregate cement ratio not to exceed 15:1, aggregate gradation after blending to be as per table 600-1, cement content not to be less than 220 kg/cum, optimum moisture content to be determined during trial length construction, concrete strength not to be less than 10 Mpa at 7 days, mixed in a batching plant, transported to site, laid with a fixed form paver or conventional method, compacting with 8-10 tonnes vibratory roller, finishing and curing etc. complete.

## **601 DRY LEAN CEMENT CONCRETE SUB-BASE**

### **Scope**

The work shall consist of construction of (zero slump) dry lean concrete sub-base for cement concrete pavement in accordance with the requirements of these Specifications and in conformity with the lines, grades and cross-sections shown on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer. The work shall include furnishing of all plant and equipment, materials and labour and performing all operations, in connection with the work, as approved by the Engineer.

The design parameters of dry lean concrete sub-base, viz., width, thickness, grade of concrete, details of joints, if any, etc. shall be as stipulated in the drawings.

### **Materials**

#### **Sources of Materials**

The Contractor shall indicate to the Engineer the source of all materials with relevant test data to be used in the dry lean concrete work sufficiently in advance and the approval of the Engineer for the same shall be obtained at least 45 days before the scheduled commencement of the work in trial length. If the Contractor later proposes to obtain the materials from a different source during the execution of main work, he shall notify the Engineer with relevant test data for his approval at least 45 days before such materials are to be used.

#### **Cement**

Any of the following types of cement may be used with prior approval of the Engineer:

S. No.	Type	Conforming to
i)	Ordinary Portland Cement 43 Grade	IS:8112
ii)	Portland Slag Cement	IS:455
iii)	Portland Pozzolana Cement	IS:1489-
Part I		

If the subgrade soil contains soluble sulphates in a concentration more than 0.5 percent, sulphate resistant cement conforming to IS:6909 shall be used.

Cement to be used may preferably be obtained in bulk form. It shall be stored in accordance with stipulations contained in Clause 1014 and shall be subjected to acceptance test prior to its immediate use.

#### ***Fly-ash***

Fly-ash upto 20 percent by weight of cementitious material (cement+flyash) may be used along with 43/53 grade cement may be used to replace OPC cement grade 43 upto 30 percent by weight of cement. Fly-ash shall conform to IS:3812 (Part 1) and its use shall be permitted only after ensuring that facilities exist for uniform blending through a proper mechanical facility with automated process control like batch mix plant conforming to IS:4925 and IS:4926.

#### ***Aggregates***

Aggregates for lean concrete shall be natural material complying with IS:383. The aggregates shall not be alkali reactive. The limits of deleterious materials shall not exceed the requirements set forth in Table 600-2. In case the Engineer considers that the aggregates are not free from dirt, the same may be washed and drained for at least 72 hours before batching, or as directed by the Engineer.

#### ***Coarse Aggregates***

Coarse aggregates shall comply with Clause 602.2.6.2, except that the maximum size of the coarse aggregate shall be 26.5 mm, and aggregate gradation shall comply with Table 600-1.

### ***Fine Aggregates***

The fine aggregate shall comply with Clause 602.2.6.3.

The material after blending shall conform to the grading as indicated in Table 600-1.

Table 600-1 : Aggregate Gradation for Dry Lean Concrete

Sieve Designation	Percentage by- Weight Passing the Sieve	
26.50 mm	100	
19.0 mm	75-95	
9.50 mm	50-70	
4.75 mm	30-55	
2.36 mm	17-42	
600 micron		8-22
300 micron		7-17
150 micron		2-12
75 micron		0-10

### ***Water***

Water used for mixing and curing of concrete shall comply with Clause 602.2.7.

### ***Storage of Materials***

All materials shall be stored in accordance with the provisions of Clauses 602.2.12 of these Specifications and other relevant IS Specifications.

### ***Proportioning of Materials for the Mix***

The mix shall be proportioned with a maximum aggregate cementitious material ratio of 15:1. The water content shall be adjusted to the optimum as per Clause

for facilitating compaction by rolling. The strength and density requirements of concrete shall be determined in accordance with Clauses 601.7 and,601.8 by making trial mixes. Care should be taken to prevent one size of aggregate falling into the other- size of the hopper of the feeding bin while loading the individual size of aggregates into the bins.

### ***Moisture Content***

The optimum water content shall be determined and demonstrated by rolling during trial length construction and the optimum moisture content and degree of compaction shall be got approved from Engineer. While laying in the main work, the lean concrete shall have a moisture content between the optimum and optimum +2 percent, keeping in view the effectiveness of compaction achieved and to compensate for evaporation losses.

#### ***Cement Content***

The cement content in the dry lean concrete shall be such that the strength specified in Clause 601.3.4 is achieved. The minimum cement content shall be **220 kg/cu.m** of concrete. In case flyash is blended at site as part replacement of cement, the quantity of flyash shall not be more than 20 percent by weight of cementitious material and the content of OPC shall not be less than 120 kg/cu.m. If this minimum is not sufficient to produce dry lean concrete of the specified strength, it shall be increased as necessary by the Contractor at his own cost.

#### ***Concrete Strengt***

The average compressive strength of each consecutive group of 5 cubes made in accordance with Clause 903.5.1.1 shall not, b less than 10 MPa at 7 days. In addition, the minimum compressive strength of any individual cube shall not be less than 7.5 MPa at 7 days. The design mix complying with the above Clauses shall be got approved from the Engineer and demonstrated in the trial length construction.

#### ***Sub-grade***

The sub-grade shall conform to the grades and cross-sections shown on the drawings and shall be laid and compacted in accordance with Clause 305. The subgrade strength shall correspond to the design strength specified in the Contract. As far as possible, the construction traffic shall be avoided on the prepared sub-grade.

#### ***Drainage Layer***

A drainage layer conforming to Clause 401 shall be laid above the subgrade before laying the Dry Lean Concrete sub-base, as specified in the drawings and the Contract.

## **Construction**

### **General**

The Dry Lean Concrete shall be laid on the prepared granular drainage layer. The pace and programme of the Dry Lean Concrete sub-base construction shall be matching suitably with the programme of construction of the cement concrete pavement over it. The Dry Lean Concrete sub-base shall be overlaid with concrete pavement only after 7 days of sub-base construction.

### **Batching and Mixing**

The batching plant shall be capable of proportioning the materials by weight, each type of material being weighed separately in accordance with Clauses 602.9.2, 602.9.3.1 and 602.9.3.2.

The design features of Batching Plant should be such that the plant can be shifted quickly.

### **Transporting**

Plant mix lean concrete shall be discharged immediately from the mixer, transported directly to the point where it is to be laid and protected from the weather by covering the tipping trucks with tarpaulin during transit. The concrete shall be transported by tipping trucks, sufficient in number to ensure a continuous supply of material to feed the laying equipment to work at a uniform speed and in an uninterrupted manner. The lead of the batching plant to paving site shall be such that the travel time available from mixing to paving as specified in Clause 601.6.5.2 will be adhered to. Tipping truck shall not have old concrete sticking to it. Each tipping truck shall be washed with water jet before next loading as and when required after inspection.

### **Placing**

Lean concrete shall be placed by a paver with electronic sensor on the drainage layer or as specified in the Contract. The equipment shall be capable of laying the material in one layer in an even manner without segregation, so that after compaction the total thickness is as specified. The paving machine shall have high amplitude tamping bars to give good initial compaction to the sub-base. One day before placing of the dry lean cement concrete subbase, the surface of the granular sub-base/drainage layer shall be given a fine spray of water and rolled with a smooth wheeled roller.

Preferably the lean concrete shall be placed and compacted across the full width of the two lane carriageway, by constructing it in one go. In roads with carriageway more than

2 lanes a longitudinal joint shall be provided. Transverse butt type joint shall be provided at the end of the construction in a day. Transverse joints in the concrete pavement shall not be coterminous with the transverse construction joint of the Dry Lean Concrete.

The Dry Lean Concrete shall be laid in such a way that it is atleast 750 mm wider on each side than the proposed width including paved shoulders of the concrete pavement. The actual widening shall be decided based on the specifications of the paver, such that the crawler moves on the Dry Lean Concrete, and the cost of extra width shall be borne by the Contractor.

### ***Compaction***

The compaction shall be carried out immediately after the material is laid and levelled. In order to ensure thorough compaction, rolling shall, be continued on the full width till there is no further visible movement under the roller and the surface is well closed.

The minimum dry density obtained shall not be less than 98 percent of that achieved during the trial length construction in accordance with Clause 601.7. The densities achieved at the edges i.e. 0.5 m from the edge shall not be less than 96 percent of that achieved during the trial construction.

The spreading, compacting and finishing of the lean concrete shall be carried out as rapidly as possible and the operation shall be so arranged as to ensure that the time between the mixing of the first batch of concrete in any transverse section of the layer and the final finishing of the same shall not exceed 90 minutes when the temperature of concrete is between 25°C and 30°C, and 120 minutes if less than 25°C. This period may be reviewed by the Engineer in the light of the results of the trial run but in no case shall it exceed 120 minutes.

Work shall not proceed when the temperature of the concrete exceeds 30°C. If necessary, chilled water or addition of ice may be resorted to for bringing down the temperature. It is desirable to stop concreting when the ambient temperature is above 35°C. After compaction has been completed, roller shall not stand on the

compacted surface for the duration of the curing period except during commencement of next day's work near the location where work was terminated the previous day.

Double drum smooth-wheeled vibratory rollers of minimum 80 to 100 kN static weight are suitable for rolling dry lean concrete. In case any other roller is proposed, the same shall be got approved from the Engineer, after demonstrating its performance. The number of passes required to obtain maximum compaction depends on the thickness of the dry lean concrete, the compactibility of the mix and the weight and type of the roller and the same as well as the total requirement of rollers for the jobs shall be determined during trial run by measuring in-situ density and the scale of the work to be undertaken.

Except on super elevated portions where rolling shall proceed from the inner edge to the outer, rolling shall begin from the edges gradually progressing towards the centre. First, the edge/edges shall be compacted with a roller running forward and backward. The roller shall then move inward parallel to the centerline of the road, in successive passes uniformly lapping preceding tracks by at least one half width.

A preliminary pass without vibration to bed the Dry Lean Concrete down shall be given followed by the required number of passes to achieve the desired density and, a final pass without vibration to remove roller with vibration marks and to smoothen the surface.

Special care and attention shall be exercised during compaction near joints, kerbs, channels, side forms and around gullies and manholes. In case adequate compaction is not achieved by the roller at these locations, use of plate vibrators shall be made, if so directed by the Engineer.

The final lean concrete surface on completion of compaction shall be well closed, free from movement under roller and free from ridges, low spots, cracks, loose material, pot holes, ruts or other defects. The final surface shall be inspected immediately on completion and all loose, segregated or defective areas shall be corrected by using fresh lean concrete material, laid and compacted. For repairing honeycombed/hungry surface, concrete with aggregates of size 10 mm and below shall

be spread and compacted as per Specifications. It is necessary to check the level of the rolled surface for compliance. Any level/thickness deficiency shall be corrected after applying concrete with aggregates of size 10 mm and below after roughening the surface. Surface regularity also shall be checked with 3 m straight edge. Strength tests shall be carried out, and if deficiency in strength is noticed, at least three (evenly spread) cores of minimum 100 mm dia per km shall be cut to check deficiency in strength. The holes resulting from cores shall be restored by filling with concrete of the specified strength and compacted by adequate rodding.

Segregation of concrete in the tipping trucks shall be controlled by moving the dumper back and forth while discharging the mix into the same or by any appropriate means. Paving operation shall be such that the mix does not segregate.

### ***Joints***

Construction and longitudinal joints shall be provided as per the drawings.

Transverse butt type joint shall be provided at the end of the construction in a day. Longitudinal construction joint shall be provided only when full width paving is not possible. Transverse joints in Dry Lean concrete shall be staggered from the construction butt type joint in Concrete pavement by 800-1000 mm.

Longitudinal joint in Dry Lean Concrete shall be staggered by 300-400 mm from the longitudinal joint of concrete pavement.

At longitudinal or transverse construction joints, unless vertical forms are used, the edge of compacted material shall be cut back to a vertical plane where the correct thickness of the properly compacted material has been obtained.

### ***Curing***

As soon as the lean concrete surface is compacted, curing shall commence. One of the following methods shall be adopted:

- a) Curing may be done by covering the surface by gunny bags/hessian, which shall be kept wet continuously for 7 days by sprinkling water.
- b) The curing shall be done by spraying with approved resin based aluminized reflective curing compound conforming to ASTM-C 309-81 in accordance with Clause 602.9.12. As soon as the curing compound has lost its tackiness, the surface shall be covered with wet hessian for three days. The rate of application shall be as recommended by the supplier.



- c) Wax-based white pigmented curing compound with water retention index of not less than 90 percent shall be used to cure the dry lean concrete. The curing compound shall conform to BS:7542. The compound shall be applied

uniformly with a mechanical sprayer and with a hood to protect the spray from the wind. The curing compound shall be applied over the entire exposed surface of the Dry Lean Concrete, including sides and edges, at the rate of 0.2 litres/sq.m, or as recommended by the supplier.

The first application, referred to as curing application shall be applied immediately after the final rolling of Dry Lean Concrete is completed.

As soon as the curing compound loses tackiness, the surface shall be covered with wet hessian for three days. The second application of curing compound also referred to as the debonding application, shall be applied 24 to 48 hours prior to the placement of the concrete pavement. Any damaged Dry Lean Concrete shall be corrected prior to the second application. Normally, the manufacturer's instructions shall be followed for its application.

### ***Trial Mixes***

The Contractor shall make trial mixes of dry lean concrete with moisture contents like 5.0, 5.5, 6.0, 6.5 and 7.0 percent using specified cement content, specified aggregate grading and aggregate-cement ratio specified in Clause 601.3.1. Optimum moisture and density shall be established by preparing cubes with varying moisture contents. Compaction of the mix shall be done in three layers with vibratory hammer fitted with a square or rectangular foot as described in Clause 903.5.1.1. After establishing the optimum moisture, a set of six cubes shall be cast at optimum moisture for the determination of compressive strength on the third and the seventh day. Trial mixes shall be repeated if the strength is not satisfactory by increasing cement content. After the mix design is approved, the Contractor shall construct a trial section in accordance with Clause 601.8.

