

# Structural Design of Raft Foundation - A Case Study of Lucknow Region in Uttar Pradesh, India

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## Abstract

*In this age of rapid growth in population in India, there is a scarcity of land in prime locations especially in metro cities of the country. To overcome this problem, we are moving towards vertical construction. The main problem in moving towards vertical construction is the foundation system, if the foundation system in high rise buildings is not planned and designed smartly and economically then there are different problems related to the foundation system that is going to arise, the soil in that area also plays a very important role in designing of the economical and stable foundation system. It is always beneficial to have a raft foundation on alluvial soil for high-rise buildings. But, however, it is a matter of great concern what foundation will be proposed on such types of natural soils or man-made refills. In this paper, an attempt has been made to design a raft foundation based on its geotechnical analysis. An extensive survey of research works devoted to studying the geotechnical parameters affecting the behavior of raft foundations is carried out with detailed experiments raft foundations are increasingly being recognized as an economical and effective foundation system for high-rise buildings. This paper sets out some principles of design for such foundations, including design for the geotechnical ultimate limit state, the structural ultimate limit state, and the serviceability limit state. Attention will be focused on the improvement in the foundation performance due to the raft being in contact with, and embedded within, the soil.*

## Keywords

Raft foundation, High rise buildings, Alluvial region

## 1. Introduction

This Raft Foundation has been designed for (G+10) High Rise Building in Alluvial region. The Raft Foundation have been used for economical consideration. In column load section, justification has been given for using raft foundation. Raft foundation is a type of combined footing, in this the entire area under the structure is provided as one rigid body supporting several columns [1-3]. In this, the total allowable bearing stress have been taken as 100 KN/m<sup>2</sup>, since the soil is alluvial, the bearing stress is around 100 KN/m<sup>2</sup>.and in this type of soil raft foundation is most suitable type for high rise buildings. Since the columns have high axial loads, if spread footings are used, it will require large area under columns, which is not practical and economical, so in this condition we prefer using raft foundation. In this, the raft will be designed as flat plate, which has a uniform thickness and without any beams or pedestals [5-10].

## 2. The Foundation Design for a High-Rise Building of 10 Stories

**Table 1.** Parameters used in raft design

| Parameter                   | Notation             | Value                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Young modules of elasticity | (E)                  | 2000000                |
| Strength of concrete        | ( $f_c$ )            | 30 MPa                 |
| Yield strength of steel     | ( $f_y$ )            | 400 MPa                |
| Live load factor            | (L.L.F)              | 1.6                    |
| Dear load factor            | (D.L.F)              | 1.2                    |
| Allowable Bearing stress    | ( $q_a$ )            | 100 KN/ m <sup>2</sup> |
| Soil Unit weight            | ( $\gamma$ soil)     | 15 KN/m <sup>3</sup>   |
| Concrete Unit weight        | ( $\gamma$ concrete) | 25 KN/ m <sup>3</sup>  |

## 3. Geotechnical Properties of Alluvial Soil (Specially in Uttar Pradesh Region)

**Table 2.** Geotechnical properties of Alluvial soil

| Engineering Test  | Geotechnical Properties               | Value                  |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Compaction Test   | Maximum Dry Density                   | 1.79 g/cc              |
|                   | Optimum Moisture Content              | 12.49 %                |
| Direct Shear Test | Cohesion (C)                          | 8 <sup>o</sup>         |
|                   | Angle of internal friction ( $\phi$ ) | 11.8 KN/m <sup>2</sup> |

## 4. Calculation of Bearing Capacity

### 4.1 Using IS: 6403-1981

For  $\phi = 8^\circ$

Bearing capacity factors,  $N_c = 6.63, N_q = 1.63, N_\gamma = 0.50$

Shape factors,  $S_c = S_q = 1.15, S_\gamma = 0.68$

Depth factors,  $d_c = 1.01, d_q = d_\gamma = 1$

Inclination factors,  $i_c = i_q = 0.97, i_\gamma = 0.765$

### 4.2 For local shear failure

The net ultimate bearing capacity =  $\frac{2}{3} N_c S_c d_c i_c + q(N_q - 1) S_q d_q i_q + B_\gamma N_\gamma d_\gamma i_\gamma$

The net ultimate bearing capacity =  $143.70 \frac{KN}{m^2}$

Taking factor of safety (FOS) = 2.5

Safe Bearing Capacity (SBC) =  $\left(\frac{q_{nu}}{FOS}\right) + D_f = 100 \frac{KN}{m^2}$

## 5. Raft Analysis

### 5.1 Raft Dimensions

The spacing of raft in x- side is 6 meters and the spacing of the raft in y-side is also 6 meters. There is one meter of edge around the edge's columns [1]. In figure 1, the plan of the raft has been shown:

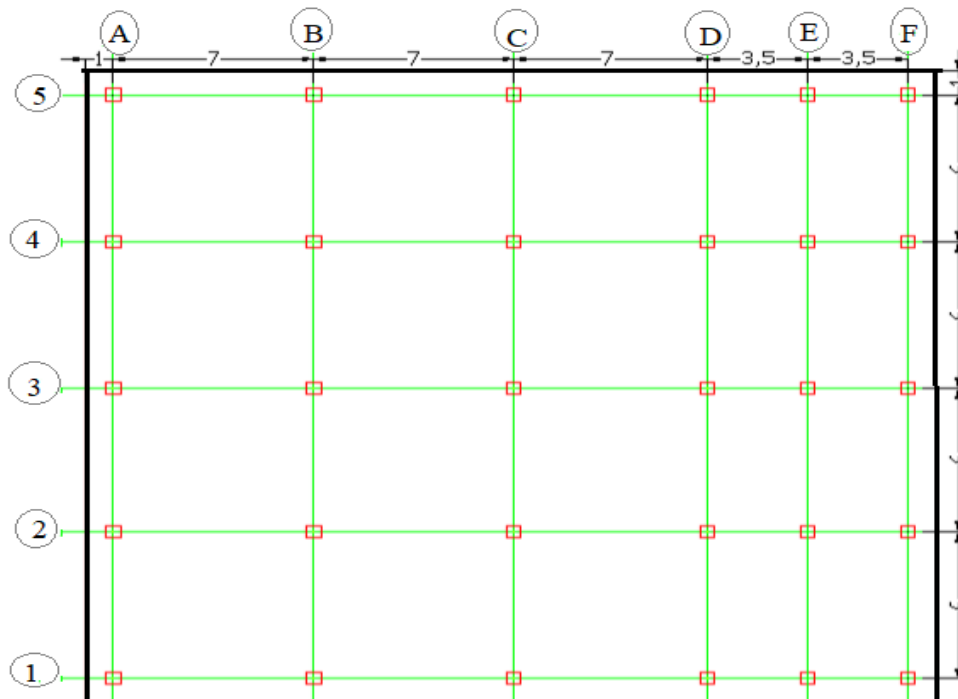


Figure 1. Raft Layout.

