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FOR
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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
IS	Indian Standard

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1.0 SCOPE

This specification specifies the requirements of chain link fence for security purposes. The height of the fence shall be approximately 2.0 m to the top of the chain link fencing at the posts and approximately 2.5 m in vertical height at the top line of barbed wire attached to the cranked tops of the posts.

2.0 REFERENCES

IS: 278	Specification for galvanized steel barbed wire for fence fabric
IS: 383	Specification for coarse and fine aggregates for concrete
IS: 456	Plain and Reinforced Concrete - Code of Practice
IS: 2721	Specification for Galvanized Steel Chain Link Fencing

NOTE: - Latest Edition of all Codes and Standards shall be followed.

3.0 REFERENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS / STANDARDS

Following standard specification shall be enclosed as part of the job specifications.

Technical Specifications - Civil and Structural Works	
General Scope	VCS-SS-CS-6020
Technical Specifications - Civil and Structural Works	
Material	VCS-SS-CS-6021
Technical Specifications - Civil and Structural Works	
Earth work in Foundation	VCS-SS-CS-6022
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Earthwork in Site Grading	VCS-SS-CS-6002
Details of Chain Link Fencing	VCS-STD-CS-6002

4.0 CEMENT CONCRETE FOR FOUNDATION & SILL

Refer specification no VCS-SS-CS-6023

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5.0 CEMENT CONCRETE IN PRECAST POSTS/STRUTS

(Straining posts, intermediate posts and struts)

5.1 Pre-Cast Cement concrete shall be of M25 grade for moderate environment exposure condition and M30 grade for severe environment exposure condition with 20mm and down size crushed stone aggregates conforming to IS: 383.

5.2 The work shall be carried out as per IS: 456 in all respects.

5.3 Necessary moulds shall be provided for casting the concrete posts and the same shall be smooth finished with 1:3 cement sand mortar as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

6.0 REINFORCEMENT

Refer specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6023

6.1 MATERIALS

6.1.1 CHAIN LINK FENCING

The material requirement shall conform to IS: 2721 latest edition. The chain link fencing shall be woven from 3.15 mm dia wire with mesh size of 75 sq mm. The mesh wire shall not vary from the specified dia by more than ± 0.05 mm.

6.1.2 GALVANIZED WIRES

a. All steel wires shall be hot dipped galvanized wire and dia of the wire shall be 3.15 mm over the galvanized coating.

b. The line wire shall be 4.0 mm dia Mild Steel.

c. The stirrup wire for securing the line wires to the concrete intermediate posts shall be 3.15 mm diameter Mild Steel.

d. The tying wire for securing the chain link fencing to the line wire shall be 2.50 mm diameter Mild Steel.

e. Hair pin staples for fastening down the bottom of galvanized chain link fencing to the concrete sill shall be of 3.15 mm wire. The ends shall be bent outwards to secure anchorage.

6.1.3 Cleats for eye bolts shall be of uniform size and shall consist of Mild Steel angle of 75 x 50 x 6mm.

6.1.4 EYE BOLT STRAINERS

a. The eye bolt strainer shall consist of bolts with welded eye sufficiently threaded and fitted with a nut and washer.

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b. Two-way eye bolt strainer shall have suitable ring nuts, fitted after wires have been strained on one side.

6.1.5 Stretcher bar shall consist of Mild Steel flats 25 mm x 4.75 mm. They shall be secured to the cleats by steel bolts.

6.1.6 Droppers for barbed wire shall be of Mild Steel not less than 25mm x 4.75 mm thick with 38mm x 4.85mm half round staples for fastening the barbed wire to them.

6.1.7 BARBED WIRE

a. Barbed wire shall conform to IS: 278. The galvanized barbed wire shall be manufactured from galvanized Mild Steel wire conforming to IS: 280. The coating on the wire shall be smooth and relatively free of lumps, globes or points, wires with excessive roughness, blisters, Sal ammoniac spots shall be rejected. A galvanized steel barbed wire of Type A-1 IS: 278 shall be made from two strands of galvanized, twisted 2.5 mm steel wire with 4 points of barbs. Each barb shall have two turns tightening around both line wires making altogether four complete turns. The barbs shall be so finished that four points are set and looked at right angles to each other.

b. Bracing of the rows of barbed wire shall be as shown in Standard drawing.

c. The barbs shall have a length of not less than 13mm and not more than 18mm.

6.2 ERECTION

6.2.1 Straining posts shall be provided at all ends and corners of fences, at changes in direction or acute variations in level and at intervals not exceeding 60m on straight lengths of fence. Intermediate posts shall be spaced at regular intervals not exceeding 3M.

6.2.2 Struts shall be fitted to all straining posts behind the chain link fabric in the direction of the line of fence.

6.2.3 FIXING CHAIN LINK FENCING

a. There shall be four evenly spaced rows of line wire. The top wire shall be doubled, making five line wires in all. The bottom wire shall be close to the ground.

b. Each line wire shall be strained tightly by means of eyebolt strainers or winders at each straining point.

c. Each line wire shall be secured to each intermediate post by a wire stirrup passed through a hole in the posts and secured to the line wire by three complete turns on each side of the post.

d. The chain link fencing shall be strained between each pair of straining posts and secured to each straining post by means of a Stretcher bar. One of the top line wires shall be threaded through the appropriate adjacent rows of mesh, care being taken that no meshes in the rows are bypassed by the line wire except where deviation is necessary at the straining posts. The second top line wire shall

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be strained in front of the fencing. The fencing shall be attached to the top and bottom line wire by wire ties spaced 150mm apart and to the other line wires by wire ties spaced 450 mm apart.

e. The bottom of the fencing shall be treated as follows:

Continuous concrete sill 230 mm wide x 300 mm high for full length between posts shall be cast with the top 25 mm above G.L. and 25mm below the chain link fencing. Hair pin staples shall be threaded through the bottom row of mesh at 0.75 m c/c and set in the sill to a depth of 150 mm.

6.2.4 FIXING BARBED WIRES FOR ANTICLIMBING DEVICE.

a. Three lines of barbed wire shall be provided as shown in drawing . The wires shall be attached by eye bolts to the cranked tops of the straining posts. On concrete intermediate posts they shall be secured to cranked tops with stirrup wires. The barbed wire shall be fitted with one dropper at the centre of each bay, secured to the wires so that they cannot be bunched together

7.0 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

7.1 EARTHWORK

Payment for earthwork shall be made on cubic meter basis

7.2 CEMENT CONCRETE (CAST-IN-SITU AND PRE-CAST)

Payment shall be made on cubic meter basis and the rate shall include labour, materials, mixing placing, leaving pockets, fixing chain link fencing, line wires, barbed wires inserts in concrete post while casting as shown in the drawing or as per the directions of Engineer-in-Charge, keeping the concrete post in the proper position while concreting, scaffolding, all moulds, curing etc. complete including handling & transportation from pre-casting yards to place of fixing, preparation of pre-casting yards etc. but excluding cost of reinforcement.

7.3 REINFORCEMENT

Payment for reinforcement shall be made on metric ton basis including transportation of steel to site of work, straightening, cleaning, cutting, bending to required shapes and lengths, placing, binding with soft annealed wire as per drawings, specifications and instruction of Engineer-in-Charge.

7.4 CHAIN LINK FENCING

Payment for chain link fencing shall be made on running meter basis for bottom 2.0meter height of the total height including supply of chain link fencing in 1.9meter width roll, fixing in position true to line and as per drawing. The rate shall also include supplying and fixing necessary galvanized line wires, stirrup wires, tying wires, hair pin staples for fixing the fence in cons sill, etc. tensioning the line wire and fencing, all materials and labour etc. required to complete the job as per drawings and direction of Engineer-in-Charge.

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7.5 BARBED WIRE FENCING

Payment for barbed wire shall be made on running meter basis. The rate shall included supply and fixing necessary droppers, straining bolts tensioning the barbed wire etc. and all materials and labour etc. required to complete the job.

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2.0 REFERENCE 5

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1.0 SCOPE

These specifications establish and define the material and constructional requirements for CIVIL and STRUCTURAL WORKS.

2.0 REFERENCE

IS: 1200

3.0 Methods of measurements are indicated in these specifications; where not so specified, latest revision of IS: 1200 shall be applicable.

4.0 Providing and operating all necessary measuring and testing devices including all materials and consumables are included in the scope of work. No separate measurement or payment for testing the quality of work and materials shall be made, but rates quoted for various items shall be deemed to include the cost of such tests which are required to ensure achievement of specified quality.

5.0 All materials shall be of standard quality, manufactured by renowned concerns conforming to Indian Standards or equivalent, and shall have IS mark as far as possible unless otherwise approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. The Contractor shall get all materials approved by the Engineer-in-Charge prior to procurement and use. The Contractor shall furnish manufacturer's certificates for the materials supplied by him when asked for. Further to that he shall get the materials tested from an approved test house if asked for by the Engineer-in- Charge. The cost for all the tests and test certificates for the material procured by the Contractor shall be borne by the Contractor. No separate payment shall be made for the testing. The Engineer-in-Charge shall have the right to determine whether all or any of the materials are suitable. Any materials procured or brought to site and not conforming to specifications and satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be rejected and the Contractor shall have to remove the same immediately from site at his own expense and without any claim for compensation due to such rejection.

6.0 Wherever referred to in the tender document, only the latest revision of Specifications, Codes of Practice and other publications of Bureau of Indian Standards shall be applicable.

7.0 Wherever the Contractor executes civil and structural works involving buildings, equipment foundations, supporting structures, pipe racks, etc., the following works are deemed to have been included in the quoted rates for various works.

a. Marking of centre lines of foundations etc.

b. Establishing layout and levels of foundations and superstructure etc., including establishment of reference lines, bench marks on various floors, platforms etc.

c. General upkeep of the plant site.

d. Preparation of "As-Built" scheme of structural drawings indicating constructed details including levels, centre lines, layouts, member sizes etc. complete.

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8.0 The provisions of schedule of rates, specifications and drawings shall be read in conjunction with each other and in case of conflict amongst them, clarification shall be obtained from the Engineer-in-Charge whose decision shall be final and binding. However, the following procedure may generally be followed.

a. Description of items in schedule of rates shall be followed when provisions therein are different from those in specifications.

b. Where the description of item does not call for some specific requirement but the same is given in specifications, the specifications shall be followed in addition to the requirement given in description of item.

c. Where drawings call for requirements different from or additional to those given in item description and specifications, the decision of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be obtained as to what shall be followed.

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STANDARD SPECIFICATION
FOR
EARTHWORK IN FOUNDATIONS

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
Cm	Centimetre
m^2	Square metre
m^3	Cubic metre
CNS	Cohesive Non Swelling

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1.0 SCOPE

This specification deals with earth work in excavation and filling.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 SPECIFICATIONS

VCS-SS-CS-6002	Earthwork in Site Grading
VCS-SS-CS-6003	Earthwork for underground piping

3.0 CLASSIFICATION OF SOIL

3.1 SOFT / LOOSE / HARD / DENSE SOIL AND MUD

Generally any soil which yields to the application of pick and shovel or to phawra, rake or other, ordinary digging implement such as vegetable or organic soil, turf, gravel, sand, silt, loam, clay, peat, cobble stone, mud etc.

3.2 SOFT / DISINTEGRATED / WEATHERED ROCK (NOT REQUIRING BLASTING)

Rock or boulder which may be quarried or split with crowbar. This will also include laterite and hard conglomerate.

3.3 HARD ROCK (REQUIRING BLASTING)

Any rock or boulder for the excavation of which blasting is required.

3.4 HARD ROCK (BLASTING PROHIBITED)

Hard rock requiring blasting as described under cl. No. 3.3 above, but where blasting is prohibited for any reason(s), breaking up of rock shall be done by chiselling, wedging or by using Hydraulic Splitter and chemical substances mixed in an appropriate proportion.

4.0 BACKFILLING MATERIAL

4.1 Backfilling material shall be as approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

4.2 Backfilling of excavation in trenches, foundations and elsewhere shall consist of one of the following materials as shown on drawing, or directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

a. Soil

b. Selected earth from heaps or brought from borrow areas.

4.3 In case a. or b. are not available, the Engineer-in-Charge may approve use of any of the following: Stone/gravel

c. Sand

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d. CNS material.

4.4 The material shall be free from rubbish, roots, hard lumps and any other foreign organic material

5.0 SETTING OUT

5.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for the true and proper setting out of the work in relation to original point's lines and levels of reference and for the correctness of the levels, dimensions and alignment of all parts of the work. If at any time during progress of the work any error appears or arises in the position of level, dimension, or alignment of part of the work, the Contractor at his own expense shall rectify such errors to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge. The checking of any line or level by the Engineer-in-Charge shall not in any way relieve the Contractor of his responsibilities.

5.2 The Contractor shall lay out and construct one or more permanent bench marks in some central place before the start of the work, from which all important levels for the excavations will be set.

5.3 These permanent bench marks shall consist of masonry pillars with top neatly plastered and levelled as per the directions of the Engineer-in-Charge. Bench marks shall be well connected with triangular grid system or any other bench mark approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

6.0 EARTHWORK IN EXCAVATION

6.1 Excavation shall be carried out in any material met on the site to the lines, levels and contours shown on the detailed drawings and the Contractor shall remove all excavated materials to spoil heaps on site or transport for use in filling on the site or stack them for reuse as directed:

6.2 Excavated material shall not be deposited within 1.5m from the top edge of the excavation.

6.3 The sides of the excavation may be cut sloping, or shored and strutted to hold the face of earth as per site requirements and as directed by the Engineer-in- Charge.

6.4 Foundation pits/trenches shall not be excavated to the full depth unless construction is imminent. The last fifteen (15) cm depth of the excavation shall not be done until concreting work is imminent. The full depth may at the discretion of the Engineer-in-Charge be excavated and the bed covered with a fifty (50) mm (minimum) thick (or as indicated on drawing) layer of lean concrete 1:5:10 mix (1 cement: 5 coarse sand: 10 crushed stone aggregate) or as specified in schedule of rates/shown on drawing, after watering if required, and consolidating the bed.

6.5 If the bottom of any excavation has been left exposed by the Contractor and in the opinion of the Engineer-in-Charge, that has become badly affected by the atmosphere or by water, then the Contractor shall remove such portions of the deteriorated material as the Engineer-in-Charge may direct and shall make good with lean concrete

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1:5:10 mix (1 Cement: 5 Coarse Sand: 10 Crushed Stone Aggregate). All expenses for such additional concrete and excavation shall be borne by the Contractor.

6.6 Where excavation is made in excess of the depth required, the Contractor shall, at his own expense, fill up to required level with lean concrete 1:5:10 mix (1 Cement : 5 Coarse Sand : 10 Crushed Stone aggregates) or as decided by Engineer-in-Charge.

6.7 The Contractor shall provide suitable drainage arrangement to prevent surface water from any source entering the foundation pits at his own cost.

6.8 The Contractor shall make all arrangements for dewatering during excavation and subsequent works, the accumulated water from any source (including subsoil water) in the excavated pits/trenches and keeping the excavated pits/trenches dry for subsequent works.

6.9 The Contractor shall make necessary arrangements for lighting, fencing and other suitable measures for protection against risk of accidents due to open excavation.

6.10 Where the excavation is to be carried out below the foundation level of an adjacent structure, the precaution to be taken such as under pinning, shoring and strutting etc. shall be determined by the Engineer- in-Charge. No excavation shall be done unless such precautionary measures are carried out as per directions of the Engineer-in-Charge. The payment for such precautionary measures shall, however, be made separately.

6.11 Loose or soft bed ground encountered in excavation at the required depth shall on the Engineers-in-Charge's instructions be excavated to a firm bed and difference made up to the required level with lean concrete 1:5:10 mix (1 Cement: 5 Coarse Sand: 10 Crushed Stone Aggregates).

6.12 In those cases where during excavation, side slips occur for reasons not attributable to the Contractor (e.g. side slips which take place on their own but not due to surcharge of earth kept near the edge of excavation and cracking of excavation top strata due to clay drying out leading to collapse of excavation sides), the Engineer-in-Charge shall admit payment at his discretion.

6.13 Any obstacle encountered during excavation shall be reported immediately to the Engineer-in-Charge and shall be dealt with as instructed by him. Removal of buried pipes or cables shall not be done without prior permission of the Engineer-in-Charge and the Contractor shall provide all measures to protect the same. Costs of such protective measures are deemed to be included in the rates for various items of excavation.

6.14 The Contractor shall not undertake any concreting in foundation until the excavation pit/trench is approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

6.15 The specification for earth work shall also apply to excavation in rock in general.

6.16 In case of hard rock requiring blasting, the provisions mentioned below shall be strictly followed.

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6.16.1 GENERAL

Where hard rock is met with and blasting operations are considered necessary, the Contractor shall intimate about the same to the Engineer-in-Charge, and obtain his approval in writing for resorting to blasting operation.

The Contractor shall obtain license from the district authorities for undertaking blasting work as well as for obtaining and storing the explosive as per Explosive Rules 1983, corrected up to date. He shall purchase the explosives, fuses, detonators etc. only from a licensed dealer. He shall be responsible for the safe custody and proper accounting of the explosive materials. The Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representative shall have the access to check the Contractor's store of explosive and his accounts.

In case where explosives are required to be transported and stored at site, relevant clauses of the Explosive Rules, 1983 as amended subsequently, shall apply.

The Contractor shall be responsible for any accident to workmen, public or property, due to blasting operations.

6.16.2 PRECAUTIONS

Blasting operations shall be carried out under the careful supervision of a responsible, authorized and licensed blaster of the Contractor (referred subsequently as "blaster" only) during specified hours, as approved in writing by the Engineer-in-Charge. The blaster shall be fully conversant with the rules of blasting.

Proper precautions for safety of persons shall be taken. Red flags shall be prominently displayed around the area to be blasted and all the people on the work except those who actually light the fuses shall withdraw to a safe distance of not less than 200 meters from the blast. Precautions as per Explosive Rules 1983 with amendment shall be followed.

6.16.3 FUSES

All fuses shall be cut to the lengths required before being inserted into the holes. Joints in fuses shall be avoided. Where these are unavoidable, a semicircular niche shall be cut in one piece of fuse about 2 cm. deep from the end and the end of other piece inserted into this niche, and the two pieces then wrapped together with a string. All joints exposed to dampness shall be wrapped with rubber tape. Fuse and detonators shall be kept separated from the explosives.

6.16.4 BLASTING WITH GUN POWDER

Blasting shall normally be done with gun powder. Dynamite, gelatine or any other high explosive shall only be used in special cases with the written permission of the Engineer-in-Charge.

In case of blasting with gun powder, the position of all bore holes to be drilled shall be marked out in circles with white paint. The bore holes shall be jumped or drilled in the rock face. The depth of bore hole shall be about the same as that of the line of least

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resistance and its size shall be such that the cartridges can easily pass down to the bottom. The bore holes must be dried before being charged and these shall be inspected by the Contractor's agent.

Gun powder may be used in the form of pellet blasting cartridges or as powder or granules. Cartridges are provided with tapered central hole. One end of fuse is passed through the narrow end of the hole and a sufficient length of the fuse is doubled back so that when the fuse is pulled, it is held tight in the tapered hole of the cartridge. Other cartridges are then inserted in the fuse to make up the required charge. The cartridge along with the fuse is lowered down in the bore hole, placed in position and gently filled and pressed home with dry hay or turf. The rest of the bore shall then be filled with dry clay, which shall be tamped with copper or brass rod until it becomes compact. Care shall be taken to avoid any possibility of an air space around the fuse. The safety fuses shall be taken to the required distance so as to allow the blasting to take place after the person lighting the fuse has withdrawn to a safe distance.

Where gun powder is used in the form of powder or granules it shall be introduced in the bore hole by means of funnel or copper tube. The bore holes shall be loaded with two thirds of the quantity of charge required, and safety fuse then directly introduced over the charge. Remaining one third charges shall then be introduced, and gently filled and pressed home with dry hay or turf. The rest of the bore hole shall be filled with dry clay in the same way as for cartridges, and the safety fuse taken to the required distance.

The charges shall be fired by igniting the fuse. The number of charges to be fired and the actual number of shots heard shall be compared, and the Contractor's blaster shall satisfy himself by examination that all the charges have exploded, before workmen are permitted to approach the site. The charge which has not exploded shall not be permitted to be withdrawn.

The tamping and charge shall be flooded with water and the holes marked with a red cross (X) over it. Another hole shall be jumped at a distance of about 45 cm from the old hole and fired in the usual way. This operation shall be continued, till the original and any subsequent unfired charges are exploded.

6.16.5 BLASTING WITH DYNAMITE OR ANY OTHER HIGH EXPLOSIVE

In case of blasting with dynamite or any other high explosive the position of all bore holes to be drilled shall be marked out in circle with white paint. These shall be inspected by the Contractor's blaster. Bore holes shall be of a size that the cartridge can easily pass down. After the drilling operation, the blaster shall reinspect the holes to see that the holes marked out by him have been drilled. He shall then prepare all charges necessary for the bore holes. The bore holes shall be thoroughly cleaned before a cartridge is inserted. Wooden tamping rods (not pointed but cylindrical throughout) shall be used, in charging holes. Metal rods shall never be used for tamping. One cartridge shall be first placed in the bore hole, gently pressed and not rammed down. Other cartridges shall then be added as may be required to make up the necessary

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charge for the bore hole. The top most cartridges shall be connected to the detonator which shall in turn be connected to the safety fuse of required length.

The maximum of eight bore holes shall be loaded and fired on each occasion. The charges shall be fired successively and not simultaneously.

Immediately before firing a blast, due warning shall be given and the blaster shall see that all persons have retired to a place of safety. The safety fuses of the charged holes shall be ignited in the presence of the blaster, who shall see that all the fuses are properly ignited.

Careful count shall be kept by him and others of each blast as it explodes. After the blast the blaster shall inspect the work and ascertain that all the charged holes have been exploded. In case of misfired holes, he shall inspect the same after half an hour and mark red crosses (X) over the holes. During this interval of half an hour, no body shall approach the misfired holes. None of the drillers shall work near such holes, until one of the two following operations has been done by the blaster.

a. Either the Contractor's blaster shall very carefully (when the tamping is of damp clay) extract the tamping with a wooden scraper and withdraw the fuse, primer and detonator, after which a fresh detonator, primer and fuse shall be placed in the misfired holes and fired.

OR

b. The hole shall be cleaned for 30 cm of tamping and its direction ascertained by placing a stick in the hole. Another hole shall then be drilled 15 cm away and parallel to it. This hole shall be charged and fired. The misfired hole should also explode along with the new one

Before leaving the work, the blaster of one shift shall inform another blaster relieving him for the next shift, of any cases of misfire, and shall point out their positions denoted by red crosses and also state the action, if any, to be taken in the matter.

The Engineer-in-Charge shall also be informed by the blaster of all cases of misfire, their causes and steps taken in that connection.

6.16.6 CONTROLLED BLASTING

Whenever required by the Engineer-in-Charge, rock blasting shall be carefully controlled so that vibrations generated during the blasting do not cause damage to the buildings and installation around. Similarly, the rock pieces should not fly off and endanger the buildings and installations around. Apart from the general precautions mentioned in the preceding paragraphs, following protective measures and limits for use of explosive are suggested as guidelines. Tenderers are requested to carefully check the site conditions and submit details of the scheme they propose to adopt for controlling the blast.

Following protective measures shall be adopted while carrying out blasting operations.

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The hole shall be covered with mild steel plate of minimum 12mm thickness.

Reinforcement rod meshes not less than 20mm dia. at 150mm centre in both directions shall be placed over the steel plates.

Steel plate and reinforcement shall be inspected after every blasting operation and all twists shall be removed before reuse to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in- Charge.

Sand filled bags of 6 to 8 layers shall be placed over the mesh suitably covering the whole region under blasting operation.