If during the construction of the trial length, the optimum moisture content determined as above is found to be unsatisfactory, the Contractor may make suitable changes in the moisture content to achieve the satisfactory mix. The cube specimens prepared with the changed mix content should satisfy the strength requirement. Before production of the mix, natural moisture content of the aggregate should be determined on a day-to-day basis so that the moisture content could be

adjusted. The mix finally designed should neither stick to the rollers nor become too dry resulting in ravelling of surface.

### ***Trial Length***

The trial length shall be constructed at least 14 days in advance of the proposed date of commencement of work. At least 30 days prior to the construction of the trial length, the Contractor shall submit for the Engineer's approval a "Method

Statement" giving detailed description of the proposed materials, plant, equipment, mix proportions, and procedure for, batching, mixing, laying, compaction and other construction procedures. The Engineer shall also approve the location and length of trial construction which shall be a minimum of 100 m length laid in two days and for full width of the pavement. The trial length shall be outside the main works. The trial length shall contain the construction of at least one transverse construction joint involving hardened concrete and freshly laid Dry Lean Concrete sub-base. The construction of trial length shall be repeated till the Contractor proves his ability to satisfactorily construct the Dry Lean Concrete sub-base.

After the construction of the trial length, the in-situ density of the freshly laid material shall be determined by sand replacement method. Three density holes shall be made at locations equally spaced along a diagonal that bisects the trial length and average of these densities shall be determined. The density holes shall not be made in the strip 500 mm from the edges. The average density obtained from the three samples collected shall be the reference density and is considered as 100 percent. The field density of regular work will be compared with this reference density in accordance with Clauses 601.6.5.1 and 903.5.1.2.

The hardened concrete shall be cut over 3 m width and reversed to inspect the bottom surface for any segregation taking place. The trial length shall be constructed after making necessary changes in the gradation of the mix to eliminate segregation of the mix. The lower surface shall not have honey-combing and the aggregates shall not be held loosely at the edges.

The main work shall not start until the trial length has been approved by the Engineer. After approval has been given, the materials, mix

proportions, moisture content, mixing, laying, compaction plant and construction procedures shall not be changed without the approval of the Engineer.

Tolerances for Surface Regularity, Level, Thickness, Density and Strength Control of quality of materials and works shall be exercised by the Engineer in accordance with Section 900 as stated below

### ***Quality Control Tests for Concrete Road Construction***

#### **Dry Lean Concrete Sub-base**

Sampling and Testing of Cubes Samples of dry lean concrete for making cubes shall be taken from the uncompacted material from different locations immediately before compaction at the rate of 3 samples for each 1000 sq.m or part thereof laid each day. The sampling of mix shall be done from the paving site.

Test cubes of 150 mm size shall be made immediately from each mix sample.

Cubes shall be made in accordance with the methods described in IS:516 except that the cubes shall be compacted by means of a vibratory hammer with the moulds placed on a level and rigid base. The vibrating hammer shall be electric or pneumatic type fitted with a square or rectangular foot having an area of between 7500 to 14000 sq.mm. The compaction shall be uniformly applied for  $60 \pm 5$  seconds with a downward force of between 300 N and 400 N on to each of the three layers of the lean concrete material placed into the mould. The surface of each compacted layer shall be scarified before the next layer is added to give key for the next layer. The final layer shall be finished flush with the top of the cube mould.

The dry lean concrete shall be cured in accordance with IS:516.

#### **In-situ Density**

The dry density of the laid material shall be determined from three density holes at locations equally spaced along a diagonal that bisects each 2000 sq.m or part thereof laid each day and shall comply with the requirements as per Clause 601.6.5.1. This rate of testing may be increased at the discretion of the Engineer in case of doubt or to determine the extent of defective area in the event of non-compliance. Density holes at random may be made to check the density at edges.

#### **Thickness**

The average thickness of the subbase layer as computed by the level data of sub-base and subgrade or lower sub-base shall be as per the thickness specified in the contract drawings. The thickness at any single location shall not be 8 mm less than the specified thickness. Such areas shall be corrected as stated in Clause 601.6.5.5. Areas which cannot be repaired should be replaced over full width. The extent of deficient area should be decided based on cores.

#### **Frequency of Quality Control Tests**

The frequency of quality control tests for levels, alignment and materials shall be as given in Table 900-6

#### ***Traffic***

No heavy commercial vehicles like trucks and buses shall be permitted on the dry lean concrete sub-base. Construction vehicles at slow speed may be permitted after 7 days of its construction with the prior approval of the Engineer.

#### ***Measurement for Payment***

The unit of measurement for dry lean concrete pavement shall be in cubic metre of concrete placed, based on the net plan area for the accepted thickness shown on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer.

#### ***Rate***

The Contract unit rate payable for dry lean concrete sub-base shall be for carrying out the required operations including full compensation for all labour, materials and equipment, mixing, transport, placing, compacting, finishing, curing, rectification of defective surface testing and incidentals such as trial length to complete the work as per Specifications, all royalties, fees, storage and rents where necessary and all leads and lifts.

**Item No. 7**

**Construction of un-reinforced, dowel jointed, plain cement concrete pavement over a prepared sub base with concrete grade M300, coarse and fine aggregate conforming to IS 383, maximum size of coarse aggregate not exceeding 25 mm, mixed in a batching and mixing plant as per approved mix design, transported to site, laid with a fixed form or slip form paver, spread, compacted and finished in a continuous operation including provision of contraction, expansion, construction and longitudinal joints, joint filler, separation membrane, sealant primer, joint sealant, debonding strip, dowel bar, tie rod, admixtures as approved, curing compound, finishing to lines and grades as per drawing**

**602 CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENT****Scope**

The work shall consist of construction of un-reinforced, dowel jointed, plain cement concrete pavement in accordance with the requirements of these Specifications and in conformity with the lines, grades and cross sections shown on the drawings. The work shall include furnishing of all plant and equipment, materials and labour and performing all operations in connection with the work, as approved by the Engineer.

The design parameters, viz., thickness of pavement slab, grade of concrete, joint details etc. shall be as stipulated in the drawings.

**Materials****Source of Materials**

The Contractor shall indicate to the Engineer the source of all materials to be used in the concrete work with relevant test data sufficiently in advance, and the approval of the Engineer for the same shall be obtained at least 45 days before the scheduled commencement of the work in trial length. If the Contractor subsequently proposes to obtain materials from a different source during the execution of main work, he shall notify the Engineer, with relevant test data, for his approval, at least 45 days before such materials are to be used.

**Cement**

Any of the following types of cement capable of achieving the design strength may be used with prior approval of the Engineer, but preference shall be to use at least the 43 grade or higher.

S.No.	Type	Conforming
		to
i)	Ordinary Portland Cement 43 Grade.	IS:8112
ii)	Ordinary Portland Cement 53 Grade	IS:12269
iii)	Portlant slag cement	IS:455
iv)	Portland Pozzolana Cement	

IS:1489-Part I If the soil around concrete pavement

has soluble salts like sulphates in excess of 0.5 percent, the cement used shall be sulphate resistant and shall conform to IS:12330. Cement to be used may preferably be obtained in bulk form. If cement in paper bags is proposed to be used, there shall be bag-splitters with the facility to separate pieces of paper bags and. dispose them off suitably. No paper pieces shall enter the concrete mix. Bulk cement shall be stored in accordance with Clause 1014. The cement shall be subjected to acceptance test.

Fly-ash upto 20 percent by weight of cementitious material may be used in Ordinary Portland- Cement 43 and 53 Grade as part replacement of cement provided uniform blending with cement is ensured. The fly ash shall conform to IS:3812 (Part I).

Site mixing of fly ash shall be permitted only after ensuring availability of the equipments at site for uniform blending through a specific mechanised facility with automated process control like batch mix plants conforming to IS:4925 and IS-4926. Site mixing will not be allowed otherwise.

The Portland Pozzolana Cement produced in factory as per IS:1489-Part I shall not have fly-ash content more than 20 percent by weight of cementitious material. Certificate from the manufacturer to this effect shall 'be produced before use.

### **Chemical Admixtures**

Admixtures conforming to IS:9103 and IS:6925 shall be permitted to improve workability of the concrete and/or extension of setting time, on satisfactory evidence that they will not have any adverse effect on the properties of concrete with respect to strength, volume change, durability and have no deleterious effect on steel bars. The particulars of the admixture and the quantity to be used, must be furnished to the Engineer in advance to obtain his approval before use. Satisfactory performance of the admixtures should be proved both on the laboratory concrete trial mixes and in

the trial length paving. If air entraining admixture is used, the total quantity of air shall be  $5 \pm 1.5$  percent for 31.5 mm maximum nominal size aggregate (in air-entrained concrete as a percentage of the volume of the mix).

### ***Silica Fumes***

Silica fume conforming to a standard approved by the Engineer may be used as an admixture in the proportion of 3 to 10 percent of cement. Silica fume shall comply with the requirements given in IS:15388-2003, IS:456-2000, IRC:SP:76 and IRC:44-2008.

### ***Fibres***

Fibres may be used subject to the provision in the design/approval by the Engineer to reduce the shrinkage cracking and post-cracking. The fibres may be steel fibre as per IRC:SP:46 or polymeric Synthetic fibres within the following range of specifications:

Effective Diameter	10 micron - 100 micron
Length	6-48 mm
Specific gravity	more than 1.0
Suggested dosage	0.6-2.0 kg/cu.m (0.2 - 0.6% by weight of cement in mix) .Usage will be regulated as stipulated in IRC:44/IS:456
Water absorption	less than 0.45 percent
Melting point of this fibre shall not be less than 160°C.	
The aspect ratio generally varies from 200 to 2000	
These synthetic fibres will have good alkali and UV light resistance	

When fibres are used, the mix shall be so designed that the slump of concrete at paving site is  $25 \pm 15$  mm.

### ***Aggregates***

Aggregates for pavement concrete shall be natural material complying with IS:383 but with a Los Angeles Abrasion Test value not exceeding 35 percent. The limits of deleterious materials shall not exceed the requirements set out in Table 600-2.

***Table 600-2 : Permissible Limits of Deleterious Substances in Fine***

### **and Coarse Aggregates**

S No	Deleterious substances	Method of tests	Fine aggregate percentage by Weight (Max.)		Coarse Aggregate Percentage by Weight (Max)	
			Uncrushed	Crushed	Uncrushed	Crushed
1	Coal and lignite	IS :2386 (Part II)- 1963	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
2	Clay Lumps	Do	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
3	Material finer than 75 IS Sieve	IS :2386 (Part II)	3.0	8.0	3.0	3.0
4	Soft fragments	IS :2386 (Part II)	-	-	3.0	-
5	Shale	IS :2386 (Part II)	1.0	-	-	-
6	Total percentages of all deleterious materials (except mica) including SI No. (i) to (V) for col 4,6 and 7 SI No (i) and (II) for Col 5 Only		5.0	2.0	5.0	5.0

\* Crushed aggregate at least one face fractured

Note: The presence of mica in the fine aggregate has been found to reduce considerably the durability and compressive strength of concrete and further investigations are underway to determine the extent of the deleterious effect of mica. It is advisable, therefore, to investigate the mica content of fine aggregate and make suitable allowances for the possible reduction in the strength of concrete or mortar; in cases where the stretch of the project road passes through micaceous belt.

The aggregates shall be free from chert, flint, chalcedony or other silica in a form that can react with the alkalis in the cement. In addition, the total chlorides content expressed as chloride ion content shall not exceed 0.06 percent by weight and the total sulphate content expressed as sulphuric anhydride (SO<sub>3</sub>) shall not exceed 0.25 percent by weight. In case the Engineer considers that the aggregates are not free from dirt, the same may be washed and drained for atleast 72 hours before batching, as directed by the Engineer.



### ***Coarse Aggregates***

Coarse aggregates shall consist of clean, hard, strong, dense, non-porous and durable pieces of crushed stone or crushed gravel and shall be devoid of pieces of disintegrated stone, soft, flaky, elongated, very angular or splintery pieces. The maximum size of coarse aggregate shall not exceed 31.5 mm for pavement concrete. No aggregate which has water absorption more than 2 percent shall be used in the concrete mix. The aggregates shall be tested for soundness in accordance with IS:2386 (Part-5). After 5 cycles of testing, the loss shall not be more than 12 percent if sodium sulphate solution is used or 18 percent if magnesium sulphate solution is used. The Los Angeles Abrasion value shall not exceed 35. The combined flakiness and elongation index of aggregate shall not be more than 35 percent.

### ***Fine Aggregates***

The fine aggregates shall consist of clean natural sand or crushed stone sand or a combination of the two and shall conform to IS:383. Fine aggregate shall be free from soft particles, clay, shale, loam, cemented particles, mica and organic and other foreign matter. The fine aggregates shall have a sand equivalent value of not less than 50 when tested in accordance with the requirement of IS:2720 (Part 37).

### ***Combined Gradation of Fine and Coarse Aggregates***

The combined gradation of fine and coarse aggregates shall be as per Table 600-3.

***Table 600-3 : Aggregate Gradation for Pavement Quality Concrete Sieve***

<b><i>Designation Sieve</i></b>	<b><i>Percentage by Weight Passing the Sieve</i></b>
31.5 mm	100
26.5 mm	85-95
19.0 mm	68-88
9.5 mm	45-65
4.75 mm	30-55
600 micron	8-30
150 micron	5-15
75 micron	0-5

### **Water**

Water used for mixing and curing of concrete shall be clean and free from injurious amount of oil, salt, acid, vegetable matter or other substances harmful to the finished concrete. It shall meet the requirements stipulated in IS:456.