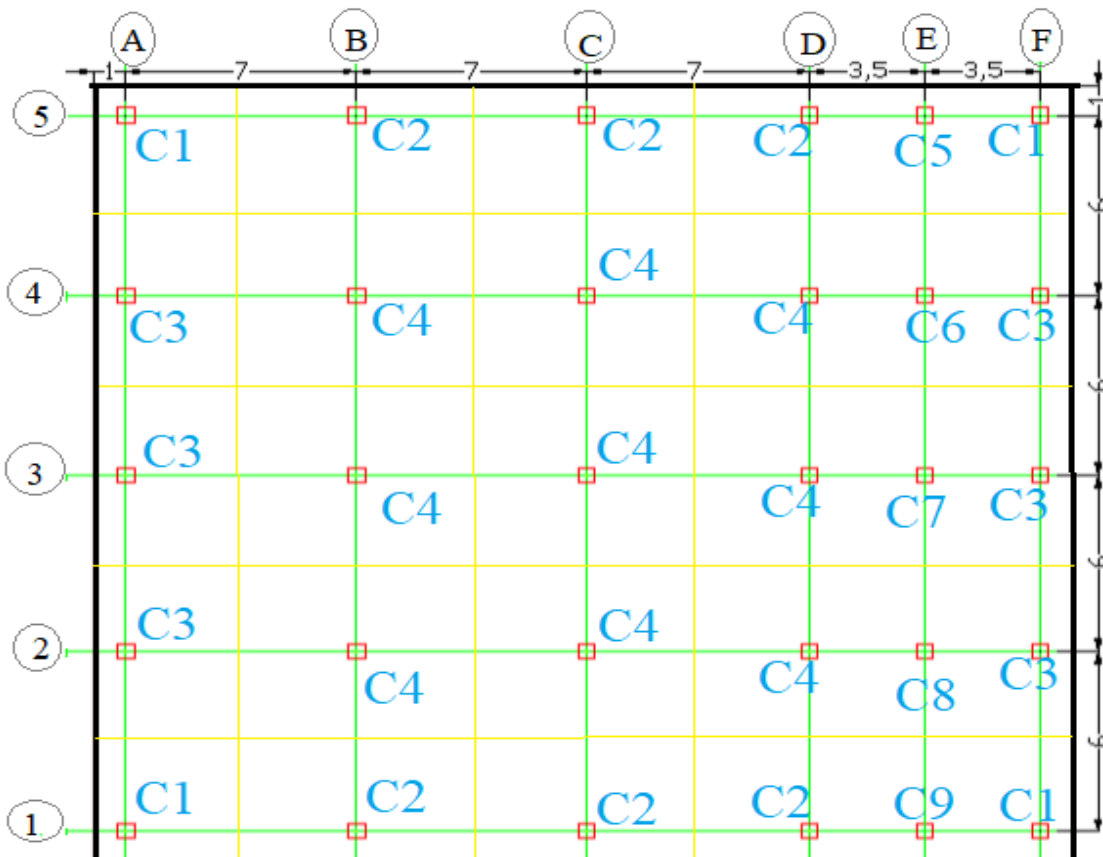
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Total area of the raft under raft foundation} &= [(4 \times 6) + 1 + 1] \times (4 \times 7) + 1 + 1 \\
 &= (26 \times 30) \\
 &= 780 \text{ m}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

## 5.2 LOADS OF COLUMNS IN RAFT

This raft has been designed for a residential building of 10 stories, considering all the dead and live loads [3].

**Table 3.** Design loads

| Load type               | Load case | Load value (KN/m <sup>2</sup> )                     |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Slab own weight assumed | Dead      | (25kN/m <sup>3</sup> ) (0.2m) = 5 KN/m <sup>2</sup> |
| Services                | Dead      | 2.5 KN/m <sup>2</sup>                               |
| Live loads              | Live      | 2 KN/m <sup>2</sup>                                 |
| Flooring                | Dead      | 1 KN/m <sup>2</sup>                                 |



**Figure 2.** Raft dimensions and column spacing.

**Loads per square meter are calculated as**

$$\text{General Dead load stress} = (5 + 2.5 + 1) \frac{KN}{m^2} \times (\text{number of floors})$$

$$\text{General Dead load stress} = (5 + 2.5 + 1) \frac{KN}{m^2} \times (10) = 85 \frac{KN}{m^2}$$

$$\text{General Life load stress} = (2) \frac{KN}{m^2} \times (10) = 20 \frac{KN}{m^2}$$

### 5.3 COLUMNS LOADS

$$\text{Axial Dead load} = \text{stress per unit area} \frac{KN}{m^2} \times \text{Turbidity area}$$

#### Column type (1)

$$\text{Axial unfactored Dead load} = 85 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4 \times 4.5m^2 = 1530 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Axial unfactored Live load} = 20 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4 \times 4.5m^2 = 360 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Total Service Axial load} = 1530 \text{ KN} + 360 \text{ KN} = 1890 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Ultimate axial load} = 1.2(1530) + 1.6(360) = 2412 \text{ KN}$$

#### Column type (2)

$$\text{Axial unfactored Dead load} = 85 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4 \times 7m^2 = 2380 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Axial unfactored Live load} = 20 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4 \times 7m^2 = 560 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Total Service Axial load} = 2380 \text{ KN} + 560 \text{ KN} = 2940 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Ultimate axial load} = 1.2(2380) + 1.6(560) = 3752 \text{ KN}$$

#### Column type (3)

$$\text{Axial unfactored Dead load} = 85 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4.5 \times 6m^2 = 2295 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Axial unfactored Live load} = 20 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 4.5 \times 6m^2 = 540 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Total Service Axial load} = 2295 \text{ KN} + 540 \text{ KN} = 2835 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Ultimate axial load} = 1.2(2295) + 1.6(540) = 3618 \text{ KN}$$

#### Column type (4)

$$\text{Axial unfactored Dead load} = 85 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 7 \times 6m^2 = 3570 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Axial unfactored Live load} = 20 \frac{KN}{m^2} \times 7 \times 6m^2 = 840 \text{ KN}$$

$$\text{Total Service Axial load} = 3570 \text{ KN} + 840 \text{ KN} = 4410 \text{ KN}$$

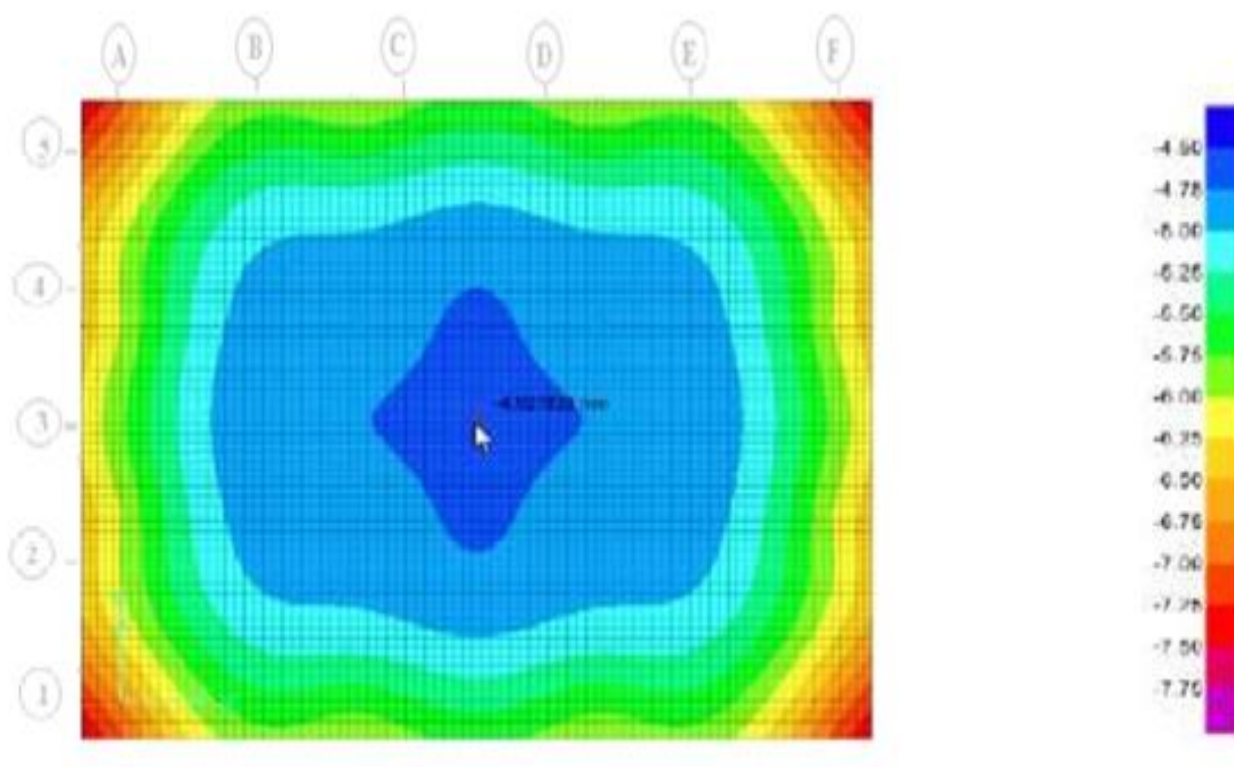
$$\text{Ultimate axial load} = 1.2(3570) + 1.6(840) = 5628 \text{ KN}$$