The thickness of covering plate and the kind of dead weight is to be duly approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

6.16.7 Hard rock requiring blasting as described under cl.no. 2.3 above, but where blasting is prohibited for any reason(s) breaking up of rock can be done by using Hydraulic Splitter and chemical substances of approved manufacturer (Lifton or equivalent) mixed in an appropriate proportion. The method involves drilling holes into rock and then inserting/injecting hydraulic splitter/chemical solvents into the holes. The breaking-up of rock takes place in a controlled fashion without much noise and spark.

6.17 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

6.17.1 Payment for earth work in excavation shall be made on cubic meter (m3) basis on the measurement of volume of pit/trench of excavation with working space as per relevant Indian Standards (IS: 1200) and slopes/stepping as permitted by the Engineer-in-Charge. The rate shall include cost of all the operations of blasting with explosives & accessories, making of all arrangements for dewatering the accumulated water from any source in the excavated pit or trench, removal and disposal of surplus excavated soil within a lead of 100m from construction areas. The rate shall also include setting out and line out work required for the excavation.

6.17.2 The following works shall not be measured separately and allowance for the same shall be deemed to have been made in the description of main item:

a. Setting out works, profiles, etc.;

b. Site clearance, such as cleaning grass and vegetation;

c. Unauthorized battering or benching of excavation;

d. Forming (or leaving 'dead men' or 'tell-tales' in borrow pits and their removal after measurements;

e. Forming (or leaving) steps in sides of deep excavation and their removal after measurements;

f. Excavation for insertion of planking and strutting;

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g. Unless otherwise specified, removing slips or falls in excavations;

h. Baling out or pumping of water in excavation from rains;

i. Baling out or pumping of water in excavation from sub-soil water, and

j. Slinging or supporting pipes, electric cables, etc, met during excavation.

6.17.3 Special pumping other than what is included in 6.17.2 (h and i) and well point dewatering where resorted to, shall each be measured separately, unless otherwise stated, in kilolitres of water against separate specific provision(s) made for the purpose.

6.17.4 The Contractor shall intimate to the Engineer-in-Charge as soon as different classification of soils are met with. The measurements of various soil classifications then shall be worked out by either of the following alternatives in the order of their decreasing importance.

a. Joint levels shall be taken as to the levels of different soil classifications and volume worked out on the basis of levels only.

b. Where levels of different strata cannot be clearly marked and defined, the Contractor shall stack different soils of various classifications separately for measurement purpose and then dispose it off.

c. If the quantum of work involved in (b) above is extensively large & time consuming, then the total area may be divided into various zones and reasonably representative samples as in (b) above may be taken and quantities of soils of various classifications finalized for the entire zone based on the representative.

If soil of any classification other than that specified in the Schedule of Rates is met with during excavation, the decision of the Engineer-in-Charge as to the classification of soil, levels of the strata of different classifications and their location shall be binding.

In above case, the total quantity of excavation shall be computed from the measurement of the pit/trench excavated. The hard rock and soft rock shall be measured separately from the relevant stacks and each shall be reduced by fifty percent for voids, and paid under the relevant items. The balance, that is the total quantity of excavation minus the reduced (for voids) quantity of excavation for rocks shall be paid as soft/hard soil as per the direction of the Engineer-in-Charge (However, the maximum payment shall be limited to the volume of the excavated pit/trench as approved by Engineer-in-Charge).

7.0 SHORING AND STRUTTING:

7.1 The shoring and strutting of the sides to withhold the face of excavation pits/trenches shall be done when approved or directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

7.2 The shoring shall be of close or open timbering type depending upon the site requirements and as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge whose decision shall be final and binding as to the type of shoring to be used.

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7.3 The arrangement of the shoring and strutting shall be sound and safe and shall be got approved from the Engineer-in-Charge before installation. The approval shall not absolve the Contractor of his responsibilities of safety and any other requirements of the contract.

7.4 The shoring and strutting shall be kept in position till all the relevant work in the excavated area is completed and approved. It shall be dismantled and removed only after the permission to do so is obtained from the Engineer-in-Charge.

7.5 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

Payment for shoring and strutting by close and open timbering shall be made on square meter (m2) basis as separate items. In both the cases, the measurement shall be done on the basis of the surface area of the sides of the excavation actually shored and strutted.

The rate shall include all labour, materials, erection of the poling boards, wales, struts, ballies etc., fixing and keeping the same in position as required, dismantling and removing the same after the work is over as directed.

8.0 BACK FILLING AROUND FOUNDATIONS AND IN PLINTH

8.1 Back filling around completed foundations, structures, trenches and in plinth shall be done to the lines and levels shown on the drawings including any trimming of the surfaces, as may be necessary. This shall be done with selected and approved earth from excavation or otherwise with materials described under clause 3.2 as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. Where sufficient suitable material is not available from the excavation, the Engineer-in-Charge may direct to import suitable earth from other sources. The filling shall be done in layers of thickness not exceeding 15 cm with watering, rolling and ramming by manual methods/mechanical compactors to grade and level as shown on drawings to obtain 90% laboratory maximum dry density.

8.2 The Contractor shall not commence filling in and around any work until it has been permitted by the Engineer-in- Charge.

8.3 Backfilling around liquid retaining structures and pipes shall be done only after approval of the Engineer-in- Charge is obtained.

8.4 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

Payment for backfilling with earth shall be based on volume in cubic meters (m3) of consolidated fill. This volume shall be derived from the difference between the volume of excavation and the structure or trenches as the case may be. The rate shall include cost of extracting suitable approved earth from available excavated soil from spoil heaps within a lead of 100m, placing, watering, rolling, ramming compacting in layers,

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trimming and dressing finished surface and disposal of surplus material up to a lead of 100m.

However, backfilling done with materials other than earth shall be paid separately under relevant items.

9.0 TRANSPORTATION OF SURPLUS EARTH

9.1 Surplus earth and soil from excavation shall be removed from construction area to the area demarcated by the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.2 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

9.2.1 Payment shall be made only for the lead beyond initial l00m from construction area. Rate shall include re- excavation, loading, transportation, dumping, stacking or spreading (as per directions of the Engineer in Charge) the surplus earth and the soil in the area demarcated by the Engineer-in-Charge Payment shall be made on cubic meter (m3) basis on the difference of measurements of the volume of the excavated pits and the measurement of the back filling. Quantity generated due to voids in back filled volume of earth shall also be removed by the Contractor at no extra cost and this disposal of earth shall not be measured and paid under any item.

9.2.2 In exceptional circumstances the Engineer-in-Charge may direct the Contractor to remove surplus earth, concrete debris or any other waste material from site to the areas of disposal on the basis of truck measurement. In such cases volume of material shall be calculated on the basis of truck volume reduced by 30% for voids in case of soft/hard soils and 50% for soft/hard rock. All other provisions of disposal such as spreading, levelling, grading shall apply in this case also.

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
m^2	Square metre
m^3	Cubic metre
Kg/m^2	Kilogram per Square Metre
Kg/m^3	Kilogram per Cubic Metre
IS	Indian Standard
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standards
BS	British Standard
PVC	Poly Vinyl Chloride

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1.0 SCOPE

This specification is applicable for Concrete Grade up to M55 and establishes the requirements of materials, mix proportioning, placing, curing, etc. of all types of cast-in-situ and precast concrete used in foundations, underground and over ground structures, floors, pavements etc. Any special requirements as shown or noted on the drawings shall supersede over the provisions of this specifications.

2.0 REFERENCE

Apart from this specification, construction of plain and reinforced concrete works shall be in accordance with the Indian Standard Code of Practice for "Plain and Reinforced Concrete" IS: 456 and other relevant codes mentioned therein.

2.1 For Liquid Retaining Structures relevant Specification shall be applicable.

2.2 For Structural Steel works Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024 & 6026 shall be applicable.

2.3 In case of conflict between the clauses mentioned in this specification and those in the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), this specification shall govern.

3.0 MATERIALS

3.1 Materials for concrete viz. cement, Pozzolanas, Fly Ash, Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag, sand, coarse aggregate, water, etc. shall be as described in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021.

3.2 Materials for all reinforcements, embedment, inserts, water bars etc. shall conform to Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021.

3.3 Materials suggested to be used as additive to concrete shall conform to Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021.

4.0 GRADES OF CONCRETE

Characteristic Compressive strength for different grades of concrete shall be as per Table-1.

TABLE – 1

GRADES OF CONCRETE

Grade Designation	Specified Characteristic Compressive Strength of 150 mm cube at 28 days (N/mm^2
M 15	15
M 20	20
M 25	25
M30	30
M35	35

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M 40	40
M 45	45
M 50	50
M 55	55

Note for Table - 1: The characteristic strength is defined as the strength of material below which not more than five (5) percent of the test results are expected to fall.

5.0 TYPE OF CONCRETE MIX

5.1 Unless otherwise noted on drawings, all lean/plain and reinforced concrete shall be nominal mix and design mix types, respectively.

5.2 NOMINAL MIX CONCRETE

This concrete shall be made (without preliminary tests) by adopting nominal concrete mix with proportions of materials as specified in clause no. 9 of IS: 456.

5.3 DESIGN MIX CONCRETE

The mix shall be designed as per IS: 10262 & SP: 23 to produce the grade of concrete having the required workability and characteristic strength not less than appropriate values given in Table-1. The target mean strength of concrete mix shall be equal to the characteristic strength plus 1.65 times the standard deviation.

As long as the quality of materials does not change, a mix design done earlier but not prior to one year may be considered adequate for later work. However, in case the quality of materials changes or there is a break in the continuity of construction and the same work is allocated to a new contractor, the Engineer-in-Charge shall ask for a new design mix.

Irrespective of the grade of concrete required to be produced as per characteristic strength criteria, the minimum cement content and maximum free water cement ratio in the design concrete shall be strictly maintained as stipulated in Table 2 for the corresponding grade of concrete.

6.0 CONCRETE MIX PROPORTIONING

Proportioning, as used in this specification, shall mean the process of determining the proportions of the various ingredients to be used to produce concrete of the required workability when fresh/green and strength, durability and surface finish, when hardened. The following information shall be collected prior to design of the concrete mix:

a. Grade designation.

b. Type of cement.

c. Maximum nominal size of aggregate.

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d. Minimum cement content.

e. Maximum free water cement ratio

f. Workability requirements.

g. Exposure condition as per Table 3 & Table 4 of IS: 456

h. Maximum temperature of concrete at the time of placing.

i. Method of Placing.

The Engineer-in-Charge shall verify the strength of the concrete mix, before giving his sanction of its use. However, this does not absolve the Contractor of his responsibility as regards achieving the prescribed strength of the mix. If during the execution of the work, cube tests show lower strengths than required, the Engineer-in-Charge shall order fresh trial mixes to be made by the Contractor. No claim to alter the rates of concrete work shall be entertained due to such changes in mix variations. Any variation in cement consumption shall be taken into consideration for material reconciliation. Preliminary mix designs shall be established well ahead of start of work.

6.1 MAXIMUM DENSITY

Suitable proportions of sand and the different sizes of coarse aggregates for each grade of concrete shall be selected to give as nearly as practicable the maximum density. This shall be determined by mathematical means, laboratory tests, field trials and suitable changes in aggregate gradation. The contractor shall submit to the Engineer-in-Charge at least three sets of mix design and corresponding test results after varying the mix proportions and / or grading of aggregate so as to establish the maximum density of any particular grade of concrete.

6.2 CONSISTENCY

The concrete shall have a consistency such that it shall be workable in the required position and when properly vibrated it flows around reinforcing steel, all embedded fixtures, etc.

6.3 WORKABILITY

"Workability of Concrete" shall be as per clause no. 7 of IS: 456.

6.4 DURABILITY

For achieving sufficiently durable concrete, strong, dense aggregates, low water-cement ratio and adequate cement content shall always be used. Workability of concrete shall be such that concrete can be completely compacted with the means available. Leak-proof formwork shall be used so as to ensure no loss of cement-slurry during pouring and compaction. Cover to reinforcement shall be uniform and as shown on drawings. Concrete mix design shall always take into account the type of cement, minimum cement content irrespective of the type of cement and maximum free water

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cement ratio and minimum grade of concrete conforming to the exposure conditions as given in Table-2.

TABLE-2
MINIMUM CEMENT CONTENT, MAXIMUM FREE WATER CEMENT RATIO AND MINIMUM GRADE OF CONCRETE FOR DIFFERENT EXPOSURE CONDITIONS

Exposure	Plain Concrete			Reinforced Concrete		
	Minimum Cement Content (kg /m^3)	Maximum Free Water Cement Ratio	Minimum Grade of Concrete	Minimum Cement Content (kg / m^3)	Maximum Free Water Cement Ratio	Minimum Grade of Concrete
Mild	220	0.6	M 15	300	0.55	M 20
Moderate	240	0.6	M 15	300	0.50	M 25
Severe	250	0.5	M 20	320	0.45	M 30
Very Severe	260	0.45	M 20	340	0.45	M 35
Extreme	280	0.4	M 25	360	0.4	M 40

Note: Cement prescribed in this table is irrespective of grade of Cement and it is inclusive of pozzolanas, Fly Ash, Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag may be taken into account in the concrete composition within respect to the cement content and water-cement ratio if the suitability is established and as long as the maximum amounts taken into account do not exceed the limit of pozzolona and slag specified in IS: 1489 (part-1) and IS: 455 respectively.

Generally, the following types of cement shall be used for Plain and Reinforced concrete works:

a. 33 Grade Ordinary Portland Cement conforming to IS: 269.

b. 43 Grade Ordinary Portland Cement conforming to IS: 8112.

c. Rapid hardening Portland Cement conforming to IS 8041.

d. Portland Slag Cement conforming to IS: 455.

e. Portland Pozzolana Cement (fly ash based) conforming to IS: 1489(Part 1)

f. Portland Pozzolana Cement (calcined clay based) conforming to IS: 1489(Part-2).

g. Sulphate Resisting Portland Cement conforming to IS: 12330

Sulphate Resisting Portland Cement shall be used only for specific requirements depending on environmental and process exposure conditions to which the structures may be subjected to like high sulphate concentrations, processes involving sulphur handling etc.

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6.4.1 FREE WATER CEMENT RATIO

Once a mix, including its free water cement ratio, has been determined and approved for use by the Engineer-in- Charge, that free water cement ratio shall be maintained. The Contractor shall determine the water content of the aggregates frequently as the work progresses, and the amount of mixing water shall be adjusted so as to maintain the approved free water cement ratio. Maximum free water-cement ratio shall be as per Table-2 for different exposure condition.

The minimum cement content as mentioned in Table-2 shall be adjusted for aggregates other than 20mm nominal maximum size. The minimum cement content in the concrete mix shall be increased by 40kg/m3 and decreased by 30 kg/rn3 for 10mm and 40mm nominal maximum size aggregates respectively.

For maximum cement content refer clause no. 8.2.4.2 of IS: 456.

6.5 LIMITS TO DELETERIOUS CONSTITUENTS

Careful selection of the mix and the constituent materials shall be made to limit the presence of deleterious constituents in concrete. The total acid soluble chloride content calculated from the mix proportion and the measured chloride content of each of the constituents shall not exceed 0.6 kg/m3 at the time of placing of concrete. The total water soluble sulphate content of the concrete mix shall not exceed 4 percent by mass of the cement in the mix.

7.0 BATCHING

Refer clause no. 10.2 of IS: 456.

8.0 CONCRETE MIXING

8.1 The mixing of concrete shall be strictly carried out in an approved type of mechanical concrete mixer. The mixer shall be fitted with water measuring devices. The mixing shall be continued until there is a uniform distribution of the material and the mass is uniform in colour and consistency. If there is segregation after unloading from the mixer, the concrete shall be remixed.

Use of Ready Mixed Concrete supplied by Ready Mixed Concrete Plants or from on/off-site batching plants (IS: 4926) shall be preferred for structural concrete.

All records and charts for the batching and mixing operations shall be prepared and maintained by the contractor as per the instructions of Engineer-in-Charge.

8.2 MIXER

8.2.1 Mechanical Mixers shall comply with IS: 1791 and 12119 and shall be maintained in satisfactory operating condition. These shall be used only for producing lean/ plain concrete and/ or nominal mix concrete wherever permitted.

8.2.2 MIXING TIME

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Mixing time shall be as indicated in the following table. Excessive mixing requiring additions of water shall not be permitted. Time shall start when all solid materials are poured in the revolving mixer drum, provided that all of the mixing water shall be introduced before one-fourth of the mixing time has elapsed. The Engineer-in-Charge may, however, direct a change in the mixing time, if he considers such a change necessary.

MINIMUM MIXING TIME FOR MIXERS

Capacity of mixer	Minimum mixing time
2 m^3 or less Above 2 m^3	2 minutes 3 minutes or as recommended by the mixer manufacturer.

8.3 HAND MIXING

Hand mixing of concrete shall not be permitted. However, for non-critical applications namely foundations for crossovers, isolated operating platforms etc., using concrete of maximum grade M20 and located at far away isolated places, this may be permitted by the Engineer-in-charge as a special case. Ten percent (10%) extra cement shall be added to the design proportion. Mixing shall be carried out on a water tight platform and care shall be taken to ensure that mixing is continued until the mass is uniform in colour and consistency. No extra payment shall be made to the Contractor for mixing by hand or for using extra cement due to hand mixing.

8.4 ADDITIVES

Additive in concrete shall be used only with the prior approval of the Engineer-in-Charge and shall comply with clause no. 5.5 of IS: 456. Any additive used for obtaining proper workability or leak-proofness of concrete or repair/rendering works of concrete due to non-conformance to the specifications, shall not be measured and paid for. All costs relating to such usage shall be borne by the Contractor.

9.0 TRANSPORTATION, PLACING AND COMPACTION

9.1 GENERAL

The entire concrete placing programme including transportation arrangements, deployment of equipment, layout, proposed procedures and methods, shall be submitted to the Engineer-in-Charge 24 hours prior to concreting for approval. No concreting shall be placed until his approval has been received. Approval of the Engineer-in-Charge for pouring concrete shall be taken as 'conveyed', when the concrete pour card is signed by him.

9.1.1 CHUTING

The use of long troughs, chutes and pipes for conveying concrete from the mixer to the forms shall be permitted only on written authorization from the Engineer-in-Charge. In case an inferior quality of concrete is produced by the use of such conveyors, the

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Engineer-in-Charge may order discontinuance of their use and the substitution of a satisfactory method of placing the concrete. Open troughs and chutes shall be equipped with baffles and be in short lengths to avoid segregation. Chutes shall be designed so that the concrete is, to some extent, remixed at the lower end by passing down through a funnel shaped pipe or drop chute. Alternatively, they shall discharge into a storage hopper from which the concrete shall be transported to the point of placing by wheel barrows or other means. Where drop chutes are used, a sufficient number of these must be provided, so that the concrete discharged from the chute is not required to flow laterally more than 1.0 metre. Where a drop chute is swung from the vertical, the bottom two sections must be maintained in a vertical position to avoid segregation. The addition of water at any point in the system of transportation, to facilitate the movement of concrete shall not be permitted. All chutes, troughs and pipes, shall be kept clean and free from coatings of hardened concrete by thoroughly flushing them with water after each run; water used for flushing shall be discharged clear of the structure. Concrete shall not be normally permitted to fall freely from a height of more than 1.5 metre nor to strike the forms at an angle. However, a deviation from this normal practice may be allowed provided proper precaution is taken, while placing concrete into the forms to avoid segregation, to the satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.1.2 VIBRATORS

a. Concrete shall be compacted with mechanical vibrating equipment supplemented, if necessary to obtain consolidation, by hand spreading, rodding and tamping. The vibrators shall be of immersion type with operational frequency ranging between 8,000 to 12,000 vibrations per minute. All vibrators shall comply with IS: 2505. Screed board concrete vibrators or concreting vibrating tables or form vibrators conforming to IS: 2506, 2514 and 4656, respectively, shall be used where specifically required and directed by Engineer-in-Charge.

b. Immersion type vibrators shall be inserted in a vertical position at intervals of about 600mm, depending upon the mix, the equipment used, and experience on work. The vibrators shall be withdrawn slowly. The spacing shall provide some overlapping of the area vibrated at each insertion. In no case shall vibrators be used to transport concrete inside the forms. Over vibration or under vibration shall not be permitted as both are harmful. Hand tamping in some cases may be allowed subject to the approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

c. In placing concrete in layers which are advancing horizontally as the work progresses, great care shall be exercised to ensure adequate vibration, bonding and moulding of the concrete between the succeeding batches.

d. The vibrator shall penetrate the layer being placed and also penetrate the layer below while the under layer is still plastic to ensure good bond and homogeneity between the two layers and prevent the formation of cold joints.

e. Care shall be taken to prevent contact of vibrators against all embedded reinforcing steel or inserts. Vibrators shall not be allowed to come in contact with forms.

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f. The use of form vibrators shall not be permitted for compaction of in-situ concrete without specific authorization of the Engineer-in-Charge.

g. The use of surface vibrators of screed board type shall not be permitted for consolidation of concrete under ordinary conditions. However, for thin slabs (of thickness less than 200mm) surface vibration by such vibrators may be permitted, upon approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

h. Whenever vibration has to be applied externally, the design of formwork and the disposition of vibrators shall be carefully planned to ensure efficient compaction and to avoid surface blemishes.

9.2 TRANSPORTATION

9.2.1 All concrete shall be conveyed from the mixer to the place of final deposit such as formwork as rapidly as possible using suitable buckets, dumpers, pumps, transit mixers containers or conveyors which shall be mortar leak tight. Care shall be taken to prevent the segregation or loss of the ingredients and maintaining the required workability. For structural concrete produced from Ready Mixed Concrete Plants as per clause no. 8.1, concrete shall be transported from the plants to the sites only by transit mixers.

9.2.2 During hot or cold weather, concrete shall be transported in deep containers. Other suitable methods to reduce the loss of water by evaporation in hot weather and heat loss in cold weather may also be adopted. All equipment used for transporting and placing of concrete shall be maintained in clean condition. All buckets, hoppers, chutes, dumpers and other equipment shall be thoroughly cleaned after each use.

9.3 PLACING AND COMPACTION

9.3.1 Before placing concrete, all soil surfaces upon which or against which concrete is to be placed shall be well compacted and free from standing water, mud or debris. Soft or yielding soil shall be removed and replaced, with lean concrete or with selected soils/sand and compacted to the density as directed by Engineer-in-Charge. The surface of absorptive soil (against which concrete is to be placed) shall be moistened thoroughly so that moisture is not drawn from the freshly placed concrete. Similarly, for concrete to be placed on formworks, all chippings, shavings and sawdust etc. shall be removed from the interior of the forms before the concrete is placed.

9.3.2 Concrete shall not be placed until the formwork, the placement of reinforcing steel, embedded parts; pockets etc. have been inspected and approved by the Engineer- in-Charge. Any accumulated water on the surface of the bedding layer shall be removed by suitable means before start of placement. No concrete shall be placed on a water covered surface.

9.3.3 Concrete shall be discharged by vertical drop only and the drop height shall not normally exceed 1.5 metre throughout all stages of delivery until the concrete comes to rest in forms. For continuous concreting operation windows of suitable size shall be kept in the formwork or chutes shall be used to avoid segregation of concrete.

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9.3.4 Concrete shall be deposited as near as practicable in its final position to avoid rehandling. Concrete shall be placed in successive horizontal layers. The bucket loads, or other units of deposit, shall be placed progressively along the face of the layer with such over-lap as will facilitate spreading the layer of uniform depth and texture with a minimum of hand shoveling. Any tendency to segregation shall be corrected by shoveling coarse aggregates into mortar rather than mortar on the coarse aggregates. Such a tendency for segregation shall be corrected by redesign of mix, change in process or other means, as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.3.5 All struts, stays and braces (serving temporarily to hold the forms in correct shape and alignment pending the placing of concrete at their locations) shall be removed when the concrete placing has reached an elevation rendering their service unnecessary. These shall not be buried in the concrete. Concrete shall be thoroughly compacted with vibrators and fully worked around the reinforcement, embedded fixtures and into corners of formwork before setting commences and shall not be subsequently disturbed. Methods of placing shall be such as to preclude segregation and avoid displacement of reinforcement or formwork. The formation of stone-pockets or mortar bondage in corners and against face forms shall not be permitted. Should these occur, they shall be dug out, reformed and refilled to sufficient depth and shape for thorough bonding as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. Care shall be taken to avoid displacement of reinforcement and embedded inserts or movement of formwork.