### ***Steel for Dowels and Tie Bars***

Steel shall conform to the requirements of IS:432 and IS:1786 as relevant. The dowel bars shall conform to IS:432 of Grade I. Tie bars shall be either High yield Strength Deformed bars conforming to IS-1786 and grade of Fe 500 or plain bars conforming to IS-432 of Grade I. The steel shall be coated with epoxy paint for protection against corrosion.

### ***Joint Filler Board***

Synthetic Joint filler board for expansion joints shall be used only at abutting structures like bridges and shall be of 20-25 mm thickness within a tolerance of  $\pm 1.5$  mm and of a firm compressible material and complying with the requirements of IS: 1838, with a compressibility more than 25 percent. It shall be 25 mm less in depth than the thickness of the slab within a tolerance of  $\pm 3$  mm and provided to the full width between the side forms. It shall be in suitable lengths which shall not be less than one lane width. If two pieces are joined to make up full width, the joint shall be taped such that no slurry escapes through the joint. Holes to accommodate dowel bars shall be accurately bored or punched out to give a sliding fit on the dowel bars.

### ***Joint Sealing Compound***

The joint sealing compound shall be of hot poured, elastomeric type or cold polysulphide/ polyurethane/silicone type having flexibility, resistance to age hardening and durability as per IRC:57. Manufacturer's certificate shall be produced by the Contractor for establishing that the sealant is not more than six months old and stating that the sealant complies with the relevant standard mentioned below. The samples shall meet the requirements as mentioned in IRC:57.

If sealant is of hot poured type, it shall conform to

Hot applied sealant : IS:1834 or ASTM : 3406-95, as applicable Cold poured sealants shall be one of the following :

- |      |              |                                      |
|------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| i)   | polysulphide | IS:11433 (Part I), BS:5212 (Part II) |
| ii)  | polyurethane | BS:5212                              |
| iii) | silicone     | ASTM 5893-04                         |

### ***Preformed Seals***

The pre-formed joint sealing material shall be a vulcanized elastomeric compound using polychloroprene (Neoprene) as the base polymer.

The joint seal shall conform to requirements of ASTM D 2628 as given in Table 600-

4.

***Table 600-4 : Requirement of Preformed Seals as per ASTM D 2628***

Sr No	Description	Requirements	ASTM Test methods
1	Tensile strength, min	13.8 MPa	D 412
2	Elongation at break	Min.250 %	D 412
3	Hardness, Type A durometer	55+/- points	D 2240
4	Oven aging, 70 h at 100°C Tensile strength loss	20 % max	D 573
5	Elongation loss	20 % max	
6	Hardness Change Type A durometer	0 to +10 points	D 471
7	Oil Swell, ASTM Oil 3,70 h at 100°C Weight Change	45% max	D 1149
8	Ozone resistance 20 percent strain, 300 pphm in air,70 h at 40°C	No cracks	D 2240
9	Low temperature stiffening, 7 days at -10°C	0 to +15 points	
	Hardness Change type A durometer		
10	Low temperature recovery, 22h at -10°C deflection	88 % min	D2628
11	Low temperature recovery, 22h at -29°C deflection	83 % min	D2628
12	Low temperature recovery, 70h at -100°C, 50% deflection	85 % min	D2628
13	Compression, deflection, at 80% of normal width min	613 N/m	D2628

### **Storage of Materials**

All materials shall be stored in accordance with the provisions of Clause 1014 of the Specifications. All efforts shall be made to store the materials in proper places so as to prevent their deterioration or contamination by foreign matter and to ensure their satisfactory quality and fitness for the work. The platform where aggregates are stock piled shall be paved and elevated from the ground at least by 150 mm. The area shall have slope to drain off rain water. The storage space must also permit easy inspection, removal and storage of the materials. Aggregates of different sizes shall be stored in partitioned stack-yards. All such materials even though stored in approved godowns must be subjected to acceptance test as per Clause 903 of these Specifications prior to their use.

### ***Proportioning of Concrete***

After approval by the Engineer of all the materials to be used in the concrete, the Contractor shall submit the mix design based on weighed proportions of all ingredients for the approval of the Engineer vide Clause 602.3.4. The mix design shall be submitted at least 30 days prior to the paving of trial length and the design shall be based on laboratory trial mixes using the approved materials and methods as per IRC:44 or IS:10262. The target mean strength for the design mix shall be determined as indicated in Clause 602.3.3.1. The mix design shall be based on the flexural strength of concrete.

### ***Cement Content***

When Ordinary Portland Cement (OPC) is used the quantity of cement shall not be less than **450 kg/cu.m**. In case fly ash grade I (as per IS:3812) is blended at site as part replacement of cement, the quantity of fly ash shall be upto 20 percent by weight of cementitious material and the quantity of OPC in such a blend shall not be less than **360 kg/cu.m**. The minimum of OPC content, in case ground granulated blast furnace slag cement blended, shall also not be less than 310 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. If this minimum cement

content is not sufficient to produce concrete of the specified strength, it shall be increased as necessary by the contractor at his own cost.

### **Concrete Strength**

The characteristic flexural strength of concrete shall not be less than 4.5 MPa unless specified otherwise. Target mean flexural strength for mix design shall be more than  $4.5 \text{ MPa} + 1.65s$ , where  $s$  is standard deviation of flexural strength derived by conducting test on minimum 30 beams. While designing the mix in the laboratory, correlation between flexural and compressive strengths of concrete shall be established on the basis of at least thirty tests on specimens. However, quality control in the field shall be exercised on the basis of flexural strength. It may, however, be ensured that the materials and mix proportions remain substantially unaltered during the daily concrete production. The water content shall be the minimum required to provide the agreed workability for full compaction of the concrete to the required density as determined by the trial mixes or as approved by the Engineer and the maximum free water cement ratio shall be 0.45 when only OPC is used and 0.50 when blended cement (Portland Pozzolana Cement or Portland Slag Cement or OPC blended with fly ash or Ground Granulated Blast Furnance Slag, at site) is used.

The ratio between the 7 and 28 day strength shall be established for the mix to be used in the slab in advance, by testing pairs of beams and cubes at each stage on at least six batches of trial mix. The average strength of the 7 day cured specimens shall be divided by the average strength of the 28 day specimens for each batch, and the ratio 'R' shall be determined. The ratio 'R' shall be expressed to three decimal places.

If during the construction of the trial length or during some normal working, the average value of any four consecutive 7 day test results falls below the required 7 day strength as derived from the value of 'R' then the cement content of the concrete shall, without extra payment, be increased by 5 percent by weight or by an amount agreed by the Engineer. The increased cement content shall be maintained at least until the four corresponding 28 day strengths have been assessed for in conformity

with the requirements as per Clause 602.3.3.1. Whenever the cement content is increased, the concrete mix shall be adjusted to maintain the required workability.

### ***Workability***

The workability of the concrete at the point of placing shall be adequate for the concrete to be fully compacted and finished without undue flow. The optimum workability for the mix to suit the paving plant being used shall be determined by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer. The control of workability in the field shall be exercised by the slump test as per IS:1199.

The workability requirement at the batching and mixing plant and paving site shall be established by slump tests carried during trial paving. These requirements shall be established from season to season and also when the lead from batching and mixing plant site to the paving site changes. The workability shall be established for the type of paving equipment available. A slump value in the range of  $25 \pm 15$  mm is reasonable for paving works but this may be modified depending upon the site requirement and got approved by the Engineer. These tests shall be carried out on every tipping truck/dumper at batching and mixing plant site and paving site initially when the work commences but subsequently the frequency can be reduced to alternate tipping trucks or as per the instructions of the Engineer.

### ***Design Mix***

The Contractor shall carry out laboratory trials of design mix with the materials from the approved sources to be used as per IRC:44. Trial mixes shall be made in presence of the Engineer or his representative and the design mix shall be subject to the approval of the Engineer. They shall be repeated, if necessary, until the proportions, that will produce a concrete which complies in all respects with these Specifications, and conform to the requirements of the design/drawings.

The proportions determined as a result of the laboratory trial mixes may be adjusted, if necessary, during the construction of the trial length. Thereafter, neither the materials nor the mix proportions shall be varied in any way except with the written approval of the Engineer.

Any change in the source of materials or mix proportions proposed by the Contractor, during the course of work shall be assessed by making laboratory trial mixes and the construction of a further trial length of length not less than 50 m unless approval is given by the Engineer for minor adjustments like compensation for moisture content in aggregates or minor fluctuations in the grading of aggregate.

### ***Sub-base***

The cement concrete pavement shall be laid over the sub-base constructed in accordance with the relevant drawings and Specifications. It shall be ensured that the sub-base is not damaged before laying the concrete pavement. If the dry lean concrete sub-base is found damaged at some places or it has cracks wider than 10 mm, it shall be repaired with fine cement concrete (aggregate size 10 mm and down) or bituminous concrete before laying separation membrane layer.

### ***Separation Membrane***

A separation membrane shall be used between the concrete slab and the sub-base. Separation membrane shall be impermeable PVC sheet 125 micron thick transparent or white in colour laid flat with minimum creases. Before placing the separation membrane, the sub-base shall be swept clean of all the extraneous materials using air compressor. Wherever overlap of plastic sheets is necessary, the same shall be at least 300 mm and any damaged sheathing shall be replaced at the Contractor's cost. The separation membrane may be nailed to the lower layer with concrete nails. The separation membrane shall be omitted when two layers of wax-based curing compound is used.

### ***Joints***

The locations and type of joints shall be as shown in the drawing. Joints shall be constructed depending upon their functional requirement. The location of the joints should be transferred accurately at the site and mechanical saw cutting of joints done as per stipulated dimensions. It shall be ensured that the required depth of cut is made from edge-to-edge of the pavement. Transverse and longitudinal joints in the pavement and Dry Lean Concrete sub-base shall be staggered so that they are not coincident vertically and are at least 800 to 1000 mm and 300 to 400 mm apart respectively. Sawing of joints shall be carried out with diamond studded blades soon after the concrete has hardened to take the load of the sawing machine and crew members without damaging the texture of the pavement.

Sawing operation could start as early as 4-8 hours after laying of concrete pavement but not later than 8 to 12 hours depending upon the ambient temperature, wind velocity, relative humidity and required maturity of concrete achieved for this purpose.

When the kerb is cast integrally with the main pavement slab, the joint cutting shall also be extended to the kerb.

Where the use of maturity meter is specified, sawing should not be initiated when the compressive strength of the concrete is less than 2 MPa and should be completed before it attains the compressive strength of 7 MPa.

### ***Transverse Joints***

Transverse joints shall be contraction, construction and expansion joints constructed at the spacing described in the drawings. Transverse joints shall be straight within the following tolerances along the intended line of joints.

- i) Deviations of the performed filler board (IS:1838) in the case of expansion joints from the intended line of the joint shall not be greater than  $\pm 10$  mm.
- ii) The best fit straight line through the joint grooves as constructed shall be not more than 25 mm from the intended line of the joint.
- iii) Deviations of the joint groove from the best fit straight line of the joint shall not be greater than 10 mm.
- iv) Transverse joints on each side of the longitudinal joint shall be in line with each other and of the same type and width. Transverse joints shall have a sealing groove which shall be sealed in compliance with Clause 602.10.

### ***Contraction Joints***

The contraction joints shall be placed transversely at pre-specified locations as per drawings/ design using dowel bars. These joints shall be cut as soon as the concrete has undergone initial hardening and is hard enough to take the load of joint sawing machine without causing damage to the slab.

Contraction joints shall consist of a mechanical sawn joint groove, 3 to 5 mm wide and one-fourth to one-third depth of the slab  $\pm 5$  mm or as stipulated in the drawings and dowel bars complying with Clause 602.6.5.

Contraction joint shall be widened subsequently to accommodate the sealant as per Clause 602.10, to dimensions shown on drawings or as per IRC:57.

### ***Expansion Joints***

The expansion joint shall consist of a joint filler board complying with Clause 602.2.9 and dowel bars complying with Clause 602.6.5 and as detailed in the drawings. The filler board shall be positioned vertically with the prefabricated joint assemblies along the line of the joint within the tolerances given in Clause 602.6.2.1. The adjacent slabs shall be completely separated from each other by the joint filler board.



### ***Transverse Construction Joint***

Transverse construction joint shall be placed whenever concreting is completed after a day's work or is suspended for more than 30 minutes. These joints shall be provided at location of contraction joints using dowel bars. If sufficient concrete has not been mixed to form a slab extending upto a contraction joint, and if an interruption occurs, the concrete placed shall be removed upto the last preceding joint and disposed of. At all construction joints, steel bulk heads shall be used to retain the concrete. The surface of the concrete laid subsequently shall conform to the grade and cross sections of the previously laid pavement. When positioning of bulk head/stop-end is not possible,

concreting to an additional 1 or 2 m length may be carried out to enable the movement of joint cutting machine so that joint grooves may be cut and the extra 1 or 2 m length is cut out and removed subsequently after concrete has hardened.

After minimum 14 days of curing, in case OPC cement is used and 16 days of curing when flyash or blended cement is used, the construction joint shall be widened to accommodate the sealant as per Clause 602.10 to dimensions shown on drawing or as per IRC:57.

### ***Longitudinal Joint***

The longitudinal joints shall be constructed by forming or by sawing as per details of the joints shown in the drawing. Sawed. longitudinal joints shall be constructed when the concrete pavement placement width exceeds 4.5 m. The groove may be cut after the final set of the concrete. Joints should be sawn to at least one-third the depth of the slab  $\pm 5$  mm as indicated in the drawing. The joint shall be widened subsequently to dimensions shown on the drawings.

Where adjacent lanes of pavement are constructed separately using slip form pavers or side forms, the tie bars may be bent at right angles against the vertical face/ side of the first lane constructed and straightened before placing concrete in the adjacent lane. Broken or damaged tie bars shall be repaired or replaced as required.

The groove for sealant shall be cut in the pavement lane placed later.

### ***Tie Bars***

Tie bars shall be provided at the longitudinal joints as per dimensions and spacing shown in the drawing and in accordance with Clause 602.6.6. The direction of the tie bars at curves shall be radial in the direction of the radius.