## 5.4 COLUMN LOADS

**Table 4.** All columns load.

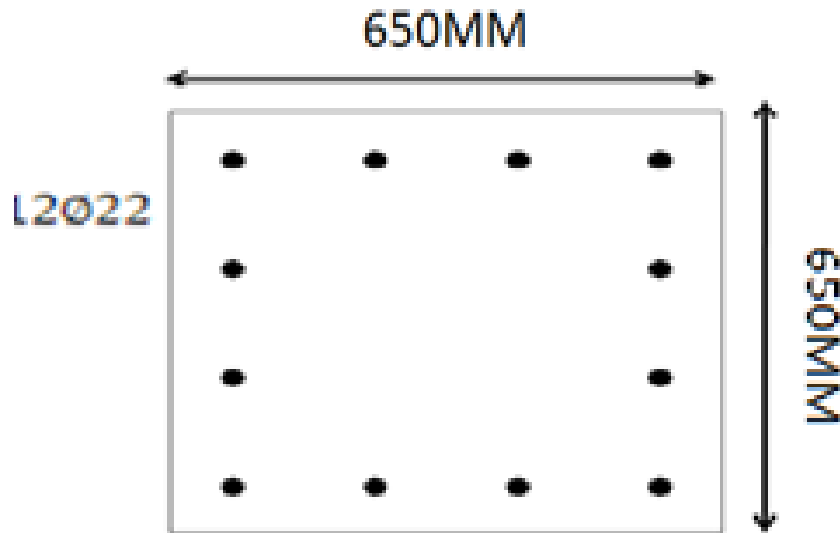
| Column no. | Dead load (KN) | Live load (KN) | Total service load<br>(KN) | Total factored<br>load (KN) |
|------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| C1         | 1530           | 360            | 1890                       | 2412                        |
| C2         | 2380           | 560            | 2940                       | 3752                        |
| C3         | 2295           | 540            | 2830                       | 3618                        |
| C4         | 3570           | 840            | 4410                       | 5628                        |
| C5         | 550            | 350            | 900                        | 1220                        |
| C6         | 500            | 300            | 800                        | 1080                        |
| C7         | 450            | 250            | 700                        | 940                         |
| C8         | 400            | 200            | 600                        | 800                         |
| C9         | 350            | 150            | 599                        | 660                         |



**Figure 3.** Columns load.

### 5.5 Dimensions of Columns and Reinforcement Provided

The dimensions of columns are 650 mm by 650 mm with 12Ø22 as shown in the figure below. The maximum load that this design of column will resist is around 6432 KN.



**Figure 4.** Dimensions of columns.

Let's assume % of steel as 1% of  $A_g$

$$A_{sc} = 0.01A_g$$

$$A_c = A_g - A_{sc}$$

$$A_c = 0.99A_g$$

$$P_u = (0.45 f_{ck} A_c) + (0.67 f_y A_{sc})$$

$$6432 \times 10^3 = (0.45 \times 30 \times 0.99A_g) + (0.67 \times 415 \times 0.01A_g)$$

$$A_g = 378352 \text{ mm}^2$$

Let Assume it as a Square column

$$S = \sqrt{378352}$$

$$S = 650$$

$$A_g = (650)^2 = 422500 \text{ mm}^2$$

To find Area of steel : –

$$P_u = (0.45 f_{ck} A_c) + (0.67 f_y A_{sc})$$

$$A_c = A_g - A_{sc}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
6432 \times 10^3 &= (0.45 \times 30 \times (A_g - A_{sc}) + (0.67 \times 415 \times A_{sc})) \\
6432 \times 10^3 &= (5703750 - 13.5A_{sc}) + (278.05A_{sc}) \\
6432 \times 10^3 &= (5703750 + 264.55A_{sc}) \\
A_{sc} &= 2743\text{mm}^2 \\
P_c &= \phi P_n = 0.7 \times 0.8(0.85f'_c A_g + f_y A_{st}) \\
P_c &= \phi P_n = (0.7)(0.8)[0.85(30)(650)(650)] + (415)(2743) \\
P_c &= 7172\text{KN} > P_u = 6432\text{KN}
\end{aligned}$$

## 5.6 Rationale of raft utilization

The maximum axial load is occurred in column type 3, and if we had to design a single square footing in alluvial region. The properties that are used in the analysis and design of raft foundation in alluvial soil are [14]:

**Table 5.** Properties taken in raft design.

|                                       |                                          |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Soil type                             | Alluvial soil                            |
| Effective bearing stress for the soil | $q_e = 100 \frac{\text{KN}}{\text{m}^2}$ |
| Concrete strength of raft             | 30 MPa                                   |
| Sub-grade modules                     | 20,000 KN/m <sup>3</sup>                 |
| Reinforcement Steel strength          | 400 MPa                                  |

$$\begin{aligned}
q_e &= 100 \frac{\text{KN}}{\text{m}^2} \\
\text{Total Maximum Service Axial load} &= 4080\text{KN} + 960\text{KN} = 5040\text{KN} \\
\text{Area of single square footing} &= \frac{1.1(5040)}{100} \\
B \times B &= 55.44 \\
B &= \sqrt{55.44\text{m}^2} \\
B &= 8\text{m} \times 8\text{m}
\end{aligned}$$

As the area is very big that must be excavated under one column. So, the raft foundation will be more economical and efficient for this kind of foundation in alluvial region [13].

## 5.7 Raft Thickness

With the help of diagonal tension shear, the thickness of the raft in raft foundation can be determined. For calculation, maximum ultimate column load will be used [4].

$$U = (b_o)(d)(\phi)(0.34)f'_c$$

Where,

$U$  = Factored column load



$\phi$  = Reduction Factor = 0.85

$b_o$  = The parametre of the sheared area

$d$  = effective depth of raft

$f_{c'}$  = Compressive strength of concrete

In this Raft

$$U = 6432 \text{ KN} = 6.432 \text{ MN}$$

$$b_o = 4(0.4 + d) = 1.6 + 4d$$

And by using the equation above, the required depth of the raft can be determined

$$U = (b_o)(d)(\phi)(0.34)f_{c'}$$

$$6.432 = (1.6 + 4d)(d)(0.75)(0.34)(30)$$

$$6.432 = (1.6d + 4d^2)(1.397)$$

$$4.604 = 1.6d + 4d^2$$

$$0 = 4d^2 + 1.6d - 4.604$$

$$0 = 4d^2 + 1.6d - 4.604$$

Solving equation for  $d = 0.860 \text{ m} = 860 \text{ mm} = 900 \text{ mm}$  Thickness of the raft =  $700 + 75 + 25$  (assumed bar diameter)  
Thickness = 1000 mm

