

# COMPARATIVE STUDY ON ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF COMPOSITE STRUCTURE

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## ABSTRACT

*This paper deals with the study of composite structure as compare with the concrete and steel structure. The composite structure is far more advantageous over steel and concrete structure regarding Strength, Costs, and Time Period requirements. There is no need for formwork because the steel beam is able to sustain the self weight of steel and concrete, by itself or with the assistance of a few temporary props. Also this paper deals with the design of composite building with fixed base. In this paper seismic analysis of a multi level car park is made using different construction material, like Concrete, Structural steel and Composite of Structural Steel and Concrete. Effect of each building is studied with respect to time period, base shear, total dead load and most important cost of different schemes.*

**Keywords:** Composite Beam, Composite Column, Composite Action in Beam, Base Shear, Total Dead Load, Cost.

## I INTRODUCTION

The most important and most frequently encountered combination of construction materials is that of steel and concrete, with applications in multi-storey commercial buildings and factories, as well as in bridges. These materials can be used in mixed structural systems, for example concrete cores encircled by steel tubes, as well as in composite structures where members consisting of steel and concrete act together compositely.

These essentially different materials are completely compatible and complementary to each other; they have almost the same thermal expansion; they have an ideal combination of strengths with the concrete efficient in compression and the steel in tension; concrete also gives corrosion protection and thermal insulation to the steel at elevated temperatures and additionally can restrain slender steel sections from local or lateral-torsional buckling. The purpose of this work is to introduce steel-concrete composite members and construction: to explain the composite action of the two different materials ,to show how the structural members are used ,particularly in building construction and there advantage over concrete and steel structures ,to give a brief

introduction to composite building structure ;to describe the elements, the connections ,the fabrication and the interaction of the elements ;and to discuss the structural systems used.

In multi-storey buildings, structural steelwork is typically used together with concrete; for example, steel beams with concrete floor slabs. The extent to which the components or parts of a building structure should embody all steel construction or constructed entirely in reinforced concrete or be of composite construction depends on the circumstances. It is a fact, that engineers are increasingly designing composite and mixed building systems of structural steel and reinforced concrete to produce more efficient structures when compared to designs using either material alone.

It should be added that the combination of concrete cores, steel frame and composite floor construction has become the standard construction method for multi-storey commercial buildings in several countries. Much progress has been made, for example in Japan, where the structural steel/reinforced concrete frame is the standard system for tall buildings. The main reason for this preference is that the sections and members shown in image 1 are best suited to resist repeated earthquake loadings, which require a high amount of resistance and ductility.



**Fig1: The combination of concrete cores, steel frame and composite floor**

In addition any structural system is usually subject to the following constraints. It should: conform to the architectural requirements and those of the user or owner. Facilitate the service systems, such as heating, ventilation and air conditioning, horizontal and vertical cabling, and other electrical and mechanical systems. Facilitate simple and fast erection of the building, have adequate resistance to fire, enable the building, foundation and ground to interact properly and most important be economical. Steel-concrete composite systems for buildings are composed of concrete components that interact with structural steel components within the same system. By their integral behavior, these components give the required attributes of strength, stiffness and stability to the overall system. Composite members, as individual elements of systems, have been in use for a considerable number of years. They consist of composite beams or trusses, encased or filled composite columns, and steel deck reinforced composite slabs. These members are generally used in steel structures, and their development as composite members is based on utilizing the concrete that would normally be required for floor slabs with steel beams or that would be required for fire protective encasements with steel columns.

### 1.1. Advantages of composite structure

Composite floor construction used for commercial and other multi-storey buildings, offers the following main advantages to the designer and client;

- Speed and simplicity of construction (metal decking, simple steel connections).
- Lighter construction than a traditional concrete building (structural steel and lightweight concrete, slender structural elements of small dimensions).
- Less on site construction (steelwork, prefabricated structural elements).
- Small (strict) tolerances achieved by using steel members manufactured under controlled factory conditions to established quality procedures.