9.3.6 Unless otherwise approved, concrete shall be placed in single operation to the full thickness of foundation rafts, slabs, beams and similar members. Concrete shall be placed continuously until completion of the part of the work between approved construction joints or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.3.7 The method of placing and compaction employed in any particular section of the work shall be to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.3.8 During hot weather (atmospheric temperature above 40 degree Celsius) or cold weather (atmospheric temperature less than 5 degree Celsius, the concreting shall be done as per the procedure set out in IS: 7861).

9.3.9 Concrete that has set standing and becomes stiffened shall not be used in the work.

9.4 ITEMS EMBEDDED IN CONCRETE

9.4.1 Concreting shall not be started unless the electrical conduits, pipes, fixtures etc., wherever required, are laid by the concerned agency. The Contractor shall afford all the facilities and maintain co-ordination of work with other agencies engaged in electrical and such other works as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.4.2 Before concreting, the Contractor shall provide, fabricate and lay in proper position all metal inserts, anchor bolts, pipes etc. (which are required to be embedded in concrete members) as per relevant drawings and directions of Engineer-in-Charge.

9.4.3 All embedment, inserts etc. shall be fully held and secured in their respective positions by the concerned agencies to the entire satisfaction of Engineer-in-Charge so as to

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avoid any dislocation or displacement during the concreting operations. The Contractor shall take all possible care during concreting to maintain these embedment/inserts in their exact locations

10.0 CONSTRUCTION JOINTS

10.1.1 Construction joints shall be provided in position as shown or described on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. Such joints shall be kept to the minimum. These shall be straight and at right angles to the direction of main reinforcement and shall be placed at accessible locations to permit cleaning out of laitance, cement slurry and unsound concrete. Construction joints shall comply with IS: 11817

10.1.2 In a column, the joint shall be formed about 100mm to 150mm below the lowest soffit of the beams framing into it. Concrete in a beam and slab shall be placed throughout without a joint but if the provision of a joint is unavoidable, the joint shall be vertical and located within 1/3 to 1/4 of the span, unless otherwise shown on the drawings.

10.1.3 When stopping the concrete on a vertical plane in slabs and beams, an approved stop board shall be placed with necessary slots for reinforcement bars. The construction joints shall be keyed by providing a triangular or trapezoidal fillet nailed on the stop board. Inclined joints shall not be permitted. Any concrete flowing through the joints of stop board shall be removed soon after the initial set. When concrete is stopped on a horizontal plane, the surface shall be roughened and cleaned after the initial set and a triangular or trapezoidal groove shall be provided for keying with the new concrete later.

10.1.4 When the work has to be resumed on a surface which has hardened, such surface shall be cleared of any foreign materials and roughened to expose the tips of the coarse aggregate. This may be done by manual chipping of concrete, with a high pressure water jet or by any other appropriate means as per Engineer-in-Charge's directions. It shall then be swept clean and thoroughly washed and wetted before any new concrete is poured. Any set mortar or concrete sticking to the exposed reinforcing rods in and around such joints shall be thoroughly removed. The reinforcements shall be wire brushed and washed just before pouring any cement slurry or mortar. For vertical joints neat cement slurry shall be applied on the surface before it is dry. For horizontal joints the surface shall be covered with a layer of mortar about 10 to 15mm thick composed of cement and sand in the same ratio as the cement and sand in concrete mix. This layer of cement slurry or mortar shall be freshly mixed and applied immediately before placing new concrete.

10.1.5 Where the concrete has not fully hardened, all laitance shall be removed by scrubbing the wet surface with wire or bristle brushes, care being taken to avoid dislodgement of particles of aggregate. The surface shall be thoroughly wetted and all free water removed. The surface shall then be coated with neat cement slurry. On this surface layer of concrete not exceeding 150mm in thickness shall first be placed and shall be well rammed against old work, particular attention being paid to corners and close spots; work thereafter shall proceed in normal way.

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11.0 SEPARATION JOINT

11.1 Separation joint shall be obtained by using an approved alkathene sheet stuck on the surface against which concrete shall be placed. Adequate care shall be taken to cause no damage to the sheet.

12.0 EXPANSION JOINTS/ISOLATION JOINT

12.1 Expansion/ isolation joints in structures shall be formed in the positions and to the shapes shown in the relevant drawings. Joints shall be filled with joint filling material as stipulated in the drawings/schedule of rates. Isolation joints shall be provided around all equipment foundations, columns, pedestals, trenches etc. on grade.

13.0 WATER STOPS

PVC water stops as per Specification No. SS-CV-021 for materials shall be accurately cut, fitted and integrally joined as per manufacturer's specifications to provide a continuous, watertight diaphragm at all points.

The water stops shall be located and embedded at expansion/contraction/ construction joints as indicated in the drawings or directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

Adequate provision shall be made for the support and protection of water stops during the progress of the work. Damaged water stops shall be replaced and/or repaired as directed.

14.0 PROTECTION OF FRESHLY LAID CONCRETE

14.1 Newly placed concrete shall be protected, by approved means, from rain, sun and wind. Concrete placed below the ground level shall be protected from falling earth during and after placing. Surface shall be kept free from contact with such ground or with water draining from such ground during placing of concrete for a period of at least 3 days, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. The ground water around newly poured concrete shall be kept to an approved level by pumping or other approved means of drainage and adequate steps shall be taken to prevent floatation and flooding. Steps shall be taken to protect immature concrete from damage by debris, loading, vibration, abrasion, mixing with deleterious materials that may, in the opinion of the Engineer-in-Charge, impair the strength and/or durability of the concrete.

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15.0 CURING

15.1 Concrete shall be cured by keeping it continuously moist wet for the specified period of time to ensure complete hydration of cement and its hardening. Curing shall be started after 8 hours of placement of concrete in normal weather, and in hot weather after 4 hours. The water used for curing shall be of the same quality as that used for making of concrete.

Curing shall be assured by use of an ample water supply under pressure in pipes, with all necessary appliances such as hose, sprinklers etc. A layer of sacking, canvas, hessian, or other approved material, which will hold moisture for long periods and prevent loss of moisture from the concrete, shall be used as covering. Type of covering which would stain, disfigure or damage the concrete, during and after the curing period, shall not be used. Only approved covering shall be used for curing.

Exposed surfaces of concrete shall be maintained continuously in a damp or wet condition for at least the first 7 days after placing of concrete.

The Contractor shall have all equipment and materials required for curing on hand and ready to use before concrete is placed.

For curing the concrete in pavements, floors, flat roofs or other level surfaces, the ponding method of curing shall be used. For the first 24 hours after concreting the concrete shall be cured by use of wet sacking, canvas, hessian etc. The minimum water depth of 25mm for ponding shall be maintained. The method of containing the ponded water shall be approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. The ponded areas shall be kept continuously filled with water, and leaks, if any, shall be promptly repaired. Areas cured by ponding method shall be cleared of all debris and foreign materials after curing period is over.

Alternatively, membrane curing may be used in lieu of moist curing with the permission of the Engineer-in-Charge. Such compounds shall be applied to all exposed surfaces of the concrete by spraying or brushing as soon as possible after the concrete has set. Minimum film thickness of such curing compounds shall be as per the recommendation of the manufacturer so as to obtain an efficiency of 90% as specified by BS-8110. This film of curing compound shall be fully removed from the concrete surface after the curing period specified earlier. Engineer-in-Charge may not allow curing by curing compounds for those surfaces where use of curing compound may be detrimental to application of future finishes over the concrete. Impermeable membranes such as polyethylene sheeting closely covering the concrete surface may also be used.

15.2 For concretes containing Portland Pozzolana cement or Portland slag cement, the curing period as given in clause no. 15.1 shall be doubled. Curing by ponding shall, however, commence after the first 24 hours of concreting.

16.0 FIELD TESTS

16.1 Grading Test

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Grading test on fine and coarse aggregates shall be carried out as per IS: 2386 at intervals specified by the Engineer-in-Charge.

The mandatory tests and their frequencies shall be done on sand and stone aggregates as given in Table-3

TABLE - 3
MANDATORY TESTS ON SAND & STONE AGGREGATES

S.No	MATERIAL	TEST	FIELD/LAB TEST	MIN. QTY. OF MATERIAL/WORK FOR CARRYING OUT THE TEST	FREQUENCY OF TESTING
1.	Sand	(a) Bulking of sand	Field	20 m^3	Every 20 m^3 or part thereof or more frequently as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge
		(b) Silt content	Field	20 m^3	
		(c) Particle size distribution	Field or Lab as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge	40 m^3	1) Every 40 m^3 of fine aggregate/ sand required in RCC works only 2) Every 80 m^3 of fine aggregate/sand required for other items
2.	Stone aggregate	a) Percentage of soft or deleterious materials	General visual inspection, laboratory test where required by the Engineer-in-Charge or as specified	As required by Engineer-in-Charge	For all quantities
		b) Particle size	Field or lab. as required by Engineer-in-Charge	45 m^3	For every 45 m^3 or part thereof as decided by Engineer- in-Charge
		c) Ten percent value	Laboratory	45 m^3	Initial test and subsequent test as & when required by Engineer-in-Charge

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16.2 VEE-BEE TEST/SLUMP TEST OF CONCRETE

16.2.1 For structural quality concrete (excluding pavements, flooring etc.) at least one Slump Test shall be made for every compressive strength test carried out. More frequent tests shall be made if there is a distinct change in working conditions or if required by the Engineer-in-Charge.

16.2.2 For structural quality concrete for pavements & floorings, measurement of workability shall be by determination of compacting factor. Value of compacting factor of 0.75 to 0.8 shall generally be acceptable.

16.3 STRENGTH TEST OF CONCRETE

16.3.1 Samples from fresh concrete shall be taken as per IS: 1199 and cubes shall be made, cured and tested at 28 days in accordance with IS: 516.

16.3.2 In order to get a relatively quicker idea of the quality of concrete, optional tests on beams for modulus of rupture at 72±2 hours or at 7 days, or compressive strength tests at 7 days may be carried out in addition to 28 days compressive strength tests. For this purpose, the values shall be arrived at based on actual testing. In all cases, the 28 days compressive strength specified in Table-1 shall alone be the criterion for acceptance or rejection of the concrete.

16.3.3 PROCEDURE

A random sampling procedure shall be adopted to ensure that each concrete batch shall have a reasonable chance of being tested, that is the sampling should be spread over the entire period of concreting and cover all mixing units.

16.3.4 FREQUENCY OF SAMPLING

The minimum frequency of sampling of concrete for each grade shall be in accordance with Table-4.

TABLE - 4
FREQUENCY OF CONCRETE SAMPLING

Quantity of concrete in the work in m^3	Number of samples
1-5	1
6-15	2
16-30	3
31-50	4
51 & above	4 plus one additional sample for each additional $50m^3$ or part thereof.

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At least one sample shall be taken from each shift. Where concrete is produced at continuous production units such as ready mixed concrete plants, frequency of sampling may be agreed upon mutually by Engineer-in-Charge.

16.3.5 TEST SPECIMEN

Three test specimens shall be made from each sample for testing at 28 days. Additional cubes may be required for various purposes such as to determine the strength of concrete at 7 days or at the time of striking the formwork or to check the testing error. Additional samples may also be required for testing samples cured by accelerated methods as described in IS: 9013. The specimen shall be tested as described in IS: 516.

16.3.6 IDENTIFICATION MARK ON CONCRETE TEST CUBES:

The following numbering system shall be adopted on each 150mm cube:

First line: ZZ (Alpha code assigned by the Engineer -in-Charge to the

Contractor for a particular contract starting with AA and progressing to AB, AC and so on).

Second line: XXXX (Unique integer in ascending order starting from 1).

Third line: DD-MM-YY (Date of casting of cube).

16.3.7 TEST RESULTS OF SAMPLE

The test results of the sample shall be the average of the strength of three specimens. The individual variation should not be more than ± 15 percent of the average. If the individual variation is more than ± 15 percent, the test results of the sample shall be considered invalid.

16.3.8 STANDARD DEVIATION

a. Standard deviation based on test results of samples:

i. The total number of test samples required to constitute an acceptable record for calculation of standard deviation shall be not less than 30. Attempts shall be made to obtain the 30 samples, as early as possible, when a mix is used for the first time.

ii. For design of mix in the first instance, the value of standard deviation given in Table-8 of IS: 456 may be assumed.

iii. As soon as sufficient results of samples are available, actual calculated standard deviation shall be used and the mix design revised/ updated.

16.3.9 ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

a. Compressive Strength

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The concrete shall be deemed to comply with the strength requirement when both the conditions as given in Table-11 of IS: 456 for that particular grade of concrete are simultaneously met. For working out standard deviation compressive test result of date wise serially logged 30 sample test result will be used.

b. Flexural Strength

The concrete shall be deemed to comply with flexural strength requirements when both the following conditions are simultaneously met:

i. The mean strength determined from any group of four consecutive test results exceeds the specified characteristic strength by at least 0.3 N/mm2.

ii. For non overlapping consecutive compressive test result any one alternate set of four samples shall be used for verification of compliance to clause no 16.1.a of IS 456.

iii. The strength determined from any test result is not less than the specified characteristic strength less 0.3 N/mm2

c. Quantity of Concrete Represented by Strength Test Results

The quantity of concrete represented by group of four consecutive test results shall include the batches from which first and last samples were taken together with all intervening batches. Acceptance of concrete shall be applicable for serially logged 30 samples. In case serially logged samples are less than 30 then standard deviation of adjoining previous sample sets standard deviation will be used for establishing acceptance criteria as per clause no 16.1.a of IS 456.

For the individual test result requirements given in Table 11 of IS: 456 or in item (ii) of 16.3.9 (b), only the particular batch from which the sample was taken shall be at risk.

Where the mean rate of sampling is not specified, the maximum quantity of concrete that four consecutive test results represent shall be limited to 60m3.

d. If the concrete is deemed not to comply pursuant to 16.3.9 (c), the structural adequacy of the parts affected shall be investigated and any consequential action as needed shall be taken (Refer clause no. 17.0 & 18.0).

e. Concrete of each grade shall be assessed separately.

f. Concrete is liable to be rejected if it is porous or honey-combed, its placing has been interrupted without providing a proper construction joint, the reinforcement has been displaced beyond the tolerances specified, or construction tolerances have not been met. However, the hardened concrete may be accepted after carrying out suitable remedial measures and tests to the fullest satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

17.0 INSPECTION AND TESTING OF STRUCTURES

17.1 INSPECTION

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To ensure that the construction complies with the design, an inspection procedure shall be set up by the contractor and duly approved by Engineer-in Charge covering materials used, receipt of materials, their test results, records, workmanship and construction etc.

17.2 Immediately after stripping the formwork, all concrete shall be carefully inspected and any defective work or small defects either removed or made good before concrete has thoroughly hardened.

17.3 TESTING

In case of doubt regarding the grade or soundness of concrete used, either due to poor workmanship or based on results of cube strength, compressive strength tests of concrete on the basis of clause no. 17.4 and/or load test as per clause no. 17.6 of IS: 456 shall be carried out.

The Engineer-in-Charge shall be the final authority for interpreting the results of all tests and shall decide upon the acceptance or otherwise. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be final and binding on the contractor. In case the results of the tests are unsatisfactory, the Engineer-in-Charge may instruct the contractor to demolish and reconstruct the structure or part thereof without any extra cost to the Owner.

17.4 MEMBERS OTHER THAN FLEXURAL MEMBERS

Members other than flexural members like columns etc. shall be referred to the designer to investigate the structural adequacy. The decision of the designer shall be final and binding on the contractor.

17.5 NON - DESTRUCTIVE TESTS

Non-destructive tests using Ultrasonic Pulse Velocity and Rebound Hammer methods shall be resorted to for checking the soundness of concrete placed and shall be as per the directions of Engineer-in-Charge. The testing shall be based on IS: 13311, Part-1. However, the Rebound Hammer test (IS: 13311, Part-2) shall only be used in combination with other tests (Destructive or Non-Destructive) for checking the concrete quality.

18.0 FINISHING OF CONCRETE

18.1 On striking the formwork, all surface defects such as bulges, ridges and honey-combing etc. observed shall be brought to the notice of the Engineer-in-Charge. The Engineer-in-Charge may, at his discretion allow rectification by necessary chipping and packing or grouting with concrete or cement mortar. However, if honey-combing or sagging is of such extent as being undesirable, the Engineer-in-Charge may reject the work totally and his decision shall be binding. No extra payment shall be made for rectifying these defects, demolishing and reconstructing the structure. However, quantity of cement actually used for this purpose may be considered for reconciliation of materials. All burrs and uneven faces shall be rubbed smooth with the help of carborundum stone.

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The surface of non-shuttered faces shall be smoothened with a wooden float to give a finish similar to that of the rubbed down shuttered faces. Concealed concrete faces shall be left as from the formwork except that honey-combed surface shall be made good as specified above. The top faces of slabs not intended to be covered shall be levelled and floated to a smooth finish to the rises or falls shown on the drawings or as directed. The floating shall not be executed to the extent of bringing excess fine materials to the surface. The top faces of slabs intended to be covered with screed, granolithic or similar finishes, shall be left with a rough finish.

18.2 REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF UNSATISFACTORY CONCRETE

18.2.1 Repair shall be made as soon as possible after the forms are removed and before the concrete becomes too hard with prior permission from the Engineer-in-Charge, in writing. Stone pockets, segregation patches and damaged areas shall be chipped out and the edges undercut slightly to form a key. All loose material shall be washed out before patching. No excess water shall be left in the cavity, but the concrete shall be damp. A good bond between the patch and parent concrete shall be obtained by sprinkling dry cement on the wet surface or by throwing mortar with force on to the wetted concrete, or by brush in a coat of thick cement grout of about 1:1 (1 cement: I sand) just before applying the patching material. Before this has dried, the remainder of the patch shall be filled with mortar or concrete, depending on the extent of the repair.

18.2.2 Cement concrete/mortar used in repair of exposed surfaces shall be made with cement from the same source as that used in concrete and blended with sufficient amount of white Portland cement to produce the same colour as in the adjoining concrete. The proportions of ingredients shall be same as those used in parent concrete. The mortar shall be as dry as possible and well compacted into the cavity. All filling shall be tightly bonded to the concrete and shall be sound, free from shrinkage cracks after the filling has been cured and dried.

18.2.3 For larger repairs to hardened concrete, necessary formwork bearing tightly at the edges of the cavity shall be provided. Concrete shall be chipped out to a depth of at least 100mm and preferably 150mm. Mortar shall be scrubbed into all surfaces with a wire brush before placing the concrete. Damaged reinforcement shall be adequately spliced with new steel so as to maintain the original strength. Additional reinforcement, if required in the patch, shall be provided as per the instructions of Engineer-in-Charge.

18.2.4 In case in the opinion of the Engineer-in-Charge defects in the concrete is excessive or beyond repair, the contractor shall either redo the structure or take other remedial measures as instructed by the Engineer-in-Charge. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be final and binding to all in this respect.

18.2.5 Approved epoxy formulation for bonding fresh concrete used for repairs with already hardened concrete shall be used by the Contractor if asked by the Engineer-in-Charge. Epoxy shall be applied in strict accordance with instructions of the manufacturer.

18.2.6 All repair works due to non-conformance or non-adherence to specification, if allowed by the Engineer-in-Charge, shall be carried out free of cost to the owner.

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18.3 CURING OF PATCHED WORK

Immediately after patching is completed, the patched area shall be covered with an approved non-staining water saturated material which shall be kept wet and protected against sun and wind for a period of 12 hours. Thereafter, the patched area shall be kept continuously wet by a fine spray or sprinkling for not less than 10 days.

19.0 CEMENT WASH

If not otherwise provided with protective coating due to architectural and/ or geo-technical requirements, all concrete elements (whether cast-in-situ or precast) exposed to atmosphere shall be provided with three coats of cement based waterproof paint as per IS: 5410. Prior to application of the paint, the surface shall be prepared to remove all foreign particles, loose materials, extra deposited concrete lumps, etc. using appropriate mechanical/ manual means.

20.0 FORM WORK

20.1 General

20.1.1 Forms for concrete shall be of plywood conforming to IS: 6461 or steel or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge and shall give smooth and even surface after removal thereof.

20.1.2 If it is desired by the Engineer-in-Charge, the Contractor shall prepare, before commencement of actual work, design and drawings for formwork and get them approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. For details regarding design, detailing etc., reference may be made to IS: 14687.

20.1.3 Form work and its supports shall maintain their correct position and be to correct shape and profile so that the final concrete structure is within the limits of dimensional tolerances specified below, unless required otherwise, for functional/aesthetic reasons. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be final and binding in this regard.

a. Deviation from specified dimensions of cross section of columns and beams. -6mm to +12mm

b. Deviation from dimensions of footings (see Note below)

i. Dimensions in plan -12mm to +50mm

ii. Eccentricity 0.02 times the width of the footing in the

1. direction of deviation but not

2. More than 50 mm.

iii. Thickness ±0.05 times the specified thickness.

Note: These tolerances apply to Cast-in-situ concrete dimensions only, not to positioning of vertical reinforcing steel or dowels.

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c. Deviation in length (major dimension of single unit)

up to 3m	±6mm
3m to 4.5m	±9mm
4.5m to 6m	±12mm
Additional deviation for every subsequent 6m.	±6mm

d. Deviation in straightness or bow (deviation from specified line) for a single or continuous member) e.g. beam, column or slab edge.

Up to 3m	6mm
3m to 6m	9mm
6m to 12m	-12mm
Additional for every subsequent 6m.	-6mm

e. Deviation in squareness shall be measured taking the longer of two adjacent sides as the base line.

The shorter side shall not vary in its distance from a perpendicular so that the difference between the greatest and shortest dimensions exceeds 6mm. For this purpose, any error due to lack of straightness shall be ignored. Squareness shall be checked with respect to the straight lines that are most nearly parallel with the features being checked. When the nominal angle is other than 90 degree, the included angle between check lines shall be varied accordingly.

f. Deviation in twist shall be within a limit such that any corner shall not be more than the limit given below from the plane containing other three corners:

Up to 600mm wide and up to	6m in length-6m
Over 600mm wide and for any	length -12mm

g. Maximum deviation in flatness from a 1.5m straight edge placed in any position on a nominally plain surface shall not exceed 6mm.

h. The tolerance limits for concrete columns/pedestals shall be same as given in part A of ANNEXURE-A of Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024.

20.2 FORM REQUIREMENT:

20.2.1 The formwork shall be true, rigid and adequately braced both horizontally as well as diagonally. The forms shall have smooth and even surface and be sufficiently strong to carry, without deformation, the dead weight of the green concrete, working load, wind load and also the side pressure exerted by the green concrete. As far as practical, clamps shall be used to hold the forms together. Where use of nails is unavoidable

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minimum number of nails shall be used. Projected part of nail shall not be bent or twisted for easy withdrawal.

20.2.2 Where through tie rods are required to be put to hold the formwork and maintain accurate dimension, they shall always be inserted through a precast concrete block (of same mix proportion as is to be used for concreting) with a through hole of bigger diameter. The Precast block shall tightly fit against in inner faces of formwork. The holes left after the withdrawal of tie rods shall be fully grouted with cement-sand mortar of same proportion as that used for concrete. However, use of such precast block shall in no case impair the desired appearance or durability of the structure. No such tie rods shall be used in any liquid retaining or basement structure.

20.2.3 Tie wires shall be permitted only upon approval of the Engineer-in-Charge and shall be cut off flush with the face of the concrete or counter sunk, filled and finished in the manner specified in clause 18.

20.2.4 Form joints shall not permit any leakage. The formwork shall be strong enough to withstand the effect of vibrations practically without any deflection, bulging, distortion or loosening of its components.