## The critical sections for punching shear are

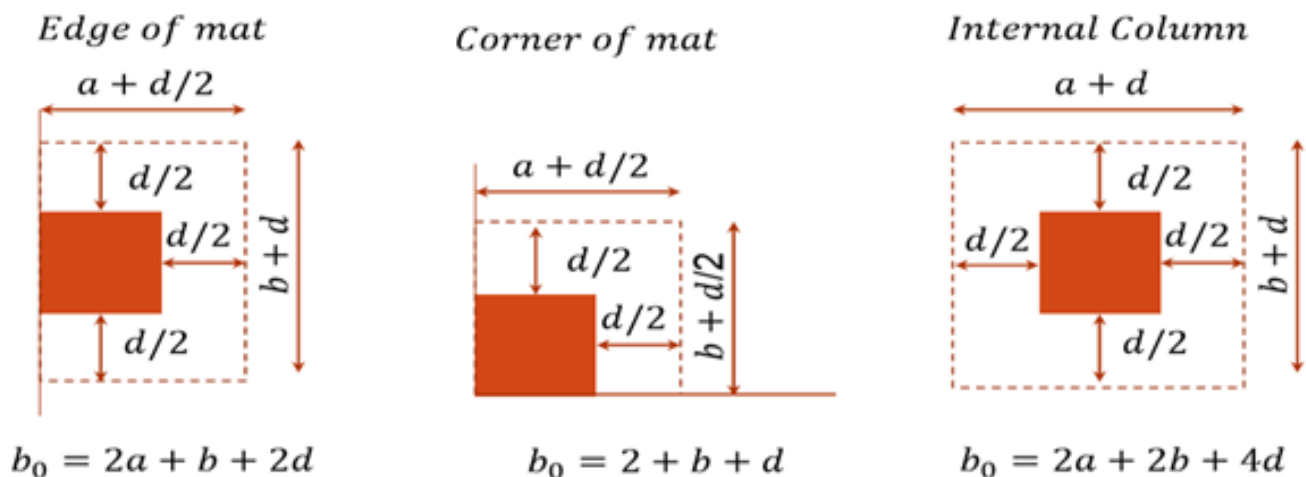
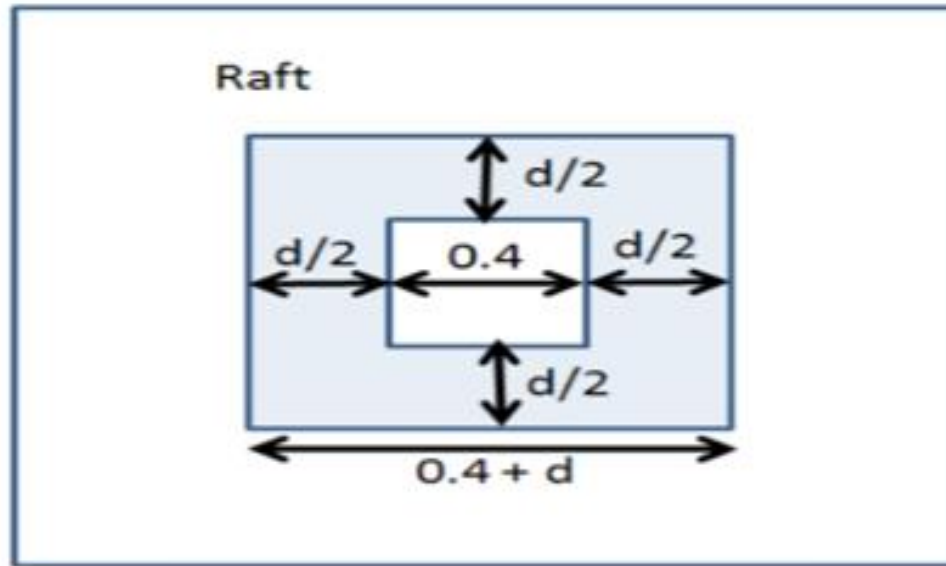


Figure 5. The critical sections for punching shear



**Figure 6.** Diagonal shear area

## 5.8 Raft Depth Check

### 5.8.1 One-way Shear

$V_u = \text{Maximum shear} - (d) (w_{soil})$

To determine the  $w_{soil}$ , On the maximum load's stripe, the average soil pressure should be determined.

**Ultimate bearing stress of the soil:**

$$q_{alt} = \frac{\text{Total factored loads in strip } CSY3}{\text{Area of the strip}}$$

$$q_{alt} = \frac{C_2 + C_4 + C_4 + C_4 + C_2}{(\text{width of strip})(\text{length of strip})}$$

$$q_{alt} = \frac{(2940 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 2940)}{(3.5) \times (26)}$$

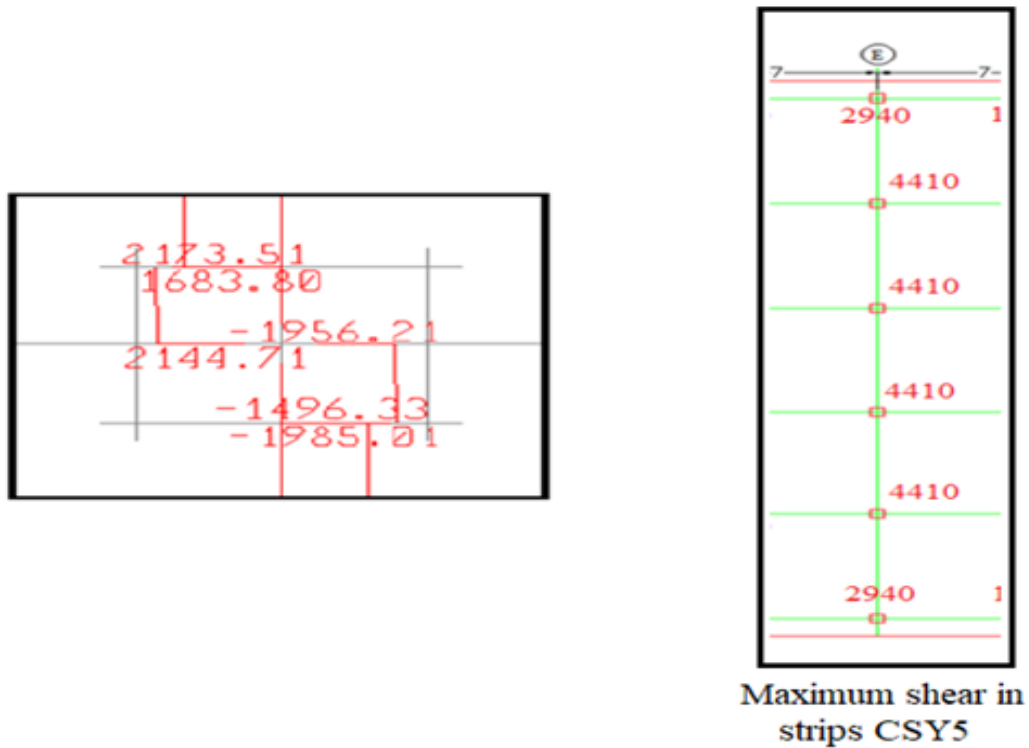
$$q_{alt} = \frac{(19110)}{91}$$

$$q_{alt} = 210 \frac{KN}{m^2}$$

$$W_{soil} = (210 \text{ KN/m}^2)(\text{width of strip})$$

$$W_{soil} = (210 \text{ KN/m}^2)(3.5)$$

$$W_{soil} = 735 \text{ KN/m}$$



**Figure 7.** Shear Diagram.

Assuming  $d=1000-75=925 \text{ mm}$

$$V_u = \text{Maximum shear} - (d)(W_{\text{soil}})$$

$$V_u = (2173.5) - (0.925) \times (735)$$

$$V_u = 1493.625 \text{ KN}$$

$$d = \frac{V_u \times (1000)}{(0.75)(\sqrt{f'_c})\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)(B)}$$

$$d = \frac{(V_u)(1000)}{(0.75)(\sqrt{30})\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)(6000)}$$

$$d = 431.13 \text{ mm}$$

$$d = 431.13 \text{ mm} < d = 725 \text{ ok}$$

### 5.8.2 Two-Way Shear (Interior Column)

$$V_u = \text{Column Axial Load} - (d+a)^2(w_{\text{soil}})$$

To determine the  $w_{\text{soil}}$ , On the maximum load's stripe, the average soil pressure should be determined.