## II. DESIGN CONSIDERATION FOR COMPOSITE FRAMED STRUCTURES

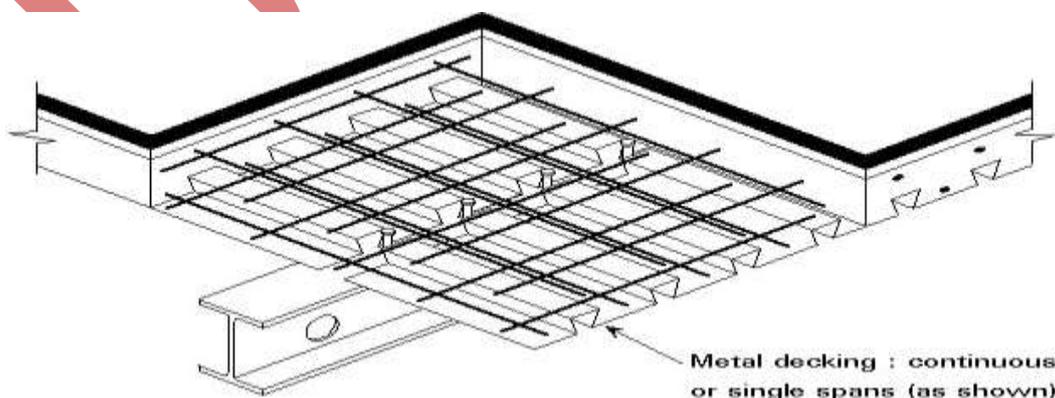
### 2.1. Building Components

Every building, whether it is large or small, must have a structural system capable of carrying all kinds of loads - vertical, horizontal, temperature, etc. In principle, the entire resisting system of the building should be equally active under all types of loading. In other words, the structure resisting horizontal loads should be able to resist vertical loads as well and many individual elements should be common to both types of systems.

### 2.2 Floor Structures

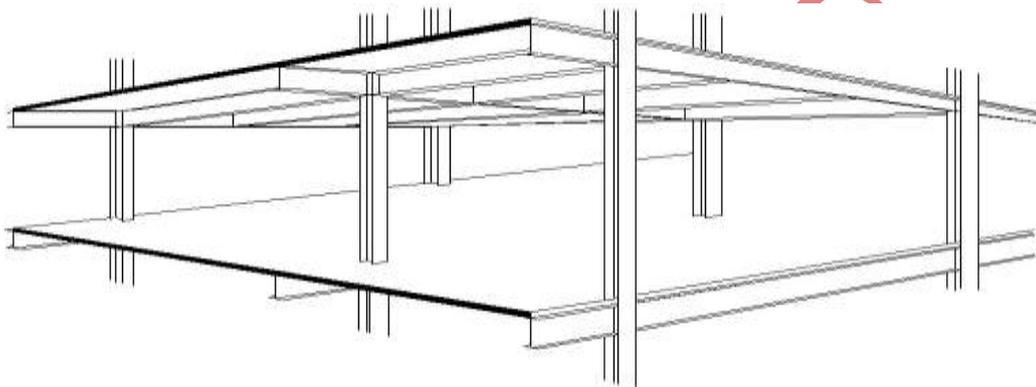
Floor structures are responsible for a large percentage of the cost of buildings. They can be built using elements of steel and reinforced concrete in various combinations. Structural floor systems are, of course, influenced by the material used, but in all cases they are a combination of slabs and main or secondary beams. The characteristic element, for the whole floor structure is the floor slab whose thickness and reinforcement is dependent upon the span, the loading and the support conditions.

In floor construction, the use of the solid reinforced concrete slab is being replaced more and more by metal decking see Figure 2. Modern profiled steel sheeting with additional indentations or embossments act as both permanent formworks during concreting and tension reinforcement after the concrete has hardened.



“Fig 2. Use of Metal Decking in a Floor”.

