

IS-CODE PROVISIONS FOR DESIGN OF SLABS:

As per IS: 456-2000 Code of practice for design of R.C.C structures recommends the following:

- i) For frames the effective spans taken as per clause no. 22.2 (a) of IS:456-2000
- ii) Effective depth is the distance between the centroid of the area of the tension reinforcement to the top of compression fiber excluding the finishing.
- iii) When L_y/L_x is Greater than 2, the slab is designed as spanning one-way, when L_y/L_x is less than 2, the slab is designed as spanning two-way as per the coefficients given in table 26 of IS: 456-2000 torsion reinforcement need not be provided at any corner contained by edges over both of which the slab is continuous.
- iv) Maximum diameter of reinforcing bar shall not exceed the $1/8^{\text{th}}$ of the total thickness of slab (clause 25.2.2).
- v) Cover to reinforcement, at each end of reinforcing bar not less than 25 mm or less than twice the diameter of such bar (clause 25.4.1).
- vi) Cover to reinforcement, for tensile, compressive shear or other reinforcement in slab, not less than 20mm nor less than diameter of such bar.
- vii) Maximum permissible spacing of distribution reinforcement shall not be more the 3 times effective depth of slab or 30 cm, whichever is smaller.
- viii) Max permissible spacing distribution reinforcement shall not be more the 5 times effective depth of a slab or 45cms whichever is smaller.
- ix) No shear reinforcement should be provided for slabs less than 200mm thick. However the increased value of shear resistance in slabs can be taken into account in design.
- x) Minimum reinforcement in either direction in slab shall not be less than 0.15 % of total cross-sectional area. However the value can be reduced to 0.12% when HYSD bars are used (clause 25.2.1).
- xi) Over the continuous edge of a middle strip the tension reinforcement of the slab is provided to a

distance of $0.2L$ from the support and at least 50% of the reinforcement is extended to a distance of $0.3L$.

xii) Area of steel is calculated by using formula

$$M = 0.87 f_y A_{st} d \left[1 - \frac{A_{st} f_y}{f_{ck} b d} \right]$$

$$A_{st} = \frac{0.5 f_{ck}}{f_y} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4.6 M_u}{f_{ck} b d^2}} \right) b d$$