$$q_{\text{alt}} = 160.8 \text{ KN/m}^2$$

$$\text{Assuming } d = 800 - 75 = 725 \text{ mm}$$

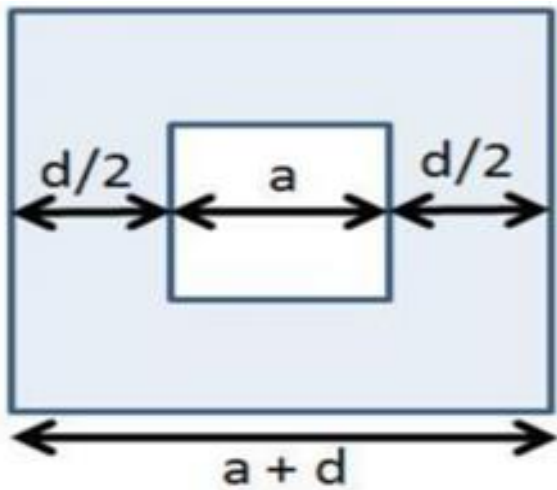


Figure 8. Tow-way Shear.

$$V_u = \text{Column Axial Load} - (d + a)^2 (W_{\text{soil}})$$

$$V_u = (5628) - (0.725 + 0.65)^2 (735)$$

$$V_u = 5215.95 \text{ KN}$$

$$b_o = 4(a + d)$$

$$b_o = 4(650 + 725) = 5500 \text{ mm}$$

$$d = \frac{V_u \times (1000)}{(0.75)(\sqrt{f'_c})\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(b_o)}$$

$$d = \frac{(5212) \times (1000)}{(0.75)(\sqrt{30})\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(5500)}$$

$$d = 696.54 \text{ mm}$$

$$d = 696.54 \text{ mm} < d = 725 \text{ ok}$$

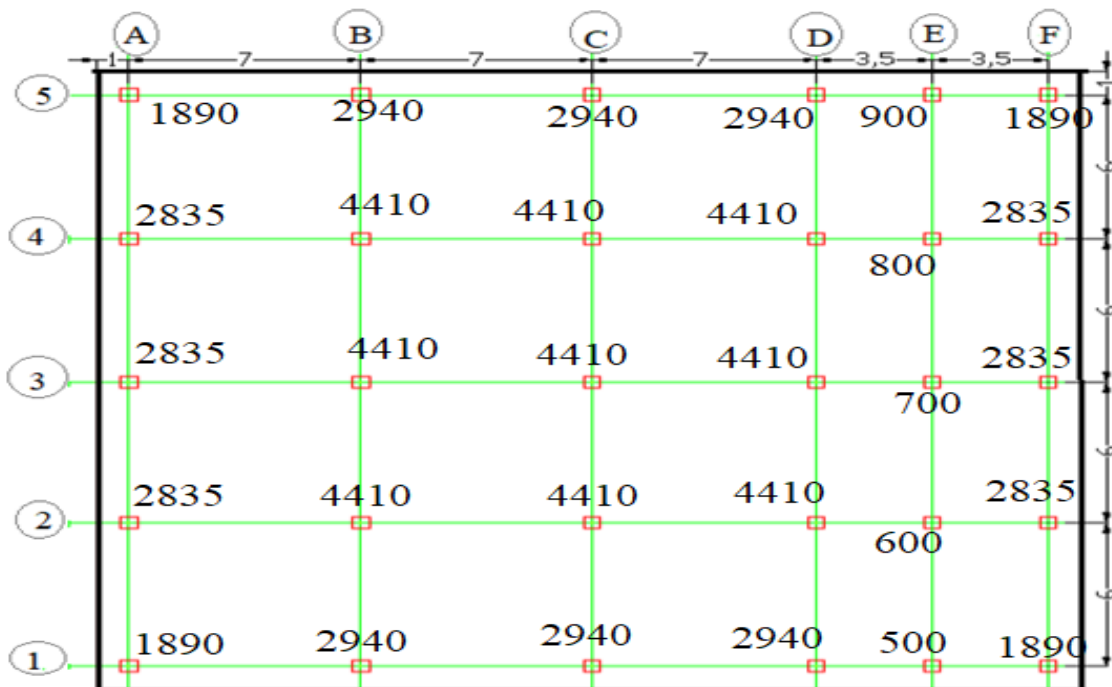


Figure 9. Columns total service loads (DL + LL).

## 6. Soil Pressure Check

In soil pressure check, the net pressure must be checked at every point of the raft foundation. The effect of moments that is they're on the raft must be checked to make sure that the stresses on the raft under all columns are less than the net allowable stress, that is equal to 100KN/m<sup>2</sup> [12].

$$q = \frac{Q}{A} \pm \frac{M_y x}{I_y} \pm \frac{M_x y}{I_x}$$

$$A = \text{Area of the mat} = [(4 \times 6) + 1 + 1] \times (4 \times 7) + 1 + 1]$$

$$A = (26 \times 30) = 780 \text{ m}^2$$

$$I_x = \frac{bh^3}{12}$$

$$I_x = \frac{(26) \times (30)^3}{12} = 58500 \text{ m}^4$$

$$I_y = \frac{bh^3}{12}$$

$$I_y = \frac{(30) \times (26)^3}{12} = 43940 \text{ m}^4$$

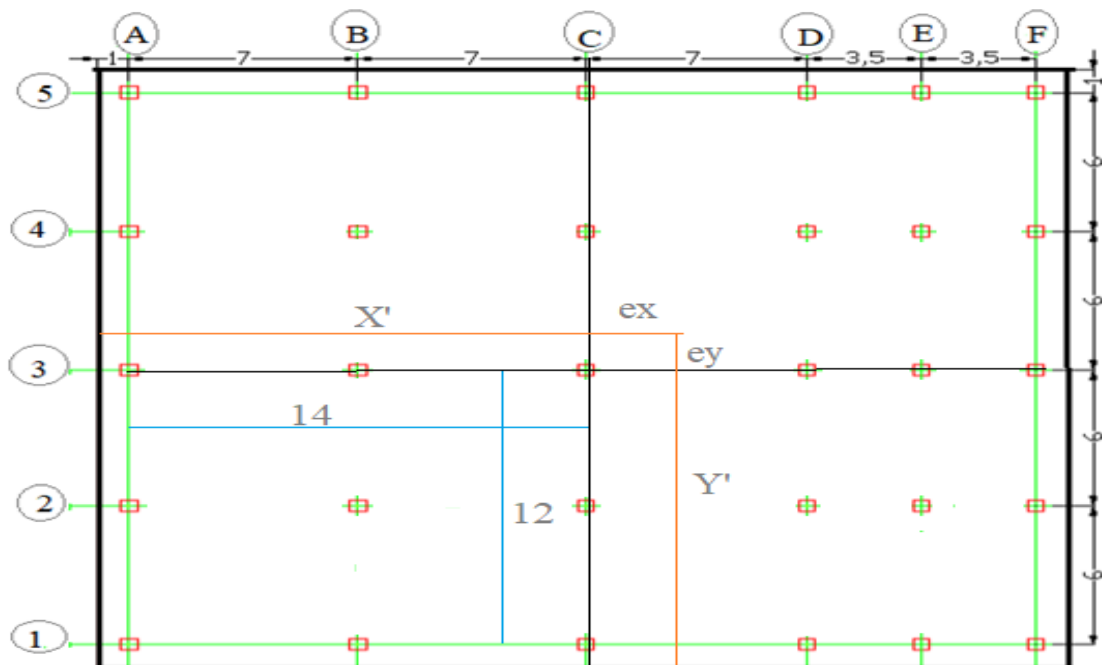
$Q = \text{sum of all service columns loads}$