### **Dowel Bars**

Dowel bars shall be mild steel rounds in accordance with Clause 602.2.8 with details/dimensions as indicated in the drawings and free from oil, dirt, loose rust or scale. They shall be straight, free of irregularities and burring restricting slippage in the concrete. The sliding ends shall be sawn or cropped cleanly with no protrusions outside the normal diameter of the bar. Any protrusions shall be removed by grinding the ends of the dowel bars. The dowel bar shall be supported on cradles/dowel chairs in pre-fabricated joint assemblies positioned prior to the construction of the slabs or mechanically inserted with vibration into the plastic concrete by a method which ensures correct placement of the bars besides full re-compaction of the concrete around the dowel bars.

Unless shown otherwise on the drawings, dowel bars shall be positioned at mid depth of the slab within a tolerance of  $\pm 20$  mm, and centered equally about intended lines of the joint within a tolerance of  $\pm 25$  mm. They shall be aligned parallel to the finished surface of the slab and to the centre line of the carriageway and to each other within tolerances given here-in-under, the compliance of which shall be checked as per Clause 602.11.7.

- i) For bars supported on cradles prior to the laying of the slab:
  - a) All bars in a joint shall be within  $\pm 2$  mm per 300 mm length of bar
  - b) 2/3rd of the number of bars shall be within  $\pm 3$  mm per 500 mm length of bar
  - c) No bar shall differ in alignment from an adjoining bar by more than 3 mm per 300 mm length of bar in either the horizontal or vertical plane
  - d) Cradles supporting dowel bar shall not extend across the line of joint i.e. no steel bar of the cradle assembly shall be continuous across the joint.
- ii) For all bars inserted after laying of the slab except those inserted by a Dowel Bar Insertor the tolerance for alignment may be twice as indicated in (i) above.  
The transverse joints at curves shall be radial in the direction of the radius.

Dowel bars; supported on cradles in assemblies, when subject to a load of 110 N applied at either end and in either the vertical or horizontal direction (upwards and downwards and in both directions horizontally) shall conform to be within the limits given in Clause 602.6.5.2.

The assembly of dowel bars and supporting cradles, including the joint filler board in the case of expansion joints, shall have the following degree of rigidity when fixed in

position:

- i ) For expansion joints, the deflection of the top edge of the filler board shall be not greater than 13 mm, when a load of 1.3 kN is applied perpendicular to the vertical face of the joint filler board and distributed over a length of 600 mm by means of a bar or timber packing, at mid depth and midway between individual fixings, or 300 mm from either end of any length of filler board, if a continuous fixing is used. The residual deflection after load shall be not more than 3 mm.
- ii) The fixings for joint assembly shall not fail under 1.3 kN load and shall fail before the load reaches 2.6 kN when applied over a length of 600 mm by means of a bar or timber packing placed as near to the level of the line of fixings as practicable.
- iii) Fixings shall be deemed to fail when there is displacement of the assemblies by more than 3 mm with any form of fixing, under the test load. The displacement shall be measured at the nearest part of the assembly to the centre of the bar or timber packing.

Dowel bars in the contraction joints, construction joints and expansion joints shall be covered by a thin plastic sheath. The thickness of the sheath shall not exceed 0.5 mm and shall be tightly fitted on the bar for at least two-thirds of the length from one end for dowel bars in contraction/construction joints and half the length plus 50 mm for expansion joints. The sheathed bar shall comply with the following pull-out tests: Four bars shall be taken at random from stock and without any special preparation shall be covered by sheaths as required in this Clause. The ends, if the dowel bars which have been sheathed shall be cast centrally into concrete specimens' 150 mm x 150 mm x 600 mm, made of the same mix proportions to be used in the pavement, but with a maximum nominal aggregate size of 20 mm and cured in accordance with IS:516. At 7 days a tensile load shall be applied to achieve a movement of the bar of at least 0.25 mm. The average bond stress to achieve this movement shall not be greater than 0.14 MPa.

For expansion joints, a closely fitting W cap 100 mm long consisting of waterproofed cardboard or an approved synthetic material like PVC or GI pipe shall be placed over the sheathed end of each dowel bar. An

expansion. space (about 25 mm) at least equal in length to the thickness of the joint filler board shall be formed between the end of the cap and the end of the dowel bar by using compressible sponge. To block the entry of cement slurry into the annular space between the sheathing and, dowel bar shall be taped around its mouth

### ***Tie Bars***

Tie bars in longitudinal joints shall be deformed steel bars of strength 500 MPa complying with IS:1786 and in accordance with the requirements given in this Clause. The bars shall be free from oil, dirt, loose rust and scale.

Tie bars projecting across the longitudinal joint shall be protected from corrosion for 75 mm on each side of the joint by a protective coating of bituminous paint with the approval of the Engineer. The coating shall be dry when the tie bars are used.

In the case of coastal region and high rainfall areas, tie bars shall be epoxy coated in their full length as per IS:13620.

Tie bars in longitudinal joints shall be made up into rigid assemblies with adequate supports and fixings to remain firmly in position during the construction of the slab. Alternatively, tie bars at longitudinal joints may be mechanically or manually inserted into the plastic concrete from above by vibration using a method which ensures correct placements of the bars and recompaction of the concrete around the tie bars. Tie bars shall be positioned to remain in the middle third of the slab depth as indicated in the drawings and approximately parallel to the surface and approximately perpendicular to the line of the joint, with the centre of each bar on the intended line of the joints within a tolerance of  $\pm 50$  mm, and with a minimum cover of 30 mm below the joint groove. Spacing of tie bars on curves of radius less than 360 m shall not be less than 350 mm.

To check the position of the tie bars, one metre length, 0.5 m on either side of the longitudinal joint shall be opened when the concrete is green (within 20 to 30 minutes). The pit shall be refilled with the fresh concrete of same mix after checking.

### ***Weather and Seasonal Limitations***

### ***Concreting during Monsoon Months***

Concreting should be avoided during rainy season. However, when concrete is being placed during monsoon months and when it may be expected to rain, sufficient

supply of tarpaulin or other waterproof cloth shall be provided along the line of the work. Any time when it rains, all freshly laid concrete which had not been covered for curing purposes shall be adequately protected. Any concrete damaged by rain shall be removed and replaced. If the damage is limited to texture, it shall be retextured in accordance with the directions of the Engineer.

### ***Temperature Limitation***

No concreting shall be done when the temperature of the concrete reaching the paving site is above 30°C. Besides, in adverse conditions like high temperature, low relative humidity, excessive wind velocity, imminence of rains etc., tents on mobile trusses may be provided over the freshly laid concrete for a minimum period of 3 hours as directed by the Engineer. To bring down the temperature, if necessary, chilled water or ice flakes should be made use of. When the ambient temperature is more than 35°C, no concreting shall be permitted. The ice flakes should not be manufactured from chlorinated water. Generally the rate of evaporation of water shall not exceed 1 kg/sqm/hour as per IRC:15.

No concreting shall be done when the concrete temperature is below 5°C and the temperature is further falling.

### ***Fixed Form Paving***

#### **Side Forms and Rails**

These shall be provided in case of fixed form paving. All side forms shall be of mild steel of depth equal to the thickness of pavement or slightly less to accommodate the surface irregularity of the sub-base. The forms can be placed in series of steel packing plates or shims to take care of irregularity of sub-base. They shall be sufficiently robust and rigid to support the weight and pressure caused by a paving equipment. Side forms for use with wheeled paving machines shall incorporate metal rails firmly fixed at a constant height below

the top of the forms. The forms and rails shall be firmly secured in position by not less than 3 stakes/pins for every 3 m length so as to prevent movement in any direction. Forms and rails shall be straight within a tolerance of 3 mm in 3 m and when in place shall not settle in excess of 1.5 mm in 3 m while paving is being done. Forms shall be cleaned and oiled immediately before each use, The forms shall be bedded on a continuous bed of low moisture content

lean cement mortar or concrete and set to the line and levels shown on the drawings within tolerances  $\pm 10$  mm and  $\pm 3$  mm respectively. The bedding shall not extend under the slab and there shall be no vertical step between adjacent forms of more than 3 mm. The forms shall be got inspected by the Engineer for his approval 12 hours before construction of the slab and shall not be removed until at least 12 hours afterwards. No concreting shall commence till formwork has been approved by the Engineer.

At all times sufficient forms shall be used and set to the required alignment for at least 300 m length of pavement immediately in advance of the paving operations, or the anticipated length of pavement to be laid within the next 24 hours whichever is more.

### ***Slip Form Paving***

#### **Use of Guidewires**

Where slip form paving is proposed, a guidewire shall be provided along both sides of the slab. Each guidewire shall be at a constant height above and parallel to the required edges of the slab as described in the contract drawing within a vertical tolerance of  $\pm 3$

mm. Additionally, one of the wires shall be kept at a constant horizontal distance from the required edge of the pavement as indicated in the contract drawing within a lateral tolerance of  $\pm 10$  mm.

The guidewires shall be supported on stakes 5-6 m apart by connectors capable of fine horizontal and vertical adjustment. The guidewire shall be tensioned on the stakes so that a 500 gm weight shall produce a deflection of not more than 20 mm when suspended at the mid point between any pair of stakes. The ends of the guidewires shall be anchored to fixing point or winch and not on the stakes. On the curves, the stakes shall be fixed at not more than 3 m centre-to-centre.

The stakes shall be positioned and hammered into the ground and the connectors will be maintained at their correct height and alignment from 12 hours on the day before concreting takes place till after finishing of texturing and spraying of curing compound on the concrete.

However, the guidewire shall be erected and tensioned on the connectors at any section for at least 2 hours before concreting that section.

The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer for his approval of line and level, the

stakes and connectors which are ready for use in the length of road to be constructed next day. Such approval shall be obtained atleast 12 hours before commencement of paving operation. Any deficiencies noted by the Engineer shall be rectified by the Contractor who shall then re-apply for approval of the affected stakes. Work shall not proceed until the Engineer has given his approval. It shall be ensured that the stakes and guidewires are not affected by the construction equipment when concreting is in progress.

### ***Construction***

#### **General**

A systems approach may be adopted for construction of the pavement, and the Method Statement for carrying out the work, detailing all the activities, indication of time-cycle, equipment, personnel etc., shall be got approved from the Engineer before the commencement of the work. This shall include the type, capacity and make of the batching and mixing plant besides the hauling arrangement and paving equipment. The capacity of paving equipment, batching plant as well as all the ancillary equipment shall be adequate for a paving rate of atleast 500 m in one day. The paving speed of slip- form paver shall not be less than 1.0 m per minute. The concreting should proceed continuously without stops and starts.

#### ***Batching and Mixing***

Batching and mixing of the concrete shall be done at a central or RMC Concrete batching and mixing plant with automatic controls, located at a suitable place which takes into account sufficient space for stockpiling of cement, aggregates and stationary

water tanks. This shall be located at an approved distance, duly considering the properties of the mix and the transporting arrangements available with the Contractor.

***Equipment for Proportioning of Materials and Paving***

Proportioning of materials shall be done in the batching plant by weight, each type of material being weighed separately. The cement from the bulk stock may be weighed separately from the aggregates. Water shall be measured by volume. Specified percentage of plasticizer in volume will be added by weight of cement. Wherever properly graded aggregate of uniform quality cannot be maintained as envisaged in the mix design, the grading of aggregates shall be controlled by appropriate blending techniques. The capacity of batching and mixing plant shall be at least 25 percent higher than the proposed capacity of the laying/paving equipment.

***Batching Plant and Equipment :***

- 1) General : The batching plant shall include minimum four bins, weighing hoppers, and scales for the fine aggregates and for each size of coarse aggregate. If cement is used in bulk, a separate scale for cement shall be included. There shall be a separate bin for flyash, if this additive is specified. The weighing hoppers shall be properly sealed and vented to preclude dust during operation. Approved safety devices shall be provided and maintained for the protection of all personnel engaged in plant operation, inspection and testing. The batch plant shall be equipped with a suitable non- resettable batch counter which will correctly indicate the number of batches proportioned. A continuous type of mixing plant can also be used provided the ingredients are weighed through electronic sensors before feeding.
- 2) Automatic weighing devices : Batching plant shall be equipped to proportion aggregates and bulk cement by means of automatic weighing devices using load cells. The weighing devices shall have an accuracy within  $\pm 1$  % in respect of quantity of cement, admixtures and water and  $\pm 2$ % in respect of aggregates and the accuracy shall be checked at least once a month.
- 3) Mixer : Mixers shall be pan type, reversible type or any other mixer capable of combining the aggregates, cement, and water into a thoroughly mixed and uniform mass within the specified mixing period, and of discharging the mix, without



segregation. Each stationary mixer shall be equipped with an approved timing device which will automatically lock the discharge lever when the drum has been charged and release it at the end of the mixing period. The device shall be equipped with a bell or other suitable warning device adjusted to give a clearly audible signal each time the lock is released. In case of failure of the timing device, the mixer may be used for the balance of the day while it is being repaired, provided that each batch is mixed in 90 seconds or as per the manufacturer's recommendation. The mixer shall be equipped with a suitable non-resettable batch counter which shall correctly indicate the number of batches mixed.

The mixer shall be cleaned at suitable intervals. The pick-up and throw-over blades in the drum or drums shall be repaired or replaced when they are worn down 20 mm or more. The Contractor shall (1) have available at the job site a copy of the manufacturer's design, showing dimensions and arrangements of blades in reference to original height and depth, or (2) provide permanent marks on blade to show points of 20 mm wear from new conditions. Drilled holes of 5 mm diameter near each end and at midpoint of each blade are recommended. Batching Plant shall be calibrated in the beginning and thereafter at suitable interval not exceeding 1 month.

- 4) Control cabin : An air-conditioned centralized computer control cabin shall be provided for automatic operation of the equipment.
- 5) The design features of the batching plant should be such that it can be shifted quickly.