20.2.5 Forms for beams and slabs (span more than 6.0m) shall have camber of 1 in 500 so as to offset the deflection and assume correct shape and line after deposition of concrete. For cantilevers, the camber at free end shall be 1/100th of the projected length. Where architectural considerations and adjunctive work are critical, smaller form cambers shall be adopted as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge.

20.2.6 All vertical wall forms may be designed and constructed for the following minimum pressure. The pressures listed in Table-5 are intended as guide only and the Contractor shall ensure that the formwork is adequately strong and sturdy.

TABLE-5
MINIMUM DESIGN PRESSURE FOR WALL FORMWORK

Rate of pour in meter/hour	Pressure in KN/m^2	
	at 10° (in Celsius)	at 24° (in Celsius)
0.6	36.0	29.0
0.9	40.0	32.0
1.2	44.0	35.0
1.5	46.0	37.0

All horizontal forms shall be designed and constructed to withstand the dead load of the green concrete, reinforcement, equipment, material, embedment and a minimum live load of 2.0 kN/m2.

20.3 INSPECTION OF FORMS

Temporary openings shall be provided at the base of column and wall forms and other places necessary to facilitate cleaning and inspection. Before concrete is placed, all forms shall be carefully inspected to ensure that they are properly placed, sufficiently rigid and tight, thoroughly cleaned, properly treated and free from foreign material. The complete

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form work shall be inspected and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge before the reinforcement bars are placed in position. When forms appear to be unsatisfactory in any way, either before or during the placing of concrete, the work shall be stopped until the defects have been corrected as per the instructions of the Engineer-in-Charge.

20.4 CLEANING AND TREATMENT OF FORMWORK

The surfaces of forms that would come in contact with concrete shall be well treated with approved non- staining form release agents such as soft soap, oil, emulsions etc. Release agents shall be applied so as to provide a thin uniform coating to the forms without coating the reinforcement.

20.5 CHAMFERS AND FILLETS

All comers and angles shall be formed with 45 degree mouldings to form chamfers or fillets on the finished concrete. The standard dimensions of chamfers and fillets, unless otherwise detailed or specified shall be 25x25mm. For heavier work chamfers or fillets shall be 50x50mm. Care shall be exercised to ensure accurate mouldings. The diagonal face of the moulding shall be planed or surfaced to the same texture as the forms to which it is attached.

20.6 REUSE OF FORMS

Before reuse, all forms shall be thoroughly scrapped, cleaned, examined and when necessary, repaired and retreated, before resetting. Formwork shall not be reused, if declared unfit or un-serviceable by the Engineer-in-Charge.

20.7 REMOVAL OF FORMS/STRIPPING TIME

In the determination of time for removal of forms, consideration shall be given to the location and character of the structures, the weather and other conditions including the setting and curing of the concrete and material used in the mix.

Forms and their supports shall not be removed without the approval of the Engineer-in-Charge. Forms shall not be released until the concrete has achieved strength of at least twice the stress to which the concrete may be subjected at the time of removal. The formwork shall be removed without shock and methods of form removal likely to cause over stressing or damage to the concrete, shall not be adopted. Supports shall be removed in such a manner as to permit the concrete to uniformly and gradually take the stresses due to its own weight.

In normal circumstances when average air temperature exceeds 15 degree Celsius during the period under consideration after pouring of concrete and where ordinary Portland cement is used, forms may generally be removed after expiry of following periods.

a.	Walls, columns and vertical faces of all structural members	16 to 24 hours as may be decided by the Engineer-in-Charge.

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b. Slabs (props left under) 3 days.

c. Beam Soffits (props left under) 7 days.

d. Removal of props under slabs:

Spanning up to 4.5m. 7 days.

Spanning over 4.5m. 4 days.

e. Removal of props under beams and arches:

Spanning up to 6m 14 days.

Spanning over 6m 21 days

f. Cantilever Construction Formwork shall remain till structures for counter acting or bearing down have been erected and have attained sufficient strength (minimum 14 days).

Notes:

1. For other cements, the stripping time recommended for ordinary Portland cement shall be suitably modified as per the instructions of the Engineer- in-Charge.

2. The number of props left under, their sizes, supporting arrangement, and disposition shall be such as to be able to safely carry the full dead load of the slab, beam or arch as the case may be together with any live load likely to occur during curing or further construction.

3. Where the shape of the element is such that the formwork has re-entrant angles, the form work shall be removed as soon as possible after the concrete has set, to avoid shrinkage cracking occurring due to the restraint imposed.

4. For rapid hardening cement, 3/7 of the above mentioned periods shall be considered subject to a minimum of 16 hours.

20.8 STAGING/SCAFFOLDING

20.8.1 Staging/Scaffolding shall be properly planned and designed by the Contractor. Use of only steel tubes is permitted for staging/scaffolding. The Contractor shall get it reviewed by Engineer-in-Charge before commencement of work. While designing and during erection of scaffolding/staging, the following measures shall be considered:

a. Sufficient sills or under pinning's in addition to base plates shall be provided particularly where scaffolding are erected on soft grounds.

b. Adjustable bases to compensate for uneven ground shall be used.

c. Proper anchoring of the scaffolding/staging at reasonable intervals shall be provided in each direction with the main structure wherever available.

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d. Horizontal braces shall be provided to prevent the scaffolding/staging from rocking.

e. Diagonal braces shall be provided continuously from bottom to top between two adjacent rows of uprights.

f. The scaffolding/staging shall be checked at every stage for plumb line.

g. Wherever the scaffolding/staging is found to be out of plumb line it shall be dismantled and re-erected afresh and effort shall not be made to bring it in line with a physical force.

h. All nuts and bolts shall be properly tightened and care shall be taken that all clamps/couplings are firmly tightened to avoid slippage.

i. Erection work of a scaffolding/staging under no circumstances shall be left totally to semi-skilled or skilled workmen and shall be carried out under the supervision of a technically qualified civil engineer of the Contractor.

20.8.2 For smaller works or works in remote areas, wooden ballies may be permitted for scaffolding/staging by the Engineer-in-Charge at his sole discretion. The contractor must ensure the safety and suitability of such works as described under clause 20.8.1 above

21.0 EXPOSED/ARCHITECTURAL CONCRETE WORK

21.1 FORM WORK

Other things remaining same as per clause no. 20.0, formwork shall be of high quality. Care shall be taken to arrange the forms so that the joints between forms correspond with the pattern indicated in the drawings. The forms shall be butting with each other in straight lines, the corners of the boards being truly at right angles. The joints between the forms shall cross in the two directions at right angles. The size of forms shall be so selected as to exactly match with the pattern of forms impression on the concrete face indicated in the drawings. Maximum care shall be taken to make the form work watertight. Burnt oil shall not be used for treatment of forms. The Contractor shall be permitted reuse of forms brought new on the work for exposed concrete work as specified below.

Such reuses shall be permitted only if forms are properly cared for, stored, repaired and treated after each use.

a. Plywood Forms 6 Reuses (max.)

b. Steel Forms 10 Reuses (max.)

The Engineer-in-Charge may, at his absolute discretion, order removal of any forms considered unfit for use in the work irrespective of the number of uses specified above.

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21.2 FINISHING

Repairing to exposed concrete work shall be avoided. Rendering and plastering shall not be done. Minor repairing, if unavoidable shall be done as specified in clause 18.0 with the written permission of the Engineer-in-Charge.

22.0 REINFORCEMENT

22.1 The Contractor shall develop the bar bending schedule for all RCC structures/ structural parts at no extra cost to the Owner and shall get it reviewed by the Engineer-in-charge. Reinforcement shall be cut and bent to shape as per dimensions shown in the bar bending schedule/drawings.

If protective fusion bonded epoxy coating is required to be applied on reinforcement bars, the same shall be done as per IS: 13620. All repairs to applied protective coating required due to mishandling and/ or bending of reinforcement bars shall also be done as per relevant clauses of IS: 13620.

22.2 STRAIGHTENING, CUTTING AND BENDING

Procedure for cutting and bending shall be as given in IS: 2502. In case bars are supplied in coils, they shall be smoothly straightened without any kinks.

Cold twisted deformed bars shall be bent cold. Bars larger than 25mm in size (except cold twisted deformed bars) may be bent hot at cherry red heat to a temperature not exceeding 850° Celsius as per the instructions of the Engineer-in-Charge. The bars shall be allowed to cool gradually without quenching.

Bars shall be bent in a slow and regular movement to avoid fractures. Bars which develops cracks or splits after bending shall be rejected. A second bending of reinforcement bars shall be avoided but when reinforcement bars are bent aside at construction joints and afterwards bent back into their original position, care should be taken to ensure that at no time is radius of the bend less than 4 times bar diameter for plain mild steel or 6 times bar diameter for high strength deformed bars. Care shall also be taken when bending back bars to ensure that concrete around the bars is not damaged. All bars shall be properly tagged for easy identification.

22.3 PLACING AND FIXING

All reinforcement shall be cleaned to ensure freedom from loose mill scale, loose rust, oil, form releasing agents, grease or any other harmful material before placing them in position. Reinforcement shall not be surrounded by concrete unless it is free from all such materials. Rough handling and dropping of reinforcement from a height shall be avoided.

All reinforcement shall be fixed in the correct position and shall be properly supported to ensure that displacement will not occur when the concrete is placed and compacted.

The uncoated reinforcement bars shall be tied at every intersection by two strands of 16 SWG black soft annealed binding wire. The Epoxy coated reinforcement bars shall be

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tied with 2 strands of PVC coated GI 18 SWG wire at every intersection. Crossing bars shall not be tack welded for assembly of reinforcement. The reinforcement bars shall be kept in position by using the following methods:

a. In case of beam and slab construction, precast cover blocks (having the same sand contents as the concrete which shall be placed) of size 40 x 40 mm and thickness equal to the specified covers shall be placed firmly in between the bars and forms so as to secure and maintain the specified covers over the reinforcement.

   When reinforcement bars are placed in two or more layers in beams, the vertical distance between the horizontal bars shall be maintained by introducing spacer bars at 1 to 1.2m centre to centre.

b. In case of thick rafts & pile caps having two or multilayer's of reinforcement, the vertical distance between the horizontal bars shall be maintained by introducing suitable chairs, spacers, etc.

c. In case of columns and walls, the vertical bars shall be kept in position by means of timber templates with slots accurately cut in them. The templates shall be removed after the concreting has been done below it.

d. Exposed portions of reinforcement bars shall not be subjected to impact or rough handling and workmen will not be permitted to climb on extending bars until the concrete has attained sufficient strength so that no movement of the bars in the concrete is possible.

22.4 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HANDLING, STACKING, PLACING OF EPOXY COATED REINFORCING BARS.

Epoxy coated reinforcing bars shall be carefully handled and it shall be ensured that these do not rub on any hard surface or against another epoxy coated/uncoated reinforcing bar whether during conveying/transportation, stacking or placing.

During transportation and while stacking the epoxy coated reinforcing bars shall be placed on wooden planks not spaced farther than 600mm. When placed in stacks the epoxy coated reinforcing bars shall be neatly tied in bundles using PVC binding material.

The cut ends of bars shall be touched up with special touch up material of specifications as provided by the coating agency. After cutting of the bar the application of touch up material shall be completed within four hours.

While bending the bars the pins of work bench(s) shall be provided with a PVC or plastic sleeve. Each bending operation on epoxy coated reinforcing bar shall be completed in time not less than 90 seconds.

Epoxy coated reinforcing steel bar shall not be directly exposed to sun rays or rain, and shall be protected with opaque polyethylene sheets or similar means as approved by the Engineer in Charge.

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While doing concreting the workmen or machinery shall not rest or move on the epoxy coated reinforcing bars. Wooden planks shall suitably be placed to create proper gang-way.

22.5 SPLICING/OVERLAPPING

Only bars of full length shall be used as shown in the drawings. But where this cannot be done, overlapping of bars shall be done as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. Where practicable, the overlapping bars shall not touch each other, but these shall be kept apart by 25mm or 1.25 times the maximum size of the coarse aggregate whichever is greater. But where this is not possible, the overlapping bars shall be tied with two strands of 16 SWG black soft annealed binding wire for uncoated bars and with PVC coated GI 18 SWG wire for Epoxy coated bars. The overlaps shall be staggered for different bars and located at points along the span where neither shear nor bending moment is maximum.

22.6 WELDED JOINTS

Welding of reinforcing bars shall not be permitted without the written permission of the Engineer-in- Charge. If Fusion Bonded Epoxy coated bars are used, welding of reinforcing bars shall generally not be permitted. However, if permitted, the joint shall be coated with epoxy as per BS: 7295. Where welding of uncoated reinforcing bars is permitted, it shall be in accordance with the recommendations of IS: 2751 and IS: 9417. Welded joints shall be located at suitable staggered positions. Tests shall be made as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge to prove that the joints are of the full strength of the bars. Maximum one welded joint shall be allowed per bar.

22.7 MECHANICAL CONNECTIONS

The mechanical splices in reinforcement by means of couplers, clamps etc. shall be used (as per manufacturer's specifications) with the written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge. However, tests shall be made as directed by Engineer-in-Charge to prove that such connections are of the full strength of the bars on trial joints. Mechanical connections for Fusion Bonded Epoxy coated bars shall not be used.

22.8 TOLERANCES ON PLACING OF REINFORCEMENT

Unless otherwise directed by the Engineer-in-Charge, reinforcement shall be placed within the following tolerances:

a. For effective depth 200mm or less ± 10mm

b. For effective depth more than 200mm ± 15mm

22.9 SUBSTITUTION

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When indicated diameter of reinforcement bar is not available, the Contractor shall use other diameter of reinforcement bars on written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

22.10 TOLERANCE TO COVER

The actual concrete cover shall not deviate from the required nominal cover by -0 mm to +10 mm measured over the steel reinforcement including links.

23.0 PRECAST CONCRETE

23.1 Specifications contained in clauses above regarding concrete, formwork and reinforcement shall apply in addition to the clauses given as under. The Contractor shall get the precasting bed approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

23.2 Necessary lifting hooks of suitable (but not less than 12mm dia) diameter M.S. rounds shall be provided for handling, as indicated in drawings or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

23.3 Unless otherwise specified, the exposed surfaces of precast members shall be integrally finished smooth. For precast slabs or planks, the top surface shall be finished with 1:3 (1 cement: 3 sand) cement mortar. Surface used as walkways shall be given a non-skid finish.

23.4 The precast concrete units shall be marked clearly on top surface with the letter "T" for identification of surfaces at the time of erection and shall be stored properly until required for erection. The precast units shall be handled and erected by methods approved by the Engineer-in-Charge to protect them from damage.

23.5 Precast concrete elements shall not be removed from the casting bed until the concrete has developed its characteristic compressive strength based on cube test results.

23.6 The units shall be suitably handled, transported, stored and placed taking all necessary safety precautions to avoid development of undue stresses caused by vibrations, impact or lateral forces. During shipment and while in storage, the units shall be placed on suitable blocks to provide clearance from bed/ground.

23.7 The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for safe handling during the course of erection. The Contractor shall replace at his own expense all such units which are damaged during the course of erection. Cement used for a damaged/rejected precast elements shall not be taken into account for material reconciliation.

23.8 The inspection for precast concrete units during casting shall be same as applicable to normal concrete works. However, additional inspection checks shall be made during and after erection of units to ensure its suitability for the required service as a structural member. These checks shall include inspection to detect chipping, cracks, warpages in the precast units etc due to improper handling and storage, improper jointing (if required) of the precast unit with the structure and improper finishing.

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23.9 Fabricated precast concrete units containing defects originating due to use of improper materials or workmanship, excessive repair and not conforming to design drawings shall be rejected. Such rejected units shall not be taken into account for material reconciliation or payment.

24.0 CONTINUOUS CONCRETING

24.1 Where called out on the drawings, continuous concreting shall be done in a single operation as per the requirements of IS: 456 and IS: 2974. It shall be ensured that clause 8.3 of these specifications is not violated in case of continuous concreting. Sufficient "Windows" shall be left in the formwork for pouring & compaction of concrete and inspection. These windows shall be fixed tight once the level of concrete reaches their levels.

25.0 CONCRETING UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

25.1 Work in extreme weather conditions during hot or cold weather, the concreting shall be done as per procedure set out in IS: 7861(Part 1) or IS: 7861 (Part2).

25.2 UNDER WATER CONCRETING.

Concreting shall be as per clause no. 14.2 of IS: 456.

26.0 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

26.1 PLAIN AND REINFORCED CONCRETE

26.1.1 Payment for plain and reinforced cement concrete (cast- in-situ) shall be made on cubic metre basis of the volume of the actual finished work done or as per approved construction drawings, whichever is less and shall be inclusive of providing pockets, openings, recesses of all sizes, chamfers, fillets, grooves, separation/ expansion/ isolation/ construction/ movement joints, cement wash, curing by normal moist curing or using curing compound etc. as directed by Engineer-in-Charge etc. The rates shall be deemed to include complete cost of getting the respective mix designs approved, making and testing concrete cubes and carrying out other tests including tests of various ingredients, as per specifications and as directed by Engineer-in-Charge. Payment shall, however, be separately made for tests on concrete cubes done by accelerated methods of curing as defined in IS: 9013.

26.1.2 No separate payment shall be made for any additive/ admixture used by the contractor for accelerating or retarding the strength of concrete or for achieving specified workability/water tightness. The rate quoted shall be deemed to be inclusive of all costs related to any such additive/ admixture.

26.1.3 The rate shall however be exclusive of reinforcement, metal inserts, pipe sleeves, formwork, water stops and any filler material in expansion/isolation joints.

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26.1.4 Where the strength of concrete mix as indicated by tests, lies in between the strengths of any two grades given in Table-1 and it is accepted by the Owner/Engineer-in-Charge, such concrete shall be classified as a grade belonging to the lower of the two grades between which it lies. In case the cube strength shows higher results than those specified for the particular grade of the concrete, it shall not be placed in the higher grade nor shall the Contractor be entitled for any extra payment on such account. The concrete giving lower strength than specified may be accepted at reduced rates after satisfying the safety of the structure by checking it with tests as specified or rejected entirely at the discretion of the Engineer-in- Charge. The rejected concrete shall be dismantled at no extra cost to the owner and no payment or extension of time shall be granted for the concrete so rejected and the formwork and reinforcement used for the same. Cost of any material supplied by the Owner free of cost shall be recovered from the Contractor at double the prevailing market rate. In case the concrete of lower strength can be improved by carrying out some strengthening measures entirely at the discretion of the Engineer-in-Charge, then the said measures including all related tests shall be carried out by Contractor at his own cost. If the Contractor is able to make up the strength to the required grade by such improvement measures to the entire satisfaction of Engineer-in-Charge, payment shall be made for the grade achieved. However, if the strength of concrete is not made up to the strength of required grade, payment shall be made only for the lower strength if such concrete is accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge.

26.1.5 Deductions for openings, pockets etc. shall be as specified in relevant Indian Standard Codes.

26.1.6 Payment under continuous concreting item in the schedule of rates shall be made only where the total quantity of concrete between two consecutive construction joints specifically called-out on the drawings exceeds 250 cubic metres. For any foundation/structure involving concrete quantity upto 250 cubic metres between two consecutive construction joints shown on drawings, the concrete shall not be measured or paid for under this category (i.e. continuous concreting), although the same is required to be constructed in single pour. The rate quoted against this item shall be inclusive of all extra costs incurred by the Contractor for arranging continuous pouring of concrete and others as specified complete.

26.2 FORM WORK

Unless otherwise specified, payment for form work shall be on square metre basis of the actual area in contact with the concrete cast. The rates shall be inclusive of keeping the formwork for the full period as specified in the above clauses and removing the same after the period is over. No extra payment shall be made for providing scaffolding/staging/access/stairways/ladders etc.

The rates shall be inclusive of any provision to be made or kept in the formwork for providing dowels, inserts etc.

Superior quality formwork for exposed/architectural concrete work shall be measured and paid separately under the relevant item in the schedule of rates.

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26.3 REINFORCEMENT

26.3.1 Payment for plain round mild steel reinforcement bars and high strength deformed steel bars shall be on the basis of weight of bare steel irrespective of any coating applied in metric tons. The weight of the bar shall be derived from the sizes and corresponding unit weights given in handbook of Bureau of Indian Standards. Standard hook lengths, chairs, spacer bars and authorized laps only shall be included in the weight calculated. Binding wire shall not be weighed nor otherwise measured. Measurements for weight shall not include cutting allowance etc.

26.3.2 Rate quoted for uncoated reinforcement shall include cost of supplying, decoiling, straightening, cleaning, cutting, bending, placing, binding, welding, if required, and providing necessary cover blocks of concrete.

26.3.3 Rate quoted for Fusion Bonded Epoxy Coated bars shall also include, apart from those mentioned in clause no. 26.3.2, cost of coating of the bars, all necessary tools and tackles and any repairs required due to damage to coating as per IS: 13620.

26.3.4 Payment for mechanical threaded couplers shall be made on number basis (each). The rate shall include supply of complete assembly, fixing, testing etc. all complete.

26.4 WATER STOPS/WATER BARS & EXPANSION/ISOLATION JOINTS

26.4.1 Payment for PVC water bars shall be made on running metre (RM) basis of the water stops provided in position. Rate shall include supplying cutting, fixing, jointing by vulcanising or any other approved method, wastage, etc. complete.

26.4.2 Payment for filler materials in Expansion/Isolation joints shall be made on running metre basis of the joint provided. For boards provided at expansion/isolation joints, the measurement shall be made on square metre basis. Rate shall be inclusive of supply, cutting, fixing, jointing, wastage etc. complete.

26.5 PRE-CAST CONCRETE

26.5.1 Payment for precast concrete members shall be made on cubic metre basis of the volume of the finished member. The rate quoted shall include cost of formwork, preparation of casting yard, finishing as specified, curing, handling, fixing in position, breaking masonry and/or concrete surfaces and making good the same etc. Reinforcement shall be paid separately under relevant items. Lifting hooks shall be paid on the same basis as reinforcement. Metal inserts shall be paid as per relevant clauses of Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-026 (Miscellaneous Steel Works).

26.5.2 The quoted rate shall be inclusive of providing pockets, openings, recesses of all sizes, chamfers, fillets grooves, holes, cement wash, curing (hot, cold or by using curing compounds). The rate shall be deemed to include complete cost of taking and testing concrete cubes and carrying out other tests including tests of various ingredients as per specification and as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge.

26.5.3 The rate shall however be exclusive of reinforcement, metal inserts, pipe sleeves. Where the strength of concrete mix as indicated by tests, lies in between the strengths

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of any two grades given in clause 3.0 and it is accepted by the Owner/Engineer-in-Charge, such concrete shall be classified as a grade belonging to the lower of the two grades between which it lies. In case the cube strength shows higher results than those specified for the particular grade of the concrete, it shall not be placed in the higher grade nor shall the Contractor be entitled for any extra payment on such account. The concrete giving lower strength than specified may be accepted at reduced rates after satisfying the safety of the structure by checking it with tests as specified or rejected entirely at the discretion of the Engineer-in- Charge. The rejected concrete shall be dismantled at no extra cost to the owner and no payment or extension of time shall be granted for the concrete so rejected and the formwork and reinforcement used for the same. In case the concrete of lower strength can be improved by carrying out some strengthening measures entirely at the discretion of the Engineer-in-Charge, then the said measures shall be carried out by Contractor at his own cost. If the Contractor is able to make up the strength to the required grade by such improvement measures to the entire satisfaction of Engineer-in-Charge, payment shall be made for the grade achieved. However, if the strength of concrete is not made up to the strength of required grade, payment shall be made only for the lower strength if accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge.

26.6 CEMENT WASH

26.6.1 No payment shall be made for cement wash separately and is deemed to be covered in clause no. 26.1.1 & 26.5.2.

26.7 CONTINUOUS CONCRETING

Payment shall be made as per clause no. 26.1 of this specification. The rate shall be deemed to be inclusive of all extra cost related to labor, shuttering, staging and making all other arrangements for such continuous casting e.g. provisions for adequate movement and storage spaces, special gangways, scaffolding, additional construction equipments, adequate lighting and supervision while the work continues round the clock etc. The rate shall also be inclusive of all costs related to concreting in any thickness, shape and position and at any height or depth so as to avoid any cold joint between specified construction joints.