At this final stage the composite slab consists of a profiled steel sheet and an upper concrete topping which are interconnected in such a manner that horizontal shear forces can be resisted at the steel-concrete interface. Slip (relative displacements) at the interface must be prevented completely or partly, so that vertical separation of the steel decking from the concrete topping. The spanning capability of the construction can be extended by increasing the slab depth but this increases the weight of construction and the depth of the floor beams. The overall depth of the floor system is therefore determined by a balancing of factors. Experience has shown that the most efficient floor arrangements are those using metal decking as permanent shuttering spanning 2.5 – 3.5 m between floor beams. For these spans the metal decking does not normally require propping during concreting and the concrete thicknesses are near the practical minimum of 120 to 150 mm (Figure 3)



**Fig 3. Floor Arrangement**

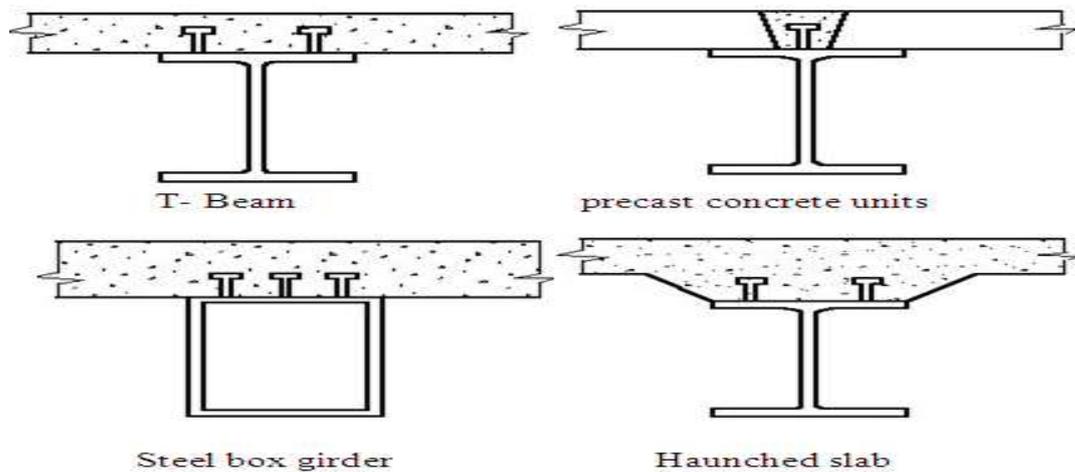
### 2.3. Composite Action in Beams

Composite beams subject mainly to bending, consist of steel section acting compositely with one or two flanges of reinforced concrete. The two materials are interconnected by means of mechanical shear connectors. It is current practice to achieve this connection by means of headed studs semi-automatically welded to the steel flange, see fig 4.



**Fig 4: Composite beams consisting of a steel section.**

Figure 5. shows several composite beam cross-sections (rolled or welded sections) in which the wet concrete has been cast in situ on timber shuttering. For single span beams, sagging bending moments due to applied vertical loads cause tensile forces. in the steel section and compression in the concrete deck thereby making optimum use of each material. Therefore composite beams even with small steel sections have high stiffness and can carry heavy loads on long spans.