### ***Paving Equipment***

The concrete shall be placed with an approved fixed form or slip form paver with independent units designed to (i) spread, (ii) consolidate, screed and float-finish, (iii) texture and cure the freshly placed concrete in one complete pass of the machine in such a manner that a minimum of hand finishing will be necessary and so as to provide a dense and homogeneous pavement in conformity with the plans and Specifications. The paver shall be equipped with electronic sensor controls to control the line and grade from either one side or both sides of the machine.

Vibrators shall operate at a frequency of 8000-10000 impulses per minute under load at a maximum spacing of 600 mm. The variable vibration setting shall be provided in the machine.

#### ***Concrete Saw***

The Contractor shall provide adequate number of concrete saws with sufficient number of diamond-edge saw blades. The saw machine shall be either electric or petrol/diesel driven type. A water tank with flexible hose and pump shall be made available for this activity on priority basis. The Contractor shall have at least one standby saw in good working condition. The concreting work shall not commence if the saws are not in working condition.

#### ***Hauling and Placing of Concrete***

Freshly mixed concrete from the central batching and mixing plant shall be transported to the paver site by means of tipping trucks or transit mixers of sufficient capacity and approved design in sufficient numbers to ensure a constant supply of concrete. Covers shall be used for protection of concrete against the weather. While loading the concrete truck shall be moved back and forth under the discharge chute to prevent segregation. The tipping trucks shall be capable of maintaining the mixed concrete in a homogeneous state and discharging the same without segregation and loss of cement slurry. The feeding to the paver is to be regulated in such a way that the paving is done in an uninterrupted manner with a uniform speed throughout the day's work. Tipping-trucks shall be washed at a regular frequency as prescribed by the Engineer to ensure that no left-over mix of previous loading remains stuck.

#### ***Placing of Concrete***

The total time taken from the addition of the water to the mix, until the completion of the surface finishing and texturing shall not exceed 120 minutes when concrete temperature is less than 25°C and 90 minutes when the concrete temperature is between 25°C and 30°C. When the time between mixing and laying exceeds these values, the concrete shall be rejected and removed from the site. Tipping trucks delivering concrete shall normally not run on plastic sheathing nor shall they run on completed slabs until after 28 days of placing the concrete.

The placing of concrete in front of the PQC paver should preferably be from the side placer to avoid damage to DLC by concrete tipping trucks. In case of unavoidable situation, truck supplying concrete to the paver may be allowed to ply on the DLC

with the approval of the Engineer. The paver shall be capable of paving the carriageway as shown in the drawings, in a single pass and lift.

Where fixed form pavers are to be used, forms shall be fixed in advance as per Clause 602.8. Before any paving is done, the site shall be shown to the Engineer, in order to verify the arrangement for paving besides placing of dowels, tie- bars etc., as per the relevant Clauses of these Specifications. The mixing and placing of concrete shall progress only at such a rate as to permit proper finishing, protecting and curing of the concrete in the pavement.

In areas inaccessible to paving equipment, the pavement shall be constructed using, side forms, as per Clause 602.9.7.

In all cases, the temperature of the concrete shall be measured at the point of discharge from the delivery vehicle.

The addition of water to the surface of the concrete to facilitate the finishing operations will not be permitted except with the approval of the Engineer when it shall be applied as a mist by means of approved equipment.

If considered necessary by the Engineer, the paving machines shall be provided with approved covers to protect the surface of the slab under construction from direct sunlight and rain or hot wind.

While the concrete is still plastic, its surface shall be textured by brush or tines as per the instructions of the engineer in compliance with Clause 602.9.11.. The surface and edges of the slab shall be cured by the application of a sprayed liquid curing membrane in compliance with Clause 602.9.12. After the surface texturing, but before the curing compound is applied, the concrete slab shall be marked with the chainage at every 100 m interval by embossing.

As soon as the side forms are removed, edges of the slabs shall be corrected wherever irregularities have occurred by using fine concrete composed of 1:1:2, cement : sand : coarse agg (10 mm down) with water cement ratio not more than 0.4 under the supervision of the Engineer.

If the requirement of Clause 902.4. for surface regularity fails to be achieved on two consecutive working days, then normal working shall cease until the, cause of the excessive irregularity has been identified and remedied.

### ***Construction by Slip Form Paver***

The slip form paving train shall consist of a power machine which spreads, compacts and finishes the concrete in a continuous operation. The slip form paving machine shall compact the concrete by internal vibration and shape it between the side forms with either a conforming plate or by vibrating and oscillating finishing beams. The concrete shall be deposited without segregation in front of slip form paver across the whole width and to a height which at all times is in excess of the required surcharge. The deposited concrete shall be struck off to the necessary average and differential surcharge by means of the strike off plate or a screw auger device extending across the whole width of the slab. The equipment for striking-off the concrete shall be capable of being rapidly adjusted for changes of the average and differential surcharge necessitated by change in slab thickness or crossfall.

The level of the conforming plate and finishing beams shall be controlled automatically from the guide wires installed as per Clause 602.8 by sensors attached at the four corners of the slip form paving machine. The alignment of the paver shall be controlled automatically from the guide wire by at least one set of sensors attached to the paver. The alignment and level of ancillary machines for finishing, texturing and curing of the concrete shall be automatically controlled relative to the guide wire or to the surface and edge of the slab.

Slip-form paving machines shall have vibrators of variable output, with a maximum energy output of not less than 2.5 KW per metre width of slab per 300 mm depth of slab for a laying speed upto 1.5 m per minute. The machines shall be of sufficient mass to provide adequate reaction during spreading and paving operations on the traction units to maintain forward movements during the placing of concrete in all situations. Normal paving speed shall be maintained as per Clause 602.9.1.

If the edges of the slip formed slab slump to the extent that the surface of the top edge of the slab does not comply with the requirements of Clause 902.3, the work shall be stopped until such time as the Contractor can demonstrate his ability to slip form the edges to the required levels. The deficient edge shall be temporarily supported by a side form and the thickness deficiency shall be made good by adding fresh concrete to the newly formed edge and compacting.

Slip-form pavers with adequate width to pave the entire carriageway width in one go shall be employed unless specified in the Contract. In situations where full-width paving is not possible, paving in part widths may be permitted by the Engineer.

Paving in part will be avoided, except in unavoidable circumstances. In case of part width paving, care shall be taken to ensure that while laying the next lane, bond between the remaining half length of tie bar or subsequently inserted tie bars and the newly laid concrete is adequately developed. Care shall be taken to avoid damage to the previous lane.

In case paving in separate lanes is allowed, work on the adjacent lane shall be permitted when the previously paved lane is cured for at least 14 days and is in a position to bear the weight of paving machine. When the wheels or crawler tracks are to ply on the already paved surface, necessary precautions shall be taken by placing protective pads of rubber or similar material so that texture is not damaged.

The wheel

or track shall be reasonably away from the edge to avoid damage to the previously laid slab.

### ***Tube Floating***

Upon the instructions of the Engineer, Contractor shall scrape the concrete surface when in plastic state with a 3 m long tube float fixed with a long and stable handle before texturing. Tube float shall be of an alloy steel tube of 50 to 60 mm diameter with a long and stable handle. The length of tube float shall preferably be longer than half the length of slab i.e., half the distance between two transverse contraction joints. This operation shall be done to minimise surface irregularity caused due to varied causes like frequent stoppages of work, surface deformation due to plastic flow etc. The tube, float shall be placed at the centre of the slab parallel to longitudinal joint and pulled slowly and uniformly towards the edges. After the use of float tube, it shall be frequently cleaned before further use. The slurry removed shall be discarded. This activity shall be advanced laterally by providing an overlap of half the length of tube float. The removal of the cement slurry from the surface shall be sufficient enough such that the texture is formed on a firm surface and is more durable. This operation, however, shall be carried out after removing bleeding water.

### ***Construction by Fixed Form Paver***

The fixed form paving train shall consist of separate powered machines which spread, compact and finish the concrete in a continuous operation.

The concrete shall be discharged without segregation into a hopper spreader which is equipped with means for controlling its rate of deposition on to the sub-base. The

spreader shall be operated to strike off concrete upto a level requiring a small amount of cutting down by the distributor of the spreader. The distributor of spreader shall strike off the concrete to the surcharge adequate to ensure that the vibratory compactor thoroughly compacts the layer. If necessary, poker vibrators shall be used adjacent to the side forms and edges of the previously constructed slab. The vibratory compactor shall be set to strike off the surface slightly high so that it is cut down to the required level by the oscillating beam. The machine shall be capable of being rapidly adjusted for changes in average and differential surcharge necessitated by changes in slab thickness or crossfall. The final finisher shall be able to finish the surface to the required level and smoothness as specified, care being taken to avoid bringing up of excessive mortar to the surface by over working. **Tremix Process :-** Surplus water from the concrete is removed immediately after placing and vibration, reducing the water : cement ratio to an optimum level. This is done using the Vacuum Equipment comprising of Suction Mat Top Cover, Filter pads and Vacuum Pump. The process starts immediately after surface vibration Filter pads are placed on the fresh concrete leaving about 4 inches of fresh concrete exposed on all sides. The Top Cover is then placed on the filter pads and rolled out till it covers the strips of exposed concrete on all sides. The Top Cover is then connected to the vacuum pump through a suction hose and the pump is started Vacuum is immediately created between the filter pads and the top cover. A tmospheric pressure compresses the concrete and the surplus water is squeezed out. This process lowers the water content in the concrete by 15-25 % The dewatering operation takes approx. 1.5 - 2 minutes per centimeter thickness of the floor. The dewatered concrete is compacted and dried to such an extent that it is possible to walk on it without leaving any foot prints. This is the indication of concrete being properly dewatered and ready for finishing. The finishing operations - Floating & Trowelling take place right after dewatering. Floating operation is done with Floating disc. This ensures after mixing of sand & cement particles, further compaction and closing the pores on the surface. Floating operation generates skid- free finish. Trowelling is done with Trowelling blades in order to further improve the wear resistance, minimize dusting and obtain smoother finish. Repeated passes with disc and blades improve the wear resistance substantially.

### ***Semi-mechanised Construction***

Areas in which hand-guided methods of construction become indispensable shall be got approved by the Engineer in writing in advance. Such work may be permitted only in restricted areas in small lengths. Work shall be carried out by skilled personnel as per methods approved by the Engineer. The acceptance criteria regarding level, thickness, surface regularity, texture, finish, strength, of concrete and all other quality control measures shall be the same as in the case of machine laid work. Guidelines on the use of plants, equipment, tools, hauling of mix, compaction floating, straight edging, texturing, edging etc. shall be as per IRC:15.

### ***Transition Slabs***

At the interface of rigid and flexible pavement, at least 3 m long reinforced buried slab shall be provided to give a long lasting joint at the interface. The details shall be as given in IRC:15.

Anchor Beam and Terminal Slab Beam Adjoining Bridge Structures RCC anchor beams shall be provided in the terminal slab adjoining bridge structures as per drawings and IRC:15.

### ***The Treatment of Concrete Pavement on Culverts***

The concrete pavement shall be taken over the culverts. At both ends of the culvert slab, a contraction joint shall be provided in the concrete pavement. Nominal reinforcement of 10 mm dia bars at 150 mm spacing in both directions shall be provided at 50 mm below the top of the slab. The reinforcement shall be stopped 50 mm short of the contraction joint. Such reinforcement shall also be provided in the next slab panel on either side.

### ***Surface Texture***

#### **Tining**

After final floating and finishing of the slab and before application of the liquid curing membrane, the surface of concrete slabs shall be textured either in the transverse direction (i.e., at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the road) or in longitudinal direction (i.e., parallel to the centreline of the roadway). The texturing shall be done by tining the finished concrete surface by using rectangular steel tines. A beam or a bridge mounted with steel tines shall be equipped and operated with automatic sensing and control devices from main paver or auxiliary unit. The tining unit shall have facility for adjustment of the download pressure on the tines as necessary to

produce the desired finish. The tining rakes shall be cleaned often to remove snots of slurry. The tines shall be inspected daily and all the damaged and bent tines shall be replaced before commencing texturing. Tined grooves shall be 3 mm wide and 3 to 4 mm deep. Before commencing texturing, the bleeding water, if any, shall be removed and texturing shall be done on a firm surface. The measurement of texture depth shall be done as per Clause 602.12.

- a) Transverse tining : When the texturing is specified in transverse direction, a beam of at least 3 m length mounted with tines shall be moved in transverse direction to produce the texture. The grooves produced shall be at random spacing of grooves but uniform in width

and depth. The spacing shall conform to a pattern shown below: Random spacing in mm

10    14    16    11    10    13    15    16    11    10    21    13    10

The above pattern shall be repeated. Texturing shall be done at the right time such that the grooves after forming shall not close and they shall not get roughened. Swerving of groove patterns will not be permitted. The completed textured surface shall be uniform in appearance.

- b) Longitudinal tining : Longitudinal tining shall be done, if specified in the Contract. The texturing bridge shall be wide enough to cover the entire width of the carriageway but within 75 mm from the pavement edge. The centre to centre spacing between the tines shall be 18 to 21 mm. The width of tine texture shall be 3 mm and depth shall be 3 to 4 mm.

### ***Brush Texturing***

Alternatively on the instructions of the Engineer, the brush texturing shall be applied. The brushed surface texture shall be applied evenly across the slab in one direction by the use of a wire brush not less than 450 mm wide but wider brushes normally of 3 m length are preferred. The brush shall be made of 32 gauge tape wires grouped together in tufts placed at 10 mm centres. The tufts shall contain an average of 14 wires and initially be 100 mm long. The brush shall have two rows of tufts. The rows shall be 20 mm apart and the tufts in one row shall be opposite the centre of the gap between tufts in the other row. The brush shall be replaced when the shortest tuft wears down to 90 mm long.



The texture depth shall be determined by the Sand Patch Test as described in the Clause 602.12. This test shall be performed at least once for each day's paving and wherever the Engineer considers it necessary at times after construction as under:

Five individual measurements of the texture depth shall be taken at least 2 m apart anywhere along a diagonal line across a lane width between points 50 m apart along the pavement. No measurement shall be taken within 300 mm of the longitudinal edges of a concrete slab constructed in one pass.