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
IS	Indian Standard
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standards

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1.0 SCOPE

This specification covers the requirements for material, storage, preparation of fabrication drawings, fabrication, assembly, tests/examinations, transportation, erection and painting of all types of bolted and/or welded structural steel works for general construction work. Fabrication of structures shall also include fabricating:

a. Built up sections/plate girders made out of rolled section and/or plates.

b. Compound sections made out of rolled sections.

2.0 REFERENCE

2.1 BIS CODES

IS: 800	General Construction in steel-Code of practice
IS: 816	Code of practice for use of Metal Arc welding for General construction in mild steel
IS: 819	Code of practice for Residual spot welding for light assemblies in mild steel
IS: 822	Code of practice for Inspection of welds
IS: 919 (Part-I)	ISO system of limits and fits (Bases of tolerances, deviations and fits)
IS: 919 (Part-II)	ISO system of limits and fits (Tables of tolerances, grades and limit deviation for hole and shafts)
IS: 1024	Use of welding in bridges and structures subject to dynamic loading-Code of practice
IS: 1261	Code of practice for Seam welding in mild steel
IS: 1323	Code of practice for Oxy-Acetylene welding for structural works in mild steel
IS: 1477	Code of practice for painting of ferrous metals in buildings
IS: 1852	Specification for rolling and cutting tolerance for hot rolled steel products
IS: 2074	Ready mix paint, Air draying, Red oxide Zinc Chrome, painting specification
IS: 7205	Safety code for erection of Structural steel works
IS: 7215	Tolerance for fabrication of steel structures
IS: 7307	Approval tests for welding procedures

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IS: 7310	Approval tests for welders working to approved welding procedures
IS: 7318	Approval tests for welders when welding procedures approval is not required
IS: 9595	Metal Arc welding of carbon and Carbon manganese steel - Recommendations
IS: 12843	Tolerance for Erection of Steel structure
	and other relevant BIS Codes.

SP: 6(1)

2.2 SPECIFICATIONS

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2.3 In case of conflict between the clauses mentioned in this specification and those in the Indian Standards, this specification shall govern. Any special provision as shown or noted on the design drawings shall govern over the provisions of this specification.

3.0 MATERIALS

3.1 GENERAL

All materials shall conform to their respective specifications given in Specification no. VCS-SS-CS-6021. The use of equivalent or alternative materials shall be permitted only in very special cases and for all such cases prior written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be obtained.

3.2 RECEIPT & STORING OF MATERIALS

3.2.1 Each section shall be marked for identification and each lot shall be accompanied by manufacturer's quality certificate, chemical analysis and mechanical characteristics.

3.2.2 All sections shall be checked, sorted out and arranged by grade and quality in the store. Any instruction given by the Engineer-in-Charge in this respect shall be strictly followed.

3.2.3 All material shall be free from surface defects such as pitting, cracks, laminations, twists etc. Defective material shall not be used and all such rejected material shall be immediately removed from the store/site. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge in this regard shall be final and binding.

3.2.4 Welding wires and electrodes (packed in their original cartons) shall be stored separately by quality and lots inside a dry and enclosed room in compliance with IS: 9595 and as per the instructions given by the Engineer-in-Charge. Electrodes shall be kept perfectly dry to ensure satisfactory operation and weld metal soundness.

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3.2.5 Each lot of electrodes, bolts, nuts etc. shall be accompanied by manufacturer's quality/test certificates.

3.2.6 All bolts (including nuts & washers) shall be checked, sorted out and arranged diameter-wise by grade and quality in the store.

3.3 MATERIAL TESTS

3.3.1 The Contractor shall submit manufacturers' quality certificates for all the materials supplied by him. In case, quality certificates are not available or are incomplete or when material quality differs from standard specifications, such materials shall not be used in the construction. However, the Contractor shall get all appropriate tests conducted in approved test houses for such materials as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge, at no extra cost, and submit the same to Engineer-in-Charge for his approval. The Engineer-in-Charge may approve the use of such materials entirely at his discretion.

3.3.2 The Contractor shall ensure that all materials brought to site are duly approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. Rejected materials shall not be used and shall be removed from site forthwith. Any material of doubtful quality for which specific tests are to be carried out as per the instruction of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be separately stacked and properly identified and shall not be used. These shall be removed from site forthwith.

4.0 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

4.1 Fabrication and erection drawings shall be prepared by the Contractor on the basis of "Approved for Construction (AFC)" design drawings, Standards issued to the Contractor. These drawings shall be prepared by the Contractor or by an agency appointed by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

4.2 Fabrication and erection drawings shall be thoroughly checked, stamped "Approved for Construction" and signed by the Contractor's own responsible Engineer irrespective of the fact that such drawings are prepared by the Contractor or his approved agency, to ensure accuracy and correctness of the drawings. Unchecked and unsigned drawings shall not be used for the purpose of proceeding with the work. The Contractor shall proceed with the fabrication and erection work only after thoroughly satisfying himself in this regard.

4.3 All fabrication and erection drawings shall be issued for construction by the Contractor directly to his work- site. Six copies of such drawings shall simultaneously be submitted to the Engineer-in-Charge who may check/ review some or all such drawings at his sole discretion and offer his comments for incorporation in these drawings by the Contractor.

However, the Contractor shall not proceed with the fabrication of such structures whose fabrication drawings are required to be reviewed before taking up the fabrication work as noted on "Approved for Construction (AFC)" design drawings issued to the Contractor or as conveyed by the Engineer-in-Charge. The fabrication of such structures shall be done only as per the reviewed fabrication drawings.

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The review of such drawings shall be restricted to the checking of the following only:

a. Structural layout, orientation and elevation of structures/members.

b. Sizes of members.

c. Critical joint details.

4.4 Fabrication drawings shall be drawn to scale and shall convey the information clearly and adequately. Following information shall be furnished on such drawings:

a. Reference to design drawing number (along with revision number) based on which fabrication drawing has been prepared.

b. Structural layout, elevations & sections (with distinct erection marking of all members).

c. Framing plans, member sizes, orientation and elevations.

d. Layout and detailing of rain water pipes and gutters showing all necessary levels, connections and provisions wherever required.

e. Detailing of shop/field joints, connections, splices, for required strength and erection.

f. Location, type, size and dimensions of welds and bolts.

g. Shapes and sizes of edge preparation for welding.

h. Details of shop and field joints/welds.

i. Bill of materials/D.O.D. Lists.

j. Quality of structural steel, plates etc., welding electrodes, bolts, nuts and washers to be used.

k. Erection assemblies identifying all transportable parts and sub-assemblies with special erection instructions, if required.

l. Method of erection and special precautions to be taken during erection as required.

4.5 The Contractor shall additionally ensure accuracy of the following and shall be solely responsible for the same:

a. Provision for erection and erection clearances.

b. Marking of members

c. Cut length of members

d. Matching of joints and holes.

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e. Provision kept in the members for other interconnected members.

f. Bill of materials/D.O.D. Lists.

4.6 Connections, splices and other details where not shown on the design drawings shall be suitably designed and shown on the fabrication drawings based on good engineering practice developing full member strength. Design calculations for such connections/splices shall be submitted to the Engineer-in-Charge along with the fabrication drawings.

4.7 Any substitution or change in section shall be allowed only when prior written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge has been obtained. Fabrication drawings shall be updated incorporating all such substitutions/changes by the Contractor at no extra cost to the Owner.

4.8 In case during execution of the work, the Engineer-in-Charge on review of drawings considers any modifications/substitutions necessary to meet the design parameters/good engineering practice, these shall be brought to the notice of the Contractor who shall incorporate the same in the drawings and works without any extra cost to the owner. The Contactor will be totally responsible for the correctness of the detailed fabrication drawings and execution of the work.

4.9 Contractor shall incorporate all the revisions made in the design drawings during the course of execution of work in his fabrication drawings, and resubmit the drawings at no extra cost to the Owner. All fabrication shall be carried out only as per the latest AFC design drawings and corresponding fabrication drawings.

4.10 The Contractor shall supply two prints each of the final/as built drawings along with their transparencies to Engineer-in-Charge for reference and record. The rates quoted shall include for the same.

5.0 FABRICATION

5.1 GENERAL

5.1.1 Fabrication of structures shall be done strictly as per "Approved for Construction" fabrication drawings (prepared by the Contractor based on the latest design drawings) and in accordance with IS: 800, IS: 9595 & other relevant BIS Codes and BIS Hand Book SP: 6(1).

5.1.2 Prior to commencement of structural fabrication, undulations in the fabrication yard, if any, shall be removed and area levelled and paved by the Contractor.

5.1.3 Any defective material used in the work shall be replaced by the Contractor at his own expense. Necessary care and precautions shall be taken so as not to cause any damage to the structure during any such removal and replacement.

5.1.4 Any faulty fabrication pointed out at any stage of work by the Engineer-in-Charge, shall be made good or replaced by the Contractor at his own cost.

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5.1.5 Tolerances for fabrication of steel structures shall be as per IS: 7215.

5.2 FABRICATION PROCEDURE

5.2.1 STRAIGHTENING & BENDING

5.2.1.1 All materials shall be straight and, if necessary, before being worked shall be straightened and/or flattened (unless required to be of curvilinear form) and shall be free from twists.

5.2.1.2 Bending of rolled sections and plates shall be done by cold process to shapes as shown on drawings.

5.2.2 CLEARANCES

The erection clearance for cleated ends of members shall be not greater than 2mm at each end. The erection clearance at ends of beams without web cleats and end plates shall be not more than 3mm at each end but where for practical reasons, greater clearance is necessary, suitably designed seating's approved by the Engineer-in-Charge shall be provided.

5.2.3 CUTTING

5.2.3.1 Prior to cutting, all members shall be properly marked showing the requisite cut length/width, connection provisions e.g. location and dimensions of holes, welds, cleats etc. Marking for cutting shall be done judiciously so as to avoid wastages or unnecessary joints as far as practicable. Marking shall be done by placing the members on horizontal supports/pads in order to ensure accuracy. Marking accuracy shall be limited to + 1 mm.

5.2.3.2 Cutting may be affected by shearing, cropping or sawing. Gas cutting by mechanically controlled torch shall be permitted for mild steel. Hand flame cutting may be permitted subject to the approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

5.2.3.3 Except where the material is subsequently joined by welding, no loads shall be transmitted into metal through a gas cut surface.

5.2.3.4 Shearing, cropping and gas cutting shall be clean, square, free from any distortion & burrs, and should the Engineer-in-Charge find it necessary, the edges shall be ground afterwards, to make the same straight and uniform at no extra cost to the Owner.

5.2.4 HOLING

5.2.4.1 Holes for bolts shall not be formed by gas cutting process.

5.2.4.2 Holes through more than one thickness of material of members such as compound stanchions and girder flanges shall, where possible, be drilled after the members are assembled and tightly clamped/bolted together. Punching may be permitted before assembly, provided the thickness of metal is less than 16mm and the holes are punched 3mm less in diameter than the required size and reamed, after assembly, to the full diameter. Punching shall not be adopted for dynamically loaded structures.

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5.2.4.3 Holes may be drilled in one operation through two or more separable parts and burrs removed from each part after drilling.

5.2.4.4 Holes in connecting angles and plates, other than splices, also in roof members and light framing, may be punched full size through material not over 12mm thick, except where required for close tolerance bolts or barrel bolts.

5.2.4.5 All matching holes for black bolts shall register with each other so that a gauge of 2mm less in diameter than the diameter of hole shall pass freely through the assembled members in the direction at right angle to such members. Finished holes shall be not more than 2mm in diameter larger than the diameter of the black bolt passing through them, unless otherwise specified by the Engineer-in-Charge.

5.2.4.6 Holes for turned and fitted bolts shall be drilled to a diameter equal to the nominal diameter of the shank or barrel subject to H8 tolerance specified in IS: 919. Parts to be connected with close tolerance or barrel bolts shall be firmly held together by tacking bolts or clamps and the holes drilled through all the thicknesses in one operation and subsequently reamed to size. Holes not drilled through all the thicknesses in one operation shall be drilled to a smaller size and reamed out after assembly. Where this is not possible, the parts shall be drilled and reamed separately.

5.2.4.7 To facilitate grouting, holes shall be provided in column bases or seating plates exceeding 300mm in width for the escape of air.

5.2.4.8 To avoid accumulation of water in gusseted column bases of laced, battened or box type stanchions, suitable reverse U-type holes shall be provided at the junction of base plate and column section in the vertical gussets for draining out of any water.

5.2.5 ASSEMBLY

The component parts shall be assembled and aligned in such a manner that they are neither twisted nor otherwise damaged, and shall be so prepared that the required camber, if any, is provided. Proper clamps, clips, jigs and other fasteners (bolts and welds) shall be placed in a balanced pattern to avoid any distortion in the members and to ensure their correct positioning (i.e. angles, axes, nodes etc.). Any force fitting, pulling/stretching of members to join them shall be avoided. Proper care shall be taken for welding shrinkage & distortion so as to attain the finished dimensions of the structure shown on the drawings.

5.2.6 WELDING

5.2.6.1 GENERAL

a. All joints shall be welded unless noted otherwise on the design drawings.

b. Welding shall be in accordance with IS: 816, IS: 819, IS: 1024, IS: 1261, IS: 1323 and IS: 9595 as appropriate.

c. The Contractor shall make necessary arrangement for providing sufficient number of welding sets of the required capacity, all consumables, cutting and grinding

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equipment with requisite accessories/ auxiliaries, equipment & materials required for carrying out various tests such as dye penetration, magnetic particle, ultrasonic etc.

d. Adequate protection against rain, dust, snow & strong winds shall be provided to the welding personnel and the structural members during welding operation. In the absence of such a protection no welding shall be carried out.

e. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to ensure that all welding is carried out in accordance with the terms of this specification and relevant BIS codes. The Contractor shall provide all the supervision to fulfill this requirement.

5.2.6.2 PREPARATION OF MEMBER FOR WELDING

a. Edge Preparation

Edge preparation/bevelling of fusion faces for welding shall be done strictly as per the dimensions shown in the drawings. In case, the same are not indicated, edges shall be prepared (depending on the type of weld indicated in the drawing) as per the details given in IS: 9595. Bevelling of fusion faces shall be got checked and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. The tolerances on limits of gap, root face & included angle shall be as stipulated in IS: 9595.

b. Cleaning

Welding edges and the adjacent areas of the members (extending up to 20mm) shall be thoroughly cleaned of all oil, grease, scale and rust and made completely dry. Gaps between the members to be welded shall be kept free from all foreign matter.

c. Preheating

Preheating of members shall be carried out as per IS: 9595 when the base metal temperature is below the requisite temperature for the welding process being used. Preheating shall be done in such a manner that the parts, on which the weld metal is being deposited, are above the specified minimum temperature for a distance of not less than 75mm on each side of the weld line. The temperature shall be measured on the face opposite to that being heated. However, when there is access to only one face, the heat source shall be removed to allow for temperature equalization (1 minute for each 25mm of plate thickness) before measuring the temperature.

d. Grinding

i. Column splices & butt joints of struts and compression members (depending on contact for load transmission) shall be accurately ground and close-butted over the whole section with a tolerance not exceeding 0.2mm locally at any place. In column caps & bases, the ends of shafts together with the attached gussets, angles, channels etc., shall be accurately ground so that the parts connected butt over minimum 90%

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surface of contact. In case of connecting angles or channels, care shall be taken so that these are fixed with such accuracy that they are not reduced in thickness by grinding by more than 2mm.

ii. Ends of all bearing stiffeners shall be ground to fit tightly at both top and bottom. Similarly bottom of the knife edge supports along with the top surface of column brackets shall be accurately ground to provide effective bearing with a tolerance not exceeding 0.2mm locally at any place.

iii. Slab bases and caps shall be accurately ground over the bearing surfaces and shall have effective contact with the ends of stanchions. Bearing faces which are to be grouted direct to foundations need not be ground if such faces are true & parallel to the upper faces.

5.2.6.3 WELDING PROCESSES

Welding of various materials under this specification shall be carried out using one or more of the following processes.

a. Manual Metal Arc Welding Process (MMAW)

b. Submerge Arc Welding Process (SAW)

c. Gas Metal Arc Welding Process (GMAW)

d. Flux Cored Arc Welding Process (FCAW)

The welding procedure adopted and consumables used shall be specifically approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. A combination of different welding processes or a combination of electrodes of different classes/makes may be employed for a particular joint only after qualifying the welding procedures to be adopted and obtaining the written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

5.2.6.4 APPROVAL & TESTING OF WELDERS

The Contractor shall satisfy the Engineer-in-Charge that the welders are suitable for the work upon which they will be employed. For this purpose the welders shall have satisfied the relevant requirements of IS: 7318. If the welders will be working to approved welding procedures, they shall have satisfied the relevant requirements of IS: 7310.

Adequate means of identification shall be provided to enable each weld to be traced to the welder by whom it was made. The Contractor shall intimate the Engineer-in-Charge sufficiently in advance, the commencement of tests, to enable him to be present to witness the same.

5.2.6.5 APPROVAL & TESTING OF WELDING PROCEDURES

The Contractor shall carry out procedure tests in accordance with IS:7307 to demonstrate by means of a specimen weld of adequate length on steel representative of that to be used, that he can make welds with the welding procedure to be used for

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the work to the complete satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge. The test weld shall include weld details from the actual construction and it shall be welded in a manner simulating the most unfavorable instances of fit-up, electrode condition etc., which are anticipated to occur on the particular fabrication. Where material analyses are available, the welding procedure shall be carried out on material with the highest carbon equivalent value.

After welding, but before the relevant tests given in IS: 7307 are carried out, the test weld shall be held as long as possible at room temperature, but in any case not less than 72 hours, and shall then be examined for cracking. The examination procedure shall be sufficiently rigorous to be capable of revealing significant defects in both parent metal and weld metal.

After establishing the welding method, the Contractor shall finally submit to the Engineer-in-Charge for his approval the welding procedure specification in standard format given in IS: 9595 before starting the fabrication.

5.2.6.6 SEQUENCE OF WELDING

a. As far as practicable, all welds shall be made in a sequence that will balance the applied heat of welding while the welding progresses.

b. The direction of the general progression in welding on a member shall be from points where the parts are relatively fixed in position with respect to each other towards points where they have a greater relative freedom of movement.

c. All splices in each component part of a cover-plated beam or built up member shall be made before the component part is welded to other component parts of the member.

d. Joints expected to have significant shrinkage shall be welded before joints expected to have lesser shrinkage.

e. Welding shall be carried continuously to completion with correct number of runs.

f. The Contractor shall choose the welding sequence after carefully studying each case such as to minimize distortion and shrinkage & submit the same to the Engineer-in-Charge for comments and approval.

5.2.6.7 WELDING TECHNIQUE

a. After the fusion faces are carefully aligned and set with proper gaps, the root pass of butt joints shall be executed properly so as to achieve full penetration with complete fusion of the root edges.

b. On completion of each run, all slag and spatters shall be removed and the weld and the adjacent base metal shall be cleaned by wire brushing and light chipping. Visible defects such are cracks, cavities and other deposition faults, if any, shall be removed to sound metal before depositing subsequent run of weld.

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c. All full penetration butt welds shall be completed by chipping/gouging to sound metal and then depositing a sealing run of weld metal on the back of the joints. Where butt welding is practicable from one side only, suitable backing steel strip shall be used and joint shall be arranged in such a way as to ensure that complete fusion of all the parts is readily obtained.

d. While welding is in progress care shall be taken to avoid any kind of movement of the components, shocks, vibrations to prevent occurrence of weld cracks.

e. Any deviation desired from the recommended welding technique and electrodes shall be adopted only after obtaining written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge.

5.2.6.8 INSPECTION & TESTING OF WELDS

The method of inspection shall be according to IS: 822 and extent of inspection and testing shall be in accordance with the relevant applicable standard or, in the absence of such a standard, as specified by the Engineer-in-Charge. Welds shall not be painted or otherwise obscured until they have been inspected, approved and accepted.

The Engineer-in-Charge or his representative shall have access to the Contractor's work at all reasonable times and the Contractor shall provide him with all facilities necessary for inspection during all stages of fabrication and erection without not limited to the following objectives.

a. To check the conformity with the relevant standards and suitability of various welding equipments and their performance.

b. To witness/approve the welding procedure qualification.

c. To witness/approve the welders performance qualification.

d. To check whether shop/field welding being executed is in conformity with the relevant specifications and codes of practice.

Inspection and testing of all fabricated structures shall be carried out by the Contractor by any, or, a combination of all the following methods as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge and no separate payment shall be made, unless otherwise mentioned, for inspection and testing of welds/fabricated structures:

A. Visual Inspection

All finished welds (i.e. 100 percent) shall be visually inspected for identification of the following types of weld defects & faults.

a. Weld defects occurring at the surface such as blow holes, exposed porosity, unfused welds etc.

b. Surface cracks in the weld metal or in the parent metal adjacent to it.

c. Damages to the parent metal such as undercuts, burning, overheating etc.

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d. Profile defects such as excessive convexity or concavity, overlapping, unequal leg lengths, excessive reinforcement, incompletely filled grooves, excessive penetration beads, root grooves etc.

e. Distortion due to welding i.e., local shrinkage, camber, bowing, twisting, rotation, wariness etc.

f. Linear eccentric, angular and rotational misalignment of parts.

g. Dimensional errors.

B. Mechanical Tests

The mechanical testing (such as tensile load tests, bend tests, impact tests etc.) shall be done in accordance with the relevant standards and as per the instructions of the Engineer-in-Charge.

C. Magnetic Particle/Dye Penetration/Ultrasonic Examination:

The examination shall be done at random as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. Whenever such tests are directed, the tests shall be carried out on joints chosen by him. The tests shall be carried out by employing approved testing procedure in accordance with IS: 822.

D. Radiographic Examination

Radiographic examination shall be carried out only in special cases for random joints as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. The Contractor shall be paid extra for such examination except for penalty radiographic tests for which the cost shall be borne by him. The Contractor shall make necessary arrangement at his own expense for providing the radiographic equipment, films and all other necessary materials required for carrying out the examination. The tests shall be carried in the presence of the Engineer-in-Charge by employing approved testing procedure in accordance with IS: 822. The Contractor shall fulfill all the statutory safety requirements while handling X-ray and Gamma-ray equipment and provide the Engineer- in-Charge all the necessary facilities at site such as dark room, film viewer etc., to enable him to examine the radiographs.

5.2.6.9 Repair of Faculty Welds

No repair of defective welds shall be carried out without proper permission of the Engineer-in-Charge and his approval for the corrective procedure.

Welds not complying with the acceptance requirements (as specified by BIS Codes & the Engineer-in-Charge), as revealed during inspection & testing of welds or erection or in-situ condition shall be corrected either by removing & replacing or as follows:

a. Excessive convexity - Reduced to size by removal of excess weld metal.

b. Shrinkage cracks, - Defective portions removed down to sound

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	cracks in parent plates and craters		metal and re-welded.
c.	Under cutting.	-	Additional weld metal deposited.
d.	Improperly fitted/ misaligned parts.	-	Welding cut & edges suitably prepared and parts.
e.	Members distorted the by heat of welding	-	Member straightened by mechanical means or careful application of limited amount of heat, temperature of such area not to exceed 650 degree Centigrade dull red heat).

In removing defective parts of a weld, gouging, chipping, oxygen cutting or grinding shall not extend into the parent metal to any substantial amount beyond the depth of weld penetration, unless cracks or other defects exist in the parent metal. The weld or parent metal shall not be undercut in chipping, grinding, gouging or oxygen cutting.

Any fabricated structure or its component which, in the opinion of Engineer-in-Charge, is defective and/or beyond any corrective action shall be removed forthwith from the site as instructed by the Engineer-in-Charge without any extra claim. The owner reserves the right to recover any compensation due to any loss arising out of such rejections.