$$Q = 4(C1) + 6(C2) + 6(C3) + 9(C4) + C5 + C6 + C7 + C8 + C9$$

$$Q = 4(1890) + 6(2940) + 6(2835) + 9(4410) + 900 + 800 + 700 + 600 + 500$$

$$Q = 7560 + 17640 + 17010 + 39690 + 900 + 800 + 700 + 600 + 500$$

$$Q = 85400 \text{ KN}$$



**Figure 10.** Resultant position due to column load.

### 6.1 Calculate My

$$e_x = X' - 15$$

$$Q \times X' = Q_1(x_1) + Q_2(x_2) + \dots$$

$$X' = \frac{Q_1(x'_1) + Q_2(x'_2) + \dots}{Q}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X' &= \frac{1}{85400} \times [(7)(2940 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 2940) \\ &\quad + (14)(2940 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 2940) \\ &\quad + (21)(2940 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 2940) + (24.5)(900 + 800 + 700 + 600 + 500) \\ &\quad + (28)(1890 + 2835 + 2835 + 2835 + 2835 + 1890)] \end{aligned}$$

$$X' = \frac{1}{85400} \times [133770 + 267540 + 401310 + 343980 + 85750]$$

$$X' = \frac{1}{85400} \times [1232350]$$

$$X' = 14.43m$$

$$e_x = 14.43 - 14 = 0.43m$$

$$M_y = Q_{ex} = 85400 \times 0.43m = 36722KN.m$$

### 6.2 Calculate Mx

$$e_y = Y' - 9$$

$$Q \times Y' = Q_1(y_1) + Q_2(y_2) + \dots$$

$$Y' = \frac{Q_1(y'_1) + Q_2(y'_2) + \dots}{Q}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y' &= \frac{1}{85400} \times [(24)(1890 + 2940 + 2940 + 2940 + 900 + 1890) + (18)(2835 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 800 + 2835) \\ &\quad + (12)(2835 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 700 + 2835) \\ &\quad + (6)(2835 + 4410 + 4410 + 4410 + 600 + 2835)] \end{aligned}$$

$$Y' = \frac{1}{85400} \times [324000 + 354600 + 235200 + 117000]$$

$$Y' = \frac{1}{85400} \times [1030800] = 12.070 m$$

$$e_y = 12.070 - 12 = 0.071 m$$

$$M_x = Q_{ey} = 85400 \times 0.071 m = 60634KN.$$



## 7. Soil Pressure Due to Total Service Axial Loads and Moments

$$q_i = -\frac{Q}{A} \mp \frac{M_y x}{I_y} \mp \frac{M_x y}{I_x}, i = 1, 2, 3 \text{ and } 4$$

In the above equation (-) minus signs indicates compression stress. In all the four corners of the raft, soil pressure will be checked with the help of the above equation. The calculated soil pressure should not be more than the allowable stress of the soil and not less than 0 KN/m<sup>2</sup>, this is to make sure that no tension could occur in any part of the raft [8, 9, 10].

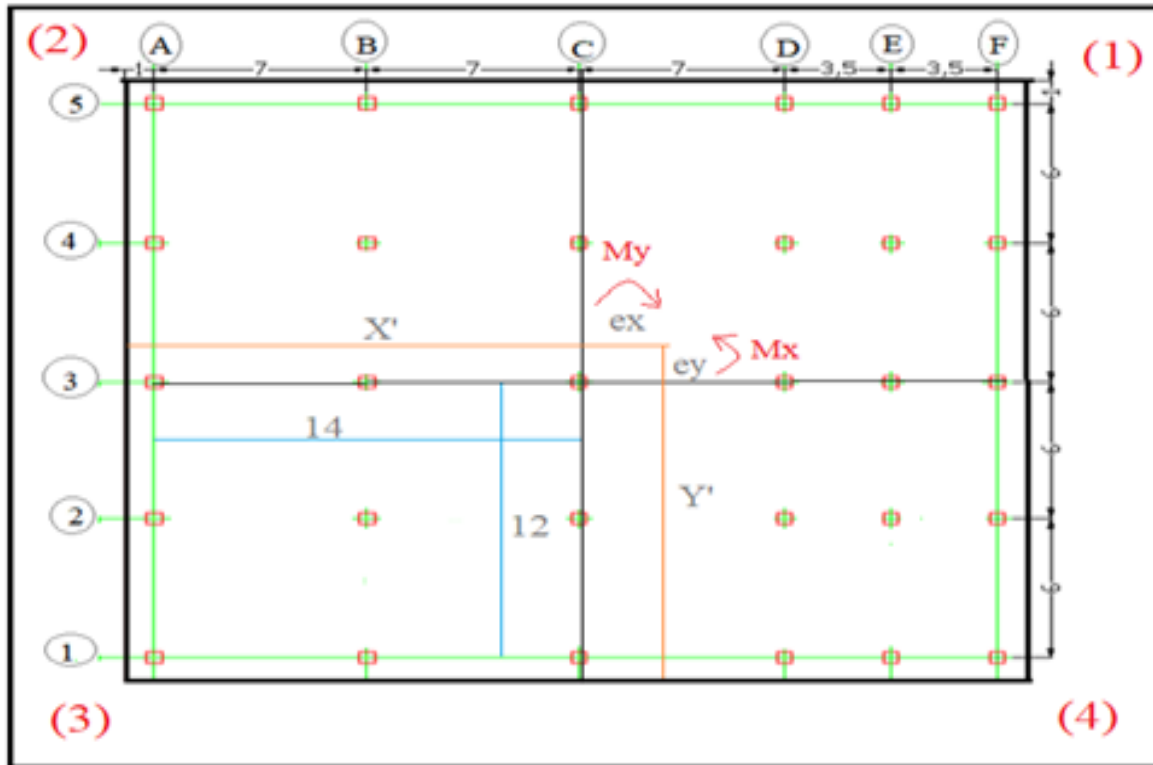


Figure 11. Resultant position due to column load.

$$q_i = -\frac{Q}{A} \mp \frac{M_y x}{I_y} \mp \frac{M_x y}{I_x}$$

$$q_1 = -\frac{(85400)}{(780)} - \frac{(36722) \times (15)}{(43940)} - \frac{(60634) \times (13)}{(58500)}$$

$$q_1 = -100 - 17 - 10$$

$$q_1 = -117 < q_{net} = 120 \text{ KN/m}^2 \text{ OK}$$

$$q_2 = -\frac{(85400)}{(780)} + \frac{(36722) \times (15)}{(43940)} - \frac{(60634) \times (13)}{(58500)}$$

$$q_2 = -100 + 17 - 10$$

$$q_2 = -93 < q_{net} = 120 \text{ KN/m}^2 \text{ OK}$$

$$q_3 = -\frac{(85400)}{(780)} + \frac{(36722) \times (15)}{(43940)} + \frac{(60634) \times (13)}{(58500)}$$