Texture depths shall not be less than the minimum required depth when measurements are taken as given in Table 600-5 nor greater than an average of 1.25 mm.

Table 600-5 : Texture Depth

	Time of Test	Number of Measurements	Required Texture Depth (MM)	
			Specified Value	Tolerance
1	Between 24 hours and 7 days after the construction of the slab or until the slab is first used by vehicles	An average of 5 measurements	1.00	+0.25
2	Not later than 6 weeks before the road is opened to traffic	An average of 5 measurements	1.00	+0.25 -0.35

After the application of the brushed texture, the surface of the slab shall have a uniform appearance.

Where the texture depth requirements are found to be deficient, the Contractor shall make good the texture across the full lane width over the length directed by the Engineer, by retexturing the hardened concrete surface in an approved manner.

### ***Curing***

Immediately after the surface texturing, the surface and sides of the slab shall be cured by the application of approved resin-based aluminized reflective curing compound which hardens into an impervious film or membrane with the help of mechanical sprayer.

The curing compound shall not react chemically with the concrete and the film or

membrane shall not crack, peel or disintegrate within three weeks of application. Immediately prior to use, the curing compound shall be thoroughly agitated in its containers. The rate of spread shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions checked during the construction of the trial length and subsequently whenever required by the Engineer. The mechanical sprayer shall incorporate an efficient mechanical device for continuous agitation and mixing of the compound during spraying. The curing compound shall be sprayed in two applications to ensure uniform spread.

Curing compounds shall contain sufficient flake aluminum in finely divided dispersion to produce a complete coverage of the sprayed surface with -a metallic finish. The compound shall become stable and impervious to evaporation of water from the surface of the concrete within 60 minutes of application and shall be of approved type. The curing compounds shall have a water retention efficiency index not less than 90 percent in accordance with BS Specification No. 7542 or as per ASTM C-309-81 Type 2.

In addition to spraying of curing compound, the fresh concrete surface shall be protected for at least 3 hours by covering the finished concrete pavement with tents mounted on mobile trusses as described in Clause 602.7.2, during adverse weather conditions as directed by the Engineer. After three hours, the pavement shall be covered by moist hessian laid in two layers and the same shall then be kept damp for a minimum period of 14 days after which time the hessian may be removed. The hessian shall be kept continuously moist. All damaged/torn hessian shall be removed and replaced by new hessian on a regular basis. The Contractor shall be liable at his cost to replace any concrete damaged as a result of incomplete curing or cracked on a line other than that of a joint as per procedure in IRC:SP:83.

### ***Preparation and Sealing of Joint Grooves***

#### **General**

All joints shall be sealed using sealants described in Clause 602.2.10.

#### ***Preparation of Joint Grooves for Sealing***

Grooves are saw cut in the first instance just to provide minimum width (3- 5 mm) to facilitate development of crack at joint locations, as shown in the drawing.

Subsequently before sealing, grooves are widened by sawing as per the dimensions in the drawing. Dimension of the grooves shall be controlled by depth/width gauge.

If rough arrises develop when grooves are made, they shall be ground to provide a chamfer approximately 5 mm wide. If the groove is at an angle upto 10° from the perpendicular to the surface, the overhanging edge of the groove shall be sawn or ground perpendicular. If spalling occurs or the angle of the former is greater than 10 degree, the joint sealing groove shall be sawn wider and perpendicular to the surface to encompass the defects upto a maximum width, including any chamfer, of 20 mm for transverse joints and 10 mm for longitudinal joints. If the spalling cannot be so eliminated then the arrises shall be repaired by an approved thin bonded arrises repair using cementitious/epoxy mortar materials.

All grooves shall be cleaned of any dirt or loose material by air blasting with filtered, oil-free compressed air. The Engineer shall instruct cleaning by pressurized water jets. Depending upon the requirement of the sealant manufacturer, the sides of the grooves shall be sand blasted to increase the bondage between sealant and concrete.

The groove shall be cleaned and dried at the time of priming and sealing. If sand blasting is recommended by the supplier, the same shall be carried out.

Before sealing the temporary seal provided for blocking the ingress of dirt, soil etc., shall be removed. A highly compressible heat resistant paper-backed debonding strip as per drawing shall be inserted in the groove to serve the purpose of breaking the bond between sealant and the bottom of the groove and to plug the joint groove so that the sealant may not leak through the cracks. The width of debonding strip shall be more than the joint groove width so that it is held tightly in the groove. In the case of longitudinal joints, heat resistant tapes may be inserted to block the leakage through bottom of the joint where hot poured sealant is used. When cold poured sealant is used a debonding tape of 1.0-2.0 mm thickness and 6 to 8 mm width shall be inserted to plug the groove so that the sealant does not enter in the initially cut groove.

### ***Sealing with Sealants***

When sealants are applied, an appropriate primer shall also be used if recommended by the manufacturer and it shall be applied in accordance with his instructions.

The sealant shall be applied within the minimum and maximum drying times of the primer recommended by the manufacturer. Priming and sealing with applied sealants

shall not be carried out when the naturally occurring temperature in the joint groove to be sealed, is below 7°C.

If hot applied sealant is used it shall be heated and applied from a thermostatically controlled, indirectly heated preferably with oil jacketed melter and pourer having recirculating pump and extruder. For large road projects, sealant shall be applied with extruder having flexible hose and nozzle. The sealant shall not be heated to a temperature higher than the safe heating temperature and not for a period longer than the safe heating period, as specified- by the manufacturer. The dispenser shall be cleaned out at the end of each day in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and reheated material shall not be used. The Movement Accommodation Factor of the sealant shall be more than 10 percent.

Cold applied sealants with chemical formulation like polysulphide/ polyurethane/ silicone as per IRC:57 shall be used These shall be mixed and applied within the time limit specified by the manufacturer. If primers are recommended they shall be applied neatly with an appropriate brush. The Movement Accommodation Factor shall be more than 25 percent.

The-sealants applied at contraction phase of the slabs would result in bulging of the sealant over and above the slab. Therefore, the Contractor in consultation with the Engineer, shall establish the right temperature and time for applying, the sealant. Thermometer shall be hung on a pole at the site for facilitating control during the sealing operation.

Sealant shall be applied, slightly to a lower level than the slab with a tolerance of  $3 \pm 1$ mm.

During sealing operation, it shall be seen that no air bubbles are introduced in the sealant either by vapours or by the sealing process. The sealant after ring, shall be allowed to cure for 7 days or for a period as per instructions of manufacturers.

### ***Trial Length***

The trial shall be constructed at least one month in advance of the proposed start of concrete paving work. At least one month prior to the construction of the trial length, the Contractor shall submit for the Engineer's approval a detailed method statement giving description of the proposed materials, plant, equipment and construction methods. All the major equipments like paving train, batching plant, tipping trucks

etc., proposed in the construction are to be approved by the Engineer before their procurement. No trials of new materials, plant, equipment or construction methods, nor any development of them shall be permitted either during the construction of trial length or in any subsequent paving work, unless they form part of further trials. The trial lengths shall be constructed away from the carriageway.

The Contractor shall demonstrate the materials, plant, equipment and methods of construction that are proposed for concrete paving, by first constructing a trial length of slab., at least 100 m long for mechanised construction and at least 50 m long for hand guided methods. The width of the trial section shall be the full carriageway width as shown in the drawings. If the first trial is unsatisfactory, the Contractor shall have to demonstrate his capability to satisfactorily construct the pavement in subsequent trials.

The trial length shall be constructed in two parts over a period comprising at least part of two separate working days, with a minimum of 50 m constructed each day for mechanised construction and a minimum of 25 m on each day for hand guided construction. The trial length shall be constructed at a paving rate which is proposed for the main work.

Transverse joints including expansion joint and longitudinal joint that are proposed in the main work shall be constructed and assessed in the trial length.

The trial length shall comply with the Specifications in all respects including the test requirement of Table 900-6 with the following additions.

#### Surface Levels and' Regularity

- a) In checking for compliance with Clause 902.3 the levels shall be taken at intervals at the locations specified in this Clause along any line or lines parallel to the longitudinal centre line of the trial length.
- b) The maximum number of permitted irregularities of pavement surface shall comply with the requirements of Clause 902.4. Shorter trial lengths shall be assessed pro-rata based on values for a 300 m length

#### ***Joints***

- a) Alignment of dowel bars shall be inspected in any two consecutive transverse joints in a trial length construction by removing the fresh concrete in a width of 0.5 m on either side of the joint. The joint pit shall be refilled with freshly prepared concrete, after inspection. Alternatively,

it can be tested by suitable device like MIT SCAN with the permission of the Engineer. If the position or alignment of the dowel bars at one of these joints does not comply with the requirements and if that joint remains the only one that does not comply after the next 3 consecutive joints of the same type have been inspected, then the method of placing dowels shall be deemed to be satisfactory. In order to check sufficient joints for dowel bar alignment without extending the trial length unduly joints may be constructed at more frequent joint intervals than the normal spacing required in trial slabs.

- b) If there are deficiencies in the first expansion joint that is constructed as a trial, the next expansion joint shall be a trial joint. Should this also be deficient, further trial of expansion joints shall be made as part of the trial length which shall not form part of the permanent works, unless agreed by the Engineer.

#### ***Density***

In-situ density in trial length shall be assessed as described in Clause 903.5.2.2 from at least 3 cores drilled from each part of the trial length when the concrete is not less than 7 days old. Should any of the cores show honey-combing in the concrete, the trial length shall be rejected and the construction in the main carriageway shall not be permitted until further trials have shown that modification has been made which would result in adequate compaction.

#### ***Strength***

Minimum of thirty (30) beams for flexural strength and thirty (30) cubes for compressive strength shall be prepared from the concrete delivered in front of the paving plant. Each pair of beams and cubes shall be from the same location/batch but different sets of beams and cubes shall be from different locations/batches. Compressive and flexural strength shall be tested after 28 days water curing in the laboratory.

At the age of 28 days, thirty (30) cores with diameter 150 mm shall be cut from the pavement slab when the thickness of concrete pavement is more than 300 mm. In case the concrete pavement thickness is less than 300 mm, the dia of core shall be 100 mm. The cores shall be suitably cut at both ends to provide a specimen of plain surface on both ends. The dia to height ratio of core shall be 1 to 2. For cylindrical specimen of PQC of dia 150 mm, the variation in dia shall be  $\pm 0.5$  mm, a tolerance on height shall be  $\pm 1$  mm for a specimen of height 300 mm or more. For

cylindrical specimen of dia 100 mm, the variation in dia shall be  $\pm 0.3$  mm, and a tolerance on height shall be

$\pm 1$  mm for a specimen height of 200 mm. The compressive strength test shall be conducted as per IS:516. Concrete in the member represented by a core test shall be considered acceptable, if the average equivalent cube strength of the cores is equal to at least 85 percent of the cube strength (characteristic strength) of the grade of the concrete specified for the corresponding age of 28 days and no individual core has a strength less than 75 percent.

### ***Approval and Acceptance***

Approval of the materials, plant, equipment and construction methods shall be given when the trial length complies with the Specifications. The Contractor shall not proceed with normal working until the trial length has been approved. If the Engineer does not notify the Contractor of any deficiencies in any trial length within 7 days after the completion of that trial length, the Contractor may assume that the trial length, and the materials, plant, equipment and construction methods adopted are acceptable, provided that the 28 days strength of cubes and cores extracted from trial length meet the requirement of the Specified strength.

When approval has been given, the materials, plant, equipment and construction methods shall not thereafter be changed, except for normal adjustments and maintenance of plant, without the approval of the Engineer. Any changes in materials, plant, equipment, and construction methods shall entitle the Engineer to require the Contractor to lay a further trial length as described in this Clause to demonstrate that the changes will not adversely affect the permanent works.

Trial lengths which do not comply with the Specifications, with the exception of areas which are deficient only in surface texture and which can be remedied in accordance with Clause 602.9.11.6 shall be removed immediately upon notification of deficiencies by the Engineer and the Contractor shall construct a further trial length.

### ***Inspection of Dowel Bars***

Compliance with Clause 602.6.5. for the position and alignment of dowel bars at contraction and expansion joints shall be checked by measurements relative to the side forms or guide wires.

When the slab has been constructed, the position and alignment of dowel bars and any filler board shall be measured after carefully exposing them in the plastic concrete across the whole width of the slab. When the joint is an expansion joint, the

top of the filler board shall be exposed sufficiently in the plastic concrete to permit measurement of any lateral or vertical displacement of the board. During the course of normal working, these measurements shall be carried out in the pavement section at the end of days work by extending slab length by 2 m. After sawing the transverse joint groove, the extended 2 m slab shall be removed carefully soon after concrete has set to expose dowels over half the length. These dowels can be tested for tolerances. This joint shall be treated as construction joint. The position of dowel bars in any type of transverse joint ie, contraction, construction or expansion can alternatively be tested by suitable device like MIT SCAN with the permission of the Engineer.

If the position and alignment of the bars in a single joint in the slab is unsatisfactory then the next two joints shall be inspected. If only one joint of the three is defective, the rate of checking shall be increased to one joint per day until the Engineer is satisfied that compliance is being achieved.

After the dowel bars have been examined, the remainder of the concrete shall be removed over a width of 500 mm on each side of the line of the joint and reinstated to the satisfaction of the Engineer. The dowels shall be inserted on both sides of the 1 m wide slab by drilling holes and grouting with epoxy mortar. Plastic sheath as per Clause 602.6.5.5 shall be provided on dowels on one of the joints. The joint groove shall be widened and sealed as per Clause 602.10.

#### ***Inspection of Tie Bars***

To check the position of the tie bars, one metre length 0.5 m on either side of the longitudinal joint shall be opened when the concrete is green (within 20 to 30 minutes of its laying). The pit shall be refilled with the fresh concrete of same mix after checking.

#### ***Measurement of Texture Depth - Sand Patch Method***

The following Apparatus shall be used:

- i) A cylindrical container of 25 ml internal capacity;
- ii) A flat wooden disc 64 mm diameter with a hard rubber disc, 1.5 mm thick, next to one face, the reverse face being provided with a handle;



- iii) Dry natural sand with a rounded particle shape passing a 300 micron IS sieve and retained on a 150 micron IS sieve.