5.2.7 BOLTING

5.2.7.1 All bolts shall be provided such that no part of the threaded portion of the bolts is within the thickness of the parts bolted together. Washers of suitable thickness shall be used under the nuts to avoid any threaded portion of the bolt being within the thickness of parts bolted together.

5.2.7.2 The threaded portion of each bolt shall project through the nut at least one thread.

5.2.7.3 Flat washers shall be circular and of suitable thickness. However, where bolt heads/nuts bear upon the bevelled surfaces, they shall be provided with square tapered washers of suitable thickness to afford a seating square with the axis of the bolt.

5.2.8 SPLICING

5.2.8.1 Splicing of built up/compound/latticed sections shall be done in such a fashion that each component of the section is joined in a staggered manner.

5.2.8.2 Where no butt weld is used for splicing, the meeting ends of two pieces of joist/channel/built up section shall be ground flush for bearing on each other and suitable flange and web splice plates shall be designed and provided for the full strength of the flange/ web of the section and welds designed accordingly.

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5.2.8.3 Where full strength butt weld is used for splicing (after proper edge preparation of the web and flange plates) of members fabricated out of joist/ channel/ angles/ built up section, additional flange and web plates shall be provided, over and above the full strength butt welds, to have 40% strength of the flange and web.

5.2.8.4 Where a cover plate is used over a joist/channel section the splicing of the cover plate and channel/joist sections shall be staggered by minimum 500mm. Extra splice plate shall be used for the cover plate and joist/channel section as per clause 5.2.8.2 or 5.2.8.3.

5.2.8.5 Prior approval shall be obtained by the Contractor for locations of splices where not shown on design drawings. Only a single splice at approved location shall be allowed for member's up to a length of 6 to 7m. Maximum two numbers of splices shall be allowed for members exceeding this length.

5.2.9 MACHINING & GRINDING

5.2.9.1 All slab bases and slab caps shall be accurately machined over the bearing surfaces and shall be in effective contact with the ends of column sections (shafts).

5.2.9.2 For slab bases and slab caps, ends of column shafts shall be accurately machined. However, for gusseted bases and caps, the column shafts shall be ground flush for effective contact with parts connected together.

5.2.9.3 Gusseted bases and caps shall be ground flush for effective contact with ends of column sections.

5.2.9.4 End of all bearing stiffeners shall be machined or ground to fit tightly at top and bottom without any air gap.

5.2.9.5 While machining or grinding care shall be taken so that the length or thickness of any part does not get reduced by more than 2.0mm.

5.2.9.6 For all machining or grinding works for gusseted base and cap plates, the clearance between the parts joined shall not exceed 0.2mm at any location.

6.0 MARKING FOR IDENTIFICATION

6.1 Each component shall be distinctly marked (with paint) before delivery in accordance with the marking diagrams and shall bear such other marks as will facilitate erection.

6.2 For small members which are delivered in bundles or crates, the required marking shall be done on small metal tags securely tied to the bundle.

7.0 SHOP ERECTION

The steel work shall be temporarily shop erected complete or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge, so that the accuracy of fit may be checked before dispatch.

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8.0 INSPECTION & TESTING OF STRUCTURES

8.1 The Engineer-in-Charge (or his authorized representative) shall have free access at all times to those parts of the Contractor's works which are concerned with the fabrication of the steel work and shall be provided with all reasonable facilities for satisfying himself that the fabrication is being undertaken in accordance with the provisions of these specifications & other relevant BIS Codes.

8.2 Should any structure or part of a structure be found not to comply with any of the provisions of this specification (or relevant BIS Codes as referred to), it shall be liable to rejection. No structure or part of the structure, once rejected shall be resubmitted for inspection, exception cases where the Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representative considers the defect as rectifiable.

8.3 Defects which may appear during/after fabrication/ erection shall be made good only with the consent of the Engineer-in-Charge and procedure laid down by him.

8.4 All necessary gauges and templates shall be supplied free to the Engineer-in-Charge by the Contractor whenever asked for during inspection. The Engineer-in- Charge, may at his discretion, check the test results obtained at the Contractor's works by independent tests at a test house, and the cost of such tests shall be borne by the Contractor.

9.0 SHOP PAINTING

9.1 All components and members of steel work shall be given one shop coat of primer (conforming to relevant BIS codes) or any other primer as specified, in the tender, immediately after the surfaces have been properly prepared (i.e. degreased, de-rusted, descaled & cleaned) in accordance with IS: 1477 or IS: 800, as applicable. The primer coat shall be applied over completely dry surfaces (using brushes of good quality) in a manner so as to ensure a continuous and uniform film without "holidaying". Special care shall be taken to cover all the crevices, corners, edges etc. However, in areas which are difficult to reach by brushing, daubers/mops shall be used by dipping the same in paint and then pulling/ pushing them through the narrow spaces. The primer coat shall be air dried and shall have a minimum film thickness as per table 29 of IS: 800 after drying, as applicable.

9.2 Surfaces which are inaccessible after shop assembly, shall receive the full specified protective treatment before assembly (this shall not apply to the interior of sealed hollow sections).

9.3 Steel surfaces shall not be painted within a suitable distance of any edges to be welded if the paint specified would be harmful to welders or impair the quality of the welds.

9.4 Welds and adjacent parent metal shall not be painted prior to de-slagging, inspection and approval by the Engineer-in-Charge.

9.5 Parts to be encased in concrete shall have only coat of primer and shall not be painted after erection.

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10.0 PACKING

10.1 All items shall be suitably packed in case these are to be dispatched from the fabrication shop to the actual site of erection so as to protect them from any damage/distortion or falling during transit. Where necessary, slender projecting parts shall be temporarily braced to avoid warping during transportation.

10.2 Small parts such as gussets, cleats etc., shall be securely wired on to their respective main members.

10.3 Bolts, nuts washers etc. shall be packed in crates.

11.0 TRANSPORTATION

Loading and transportation shall be done in compliance with transportation rules. In case, certain parts cannot be transported in the lengths stipulated on the drawings, the position details of such additional splice joints shall be got approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

12.0 SITE (FIELD) ERECTION

12.1 PLANT & EQUIPMENT

The suitability and capacity of all plant and equipment used shall be to the complete satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

12.2 STORING & HANDLING

All steel work shall be so stored and handled at site so that the members are not subjected to excessive stresses and any damage.

12.3 SETTING OUT

Prior to setting out of the steel work, the Contractor shall get himself satisfied about the correctness of levels, alignment, location of existing concrete pedestals/columns/brackets and holding down bolts/pockets provided therein. Any minor modification in the same including chipping, cutting and making good, adjusting the anchor bolts etc., if necessary, shall be carried out by the Contractor at his own expense. The positioning and levelling of all steel work including plumbing of columns and placing of every part of the structure with accuracy shall be in accordance with the drawings and to the complete satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

12.4 TOLERANCES

Tolerances for erection of steel structures shall be as per Annexure 'A'

13.0 SAFETY & SECURITY DURING ERECTION

13.1 The contractor shall comply with IS: 7205 for necessary safety and adhere to safe erection practices and guard against hazardous as well as unsafe working conditions during all stages of erection.

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13.2 During erection, the steel work shall be securely bolted or otherwise fastened and when necessary, temporarily braced/guyed to provide for all loads to be carried by the structure during erection till the completion, including those due to the wind, erection equipment & its operation etc. at no extra cost to the owner. For the purpose of guying, the Contractor shall not use other structure in the vicinity without prior written permission of the Engineer-in-Charge.

13.3 No permanent bolting or welding shall be done until proper alignment has been achieved.

13.4 Proper access, platform and safety arrangement shall be provided for working and inspection, (at no extra cost to the owner) whenever required.

14.0 FIELD CONNECTIONS

14.1 FIELD BOLTING

Field bolting shall be carried out with the same care as required for shop bolting.

14.2 FIELD WELDING

All field assembly and welding shall be executed in accordance with the requirements for shop assembly and welding. Holes for all erection bolt – where removed after final erection shall be plugged by welding. Alternatively erection bolts may be left and secured.

15.0 GROUTING

15.1 Prior to positioning of structural columns/girders/trusses over the concrete pedestals/columns/brackets, all laitance & loose material shall be removed by wire brushing & chipping. The bearing concrete surfaces shall be sufficiently levelled, hacked with flat chisels to make them rough, cleaned (using compressed air) and made thoroughly wet. All pockets for anchor bolts shall also be similarly cleaned and any excess water removed. Thereafter, the structural member shall be erected, aligned & plumbed maintaining the base plates/shoe plates at the levels shown in the drawings, with necessary shims/pack plates/wedges.

15.2 After final alignment and plumbing of the structure, the forms shall be constructed alround and joints made tight to prevent leakage. Grouting (under the base plates/shoe plates including grouting of sleeves & pockets) shall be done with non-shrink grout having compressive strength (28 days) not less than 40N/sq.mm Non shrink grout shall be of free flow premix type and of approved quality and make. It shall be mixed with water in proportion as specified by the manufacturer. Ordinary 1:2 cement/sand mortar grout shall be used only for small, isolated structures e.g. operating platforms not supporting any equipment, pipe supports, cross-over's, stairs & ladders. The thickness of grout shall be as shown on the drawings but not less than 25 mm nor more than 40mm in any case.

15.3 The grout mixture shall be poured continuously (without any interruption till completion) by grouting pumps from one side of the base plate and spread uniformly

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with flexible steel strips and rammed with rods, till the space is filled solidly and the grout mixture carried to the other side of the base plate.

15.4 The grout mixture shall be allowed to harden for a period as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge. At the end of this period, the shims/wedges/pack plates may be removed and anchor bolts tightened uniformly. The alignment of the structure shall now be rechecked and if found correct, the voids left by the removal of shims/wedges/pack plates (if removed) must be filled up with a similar mixture of grout. In case after checking, serious misalignment is indicated, the grout shall be removed completely and fresh grouting done after making appropriate correction of alignment.

16.0 SCHEME AND SEQUENCE OF ERECTION

The Contractor shall furnish the detailed scheme and sequence of erection to match with the project schedule and get the same approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. All necessary co-ordination and synchronization shall be done with the Civil contractor where Civil works are not included in the scope of structural contractor at no extra cost so as to match with the project schedule.

17.0 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to Item Rate tender only.

17.1 Payment for structural steel works shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons (determined as described in clause 17.2 and 17.3) of the structure accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge. The rate shall include supplying (as per supply conditions given in the Tender) fabricating, erecting in position (at all levels & locations), testing/examining (excluding radiography only) of bolted and/or welded structural steel works of all types (including all built up/compound sections made out of rolled sections and/or plates) including all handling, transporting, storing, straightening if required, cutting, edge preparation, preheating, bolting and welding of joints (including sealing the joints of box sections with continuous welding), finishing edges by grinding/machining as shown, fixing in line & level with temporary staging & bracing and removal of the same after erection, grouting with no shrink/ordinary grout as specified, preparation of fabrication & erection drawings, & erection schedule and getting them reviewed, preparation and submission of as built drawings, as built drawings, preparing the surfaces for painting, surface cleaning, wire brushing, removal of mill scale, dust, rust, oil or grease and applying coat of primer or any other primer as specified after fabrication, return of surplus materials to owner's stores and material reconciliation in the case of materials supplied by the owner as per relevant contract conditions etc. all complete for all the operations mentioned in the foregoing clauses.

17.2 The weight for payment shall be determined from the fabrication drawings and respective bill of materials prepared by the Contractor. The bill of materials shall be checked and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge before making the payment. The Contractor shall prepare full scale template in order to supplement/verify the actual cutting dimensions where so directed by the Engineer-in-Charge. The weight shall be calculated on the basis of BIS Hand Book wherever applicable. In case sections used

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are different from BIS sections, then Manufacturers' Hand Book shall be adopted. No allowance in weight shall be made for rolling tolerances.

17.3 Welds, bolts, nuts, washers, shims, pack plates, wedges, grout and shop painting shall not be separately measured. The quoted rate shall be deemed to include the same.

17.4 The rate shall include all expenses related to safety & security arrangements during erection and all plants & tools required for fabrication, transportation & erection.

18.0 PAINTING AFTER ERECTION

18.1 GENERAL

18.1.1 The scope of painting after erection shall be at the sole discretion of the Engineer-in-Charge and the Contractor shall obtain written instruction in this regard sufficiently prior to taking up any procurement of paint and execution of painting work after erection of steel structures.

18.1.2 The Contractor shall carry out the painting work in all respects with the best quality of approved materials (conforming to relevant BIS Codes or IS: 800, as applicable) and workmanship in accordance with the best engineering practice. The Contractor shall furnish characteristics of paints (to be used) indicating the suitability for the required service conditions. The paint manufacturer's instructions supplemented by Engineer-in-Charge's direction, if any, shall be followed at all times. Particular attention shall be paid to the following:

a. Proper storage to avoid exposure & extremes of temperature.

b. Surface preparation prior to painting.

c. Mixing & thinning.

d. Application of paint and the recommended limit on time intervals between consecutive coats.

18.1.3 Painting shall not be done in frost or foggy weather, or when humidity is such as to cause condensation on the surfaces to be painted.

18.1.4 Surface which shall be inaccessible after site assembly shall receive the full specified protective treatment before assembly.

18.1.5 Primers & finish coat paints shall be from the same manufacturer in order to ensure compatibility. Painting colour code shall be as per Annexure-'B'.

18.2 RUB DOWN & PRIMER APPLICATION

The shop coated surfaces shall be rubbed down thoroughly with emery/abrasive paper to remove dust, rust, other foreign matters and degreased, if required, in accordance with IS: 1477 or IS: 800, as applicable, cleaned with warm fresh water and air dried. The portions, from where the shop coat has peeled off, shall be touched up and allowed to dry.

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Primer coat as per table 29 of IS: 800 shall be applied by brushing/ spraying over the shop coat in a manner so as to ensure a continuous and uniform film throughout. Special care shall be taken to cover all the crevices, corners, edges etc. The final primer coat shall be air dried and shall have a minimum film thickness as per IS: 800 after drying, as applicable.

In case a different cleaning procedure & primer specifications are specified in the drawing/Tender, the same shall be adopted.

18.3 FINAL PAINT APPLICATION

After the primer is hard dry, the surfaces shall be dusted off and one coat of synthetic enamel paint of approved colour & shade (conforming to IS: 2932) or any other paint as per IS: 800, shall be applied by brushing/spraying so that a film free from "holidaying" is obtained. The colour & shade of first coat of paint shall be slightly lighter than the second coat in order to identify the application of each coat. The second coat of paint shall be applied after the first coat is hard dry. The minimum thickness of each film shall be as per IS: 800 after drying.

In case a different type of paint & painting procedure are specified in the drawing/tender, the same shall be adopted.

Color coding for structural steel shall be as per ANNEXURE “B”.

18.4 INSPECTION & TESTING OF PAINTING WORKS

18.4.1 All painting materials including primers & thinners brought to site by the Contractor for application shall be procured directly from reputed and approved manufacturers and shall be accompanied by manufacturer's test certificates. Paint formulations without certificates shall not be accepted.

18.4.2 The Engineer-in-Charge at his discretion may call for additional tests for paint formulations. The Contractor shall arrange to have such tests performance including batch wise test of wet paints for physical & chemical analysis. All costs shall be borne by the Contractor.

18.4.3 The painting work shall be subject to inspection by the Engineer-in-Charge at all times. In particular, the stage inspection will be performed and Contractor shall offer the work for inspection and approval at every stage before proceeding with the next stage. The record of inspection shall be maintained. Stages of inspection are as follows:

a. Surface preparation

b. Primer application

c. Each coat of paint

18.4.4 Any defect noticed during the various stages of inspection shall be rectified by the Contractor to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge before proceeding further. Irrespective of the inspection, repair and approval at intermediate stages of

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work the Contractor shall be responsible for making good any defects found during final inspection/guarantee period/defect liability period, as defined in General Conditions of Contract. Dry film thickness (DFT) shall be checked and recorded after application of each coat. The thickness shall be measured at as many locations as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge. The Contractor shall provide standard thickness measuring instrument such as elkometer (with appropriate range for measuring dry film thickness of each coat) free of cost to the Engineer-in-Charge whenever asked for.

18.5 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to Item Rate tender only.

Payment for painting of structural steel works shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons of the painted structures accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge.

The rate shall include supplying & applying two coats of synthetic enamel paint or any other paint specified in the tender of approved quality and shade over a coat of red oxide zinc chromate primer or any other primer specified in the tender over one coat of shop primer already applied to structural steel works of all types/shapes at all levels, locations & positions including storage, surface preparation, degreasing, cleaning, drying, touching up of shop primer coat, providing temporary staging, testing etc. all complete to the entire satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

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ANNEXURE-'A'

(Clause 12.4)

Maximum Permissible Erection Tolerances

A. Columns

1. Deviation of column axes at foundation top level with respect to true axes.

i) In longitudinal direction	±5mm
ii) In lateral direction	±5mm

2. Deviation in the level of bearing surface of columns at foundation top with respect to true level ±5mm

3. Out of plumb (Verticality) of column axis from true vertical axis, as measured at top:

i)	Up to and including 30m height	±H/1000 or ±25mm Whichever is less.
ii)	Over 30m height	±H/1200 or ±35mm Whichever is less.

4. Deviation in straightness in longitudinal & transverse planes of column at any point along the height. ±H/1000 or ±10mm Whichever is less.

5. Difference in the erected positions of adjacent pairs of columns along length or across width of building prior to connecting trusses/beams with respect to true distance. ±5mm

6. Deviation in any bearing or seating level with respect to true level. ±5mm

7. Deviation in difference in bearing levels of a member on adjacent pair of columns both across & along the building. ±5mm

Note: 1. Tolerance specified under 3 should be read in conjunction with 4 & 5.

Note: 2. 'H' is the column height in mm.

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B. Trusses

1.	Shift at the centre of span of top chord member with respect to the vertical plane passing through the centre of bottom chord.	±1/250 of height of truss in mm at centre of span or ±15mm whichever is less.
2.	Lateral shift of top chord of truss at the centre of span from the vertical plane passing through the centre of supports of the truss.	±1/1500 of height of truss in mm or ±10mm whichever is less.
3.	Lateral shift in location of truss from its true position.	±10mm
4.	Lateral shift in location of purlin from true position.	±5mm
5.	Deviation in difference of bearing levels of truss from the true level.	±1/1200 of span of truss in mm or ±20mm whichever is less.

C. Gantry Girders & Rails

1.	Shift in the centre line of crane rail with respect to centre line of web of gantry girder.	$\pm\frac{[\{\text{web thickness (mm)}\}+2\text{mm}]}{2}$
2.	Shift of alignment of crane rail (in plan) with respect to true axis of crane rail at any point.	±5mm
3.	Deviation in crane track gauge with respect to true gauge.	
i)	For track gauge up to and including 15m.	±5mm
ii)	For track gauge more than 15m.	±[5+0.25 (S-15)] Subjected to maximum ±100mm, where S in Metres is true gauge.
4.	Deviation in the crane rail level at any point from true level.	±10mm
5.	Difference in level between crane track rails (across the bay) at	
i)	Supports of gantry girders	15mm
ii)	Mid span of gantry girders	20mm
6.	Relative shift of crane rail surfaces (at a joining) in plan and elevation.	2mm

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ANNEXURE-'B'

(Clause 18.3)

PAINTING COLOUR CODE FOR STRUCTURAL STEEL

1.	GANTRY GIRDER & MONORAIL	DARK GREEN
2.	GANTRY GIRDER & MONORAIL STOPPER	SIGNAL RED
3.	BUILDING STRUCTURAL STEEL COLUMNS, BRACKETS, BEAMS, BRACINGS, ROOF TRUSS, PURLINS, SIDEGIRTS, LOUVERS, STRINGERS,	DARK ADMIRALITY GREY
4.	PIPE RACK STRUCTURE & TRESTLE	DARK ADMIRALITY GREY
5.	CHEQUERED PLATE (BOTH FACES)	BLACK
6.	GRATING	BLACK
7.	LADDER	RUNGS-BLACK VERTICALS & CAGE RED
8.	HAND RAILING	
	- HANDRAIL, MIDDLE RAIL, TOE PLATE	SIGNAL RED
	- VERTICAL POST	BLACK

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
IS	Indian Standard
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standards

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1.0 SCOPE

This specification covers the requirements for design (Refer annexure 'A'), material, fabrication, assembly, tests/examinations, transportation, erection and painting preparation of fabrication drawings of bolted and/or welded structural steel works using tubular/hollow sections for general construction work.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 BIS CODES

IS: 800	General construction in steel-code of practice
IS: 806	Code of practice for use of steel tubes in general building construction
IS: 7205	Safety code for erection of steel structural works
IS: 7215	Tolerance for fabrication of steel structures
IS: 9595	Metal Arc welding of carbon Manganese steels-Recommendation

& other relevant Codes.

2.2 SPECIFICATIONS

VCS-SS-CS-6021 - Materials

VCS-SS-CS-6024 - Structural Steel Works

Painting specification

2.3 In case of conflict between the clauses mentioned in this specification and those in the Indian Standards, this specification shall govern. Any special provision as shown or noted on the design drawings shall govern over the provisions of this specification.

3.0 MATERIAL

3.1 GENERAL

All materials shall conform to their respective specifications given in Specification no. VCS-SS-CS-6021. The use of equivalent or alternative materials shall be permitted only in very special cases and for all such cases prior written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be obtained.

3.2 RECEIPT AND STORING OF MATERIALS

3.2.1 Each section shall be marked for identification and each lot shall be accompanied by manufacturer's quality certificate, chemical analysis and mechanical characteristics.

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3.2.2 All sections shall be checked, sorted out and arranged by grade and quality in the store. Any instruction given by the Engineer-in-Charge in this respect shall be strictly followed.

3.2.3 All material shall be free from surface defects such as pitting, cracks, laminations, twists etc. Defective material shall not be used and all such rejected material shall be immediately removed from the store/site. The decision of Engineer-in-Charge in this regard shall be final and binding.

3.2.4 Welding wires and electrodes (packed in their original cartons) shall be stored separately by quality and lots inside a dry and enclosed room in compliance with IS: 9595 and as per instructions given by the Engineer-in-Charge. Electrodes shall be kept perfectly dry to ensure satisfactory operation and weld metal soundness.

3.2.5 Each lot of electrodes, bolts, nuts etc. shall be accompanied by manufacturer's quality test certificates.

3.2.6 All bolts (including nuts and washers) shall be checked, sorted out and arranged diameter wise by grade and quality in the store.

3.3 MATERIAL TESTS

3.3.1 The Contractor shall submit manufacturer's quality certificates for all the materials supplied by him. In case quality certificates are not available or are incomplete or when material quality differs from standard specifications, such materials shall not be used in the construction. However the Contractor shall, get all appropriate tests conducted in approved test houses for such materials as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge, at no extra cost to the owner and submit the same to the Engineer-in-Charge for his approval. The Engineer-in-Charge may approve the use of such materials entirely at his discretion.

3.3.2 The Contractor shall ensure that all material brought to site are duly approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. Rejected materials shall not be used and shall be removed from site forthwith. Any material of doubtful quality for which specific tests are to be carried out as per the instruction of the Engineer-in-Charge shall be separately stacked and properly identified.

4.0 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

4.1 Fabrication and erection drawings shall be prepared by the Contractor on the basis of "Approved for Construction" (AFC) design drawings Standards issued to the Contractor. These drawings shall be prepared by Contractor or by an agency engaged by the contractor and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge.

4.2 Fabrication and erection drawings shall be thoroughly checked, stamped "Approved for Construction" and signed by the Contractor's own responsible Engineer irrespective of the fact that such drawings are prepared by the Contractor or his approved agency, to ensure accuracy and correctness of the drawings. Unchecked and unsigned drawings shall not be used for the purpose of proceeding with the work. The Contractor shall

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proceed with the fabrication and erection work only after thoroughly satisfying himself in this regard.