**Fig 5. Typical Beam Cross- Section.**

### III. DESIGN OF BUILDING

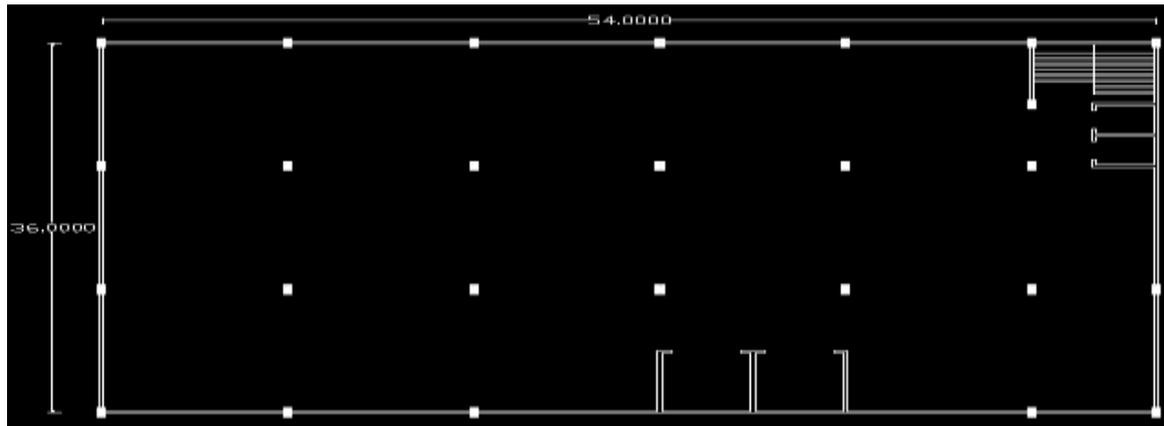
#### 3.1 Introduction

Present work deals with the design of composite building with fixed base. In this paper seismic analysis of a multi level car park is made using different construction material, like Concrete, Structural steel and Composite of Structural Steel and Concrete. Effect of each building is studied with respect to time period, base shear, total dead load and most important cost of different schemes.

#### 3.2 Case Study

This car park is a Ground + 10 structure with the vehicular loading (light weight motor vehicle) on each floor. Details of structure are as follows.

- Overall Dimension of Building- 54.0 m x 36.0 m.
- Height of Building above Ground – 39.6 m.
- Floor to Floor Height -3.6 m.
- Purpose of Use- Parking Vehicles.
- Ground and 1<sup>st</sup> Floor for Two –Wheeler Parking.
- 2 No's of Car Lift and 2Nos Service Lift.
- Ramp from Ground Floor to 1<sup>st</sup> Floor for Two-Wheelers.
- No of Cars to be parked on Each Floor-57 Nos.



**Fig6. Typical Architectural Floor for Multilevel car park.**

### 3.3 Analysis of Building

Analysis of the building is done as per Equivalent Static Procedure or Seismic coefficient Method. In this method mass of structure is multiplied by design seismic coefficients, this force acts statically in horizontal direction. It is also assumed that magnitude of coefficient is uniform for the entire member of the structure.

### 3.4 Modelling of Structure

The model is analysed using ETABS 9.0 to get more accurate and practical results. In total 15-models are made 5 each in RCC, Steel and Composite (G+6, G+7, G+8, G+9, G+10). The typical plan, location of beams, location of columns, elevation and 3D of the model are Shown in Figures. All the models are compared w.r.t. each other in terms of Time period, Total Base Shear, Total Dead Load, Total Cost of Building and Time Duration Required for Execution.

### 3.5 Design of Building

The building is designed using respective code like IS 875 part-I, II 1997, IS456 2000, IS800 1998, IS11384 1998, Eurocode-I, II, III, IV for RCC, Steel and Composite Construction. The design of standard beam and column using Composite behavior and steps given in Euro-Code is shown, but the permissible stresses are considered according to IS Code. The slab is considered in pure RCC for the RCC and STEEL frame structure are as for composite structure slab is with metal decking.

Dead Load of Slab for 150 mm thick –  $0.15 \times 25 = 3.75 \text{ KN/m}^2$  (as per IS-875 Part -I)

Live Load –  $5 \text{ KN/m}^2$  (as per IS- 875 Part-II Table no.I)

#### 3.5.1 Earthquake Parameters

IS1893:2002 Seismic Loading

**Direction and Eccentricity**

X Dir       Y Dir  
 X Dir + Eccen Y       Y Dir + Eccen X  
 X Dir - Eccen Y       Y Dir - Eccen X

Ecc. Ratio (All Diaph.)   
 Override Diaph. Eccen.

