

RCC Structure – T-Beam

Case Example 1:

Analyze a T-beam 1000 mm x 400 mm with web width 250mm and flange depth 125 mm. Beam span is 3.5 m with c/c slab width of 3.5 meter.

Assume concrete grade M30, Steel grade Fe415, Clear cover 25 mm.

Tensile reinforcement bars 20 mm 5 No, compressive reinforcement bars 20 mm 2 No. Provide 8 mm Two legged Stirrup bars.

Analysis:

Data:

Characteristic strength of concrete $f_{ck} = 30 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 30e3 \text{ kN/m}^2$

Yield strength of steel = $415 \text{ N/mm}^2 = 415e3 \text{ kN/m}^2$

Tensile steel area $A_{st} = 0.25\pi \cdot 20^2 \cdot 5 = 1570 \text{ mm}^2$

Web width $b_w = 250 \text{ mm}$

Flange depth $D_f = 125 \text{ mm}$

Flange width $b_f = 1000 \text{ mm}$

A. Beam Factored Load per meter length:

- (i) DL = $0.125 \times 25 \times 3.5 = 10.94 \text{ kN/m}$
- (ii) Finish load = 0.06 kN/m
- (iii) Web self weight = $0.275 \times 0.250 \times 25.0 = 1.72 \text{ kN/m}$
- (iv) Total Dead Load = $10.94 + 0.06 + 1.05 \times 1.72 = 12.8 \text{ kN/m}$
- (v) Live load = $4 \times 3.5 = 14 \text{ kN/m}$
- (vi) Factored load = $(DL + LL) \times \text{load factor} = 40.2 \text{ kN/m}$

B. Effective depth (d):

Overall depth (400 mm) – clear cover (25 mm) – bar diameter (20mm)/2 = 365 mm

C. Beam span and flange width:

- (i) Effective span (given) = 3.5 m
- (ii) Given flange width $b_f = 1.0 \text{ m}$
- (iii) Effective flange width (Clause 23.31.2): $3500/6.0 + 250 + 6 \times 125 = 1583$

D. Moment and Shear

- (i) Total load = factored load x Effective span = 140.7 kN
- (ii) Applied Moment (M_u) = $(\text{Total load} \times \text{Eff. Span}) / 8 = (140.7 \times 3.5) / 8 = 61.56 \text{ kNm}$
- (iii) Applied shear force (V_u) = $\text{Total load} / 2 = 140.7 / 2 = 70.35 \text{ kN}$
- (iv) Nominal shear stress = $V_u / (b \times d) = 70.35e3 / (250 \times 365) = 0.77 \text{ N/mm}^2$
- (v) Concrete shear $\tau_c = 0.76 \text{ N/mm}^2$ (Refer table 19 IS 456 for τ_c for given percent steel $p_t = A_{st} \times 100 / (b_w \times d) = 1570 \times 100 / (250 \times 365) = 1.72\%$)

E. Moment capacity assuming steel yields (under reinforced structure):

- (i) $0.87f_y A_{st} = 0.36 f_{ck} b f x$ Hence $x = (0.87f_y A_{st}) / (0.36 f_{ck} b f) = (0.87 \cdot 415 \cdot 1570) / (0.36 \cdot 30 \cdot 1000.0) = 52.5 \text{ mm} < \text{flange depth}$
- (ii) Neutral axis is within flange
- (iii) Lever arm $Z = d \cdot (1 - 0.416 \cdot x/d) = 343.16 \text{ mm}$
- (iv) Moment capacity due to concrete failure $M_{u_c} = 0.36 \cdot f_{ck} \cdot b f \cdot x \cdot Z = 194.5 \text{ kNm}$
- (v) Moment capacity due to steel yielding $M_{u_t} = 0.87f_y A_{st} \cdot Z = 194.51 \text{ kNm}$

F. Beam Design

- (i) Applied moment 61.56 kNm
- (ii) Moment Capacity 195 kNm

G. Stirrup spacing

- (i) $\tau_{sv} = \text{Nominal shear} - \text{concrete shear} = 0.77 - 0.76 = 0.1 \text{ N/mm}^2$
- (ii) Two legged stirrup area $A_{sv} = 2 \cdot 0.25 \pi \cdot 8^2 = 100.48 \text{ mm}^2$
- (iii) Clause 26.5.1.6 $A_{sv}/s_v = (0.4b/0.87f_y)$ and $s_v = (A_{sv} \cdot 0.87f_y) / (0.4b) = (100.48 \cdot 0.87 \cdot 415) / (0.4 \cdot 250) = 362.8 \text{ mm}$
- (iv) Clause 26.3.3-b $0.75 \cdot \text{effective depth} = 273.75 \text{ mm}$.
- (v) Clause 26.3.3-c Not greater than 300 mm
- (vi) \therefore Provide stirrup spacing at 274 mm.

H. Material Estimates (web part only)

- (i) Concrete volume (web part): $0.25 \cdot 0.275 \cdot 3.5 = 0.241 \text{ m}^3$
- (ii) Cement quantity: M30 Volume of cement 1:3.5 = $0.241 \cdot 1440 / 3.5 = 99 \text{ kg}$
- (iii) Steel quantity: ϕ -20 mm x 25m length $\approx 66 \text{ kg}$

Flange is integral part of the slab. Add necessary allowances for wastage, shrinkage etc. to the above estimates.