#### ***Method***

The surface to be measured shall be dried, any extraneous mortar and loose material removed and the surface swept clean using a wire brush both at right angles and parallel to the carriageway. The cylindrical container shall be filled with the sand, tapping the base 3 times on the surface to ensure compaction, and striking off the sand level with the top of the cylinder. The sand shall be poured into a heap on the surface to be treated. The sand shall be spread over the surface, working the disc with its face kept flat in a circular motion so that the sand is spread into a circular patch with the surface depressions filled with sand to the level of peaks.

The diameter of the patch shall be measured to the nearest 5 mm. The texture depth of concrete surface shall be calculated from  $31000/(D \times D)$  mm where D is the diameter of the patch in mm.

#### ***Measurement of Texture Depth - Tining***

The following apparatus shall be used

- i) Tire Tread Depth Gauge  
A stainless steel tire tread depth gauge with graduations with least count of 1.0 mm. The gauge end may be modified to measure depth of tine texture.
- ii) A stainless steel caliper to measure spacing of tines. If necessary the caliper may be modified to measure the spacing and width of tine texture. The gauge shall be used after making necessary calibration.
- iii) Wire brush
- iv) Corborundum stone
- v) Steel straight edge to remove snots etc. sticking to the surface. The straight edge may be of 6 x 25 x 300 mm size.

#### ***Test Section***

A unit of testing shall be 75 m per lane. If the length of construction is less than 75 m it shall be taken as one unit.

### ***Test Procedure***

In each 75 m section, along the diagonal line, 10 points shall be selected for making checks of depth, width and spacing of tine grooves. The surface where tests are to be conducted shall be cleared carefully with a wire brush or a steel straight edge or using a corborundum plate to remove any upward projection of concrete. When the base plate of the gauge is in contact with the concrete surface, the gauge shall be pressed to the bottom of groove and the depth shall be measured and recorded at this location. At the same location, the spacing of tines shall be measured to verify whether the pattern recommended in Clause 602.9.11.1 is complied or not.

The average of depth and width at 10 locations shall be calculated and recorded to the nearest 1 mm. The spacing of spectrum measured at 10 locations shall be recorded separately.

The average depth shall be 3 to 4 mm. When the depth is less than 2.5 mm and in excess of 4.5 mm, the Contractor shall stop concreting till he corrects his tine brush or replaces it. The sensors associated with work shall be again calibrated to achieve the required texture. The textured groove less than 2.5 mm shall be re-grooved using concrete saw at the cost of Contractor. Variation in texture width in the range of 3+1 mm and 3 - 0.5 mm will be acceptable. If the variation of width is in excess of this range, the Contractor shall stop work and correct the brush and technique. When the spacing of spectrum is not satisfactory, the Contractor shall replace the entire brush.

### ***Opening to Traffic***

No vehicular traffic shall be allowed to ply on the finished surface of a concrete pavement within a period of 28 days of its construction and until the joints are permanently sealed and cured. The road may be opened to regular traffic after completion of the curing period of 28 days and after sealing of joints is completed including the construction of shoulder, with the written permission of the Engineer.

### ***Acceptance Criteria in Quality and Distress***

- i) Tolerances for Surface Regularity, Level, Thickness and Strength: The tolerances for surface regularity, level, thickness and strength shall conform to the requirements given in Clause 903.5. Control of quality of materials and works shall be exercised by the Engineer in accordance with Section 900 as shown under

### ***Pavement Concrete***

**Sampling and Testing of Beam and Cube Specimens** At least three beams and three cube specimens, one set of three each for 7 day and 28 day strength tests shall be cast for every 150 cu.m (or part thereof) of concrete placed during construction. On each day's work, not less than three pairs of beams and cubes shall be made for each type of mix from the concrete delivered to the paving plant. Each pair shall be from a different delivery of concrete and tested at a place to be designated by the Engineer in accordance with the testing procedure as outlined in Clause 602.3.3. Groups of four consecutive results from single specimens tested at 28 days shall be used for assessing the strength for compliance with the strength requirements. The specimens shall be transported in an approved manner to prevent sudden impact causing fractures or damage to the specimen. The flexural strength test results shall prevail over compressive strength tests for compliance.

A quality control chart indicating the strength values of individual specimens shall be maintained for continuous quality assurance. Where the requirements are not met with, or where the quality of the concrete or its compaction is suspect, the actual strength of the concrete in the slab shall be ascertained by carrying out tests on cores cut at the rate of 2 cores for every 150 cu.m of concrete. The average of the results of crushing strength tests on these cores shall not be less than 0.8 x 0.85 times the corresponding characteristic compressive strength of cubes, where the height to diameter ratio of the cores is two. Where height to diameter ratio is not two, necessary corrections shall be made in calculating the crushing strength of cubes in the following manner.

The crushing strengths of cylinders with height to diameter ratios between 1 and 2 may be corrected to correspond to a standard cylinder of height to diameter ratio of 2 by multiplying with the correction factor obtained from the following equation:

$$f = 0.11n + 0.78$$

where  $f$  = correction factor and  $n$  = height to diameter ratio

The corrected test results shall be analysed for conformity with the specification requirements for cube samples. Where the core tests are satisfactory, they shall have precedence for assessing concrete quality over the results of moulded specimens. The diameter of cores shall not be less than 150 mm.

If, however, the tests on cores also confirm that the concrete is not satisfying the strength requirements, then the concrete corresponding to the area from which the cores were cut should be replaced, i.e., at least over an area extending between two transverse joints where the defects could be isolated or over larger area, if necessary, as assessed by additional cores and their test results. The equivalent flexural strength at 28 days shall be estimated in accordance with Clause 602.3.3.2. In order to ensure that the specified minimum strength at 28 days is attained in 1 in 20 of all test beams, the mix shall be proportioned to give an average strength at 28 days exceeding the specified strength by 1.65 times the standard deviation calculated first from the flexural strengths of test beams made from the trial mix and subsequently from the accumulating result of flexural strengths of job control test beams. shall be re- calculated from the test results obtained after any change in the source or quality of materials and the mix shall be adjusted as necessary to comply with the requirements. An individual 28 day test strength below the specified strength shall not be evidence for condemnation of the concrete concerned if the average 28 day strength of this beam plus the preceding 5 and succeeding 4 beams exceeds the specified strength by 1.65 times the standard deviation and provided that there is no other evidence that the concrete mix concerned is substandard.

Beams shall be made each day in pairs at intervals, each pair being from a different batch of concrete. At the start of the work, and until such time as the Engineer may order a reduction in the number of beams required, at least six pairs of beams and cubes shall be made each day, one of each pair for testing at 28 days for determination of minimum permissible flexural strength and the other for testing at an early age for the Engineer to assess the quality of the mix. When the first thirty number of 28-day results are available, and for so long as the Engineer is satisfied with the quality of the mix, he may reduce the number of beams and cubes required. During the course of construction, when the source of any material is to be changed, or if there is any variation in the quality of the materials furnished, additional tests and necessary adjustments in the mix shall be made as required to obtain the specified strength.

The flexural strengths obtained on beams tested before 28 days shall be used in conjunction with a correlation between them and the 28 day flexural strengths to detect any deterioration in the quality of the concrete being produced. Any such deterioration shall be remedied without awaiting the 28 day strengths but the earlier

strengths shall not constitute sole evidence of non-compliance of the concrete from which they were taken.

Concrete shall be deemed not to comply with the Specification when more than one test beam in a batch has a 28 day strength less than the specified strength and the average 28 day flexural strength of the batch of beams is less than the specified strength plus

1.65 times the standard deviation of the batch.uld the concrete fail to comply with the Specification for strength as described above, the Contractor may, all at his own expense, elect to cut cores from the suspect concrete asthe Engineer shall direct. From the relation between cube strength and flexural strength, the core strength shall be converted to flexural strength.

The equivalent flexural strength at 28 days shall be the estimated in-situ strength multiplied by 100 and divided by the age-strength relation obtained from Table 900-5.

Any concrete that fails to meet the strength specification shall be removed and replaced at Contractor's expense.

**Table 900-5 : Age-Strength Relation of Concrete (Related to 100 percent at 28 Days)**

<b>Days</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>
0	-	41.0	60.0	71.0	77.50
10	81.5	85.0	87.5	90.0	92.0
20	94.0	96.0	97.50	98.5	100.0
30	101.0	102.0	103.50	104.5	105.5
40	106.5	107.0	108.0	109.5	110.0
50	110.5	111.0	112.0	112.5	113.0
60	114.0	114.5	115.0	115.5	116.0
70	116.5	117.0	117.5	118.0	118.5
80	119.0	119.5	119.5	120.0	120.5
90	121.0	121.5	122.0	122.0	122.5
100	123.5	123.5	123.5	124.0	124.5
110	125.0	125.0	125.5	125.5	126.0
120	126.0	126.0	127.0	127.0	127.5
130	127.5	128.0	128.5	128.5	129.0

140	129.0	129.5	129.5	130.0	130.0
150	130.5	130.5	131.0	131.0	131.5
160	131.5	131.5	132.0	132.0	132.5
170	132.5	132.5	133.0	133.0	133.5
180	133.5	134.0	134.0	134.5	134.5
190	135.0	135.0	135.0	135.5	135.5
200	135.5	135.5	136.0	136.0	136.5
210	136.5	136.5	137.0	137.0	137.0
220	137.0	137.5	137.5	137.5	138.0
230	138.0	138.5	138.5	138.5	138.5
240	139.0	139.0	139.0	139.5	139.5
250	139.5	140.0	140.0	140.0	140.0
260	140.5	140.5	140.5	140.5	141.0

<b>Days</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>
270	141.0	141.0	141.5	141.5	141.5
280	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.0
290	142.5	142.5	142.5	142.5	142.5
300	143.0	143.0	143.0	143.0	143.5
310	143.5	143.5	144.0	144.0	144.0
320	144.0	144.5	144.5	144.5	144.5
330	144.5	145.0	145.0	145.0	145.0
340	145.0	145.5	145.5	145.5	145.5
350	146.0	146.0	146.0	146.0	146.0
360	146.0	146.0	146.5	146.5	146.5

### **In-situ Density**

The density of the compacted concrete shall be such that the total air voids are not more than 3 percent. The air voids shall be derived from the difference between the theoretical maximum dry density of the concrete calculated from the specific gravity of the constituents of the concrete mix and the average value of three direct density measurements made on cores at least 150 mm diameter. Three cores shall be taken from trial lengths and in first two km length of the pavement, while the slab is being constructed during normal working. The proportions of the mix and the vibratory effort imparted i.e. the frequency and magnitude of vibration shall be adjusted to achieve the maximum density.

All cores taken for density measurement in the trial section shall also be checked for thickness. The same cores shall be made use of for determining in-situ strength. In case of doubt, additional cores may be ordered by the Engineer and taken at locations decided by him to check the density of concrete slab or the position of dowel/tie bars without any compensation being paid for the same.

In calculation of the density, allowance shall be made for any steel in cores.

Cores removed from the main carriageway shall be reinstated with compacted concrete with mix proportions of 1 part of Portland cement : 2 parts of fine aggregate:2 parts of 10 mm nominal size single sized coarse aggregate by weight. Before filling the fine mix, the sides shall be hacked and cleaned with water. Thereafter cement-sand slurry shall be applied to the sides just prior to filling the concrete mix.

### ***Thickness***

Thickness shall be controlled by taking levels as indicated in Clause 902.3. Thickness of the slab at any point checked as mentioned above shall be within a tolerance of -5 mm to + 10 mm of the specified thickness as per Drawing. Thickness deficiency more than 5 mm may be accepted and paid for at a reduced rate given in Clause 602.16.3. In no case, however, thickness deficiency shall be more than 10 mm.

### Summary of Control Tests

**Table 900-6 gives a summary of frequency of testing of pavement concrete.**

**Table 900-6: Frequency of Quality Control Tests for Pavement Concrete**

1)	i) Levels, alignment and texture		Clause 902.3
	Width of pavement and position of paving edges		Clause 902.2
	iii) Pavement thickness		Clause 902.3 and Clause 903.5.2.4
	iv) Alignment of joints, widths, depth of dowel grooves		To be checked @ one joint per 400 m length or a day's work
	v) Surface regularity both transversely and longitudinally		Once a day or one day's work without disturbing the curing
	vi) Alignment of dowel bars and their accuracy/tie bars		To be checked in trial length as per Clause 602.6.5.2 and once on every 2 km.
	vii) Texture depth		Clause 602.12
2)	Quality of materials and concrete shall be as under :		
	Cement Physical and Chemical Tests		IS:269 IS:455 IS:1489 IS:8112 IS:12269
			Once for each source of supply and occasionally when called for in case of long/ improper storage. Besides, the Contractor also will submit daily test data on cement released by the manufacturer
	2) Coarse and Fine Aggregate	i) Gradation	IS:2386
		ii) Deleterious constituents	IS:2386 (Pt.2) --do--
		iii) Water absorption	IS:2386 (Pt.3)
			Regularly as required subject to a minimum of one test a day for coarse aggregate and two tests a day for fine aggregate. This data shall be used for correcting the water demand of the mix on a daily basis.
	3) Coarse Aggregate	i) Los Angeles Abrasion value or Aggregate Impact test	IS:2386 (Pt.4)
			Once for each source of supply and subsequently on monthly basis



	ii) Soundness	IS:2386 (Pt.5)	Before approving the aggregates and every month subsequently.
	iii) Alkali aggregate reactivity	IS:2386 (Pt.7) IS:456	--do--
4) Water	Chemical Test	IS:2386	Once for approval of source of supply. subsequently only in

			case of doubt
5) Concrete	i) Strength of Concrete	IS:516	2 cubes and 2 beams per 150 cu.m or part thereof (one for 7 day and other for 28 day strength) or minimum 6 cubes and 6 beams per day's work whichever is more
	ii) Core strength on hardened concrete	IS:516	As per the requirement of the Engineer, only in case of doubt.
	iii) Workability of fresh concrete- Slump Test	IS:1199	One test per each dumper load at both Batching plant site and paving site initially when work starts. Subsequently sampling may be done from alternate dumper.
	iv) Thickness determination		From the level data of concrete pavement surface and sub- base at grid points of 5/6.25 m x 3.5 m
	v) Thickness measurement for trial length		3 cores per trial length
	vi) Verification of level of string line in the case of slip form paving and steel forms in the case of fixed form paving		String line or steel forms shall be checked for level at an interval of 5.0 m or 6.25 m. The level tolerance allowed shall be 1 2 mm. These shall be got approved 1-2 hours before the commencement of the concreting activity.