**Time Period**

Approximate      Ct (m)   
 Program Calc  
 User Defined      T =

**Story Range**

Top Story   
 Bottom Story

**Factors**

Response Reduction Factor, R

**Seismic Coefficients**

Seismic Zone Factor, Z  
 Per Code   
 User Defined

Soil Type   
 Importance Factor, I

### 3.5.2 Properties of Metal Decking Slab for Composite Structure

Deck Section

**Section Name**

**Type**

Filled Deck  
 Unfilled Deck  
 Solid Slab

**Geometry**

Slab Depth (tc)   
 Deck Depth (hr)   
 Rib Width (wr)   
 Rib Spacing (Sr)

**Composite Deck Studs**

Diameter   
 Height (hs)   
 Tensile Strength, Fu

**Material**

Slab Material   
 Deck Material   
 Deck Shear Thick

**Metal Deck Unit Weight**

Unit Weight/Area

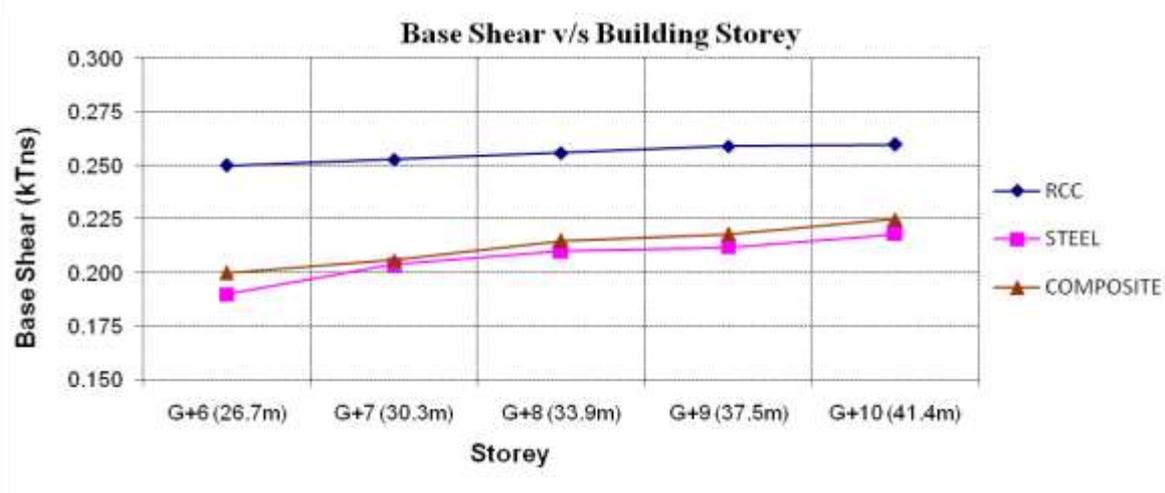


### 3.6 Comparative Graphs for RCC, Steel and Composite Structures



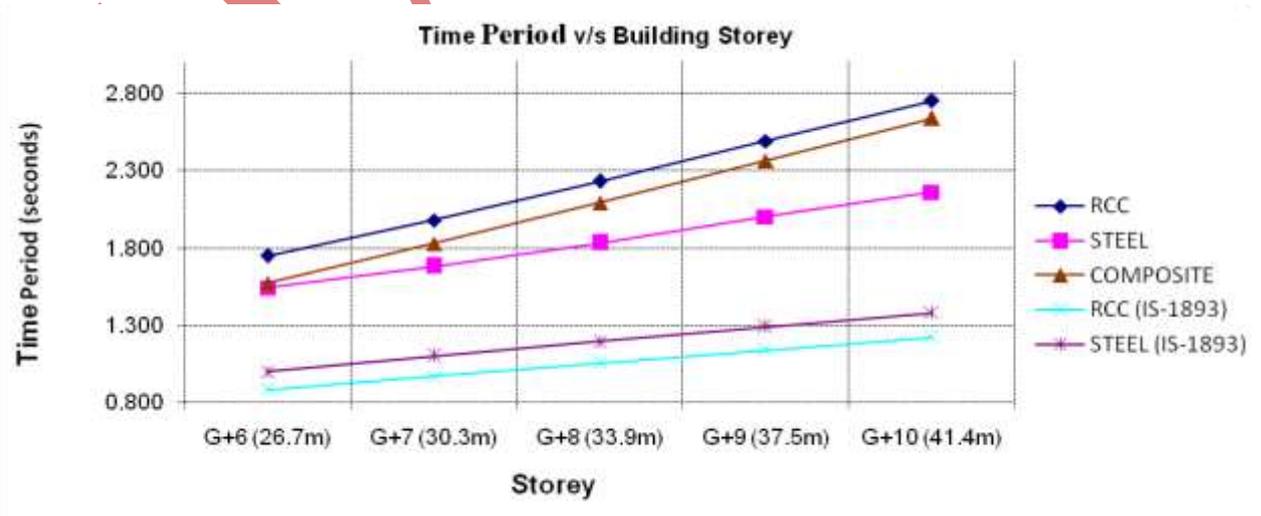
STOREY	G+6(26.7m)	G+7(30.3m)	G+8(33.9m)	G+9(37.5m)	G+10(41.4m)
RCC	10.53	11.86	13.19	14.52	15.86
STEEL	7.74	8.73	9.72	10.69	11.68
COMPOSITE	8.04	9.06	10.07	11.09	12.11

**Fig7. Comparison for Self weight of the structure for different Heights of the Building**



STOREY	G+6 (26.7m)	G+7 (30.3m)	G+8 (33.9m)	G+9 (37.5m)	G+10(41.4m)
RCC	0.250	0.253	0.256	0.259	0.260
STEEL	0.190	0.204	0.210	0.212	0.218
COMPOSITE	0.200	0.206	0.215	0.218	0.225

**Fig8. Comparison for Base Shear of the structure for different Heights of Building**



STOREY	G+6(26.7m)	G+7(30.3m)	G+8(33.9m)	G+9(37.5m)	G+10(41.4m)
RCC	1.750	1.980	2.230	2.490	2.754
STEEL	1.540	1.680	1.830	2.000	2.160
COMPOSITE	1.570	1.820	2.090	2.364	2.640
RCC (IS-1893)	0.881	0.969	1.054	1.137	1.220
STEEL (IS-1893)	0.998	1.098	1.194	1.288	1.380