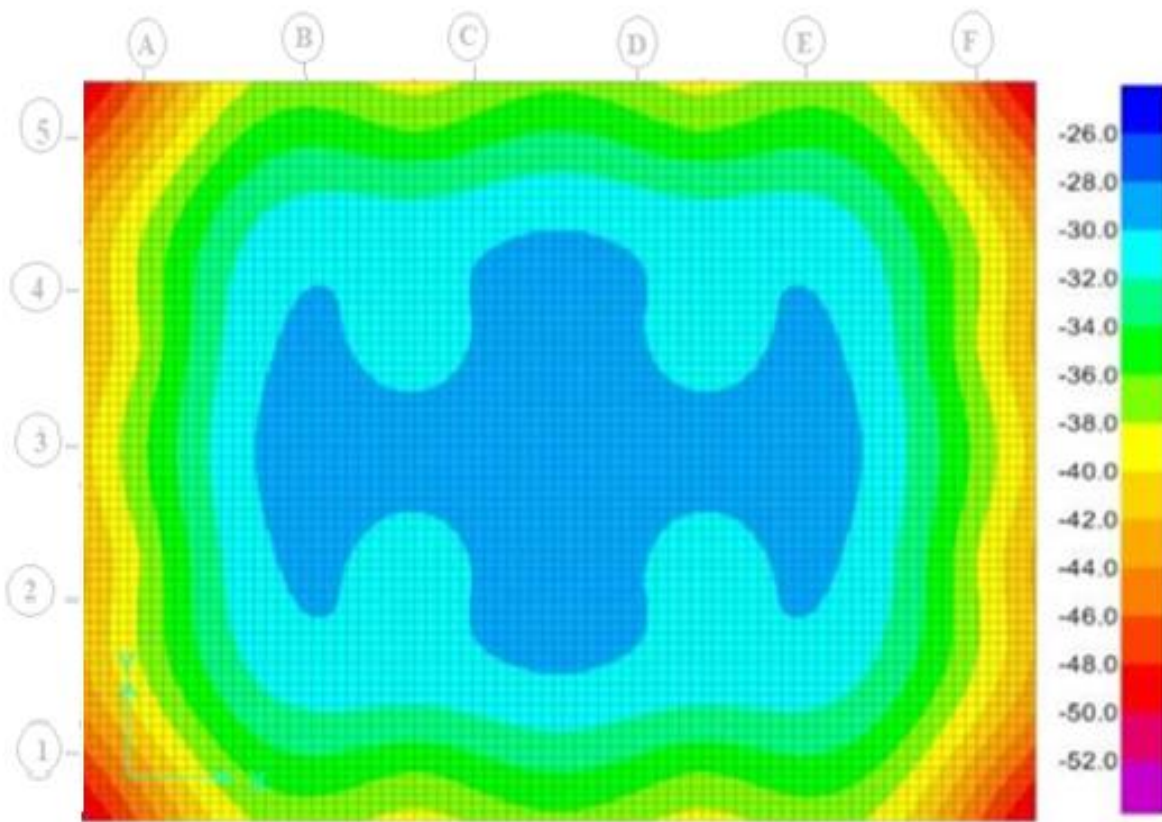
$$q_3 = -100 + 17 + 10$$

$$q_3 = -83 < q_{net} = 120 \text{ KN/m}^2 \text{ OK}$$

$$q_4 = -\frac{(85400)}{(780)} - \frac{(36722) \times (15)}{(43940)} + \frac{(60634) \times (13)}{(58500)}$$

$$q_4 = -100 - 17 + 10$$

$$q_4 = -107 < q_{net} = 120 \text{ KN/m}^2 \text{ OK}$$

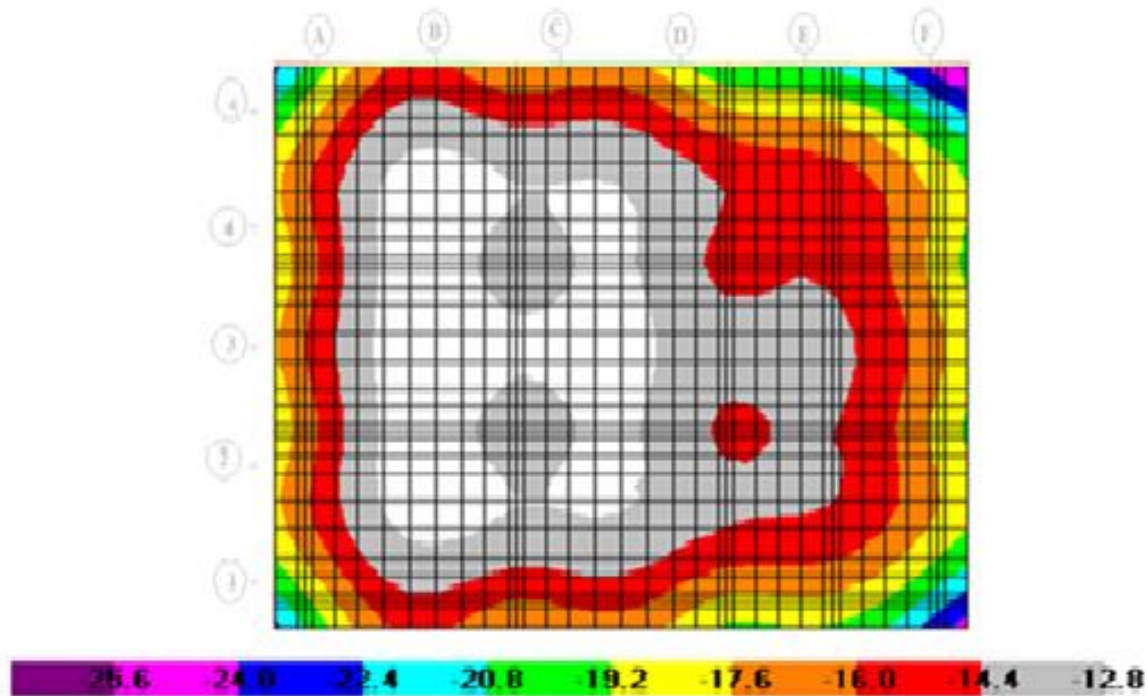


**Figure 12.** Soil Pressure.

The pressure values that have been calculated above are in compression and all the values are coming less than the net bearing stress of the soil which is equal to  $100 \text{ KN/m}^2$ . So, from this it can be said that soil is safe against any type of soil failure [6].

## 8. Settlement Analysis

The maximum settlement that was recorded was equal to 28.5 mm. This amount of settlement is acceptable, that is 28.5mm, because according to IS 1904-1986, the maximum allowable settlement is equal to 50 mm [7].



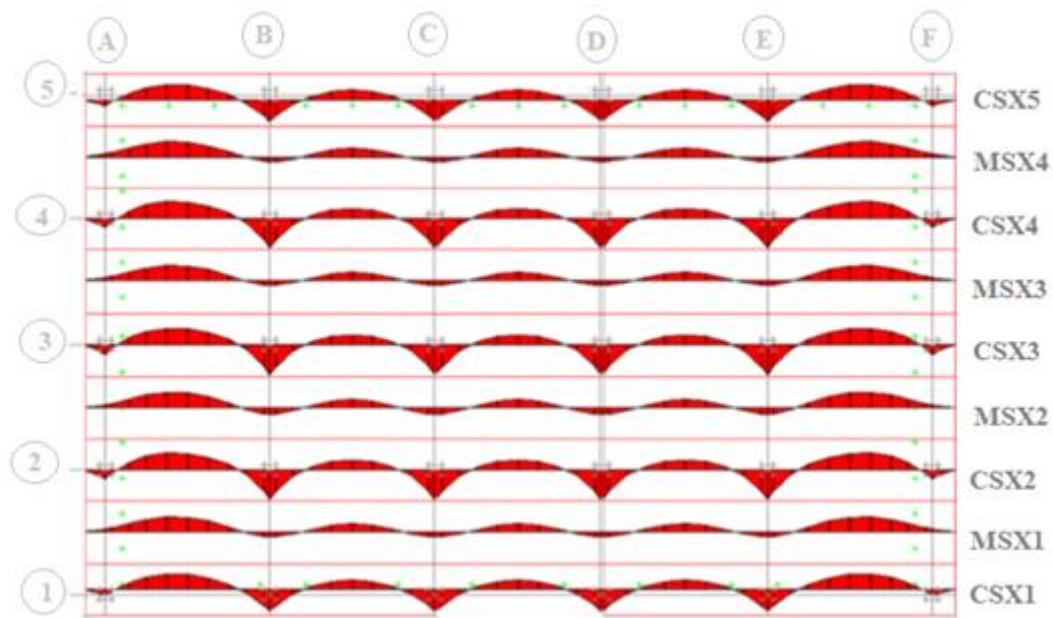
**Figure 13.** Settlement of raft foundation.

## 9. Moments Strips SAFE results:

In SAFE software, the raft is automatically divided to different strips. Each direction has a column strip and middle strips. The moments analyzed by SAFE software are the strip moments per one meter width of the strip [11-16].