- ii) Tolerances in Distress : The acceptance criteria with regard to the types of distresses in rigid pavement shall be as per IRC:SP-83. "Guidelines for Maintenance,

Repair and Rehabilitation of Cement Concrete Pavements". The cracks (of severity rating not more than 2) which may appear during construction or before completion of Defect Liability Period shall be acceptable with suggested treatments as given in IRC:SP-83.

Cement Concrete Pavement slabs having cracks of severity rating more than 2 i.e. cracks of width more than 0.5 mm for single discrete cracks, multiple and transverse cracks and cracks of width more than 3 mm in case of longitudinal cracks and of depth more than half of the Concrete pavement slabs, shall be removed and replaced as per IRC : SP -83

### ***Measurements for Payment***

Cement Concrete pavement shall be measured as a finished work in cubic meters of concrete placed based on the net plan area and thickness as measured in accordance with Clause 602.15.2.

The finished thickness of concrete for payment on volume basis shall be computed in the manner described in Clause 113.3 with the following modifications:

- i ) The levels shall be taken before and after construction at grid points 5m centre to centre longitudinally in straight as well as at curves.
- ii) A day's work is considered as a 'lot' for calculating the average thickness of the slab. In calculating the average thickness, individual measurements which are in excess of the specified thickness by more than 10 mm shall be considered as the specified thickness plus 10 mm.

Individual areas deficient by more than 10mm shall be verified by the Engineer by ordering core cutting and if in his opinion the deficient areas warrant removal, they shall be removed and replaced with concrete of the thickness shown on the plans.

### ***Rate***

The Contract unit rate for the construction of the cement concrete pavement shall be payment in full for carrying out the operations required for the different items of the work as per these Specifications including full compensation for all labour, tools, plant, equipment, providing all materials i.e. aggregates, dowel bars, tie bars, PVC membrane, cement, stabilizers (lime, cements or any other stabilizers approved by the Engineer),

storing, mixing, transportation, placing, compacting, finishing, curing, testing, all royalties, fees, rents where necessary, all leads and lifts and incidentals to complete the work as per Specifications.

The unit rate shall all include the full costs of construction, expansion, contraction and longitudinal joints including joint filler, sealant, primer, debonding strip and all other operations for completing the work. The construction and testing of trial length shall be included in the contract unit rate for the pavement and shall not be paid separately.

Where the average thickness for the lot is deficient by the extent shown in Table 600-6, payment for cement concrete pavement shall be made at a price determined by adjusting the contract unit price as per Table 600-6

***Table 600-6 : Payment Adjustment or Deficiency in Thickness***

Deficiency in the Average Thickness of Day's Contract Unit Price Work	Percent Payable	of
Up to 5mm	100	
6-10 mm	87	

No additional payment shall be made for the extra thickness of the slab than shown on the drawings.

**Item No. 6**

**Providing and fixing pre-cast Rubble dye/ steel Dye inter locking concrete block 60mm thick with grade concrete M300 pneumatic compressed / vibrated mechanically pressed and as per approved design Confirming to IS 15658 : 2006 including 35 mm sand layer for levelling and filling the joint with sand in proper line and level as per guidelines of IRC: SP 63-2018 etc. completed**

**1504. INTERLOCKING CONCRETE BLOCK PAVEMENT**

**1504.1. Scope**

Interlocking Concrete Block Pavement (ICBP) shall consist of a surface layer of appropriate sized concrete paving blocks paved and compacted over a thin bedding sand layer of specified grading, which is spread over a properly constructed and profiled base course and is bounded by properly installed edge restraints. The joints shall be filled by fine sand of specified grading. The work shall include supplying laying and paving of blocks including all materials, labour and equipment and performing all operations in connection with the laying of ICBP as per these Specifications.

**1504.2. Materials**

**1504.2.1.** The Concrete Paving Block shall conform to the relevant IS standard.

**1504.2.2. Bedding sand :** Bedding sand shall conform to the grading given in Table 1500.6.

**1504.2.3. Joint filling sand :** Joint filling sand shall conform to grading given in Table 1500.6.

**TABLE 1500.6 : GRADINGS FOR BEDDING AND JOINT FILLING SAND**

IS Sieve Size (mm)	Per cent Passing	
	For Bedding Sand	For Joint Filling Sand
10.00	100	100
4.75	90-100	90-100
2.36	60-95	75-100
1.18	15-34	55-90
0.60	25-60	35-59
0.30	5-20	8-30
0.15	0-10	0-10
0.075	0-5	0-5

**1504.3. Buffer**

Buffer of specified quantity of paving blocks (of the same shape, size and thickness) required for normal maintenance of paved area as specified by the Engineer, shall be supplied and stored for replacement as and when needed. Normally this will be 5 per cent of the blocks used in the paved area.

#### **1504.4. Block Thickness**

For rural roads catering to heavy vehicles, the minimum thickness of paving blocks shall be 60 mm for traffic up to 100 vehicles per day, and 80 mm for projected traffic from 100 to 250 vehicles per day.

#### **1504.5. Dimensions and Tolerances**

The dimensions and tolerances of paving blocks shall conform to the Specifications given in Table 1500.7. Aspect ratio is the ratio of length to thickness of blocks. Chamfer is the bevelled edge, provided on the top surface of a block. Plan area is the horizontal area bounded by the vertical faces. Wearing surface area is the horizontal area bounded by the vertical faces, minus the area reduced due to the presence of chamfer.

**TABLE 1500.7 : DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES FOR PAVING BLOCKS**

S. No.	Dimension	Recommended Values	Tolerance Limit
(1)	Width W	To be specified by Manufacturer	±2 mm
(2)	Length L	To be specified by Manufacturer	±2 mm
(3)	Thickness T	60 to 80 mm	±3 mm
(4)	Aspect Ratio L/T	Maximum : 4.0	±0.2
(5)	Chamfer (Arris)	Miximum : 5 mm Maximum : 7 mm	±1 mm
(6)	Plan Area	Maximum : 0.03 m <sup>2</sup>	+0.001 m <sup>2</sup>
(7)	Wearing Face Area	Minimum 75% of Plan Area	-1%
(8)	Squareness	Nil	±2 mm

#### **1504.6. Compressive Strength**

**1504.6.1.** The average 28 days compressive strength of 8 blocks shall be 30 MPa and strength of individual block shall not be less than 26 MPa.

**1504.6.2.** The 28 days compressive strength of paving blocks tested as per relevant IS specification shall be determined as explained hereinafter.

**1504.6.2.1.** Compression testing machine of adequate capacity shall be used for testing of blocks. The steel bearing plates shall have a minimum thickness of 25 mm. The surface area of the bearing side of the plate should be such that no edge of the bearing plate is less than 10 mm from the outer edge of the paving block being tested.**504.6.2.2.** In case the testing surface of the paving block departs from a plain surface by more than 0.05 mm, capping using suitable materials shall be adopted for testing as per IS:516.

**1504.6.2.3.** The blocks shall be stored for  $24 \pm 4$  hours in water maintained at a temperature of  $(20 \pm 5)^{\circ}\text{C}$  before testing. The dimensions and plan areas of the block shall be determined. The bearing plates of the testing machine shall be wiped clean. The specimen shall be clamped between the plates in such a way that the axes of the specimen are vertically aligned with those of the bearing plates.

**1504.6.2.4.** The load shall be applied without shock and increased continuously at a rate of  $15 \pm 3 \text{ N/mm}^2/\text{minute}$  until no greater load can be sustained by the specimen or delamination occurs. The maximum load applied to the specimen shall be noted.

**1504.6.2.5.** The apparent compressive strength of individual block shall be calculated by dividing the maximum load (N) by the plan area ( $\text{mm}^2$ ). The corrected compressive strength shall be calculated by multiplying the apparent compressive strength by the appropriate correction factor from Table 1500.8. The strength shall be expressed to the nearest  $0.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$ .

**TABLE 1500.8 : CORRECTION FACTORS FOR THICKNESS AND CHAMFER OF PAVING BLOCK FOR CALCULATION OF COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH**

Paving Block Thickness (mm)	Correction Factor for	
	Plain Block	Chamfered Block
60	1.00	1.06
80	1.12	1.18

**1504.6.2.6. Water Absorption:** The water absorption being the average of five blocks shall be not more than 6 per cent by mass.

#### **1504.7. Edge Blocks**

The edge blocks shall have equivalent cube compressive strength not less than 30 MPa. The road kerbs provided on the edges of the road also serve the purpose of edge blocks. In case the end kerbs are not provided, 300 mm x 300 mm x 150 mm of M30 grade concrete edge blocks or other suitable size as per drawings or direction of the Engineer shall be provided.

#### **1504.8. Bedding Sand**

Bedding sand conforming to Table 1500.6 shall be uniformly laid to a compacted thickness of 35 mm for 80 mm thick blocks. Bedding sand shall be unloaded in small piles regularly placed over the base course and shall preferably have a moisture content of about 6 per cent which will facilitate its spreading and

compaction. Bedding sand shall be screeded in a uniform layer over the base course. The screed can be guided to level by tensioned string lines set above the base course. At the time of screeding, the thickness of sand must allow for the amount by which it will be subsequently compacted which is normally about 25 per cent more than the compacted thickness. Screeding shall not proceed beyond about 1 m ahead of the planned end of block paving for the day. Sand shall preferably be compacted with a manual, fabricated plate compactor and the level shall **be readjusted** using the screed. The surface profile of the screeded bedding **sand** shall **match that** required for the completed pavement.

#### ***1504.9. Paving Pattern***

The pattern in which blocks are to be paved shall be decided in advance and got approved from the Engineer in charge.

**1504.10.1.** By and large, these patterns are the same as adopted for brick paving. All shapes of blocks are not amenable to the above paving patterns. For paving in trafficked areas, herringbone pattern shall be adopted for ensuring better performance. Paving shall commence and progress from one starting line only. Wherever possible, paving shall commence adjacent to or against edge restraint.

#### ***1504.11. Paving and Compaction of Blocks***

Blocks shall be placed at the correct angle to the start line to achieve the final orientation of the laying pattern. For curved or unfavourably oriented edge restraints, a string line shall be established to permit fast, easy laying such that it is not required to force a block between the blocks already paved. Control over alignment, laying pattern and joint width can be assisted by the use of chalked string lines set at about 5 m intervals. Nominal joint width of 2 to 4 mm shall be maintained by holding the paving unit lightly against the face of the adjacent block and allowing it to slide into position. Cutting paving units for filling the paving gaps occurring against edge restraints etc. shall be deferred until sufficient work has progressed to allow reasonably continuous operation. When space does not permit the use of cut pieces of blocks, premixed or dry packed concrete shall be used. After a section has been paved, compaction shall be effected by using vibrating plate compactors in the following sequence of operations:

- (i) Vibrate the blocks with 3 passes of the plate vibrator of adequate capacity.

- (ii) Spread a thin layer of fine joint filling sand on top of the paved blocks and sweep it into the joints, using suitable brooms.
- (iii) Vibrate the sand into the joints by making 3 passes of the compactor.
- (iv) Sweep off the excess sand from top of blocks.

As a guide to the characteristics of typical vibrating plate compactors, standard compactors have a weight of 90 kg, a plate area of 0.3 m<sup>2</sup> and apply a centrifugal force of 1500 kg. Heavy duty compactors weigh between 300 to 600 kg, have a plate area of about 0.5 to 0.6 m<sup>2</sup> and apply a centrifugal force in the range of 2000-3000 kg. Use of heavy duty compactors is desirable for trafficked pavements.

**1504.11.1. Trial length** : The contractor shall lay a trial length of 30 m and get it inspected and approved by the Engineer before proceeding with the regular paving work. The trial length shall be rectified/relaid if found deficient in any respect. The procedure demonstrated in the laying of trial length shall be followed while executing the main construction work.

#### **1504.12.                                      Opening to Traffic**

The pavement can be opened to traffic as soon as the construction work is completed.

**1504.13.1. Transverse profile** : When measured by a camber template, the transverse profile shall not deviate by more than 10 mm from the design profile.

**1504.13.2. Longitudinal profile** : When measured by a 3 m straight edge, the longitudinal profile shall not deviate by more than 12 mm from the design profile.

#### **1504.13. Acceptance Criteria**

From each lot of 500 blocks, 5 blocks shall be selected at random for water absorption and compressive strength tests. In case the number of blocks in the lot is less than 500, a minimum 1 per cent of the blocks delivered to site shall be tested for water absorption and strength. The blocks shall be first tested for water absorption and these shall meet the requirement of Clause 1504.5.2.6 of these Specifications. The same five blocks (or minimum 1 per cent) shall be tested for strength and shall conform to the strength as per Clause 1504.5.1 of these Specifications.

The paved surface shall meet the tolerances for lines, levels, and grades etc. as given in Section 1800 of these Specifications.



**1504.14. Measurements for Payment**

The measurement of the paved area shall be in **square metres** measured from the inner edge of edge restraints on one side of the pavement to the inner edge of the edge restraints on the transverse side of the pavement.

**1504.15. Rate**

The contract unit rate shall include the cost of blocks, cost of stacking, transportation to site and paving including supply and application of bedding sand and joint filling sand. The rate shall include full compensation for labour, tools, plant, equipment, testing and all incidentals to the work, including all royalties, taxes, storage rents wherever necessary, and all leads and lifts.

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