**Fig.9 Comparison for Time Period of the structure for different Heights of the Building.**



STOREY	G+6(26.7m)	G+7(30.3m)	G+8(33.9m)	G+9(37.5m)	G+10(41.4m)
RCC	6.70	7.5	8.46	9.35	10.24
STEEL	19.03	21.46	23.8	26.3	28.7
COMPOSITE	10.62	11.936	13.252	14.568	15.884

**Fig.10 Comparison for Cost of the structure for different Heights of the Building**

#### IV.CONCLUSION

This paper has outlined the necessity, concept, and favorable and unfavorable circumstances composite structure.

- Composite construction, particularly that using profiled steel sheeting, allows rapid construction.
- The weight of steelwork required in composite construction is significantly less than if the materials were used independently.
- There is no need for formwork because the steel beam is able to sustain the self weight of steel and concrete, by itself or with the assistance of a few temporary props. Timber formwork can be replaced by precast concrete elements or profiled steel sheeting.

#### 4.1 Conclusion Based On Project Work

- Time period of building is decreased by 4% than normal R.C.C. building and 22 % increased than STEEL building.
- Completion period of the building came down by 21% when compared to R.C.C Structure and 23 % up when compared to STEEL building.
- Dead Load of building is decreased by 23 % than normal R.C.C. building and 3 % increased than STEEL building.
- Base Shear of building is decreased by 13 % than normal R.C.C. building and 3 % increased than STEEL building.
- As per this work the total cost of structure for composite is increased by 55% than normal R.C.C building and 44% decreased than STEEL building.

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