4.3 All fabrication and erection drawings shall be issued for construction by the Contractor directly to his work site. Six copies of such drawings shall simultaneously be submitted to the Engineer-in-Charge. However the contractor shall not proceed with the fabrication of such structures whose fabrication drawings are required to be reviewed before taking up the fabrication work as noted on "Approved for Construction" (AFC) design drawings issued to the contractor. The fabrication of such structures shall be done only as per the reviewed fabrication drawings. The review of such drawings shall be restricted to the following only.

a. Structural layout, orientation and elevation of structures/members.

b. Sizes of members

c. Critical joint details

4.4 Fabrication drawings shall be drawn to scale and shall convey the information clearly and adequately. Following information shall be furnished on drawings.

a. Reference to design drawing number (along with revision number, if any) based on which fabrication drawing has been prepared.

b. Structural layout, elevations & sections (with distinct erection marking of all members).

c. Framing plans, member sizes, orientation and elevations.

d. Layout and detailing of rain water pipes and gutters showing all necessary levels, connections and provisions wherever required.

e. Detailing of shop/field joints/welds, connections, splices, for required strength and erection.

f. Location, type, size and dimensions of welds and bolts.

g. Shapes and sizes of edge preparation for welding.

h. Bill of materials/D.O.D. Lists.

i. Quality of structural steel tubes, hollow sections, plates etc., welding electrodes, bolts, nuts and washers to be used.

j. Erection assemblies identifying all transportable parts and sub-assemblies with special erection instructions, if required.

k. Method of erection and special precautions to be taken during erection as required.

4.5 The Contractor shall additionally ensure accuracy of the following and shall be solely responsible for the same:

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a. Provision for erection and erection clearances.

b. Marking of members.

c. Cut length of members.

d. Matching of joints and holes.

e. Provision kept in the members for other interconnected members.

f. Bill of materials/D.O.D. Lists.

4.6 Connections, splices and other details where not shown on the design drawings shall be suitably designed and shown on the fabrication drawings based on good engineering practice developing full member strength. Design calculations for such connections/ splices shall be submitted to the Engineer-in-Charge along with the fabrication drawings.

4.7 Any substitution or change in section shall be allowed only when prior written approval of the Engineer-in-Charge has been obtained. Fabrication drawings shall be updated incorporating all such substitutions/changes by the Contractor at no extra cost to the owner.

4.8 In case during execution of the work, the Engineer-in-Charge on review of drawings considers any modifications/substitutions necessary to meet the design parameters/good engineering practice, these shall be brought to the notice of the Contractor who shall incorporate the same in the drawings without any extra cost to the owner. The Contractor will be totally responsible for the correctness of the detailed fabrication drawings and execution of the work.

4.9 Contractor shall incorporate all the revisions made in the design drawings during the course of execution of work in his fabrication drawings, and resubmit the drawings at no extra cost to the owner.

4.10 The Contractor shall supply two prints each of the final/as-built drawings along with their transparencies to Engineer-in-Charge for reference and record. The rates quoted shall include for the same.

5.0 FABRICATION

5.1 GENERAL

5.1.1 Fabrication of structures using tubular/hollow sections shall be done strictly as per "Approved For Construction" fabrication drawings (prepared by the Contractor based on the latest design drawings) and in accordance with IS: 806, IS: 800, IS: 9595 and other relevant BIS Codes.

5.1.2 Prior to commencement of fabrication, undulations in the fabrication yard, if any, shall be removed and area levelled and paved by the Contractor.

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5.1.3 Any defective material used in the work shall be replaced by the Contractor at his own expense. Necessary care and precautions shall be taken so as not to cause any damage to the structure during any such removal and replacement.

5.1.4 The components of the structure shall be assembled in such a manner that they are neither twisted nor otherwise damaged and be so prepared that the specified cambers, if any, are maintained.

5.1.5 Any faulty fabrication pointed out at any stage of work by the Engineer-in-Charge, shall be made good or replaced by the Contractor at his own cost.

5.1.6 Tolerances for fabrication of steel work shall conform to IS: 7215.

5.2 STRAIGHTENING & BENDING

5.2.1 All materials before being assembled shall be straightened, if necessary (unless required to be of a curvilinear form) and shall be free from twist. Tubes shall not deviate from straightness by more than 1/600 of any length.

5.2.2 Bending of structural hollow or tubular sections shall be done by cold process to shapes as shown on drawings.

5.3 CUT EDGES

Edges shall be dressed to a neat and workman like finish and be free from distortion.

5.4 CAPS AND BASES FOR COLUMNS

The ends of all tubes and hollow sections for columns (transmitting loads through the ends) shall be ground flush and made True Square to the axis of the member and shall be provided with caps and base plates as shown on the drawings.

5.5 SEALING OF TUBES AND HOLLOW SECTIONS

When the end of member is not automatically sealed by virtue of its connection by welding to another member, the end shall be properly and completely sealed against ingress of moisture. Before sealing, the inside of the tubes and hollow sections shall be made dry.

5.6 FLATTENED ENDS

In tubular construction, joints may be formed by flattening or splitting or otherwise formed shapes for welded or bolted connections. The change in section shall be gradual to avoid concentration of stresses and all flattening shall be done by cold process only.

5.7 WELDING

Welding shall be strictly in accordance with IS: 9595 and carried out by experienced welders only. For welding (including testing & examining of welds) relevant clauses of Specification no VCS-SS-CS-6024 for Structural Steel Works shall be referred to the extent applicable.

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5.8 BOLTING

5.8.1 Washers shall be specially shaped where necessary to give the nuts and the heads of bolts a full bearing.

5.8.2 In all cases where the full bearing area of the bolt is to be developed, the threaded portion of the bolt shall not be within the thickness of parts bolted together, and washer(s) of appropriate thickness shall be provided to allow the nut to be completely tightened.

6.0 MARKING FOR IDENTIFICATION

Each component shall be distinctly marked before delivery, in accordance with the marking diagram and shall bear such other marks as will facilitate erection.

7.0 SHOP ERECTION

The steel work shall be temporarily shop erected complete or as directed so that accuracy of fit may be checked before dispatch.

8.0 INSPECTION AND TESTING

8.1 The Engineer-in-Charge (or his authorized representative) shall have free access at all times to those parts of the Contractor's Works which are concerned with the storing and fabrication of the steel work and shall be provided with all reasonable facilities for satisfying himself that fabrication is being undertaken in accordance with the provisions of these specifications and other relevant BIS Codes.

8.2 Should any structure or part of a structure be found not to comply with any of the provisions of these specifications and other relevant BIS Codes, it shall be rejected. No structure or part of the structure, once rejected shall be resubmitted for inspection, except in cases where the Engineer-in-Charge or his authorized representative considers the defect as rectifiable.

8.3 Defects which may appear during fabrication/erection shall be made good only with the consent of the Engineer-in-Charge and procedure laid down by him.

8.4 All necessary gauges and templates shall be supplied free to the Engineer-in-Charge by the Contractor whenever asked for during inspection. The Engineer-in-Charge may, at his discretion, check the test results obtained at the Contractor's works by independent tests at a test house the cost of such tests, shall be borne by the Contractor.

9.0 SHOP PAINTING, PACKING AND TRANSPORTATION

9.1 All components and members of steel work (except coated steel tube sections) shall be given coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified in the tender, before dispatch from shop.

9.2 All welded joints of coated steel tubes shall be painted with two coats of approved zinc rich epoxy or any other paint as specified in the tender, over the weld/affected area (as

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per manufacturer's specifications) followed by coat of aluminium paint or any other paint as specified in the tender.

9.3 All items shall be suitably packed in case they are to be dispatched from the fabrication shop to the actual site of erection so as to protect them from any damage or distortion during transit.

10.0 SITE (FIELD) ERECTION

10.1 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The suitability and capacity of all plant and equipment used shall be to the complete satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

10.2 STORING AND HANDLING

All steel work shall be so stored and handled at site so that the members are not subjected to excessive stresses and any damage.

10.3 SETTING OUT

Prior to setting out of the steel work, the Contractor shall get himself satisfied about the correctness of levels, alignment, location of existing pedestals/columns and holding down bolts / pockets provided therein. Any minor modification in the same including chipping, cutting and making good, adjusting the anchor bolts etc. if necessary, shall be carried out by the Contractor at his own expense. The positioning and levelling of all steel work including plumbing of columns and placing of every part of the structure with accuracy shall be in accordance with the drawings and to the complete satisfaction of the Engineer-in-Charge.

10.4 TOLERANCES

Tolerances for erection of steel structures shall be as per Annexure "A".

11.0 SAFETY AND SECURITY DURING ERECTION

11.1 The Contractor shall adhere to safe erection practices and guard against hazardous and unsafe working conditions during all stages of erection.

11.2 During erection, the steel work shall be securely bolted or otherwise fastened, and when necessary, temporarily braced to provide for all loads to be carried by the structure during erection till the completion including those due to wind, erection equipment and its operation etc. For the purpose of guying the Contractor shall not use other structures in the vicinity without prior written permission of the Engineer-in-Charge.

11.3 No permanent bolting or welding shall be done until proper alignment has been achieved.

11.4 Proper access, platform and safety arrangement shall be provided for working and inspection at no extra cost whenever required.

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12.0 FIELD CONNECTIONS

12.1 FIELD BOLTING

12.1.1 Field bolting shall be carried out with the same care as required for shop bolting.

12.2 FIELD WELDING

12.2.1 All field assembly and welding shall be executed in accordance with the requirements for shop. A hole for all erection bolts where removed after final erection shall be plugged by welding. Alternatively erection bolts may be left and secured. Proper access, platform and safety arrangements shall be provided for inspection whenever required.

12.2.2 All welded joints of coated steel tubes shall be painted with two coats of approved zinc rich epoxy or any other paint as specified in the tender over the weld/affected area (as per manufacturer's specifications) followed by coat of aluminium paint or any other paint as specified in the tender.

13.0 GROUTING

13.1 Prior to positioning of structural columns/girders/trusses over the concrete pedestals/ columns/brackets, all laitance & loose material shall be removed by wire brushing & chipping and bearing surfaces cleaned, excess water shall be removed from sleeves of anchor bolts (using compressed air) and made thoroughly wet. All pockets for anchor bolts shall be thoroughly cleaned and excess water, if any, shall be removed. Thereafter, the structural members shall be erected, aligned & plumbed maintaining the base plates/shoe plates at the levels shown in the drawings, with necessary shims/pack plates/wedges.

13.2 After final alignment and plumbing of the structure, the forms shall be constructed alround and joints made tight to prevent leakage. Grouting (under the base plates/ shoe plates including grouting of sleeves & pockets) shall be done with non-shrink grout having compressive strength (28 days) not less than 40N/sq.mm. Non shrink grout shall be of free flow premix type of approved quality and make and mixed with water in proportion as specified by the manufacturer. Ordinary 1:2 cement/sand mortar grout shall be used only for small, isolated structures e.g. operating platforms not supporting any equipment, pipe supports, cross overs, stairs & ladders. The thickness of grout shall be as shown on the drawings but not less than 25mm nor more than 40mm in any case.

13.3 The grout mixture shall be poured continuously (without any interruption till completion) by grouting pumps from one side of the base plate and spread uniformly with flexible steel strips and rammed with rod still the space is filled solidly and the grout mixture carried to the other side of the base plate.

13.4 The grout mixture shall be allowed to harden for a period as decided by the Engineer-in-Charge. At the end of this period, the shims/wedges/pack plates may be removed and anchor bolts tightened uniformly. The alignment of the structure shall now be rechecked and if found correct, the voids left by the removal of shims/ wedges/pack

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plates (if removed) must be filled up with a similar mixture of grout. In case after checking, serious misalignment is indicated, the grout shall be removed completely and fresh grouting done after making appropriate correction of alignment.

14.0 SCHEME AND SEQUENCE OF ERECTION

14.1 The Contractor shall furnish the detailed scheme and sequence of erection to match with the project schedule and get the same approved by the Engineer-in-Charge. All necessary co-ordination and synchronization shall be done with the civil contractor where civil works are not included in the scope of structural contractor at no extra cost so as to match with the project schedule.

15.0 PAINTING AFTER ERECTION

Painting of Structural Steel Works using (tubular/hollow sections) shall be done in accordance with relevant clauses of Specification no. VCS-SS-CS-6047.

16.0 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

(Where design and design drawings are excluded from the scope of the Contractor)

16.1 Payment for structural steel works fabricated and made out of tubular/ hollow sections shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons (determined as described in clause 16.2 to 16.4) of the structure accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge.

The rate shall include supplying, fabricating, erecting in position (at all levels and locations), transporting, storing, testing/examining of bolted and/or welded structural steel works using (tubular/hollow sections) of all types of trusses, girders, purlins, side rails, columns, runners, beams, ties, portals, framework, bracings, brackets, sag rods etc., including all handling, straightening/bending, if required, cutting, edge preparation, welding and/or bolting of joints, providing temporary bracing, providing and fixing end caps, fixing in line and level with necessary temporary staging, grouting with premix, free flow, no shrink grout as shown on drawings including preparation of detailed fabrication drawings and getting them reviewed, preparing the exposed surface for painting, surface cleaning, wire brushing, removal of mill scale, rust, oil or grease and applying coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800 as specified in the tender, as built drawings etc. all complete.

16.2 The weight for payment shall be determined from the fabrication drawings and respective bill of materials prepared by the Contractor. The bill of materials shall be checked and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge before making the payment. The weight shall be calculated on the basis of BIS Handbook wherever applicable. In case sections used are different from BIS sections, then Manufacturer's Handbook shall be adopted. No allowance in weight shall be made for rolling tolerances.

16.3 Welds, bolts, nuts, washers, shims, pack plates and grout shall not be measured. The quoted rate shall be deemed to include the same.

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16.4 In case of coated steel tubes, the quoted rate shall be deemed to include application of two coats of approved zinc rich epoxy over the weld/affected area of the welded joints followed by coat of aluminium paint.

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ANNEXURE-'A'

(Clause 10.4)
Maximum Permissible Erection Tolerances

A. COLUMNS

1.	Deviation of column axes at foundation top level with respect to true axes.	
i)	In longitudinal direction	± 5mm
ii)	In lateral direction	± 5mm
2.	Deviation in the level of bearing surface of columns at foundation top with respect to true level.	± 5mm
3.	Out of plumbness (verticality) of column axis from true vertical axis, as measured at top:	
i)	Upto and including 30m height	$\frac{\pm H}{1000}$ or ± 25mm whichever is less
ii)	Over 30m height	$\frac{\pm H}{1200}$ or ± 35mm whichever is less
4.	Deviation in straightness in longitudinal and transverse planes of column at any point along the height.	$\frac{\pm H}{1000}$ or ± 10m whichever is less
5.	Difference in the erected positions of adjacent pairs of columns along length or across width of building prior to connecting trusses/beams with respect to true distance.	± 5mm
6.	Deviation in any bearing or seating level with respect to true level.	± 5mm
7.	Deviation in difference in bearing levels of a member on adjacent pair of columns both across and along the building.	± 5mm

Note:- 1 -Tolerance specified under 3 should be read in conjunction with 4 & 5.

Note:-2 -'H' is the column height in mms.

B. Trusses:

1.	Shift at the centre of span of top chord member with respect to the vertical lane passing through the centre of bottom chord.	$\frac{\pm 1}{250}$ of Height of truss in mm at centre of span or + 15mm whichever is less
2.	Lateral shift of top chord of truss at the centre	$\frac{\pm 1}{}$ of span of truss in

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	of span from vertical plane passing through the centre of supports of the truss.	1500 or + 10mm whichever is less.
3	Lateral shift in location of truss from its true vertical position.	± 10mm
4.	Lateral shift in location of purlin from true position.	± 5 mm
5.	Deviation in difference of bearing levels	± 1/1200 of span of truss in mm or + 20mm whichever is less.

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
g/m^2	Gram Per Square Metre
MS	Mild Steel
BIS	Bureau of Indian Standards
Kg	Kilogram
RCC	Reinforced Cement Concrete
PCC	Plain Cement Concrete

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1.0 SCOPE

1.1 All materials supplied by the Contractor shall conform to their respective specifications given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021.

1.2 The Contractor shall furnish test certificates for all materials prior to their use in the works.

1.3 Other requirements not covered under this specification shall be in accordance with specification no. VCS-SS-CS-6024 Structural Steel Works.

2.0 REFERENCES

As mentioned in the respective clauses

3.0 MATERIAL

As mentioned in the respective clauses.

4.0 ANCHOR BOLTS

4.1 MATERIAL

Materials for anchor bolts, nuts, locknuts, washers, pipe sleeves and anchor plates shall conform to their respective specification given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-021.

4.2 FABRICATION

Fabrication of anchor bolts and their complete assemblies shall be strictly in compliance with the specifications and drawings/standards. Anchor bolts shall have coarse type threads conforming to IS: 4218.

4.3 PLACEMENT

Anchor bolt assemblies shall be placed in position strictly as per drawings and securely held during pouring and vibrating of concrete with necessary templates and other dummy structures to prevent their dislocation.

4.4 TOLERANCES

Tolerances allowed for anchor bolts positioning shall be:

a. For sleeved bolts, one tenth of the bolt nominal diameter.

b. For bolts without sleeves, one twentieth of the bolt nominal diameter.

4.5 PROTECTION

The exposed surfaces of bolts shall be properly covered (after greasing of bolts and packing of sleeves) with jute cloth so as to protect them from damage till final erection of structure/equipment is over.

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4.6 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

4.6.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of actual weight in metric tons of the anchor bolt/anchor bolt assembly. The rate shall include supply (as per scope of supply conditions given in the tender) of all materials, handling, transporting, fabrication, turning from available size MS round to required diameter, threading, welding, fixing in position, at all levels and locations, providing necessary templates, greasing, packing of sleeves, covering with jute cloth and other protective measures etc. all complete.

4.6.2 The rate shall cover bolt of any diameter and nomenclature.

4.6.3 Payment for fixing in position anchor bolt assembly (already fabricated and supplied by the Owner as free issue) shall be made on the basis of actual weight of anchor bolts/bolt assemblies in metric tons. The rate shall include handling, transporting, fixing in position, welding if required, providing necessary templates, greasing, packing of sleeves, covering with jute cloth and other protective measures etc. all complete.

4.6.4 No separate payment shall be made for templates, dummy structures; supports etc. and the rate quoted shall be inclusive of all cost related to such provision required for correct and accurate installation of anchor bolts/assembly.

5.0 METAL INSERTS

5.1 MATERIAL

Materials required for fabricating metal inserts shall conform to their respective specification given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021.

5.2 FABRICATION

Fabrication of inserts shall be done strictly as per drawings/standards and in compliance with the requirements given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024 Structural Steel Works.

5.3 PLACEMENT

Metal inserts shall be correctly embedded (in plain concrete/reinforced concrete) as per their location shown on the drawings. Care shall be taken that these are securely held in position and do not get disturbed during concreting. Where necessary, these may be welded to the reinforcement bars. Suitable templates, spacers, dummy structures and temporary staging shall be provided. Necessary cutting in the formwork and adjustment of reinforcement bars shall be done for the placement of metal inserts where required.

5.4 PAINTING

The exposed surfaces of metal inserts shall be cleaned with wire brush and given coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800 as specified, after fabrication.

5.5 PAYMENT

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This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

5.5.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of actual weight in metric tons of the metal inserts. The rate shall include supply (as per supply conditions given in the tender) of all materials, handling, transporting, fabrication, welding, fixing in position, at all levels and locations, providing necessary templates, spacers, dummy structures, adjusting the formwork and reinforcement, staging, preparation of surface for painting, applying coat of primer as specified, etc. all complete.

6.0 CHEQUERED PLATES

6.1 MATERIAL

Chequered plates shall be of mild steel and conforming to IS: 3502. Chequering shall be closed or open-ended or of any other pattern as shown on drawings.

6.2 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

Refer clause 4.0 of Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024- Structural Steel Works.

6.3 FABRICATION

Chequered plates shall be fabricated as per the "Approved for Construction" fabrication drawings (prepared by the Contractor based on design drawings). These shall be perfectly flat and without any dents/deformations and shall be cut to the required size and shape. Holes/notches/openings of the required size, if any, shown on drawings shall be made. Nosing for staircase treads shall be made by cold bending of chequered plates. All edges shall be made smooth and even. All chequered plate units shall be given distinct erection marks in accordance with the marking drawings. Stiffeners of any description shall be welded with the chequered plates where shown on drawings

6.4 ERECTION/FIXING

Chequered plates shall be fixed to the bearing members by welding/ bolting/screwing as shown on drawings. All bolts/screws shall be of counter-sunk type so that the heads remain flush with the top of plate. Where welding is used for fixing, stitch welds of minimum 50mm length with a pitch of 150mm shall be used. Continuous sealing run of weld shall be provided along the junction of two consecutive chequered plates parallel to the span. For removable flooring, details as shown on drawings shall be followed.

6.5 PAINTING

Chequered plates shall be cleaned (both the surfaces) with wire brush and given coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, on both surfaces.

6.6 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

6.6.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons (determined as described in clause 6.6.2) of the chequered plates accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge.

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Where stiffeners are used, weight of the same shall be included in arriving at admissible weight.

The rate shall include supplying (as per supply conditions given in the tender), fabricating, erecting M.S. chequered plates including transporting, handling, straightening if required, cutting to required size and shape, making holes/notches/opening of required size and nosing, smoothening the edges, fixing by welding/bolting/screwing, at all levels and locations, preparing detailed fabrication drawings, surface cleaning, removal of rust, scale, grease and applying coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, etc. all complete.

In any stiffening sections are provided below the chequered plates for strengthening, the same shall be separately measured & paid under Structural Steel item (Viz. Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024

6.6.2 The weight for payment shall be determined from the fabrication drawings and respective bill of materials prepared by the Contractor. The bill of materials shall be checked and approved by the Engineer in Charge before making the payment. The weight shall be calculated on the basis of BIS Handbook. No allowance in weight shall be made for rolling tolerances.

6.6.3 Welds, bolts, nuts, screws, washers, and clips shall not be measured. The quoted rate shall be deemed to include the same.

7.0 GRATINGS

7.1 CATEGORIES

The gratings shall be of two categories:

a. Category 'A' - Fabricated by the Contractor as per design drawings/standards.

b. Category 'B' - Ready made bought out from an approved manufacturer.

7.2 MATERIAL

Materials for fabrication and fixing of Gratings shall conform to their respective specification given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021

7.3 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

Refer clause 4.0 of Specification No VCS-SS-CS-6024 - Structural Steel Works.

7.4 FABRICATION

7.4.1 CATEGORY 'A' GRATINGS

These shall be fabricated strictly as per the "Approved for Construction" fabrication drawings prepared by the Contractor based on design drawings and standards. All units shall be given distinct erection marks in accordance with the marking drawing. All notching in the flats shall be punched and not flame-cut. Continuous alround welding

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shall be done along the contact-lines between two flats on both the surfaces. All fabrication shall be done in a shop under strict supervision. Clamps shall be fabricated as shown on drawing/standard.

7.4.2 CATEGORY 'B' GRATINGS

These shall be as per manufacturer's details designed to carry loads as specified on the design drawing supplied to the contractor. The deflection shall not exceed span/200 or 6mm whichever is minimum. The maximum clear size of voids in the grating shall be limited to 30mm x 55mm. Thickness of grating shall be 25mm. The Contractor shall make necessary notches/ opening in the gratings as shown in the drawings. All edges affected by such notches/openings shall be suitably stiffened by welding additional flats of the requisite size. All units shall be given distinct erection marks in accordance with the marking drawings. Before procurement the Contractor shall submit the design calculations, drawings and manufacturer's literature/catalogues and get the same reviewed by the Engineer-in- Charge. The Contractor shall submit sample gratings for inspection and approval by the Engineer-in-Charge whenever asked for.

7.5 ERECTION / FIXING

Gratings shall be fixed to the bearing members by welding/clamping and bolting as indicated in the drawings. Minimum length and maximum pitch of welds shall be 50mm and 150mm respectively where stitch welding is used for fixing along the lines of supports. The edges of two consecutive gratings shall be bolted with minimum two bolts on each side of the grating panel.