### 9.1 X direction strips

In x-strips, the column strips have a dimension of 2.5-meter width and the middle strips have a dimension of 3 meters width. Moments computed are analyzed based on one meter unit width of the strip. Moment Diagram of x-strips are shown in figure 14.



**Figure 14.** X-Strip moment diagram.

Table 6 shows the analysis outputs for x-strip moments. Negative moments will be designed for Top Reinforcement, and Positive moments will be designed for Bottom Reinforcement.

**Table 6.** Analysis outputs for x-strip moments.

| Strip notation | Strip Field  | Maximum Moment Value (kN.m) |               |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
|                |              | Positive                    | Negative      |
| CSx1           | Column strip | 1233                        | 1259.3        |
| MSx1           | Middle strip | 419.1                       | 1313.0        |
| CSx2           | Column strip | 1632                        | 1242.0        |
| MSx2           | Middle strip | 776.6                       | 1339.0        |
| CSx3           | Column strip | <b>1858.7</b>               | 1442.3        |
| MSx3           | Middle strip | 603.4                       | 1264.3        |
| CSx4           | Column strip | 967.8                       | <b>1845.3</b> |
| MSx4           | Middle strip | 668                         | 1335.2        |
| CSx5           | Column strip | 1284.7                      | 1124.6        |

## 9.2 Y direction strips

In y-strips, the column strips have a dimension of 2.75-meter width and the middle strips have a dimension of 3.5 meters width. Moments computed are analyzed based on one meter unit width of the strip. Moment Diagram of y-strips are shown in figure 15.

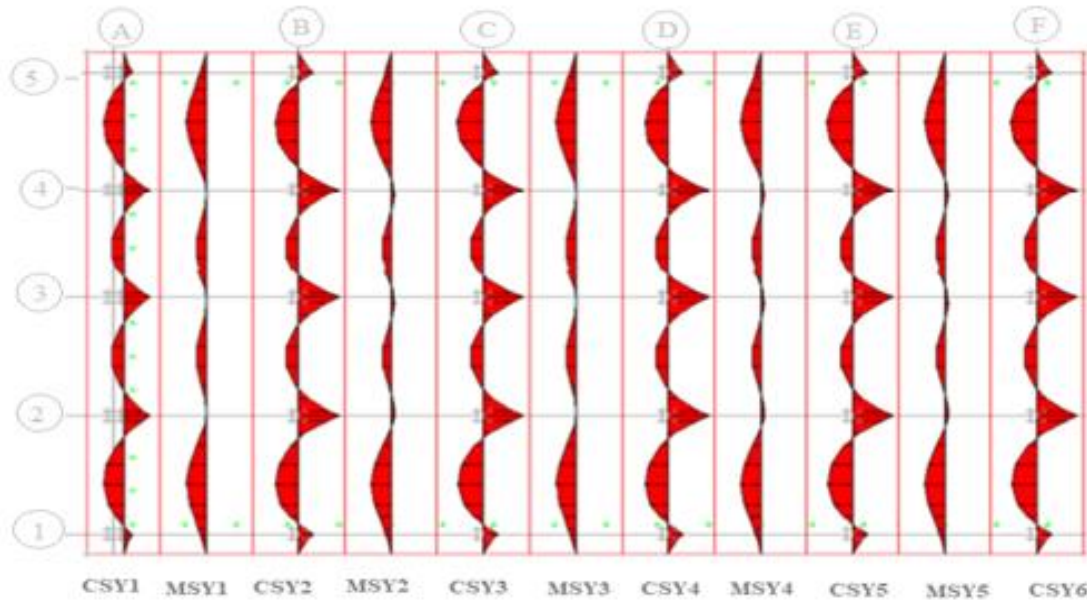


Figure 15. Y-Strip moment diagram

Table 7. Analysis outputs for Y-strip moments.

| Strip notation | Strip Field  | Maximum Moment Value (kN.m) |               |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
|                |              | Positive                    | Negative      |
| CSY1           | Column strip | 1043                        | 1060.3        |
| MSY1           | Middle strip | 426.1                       | 1027.7        |
| CSY2           | Column strip | 6450                        | 1407.3        |
| MSY2           | Middle strip | 466.2                       | 1048.3        |
| CSY3           | Column strip | <b>1876</b>                 | 1430.3        |
| MSY3           | Middle strip | 844                         | 1393.0        |
| CSY4           | Column strip | 1076                        | <b>2456.7</b> |
| MSY4           | Middle strip | 954.4                       | 1087.6        |
| CSY5           | Column strip | 853.8                       | 1145.3        |
| MSY5           | Middle strip | 1102.1                      | 1213.6        |
| CSY6           | Column strip | 1023.5                      | 979.5         |

## 10. Conclusion

As per the Indian Standards, safety requirements were provided while designing the Raft foundation corresponding to Alluvial type of soil. In this paper, the design of the raft foundation along with its reference to various geotechnical aspects are studied and implemented in the design required to be completed. For loose soil bending moment is sagging in nature, over entire of raft. However, as soil stiffness increases tension zone is created. From the edge as we proceed toward center the intensity and extent of tension zone goes increasing. However, the effect is more in X direction as compared to Y direction. For loose soil, pressure distribution beneath the raft is lower at edge and goes on increasing towards the center. In the central zone, in between column, it remains almost constant. For medium soil, at the edge, pressure distribution is high and goes on reducing towards the center with very mild rate. For hard soil, pressure distribution at the edges is high, reduces under the edge columns and then after increases in the central part. The punching shear factors are less than 1 and settlement is less than 50 mm.

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## Appendix I

$a$  = depth of rectangular stress distribution from compression fiber to distance  $\beta_1 c$

$A_s$  = area of tension steel

$A_b$  = area of individual bar

$A_{s,min}$  = minimum tension reinforcement

$b$  = width of compression face

$b_o$  = perimeter of critical section for two  
–way shear in slabs and footings, mm

$C_a$  = coefficient of active earth pressure

$C_c$  = clear cover from the nearest surface in tension to the surface of the flexural tension reinforcement, mm

$C_m$  = factor relating the actual moment diagram of a slender column to an equivalent uniform moment diagram

$C_m$  = moment coefficient

$C_p$  = coefficient of passive earth pressure

$d$  = effective depth from compression surface to center of steel in tension zone.

$d'$  = distance from extreme –compression fiber to centroid of compression reinforcement, mm

$d_b$  = nominal diameter of bar, wire, or prestressing strand, mm

$D$  = dead load

$e$  = eccentricity

$E_c$  = modulus of elasticity of concrete MPa

$EI$  = Flexural stiffness of compression member, N –mm<sup>2</sup>

$E_s$  = modulus of elasticity of reinforcement MPa

$f_c'$  = compressive strength in concrete due 28–day, psi or MPa

$f_s$  = calculated stress in reinforcement at service loads, MPa or N/mm<sup>2</sup>

$f_y$  = yield strength of nonprestressed reinforcement

$h$  = overall depth or thickness of slab or beam

$I$  = moment of inertia of a section, mm<sup>4</sup>



$jd$  = distance between the resultants of the internal compressive and tensile force on cross section

$k$  = effective length factored for compression member

$l$  = span length of beam or one-way slab, generally center to center of supports

$ld$  = development length

$l_n$  = clear span measured face to face of supports.

$M$  = moment

$M_c$  = factored moment to be used for design of a slender compression member KN-m

$M_u$  = factored moment due to factored load

$P_E$  = buckling load of an elastic, hinged-end column

$P_n$  = nominal axial load strength at given eccentricity

$P_o$  = nominal axial load strength at zero eccentricity

$P_u$  = axial force due to factored load

$S$  = spacing between bars

$V_c$  = Nominal shear strength of concrete

$W$  = weight

$\beta_1$  = ratio of depth of rectangular stress block,  $a$ , to depth to neutral axis,  $c$

$\gamma$  = ratio of the distance between the outer layers of reinforcement in a column to the overall depth of the column.

$\rho$  = ratio of tension steel