7.6 GALVANIZING

Gratings and the fixing clamps, bolts, nuts shall be cleaned with wire brush and galvanization shall be done in accordance with IS: 2629 and tested as per IS: 2633 & 6745. Quantity of zinc coating shall be minimum 900 gm/sq.m. of surface area (0.12mm uniform thickness).

7.7 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

7.7.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons (determined as described in clause 7.7.2) of the gratings accepted by the Engineer- in Charge.

The rate shall include supplying, fabricating, erecting MS gratings (of the specified category) including transporting, handling, cutting to required size and shape, making holes/notches/openings, smoothening the edges, fabricating clamps, fixing by welding/clamping/ bolting, at all levels and locations, preparing detailed fabrication drawings, surface cleaning, removal of rust, scale, grease and applying coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, or galvanizing as required, all complete.

7.7.2 The weight for payment shall be determined from the fabrication drawings and respective bill of materials prepared by the Contractor. The bill of materials shall be checked and approved by the Engineer-in- Charge before making the payment. The

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weight shall be calculated on the basis of BIS Handbook as mentioned above. No allowance in weight shall be made for rolling tolerances.

7.7.3 Welds, bolts, clamps, nuts and washers shall not be measured. The quoted rate shall be deemed to include the same.

8.0 TUBULAR HAND RAILING

8.1 MATERIAL

Materials for fabrication and fixing of Tubular Hand Railing shall confirm to their respective specification given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021

8.2 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

Refer clause 4.0 of Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024 - Structural Steel Works.

8.3 FABRICATION

Hand railing shall be fabricated strictly as per the "Approved for Construction" fabrication drawings prepared by the Contractor based on design drawings and standards. All tubes shall be straight and without any dents/deformations. Tubes shall be cut and ends shall be prepared to a neat and workman-like finish. All elements shall be directly welded. All welded joints shall be cleaned and filed or ground smooth, if required, to have a smooth surface and aesthetically pleasant appearance. Splicing of top rail shall not be allowed. Tubes shall be cold bent to shape and curvature in case of discontinuous ends of handrails. Ripples, kinks and/or dents at bends shall not be accepted.

Lower ends of vertical posts shall be cut and splayed (for grouting in pockets in the concrete members). For removable type of hand railing, suitable base plates (with provision for bolting) shall be welded to the lower end of vertical posts. All units shall be given distinct erection marks in accordance with the marking drawing.

8.4 ERECTION/FIXING

Hand railing, shall be fixed to the bearing members by welding/ bolting/ grouting as indicated on the drawings. Local notching shall be made in the floor plate/grating to accommodate vertical posts/their base plates which shall always be welded to the main supporting member. When the posts are to be fixed in concrete members, suitable pockets shall be made in concrete for grouting as shown on drawings/standards.

8.5 PAINTING

Tubes shall be cleaned with wire brush and given coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, after fabrication.

8.6 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

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8.6.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of measured length in meters (m) of top rail only (Horizontal and/or inclined lengths). The rate shall include preparation of fabrication drawings, supply of all materials, handling, transporting, straightening if required, cutting to required size, bending, welding, bolting, fixing in position at all levels and locations, grouting with 1:2 (cement: sand) mortar, surface cleaning, removal of rust, scale, grease and applying coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, after fabrication etc. all complete.

8.6.2 The rate shall include making suitable notches in floor plates/gratings and pockets in concrete structures for fixing the vertical posts.

9.0 MILD STEEL RUNGS

MATERIAL

All materials shall conform to their respective specifications given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6021

9.2 FABRICATION

Rungs shall be fabricated as per standards/drawings. Mild steel bars shall be straightened if required, cut, bent to shape and given coat of primer on exposed portions.

9.3 FIXING

Rungs shall be fixed in position as per detailed drawing and firmly tied/welded with reinforcement to prevent their displacement during vibrating of concrete.

9.4 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

9.4.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of actual weight in kilograms (Kgs.) of the M.S. rungs. The rate shall include supply of all materials handling, transporting, straightening if required, cutting to required size, bending to shape, tying/welding with reinforcement bars, fixing at all levels and locations, adjustment of formwork, applying coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, and two coats of anti-corrosive paint or any other paint, as specified, on the exposed portion of rungs etc. all complete.

10.0 LIGHT GAUGE STEEL STRUCTURAL SECTIONS

10.1 MATERIAL

All materials required for fabrication and fixing in position of Light Gauge Steel Structural Sections shall conform to their respective specification given in Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024

10.2 FABRICATION DRAWINGS

Refer clause 4.0 of Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024 Structural Steel Works.

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10.3 FABRICATION

Fabrication of members shall be done strictly as per the "Approved for Construction" fabrication drawings prepared by the Contractor based on the latest design drawings and in accordance with IS:800, IS:801 and other relevant BIS Codes.

All members shall be straight and free from any dents/deformations/ twists. Members shall be cut to the required sizes and ends prepared to a neat and workman like finish. Holes (for sag rods and cleat bolts) of appropriate size shall be drilled and all members/ components shall be given distinct erection marks in accordance with the marking drawings. Holes shall not be formed by gas cutting process.

10.4 ERECTION

Structural members shall be erected in proper sequence and aligned properly without causing any twist. Permanent bolting/welding shall be done only after proper alignment has been achieved. Proper access, working platforms and safety arrangements shall be provided by the Contractor for working and inspection.

10.5 PAINTING

All structural components shall be cleaned thoroughly and given coat of primer as per table 29 of IS: 800, as specified, after fabrication.

10.6 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

10.6.1 Payment shall be made on the basis of admissible weight in metric tons (determined as described in clause 10.6.2) of the structure accepted by the Engineer-in-Charge. The rate shall include supplying, fabricating, erecting, at all levels and locations, testing of bolted and/or welded Light Gauge structural steel works including cleats, crook bolts, splices/sleeves, all other fixtures and accessories, straightening if required, cutting, edge preparation, welding and bolting of joints , fixing in line and level with temporary staging and removal of the same after final alignment, handling, transporting, storage, preparation of detailed fabrication drawings and getting them reviewed by the Engineer-in-Charge, surface cleaning, wire brushing, removal of scale, rust, oil or grease and painting as per clause no. 8.5 above etc., all complete.

10.6.2 The weight for payment shall include all structural members, cleats, splices, gussets and sag rods and shall be determined from the fabrication drawings along with respective bill of materials prepared by the Contractor. The bill of materials shall be checked and approved by the Engineer-in-Charge before making the payment. The weight shall be calculated on the basis of BIS Handbook. Manufacturer's catalogues/ charts shall be adopted in case relevant weights of sections used are not covered in BIS Handbook. No allowance in weight shall be made for rolling tolerances.

10.6.3 All welds, bolts, nuts washers, fixtures and accessories shall not be measured. The quoted rate shall be deemed to include the same.

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10.6.4 The rate shall be applicable to all cleats, splices, sleeves and gussets. Sag rods, however, shall be separately measured and paid under structural steel item (viz. Specification No. VCS-SS-CS-6024

11.0 EXPANSION FASTENERS

11.1 MATERIAL

Expansion fasteners (medium and heavy duty) shall be of mild steel/high tensile steel with rust proof coating including both mechanical & chemical fasteners.

11.2 CLASSIFICATION

The expansion fasteners shall be designated as medium and heavy duty depending on their usage. The broad classification is given below for general guidance.

11.2.1 MEDIUM DUTY (MILD STEEL/HIGH TENSILE STEEL)

a. Ladders and stairs supports.

b. Cables and cable trays supports.

c. Electrical panels and fixtures.

d. Hangers for pipes and cable trays.

e. Pipe supports.

11.2.2 HEAVY DUTY (MILD STEEL/HIGH TENSILE STEEL)

a. Platform supports (beam and columns)

b. Knee brackets for pipes/multi tiers cable trays/walkways etc.

Note: - Expansion fasteners shall not be used for

i. Members supporting equipment and pipes subjected to vibrations.

ii. Cantilever connections designed to cater for effective cantilever spans greater than 1000mm and 1000Kgs. of concentrated load at the free end.

11.3 SELECTION

The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer-in-Charge manufacturer's catalogues along with the specimens of expansion fasteners (proposed to be used for the job) for his selection and approval. Selected fasteners shall be capable to carry the specified loads.

11.4 TESTING

If so desired by the Engineer-in-Charge, the Contractor shall carry out all the requisite tests (pullout test, torque test etc.) of specimen expansion fasteners (representative of those to be used) from approved laboratory/ test house and submit the report to him for approval. The decision of the Engineer-in-Charge regarding the adequacy of

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strength and load carrying capacity of the expansion fastener shall be final and binding to all. The cost of all such tests shall be borne by the Contractor.

11.5 INSTALLATION

The Contractor shall install the expansion fasteners at their correct location (to suit the requirement of fixtures as shown in drawings) as per the procedure laid down by the manufacturer. Location of all holes shall be pre-marked on the concrete surfaces and then holes drilled carefully with an electric drill to the correct recommended size and depth. Holes shall be exactly round and true perpendicular to the concrete surface. Edge distance and pitch of fasteners shall be as recommended by the manufacturer. The contractor shall suitably shift the hole with the approval of the Engineer-in-Charge in case any reinforcement bar is met with while drilling the hole in RCC structure. Necessary staging shall be provided for working and the Contractor shall take requisite safety precautions so as not to cause any damage to the existing structure/ equipment. Any damage done while executing the job shall be made good by the Contractor at his cost

11.6 PROTECTION

The exposed surfaces of expansion fasteners shall be properly greased & covered with jute cloth so as to protect them from damage.

11.7 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to item rate tenders only.

11.7.1 Payment for installing rust proof expansion fasteners shall be made on number basis (each). The rate shall include supply of complete assembly, handling, transporting, providing necessary temporary staging, installing (as per manufacturer's specifications) in PCC/RCC structures, at all levels and locations, testing, drilling, cleaning, covering with jute cloth, relocating and re-drilling in case of any obstruction, making good any damage done to the structure, grouting the abandoned holes and any gap left between the contact surfaces of PCC/RCC and fixtures to be added, etc. all complete.

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ABBREVIATION

m	Metre
mm	Millimetre
Cm	Centimetre
m^2	Square metre
m^3	Cubic Metre
Kg	Kilogram
IS	Indian Standard
MS	Mild Steel
C/C	Center to Center
RCC	Reinforced Cement Concrete
PCC	Plain Cement Concrete

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1.0 SCOPE

THIS SPECIFICATION ESTABLISHES THE MATERIALS, DRESSING, LAYING, JOINING, CURING, WORKMANSHIP ETC. FOR BRICK MASONRY WORKS. BRICK MASONRY SHALL ALSO COMPLY WITH ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF IS: 2212.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 BIS CODES

IS: 2212 Brick works-code of practice

IS: 2250 Code of practice for preparation and use of masonry works

2.2 SPECIFICATIONS

VCS-SS-CS-6021 Materials

3.0 MATERIALS

Refer specification no. VCS-SS-CS-6021: Materials

4.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

4.1 CEMENT MORTAR

Cement mortar shall meet the requirements of IS: 2250 and shall be prepared by mixing cement and sand by volume. Proportion of cement and sand shall be 1:6 (1 part of cement and 6 parts of sand), or as directed by the Engineer-in-Charge/shown on the drawing, for brick masonry of one brick thickness or more, while 1:4 cement mortar (1 part of cement and 4 parts of sand) shall be used for brick masonry of half brick thickness. The sand being used for mortar shall be sieved. The mortar shall be used as soon as possible after mixing and before it has begun to set and in any case within initial setting time of cement after water is added to the dry mixture. Mortar unused for more than initial setting time of cement, shall be rejected and removed from the site of work.

4.1.1 PROPORTIONING

The unit of measurement for cement shall be a bag of cement weighing 50 kgs and this shall be taken as 0.035 cubic metre. Sand shall be measured in boxes of suitable size on the basis of its dry volume. In case of damp sand, its quantity shall be increased suitably to allow for bulkage.

4.1.2 MIXING

The mixing of mortar shall be done in a mechanical mixer operated manually or by power. The Engineer-in-Charge may, however, permit hand-mixing as a special case, taking into account the magnitude, nature and location of work. The Contractor shall take the prior permission of Engineer-in-Charge, in writing, for using hand-mixing before the commencement of work.

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a. Mixing in Mechanical Mixer

Cement and sand in specified proportions, by volume, shall be thoroughly mixed dry in a mixer. Water shall then be added gradually and wet mixing continued for at-least one minute. Care shall be taken not to add more water than that which shall bring the mortar to the consistency of stiff paste. Wet mix from the mixer shall be unloaded on water-tight masonry platform, made adjacent to the mixer. Platform shall be at-least 150 mm above the levelled ground to avoid contact of surrounding earth with the mix. Size of the platform shall be such that it shall extend at-least 300mm al-round the loaded wet mix area. Wet mix, so prepared, shall be utilized within initial setting time [thirty (30) minutes either for ordinary Portland cements conforming to IS: 269 or for Portland slag cement conforming to IS: 455] after addition of water. Mixer shall be cleaned with water each time before suspending the work.

b. Hand Mixing

The measured quantity of sand shall be levelled on a clean water-tight masonry platform and cement bags emptied on top. The cement and sand shall be thoroughly mixed dry by being turned over and over, backward and forward, several times till the mixture is of uniform colour. The quantity of dry mix which can be consumed within initial setting time of cement shall then be mixed with just sufficient quantity of water to bring the mortar to the consistency of stiff paste.

5.0 CONSTRUCTION PROCEDURE

5.1 SOAKING OF BRICKS

Bricks shall be soaked in water before use for a period that is sufficient for the water to just penetrate the whole depth of bricks as well as to remove dirt, dust and sand. Proper soaking of bricks shall prevent the suction of water from the wet mortar as otherwise mortar will dry out soon and crumble before attaining any strength. The bricks shall not be too wet at the time of use as they are likely to slip on mortar bed and there will be difficulty in achieving the plumb-ness of wall as well as proper adhesion of bricks to mortar. The period of soaking shall be determined at site by a field test by immersing the bricks in water for different periods and then breaking the bricks to find the extent of water penetration. The least period that corresponds to complete soaking, will be the one, to be allowed for in the construction work.

The soaked bricks shall be removed from the tank, sufficient early, so that at the time of laying, they are skin dry. The soaked bricks shall be stacked over a clean place, wooden planks or masonry platforms to avoid earth, dirt being smeared on them.

5.2 LAYING

5.2.1 BRICK WORK (ONE OR MORE BRICK THICKNESS)

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Brick work (one or more brick thickness) shall be laid in English Bond unless otherwise specified. Half or cut bricks shall not be used except when needed to complete the bond. In no case the defective bricks shall be used.

A layer of average thickness of 10mm of cement mortar shall be spread on full width over a suitable length of lower course or the concrete surface. In order to check and achieve uniformity in masonry, the thickness of bed joints shall be such that four courses and three joints taken consecutively shall measure equal to four times the actual thickness of the brick plus 30mm. Each brick with frog upward shall be properly bedded and set in position by gently tapping with handle of trowel or wooden mallet. Its inside faces shall be buttered with mortar before the next brick is laid and pressed against it. After completion of the course, all vertical joints shall be filled from top with mortar.

All brick courses shall be taken up truly plumb; if battered, the batter is to be truly maintained. All courses shall be laid truly horizontal and vertical joints shall be truly vertical. The level and verticality of work in walls shall be checked up at every one metre interval.

The masonry walls of structures shall be carried up progressively, leaving no part one metre lower than the other. If this cannot be adhered to, the brick work shall be raked back according to bond (and not left toothed) at an angle not more than 45 degrees but raking back shall not start within 60 cm of a corner. In all cases returns, buttresses, counter forts, pillars etc. shall be built up carefully course by course, and properly bonded with the main walls. The brick work shall not be raised more than fourteen (14) courses per day.

At the junction of any two walls, the bricks shall at each alternate course, be carried into each of the respective walls so as to thoroughly unite the work.

The courses at the top of plinth and sills, at the top of the wall just below the soffit of the roof slab or roof beam and at the top of the parapet, shall be laid with bricks on edge. Brick on edge course shall be so arranged as to tightly fit under the soffit of the roof beam or roof slab, restricting the mortar layer thickness up to 12mm, however, any gap between the finished brick work and soffit of roof slab/beam shall be suitably sealed with the mortar.

5.2.2 BRICK WORK (HALF BRICK THICKNESS)

For brick walls of half brick thickness, all courses shall be laid with stretchers. Wall shall be reinforced with 2 nos. - 6mm diameter mild steel reinforcement bars, placed at every fourth course. The reinforcement bars, shall be straightened and thoroughly cleaned. Half the mortar thickness for the bedding joint shall be laid first and mild steel reinforcement, one on each face of the wall, shall be embedded, keeping a side cover of 12mm mortar. Subsequently, the other half of the mortar thickness shall be laid over the reinforcement covering it fully.

The reinforcement bars shall be carried at least 150mm into the adjoining walls or RCC columns. In case the adjoining wall being of half brick thickness, the length of bars

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shall be achieved by bending the bars in plan. During casting of reinforced concrete columns, 6mm dia. M.S. reinforcing bar shall be placed at every fourth course of brick masonry. At the junction of two walls, the brick shall, at each alternate course, be carried into each of the respective walls so as to thoroughly unite the work. The brick masonry work shall not be raised more than 14 courses per day.

Brick course under the soffit of beam or slab, shall be laid by restricting the mortar thickness to 12mm. However, any gap between the finished brickwork and soffit of slab/beam shall be suitably sealed with the mortar.

5.2.3 CAVITY WALLS

Brick work in cavity walls shall be included with general brickwork. It shall consist of one wall of one or more brick thickness while the other wall shall be of half brick thickness at a clear gap of 50mm. The brick work on either side of cavity shall conform to the specifications already stated under clause no. 5.2.1 and 5.2.2. At the base of the cavity wall, the walls shall be solidly constructed up to 300mm above the ground level. The cavity wall shall be terminated 300mm below the soffit of roof slab/beam and the courses over this shall be continued in solid brickwork.

Cavity should be continuous and free from obstructions. Mortar droppings shall be prevented from falling down the cavity by the use of laths or by hay hands which shall be drawn up the cavity as the work proceeds. Any mortar which may unavoidably fall on the wall-ties, shall be removed daily and temporary openings shall be provided to permit the daily removal of mortar droppings from the bottom of the cavity.

The outer and inner leaves shall be tied by means of wall ties. Ties shall be of mild steel round bars of 8mm dia. 200 mm long with hooks at both the ends. These shall be placed not more than 750mm c/c horizontally and not more than 300mm vertically, and staggered. Additional ties shall be provided near the openings. There shall at least, be 5 ties per square metre of surface area of the wall. Ties shall be given a bituminous coat before placement, to protect them from corrosion.

In order to keep the cavity dry, air slots shall be provided in the cavity walls at bottom as well as top to the extent of 50 sq.cm areas of vents to every 2.0 sq.metre area of the wall.

5.2.4 CIRCULAR BRICK WORK

The detailed specification for brick work covered under clause no. 5.2.1 & 5.2.2 shall apply, in so far as these are applicable. Bricks forming skew backs shall be dressed or cut so as to give proper radial bearing. Defects in dressing of bricks shall not be covered up by extravagant use of mortar, nor shall the use of chips etc., be permitted.

The circular brick work shall be carried up from both ends simultaneously and keyed in the centre. The bricks shall be flushed with mortar and well pressed into their positions so as to squeeze out a part of their mortar and leave the joints thin and compact. All joints shall be full of mortar and thickness of joints shall be between 5mm and 15mm.

5.3 JOINTING

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Joints shall be restricted to a width of 10mm with brickwork of any classification. All bed joints shall be normal to the pressure upon them i.e. horizontal in vertical walls, radial in circular brick masonry and at right angles to the face in the battered retaining walls. The vertical joints in alternate courses shall come directly one over the other and shall be truly vertical. Care shall be taken that all the joints are full of mortar, well flushed up. In case no pointing is to be done, cement mortar shall be neatly struck as the work proceeds. The joints in faces which are to be plastered or pointed shall be squarely raked out to a depth of 12mm while the mortar is still green. The rake joints shall be brushed to remove loose particles. After the day's work, the faces of the brick work shall be cleaned on the same day with wire brush and all mortar droppings removed.

5.4 CURING

Green work shall be protected from rain or any other running water or accumulated water from any source, by suitable means. Masonry work as it progresses shall be, kept thoroughly wet by sprinkling water at regular intervals, on all faces. Curing shall be done after 24 hours of completion of day's work and shall be done for at-least 10 days after completion. Proper watering cans with spray nozzles, rubber or PVC pipes shall be used for this purpose.

5.5 STAGING / SCAFFOLDING

5.5.1 Staging/scaffolding shall be properly planned and designed by the Contractor. Use of only steel tubes is permitted for staging/scaffolding. Design of staging/scaffolding shall be submitted for approval of the Engineer-in-Charge, before commencement of work.

Single scaffolding having one set of vertical support, shall be used and other end of the horizontal scaffolding member shall rest in a hole provided in the header course. The support shall be sound and strongly clamped with the horizontal pieces over which the scaffolding planks shall be fixed. The holes left in the masonry work for supporting the scaffolding shall be filled and made good with plain cement concrete of grade 1:3:6 during plastering. Suitable access shall be provided to the working platform area. The scaffolding shall be strong enough to withstand all loads likely to come upon it and shall also meet the requirements specified in IS: 2750.

Double scaffolding shall be provided for pillars less than one metre in width or for the first class masonry or for a building having more than two storey.

The following measures shall also be considered during erection of the scaffolding/staging.

a. Sufficient sills or underpinnings, in addition to base plates, shall be provided particularly, where scaffoldings are erected on soft grounds.

b. Adjustable bases to compensate for uneven ground shall be used.

c. Proper anchoring of the scaffolding/staging at reasonable intervals shall be provided in each direction with the main structure wherever available.

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d. Horizontal braces shall be provided to prevent the scaffolding from rocking.

e. Diagonal braces shall be provided continuously from bottom to top between two adjacent rows of uprights.

f. The scaffolding/staging shall be checked at every stage for plumb line.

g. Wherever the scaffolding/staging is found to be out of plumb line, it shall be dismantled and re-erected afresh. Efforts shall not be made to bring it in line with a physical force.

h. All nuts and bolts shall be properly tightened and care shall be taken that all the clamps/couplings are firmly tightened to avoid slippage.

i. Erection work of a scaffolding/staging, under no circumstance shall be left totally to semiskilled or skilled workmen and shall be carried out under the supervision of Contractor's technically qualified civil engineer.

5.5.2 For smaller works or works in remote areas wooden ballies may be permitted for scaffolding/staging by the Engineer-in-Charge at his sole discretion. The contractor must ensure the safety and suitability of such works as described under clause 5.5.1 above.

5.6 EMBEDMENT OF FIXTURES

All fixtures, pipes, conduits, holdfasts of doors and windows etc. required to be built in walls, shall be embedded in plain cement concrete block of grade 1:3:6, at the required positions, as the work proceeds.

6.0 PAYMENT

This clause shall apply to Item Rate tender only.

6.1 GENERAL

The payment of brick masonry shall be inclusive of all labour, material, scaffolding/staging sampling and testing, soaking of bricks, laying of bricks, raking of joints, cutting of bricks, providing recesses and making rectangular or round openings, sealing the gap between brick masonry and soffit of beam/slab with and including cement mortar, curing, making of masonry platform for unloading the wet mix, embedding the fittings/fixtures including providing PCC(1:3:6) etc, all as specified for all heights and depths. Deduction for rectangular or circular openings shall be done as per relevant BIS Codes

6.1.1 Payment for brick masonry works of one or more brick thickness, including circular brickwork, shall be made on cubic metre basis of the work done

6.1.2 Payment for half brick masonry work shall be made on square metre basis on the area of works done and shall also include the cost of supplying and fixing of reinforcement bars in position

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6.1.3 Payment for forming the cavity shall be in square metres and shall include the cost of laying of bitumen coated MS ties in position, labour required for keeping the cavity clear, providing air slots etc

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