

ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BRIDGES SUBJECTED TO DYNAMIC LOADS- A REVIEW

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Abstract— Due to efficient dissemination of congested traffic, economic considerations, and aesthetic desirability horizontally box girder bridges have become increasingly popular nowadays in modern highway systems, including urban interchanges. A general description of the finite element approach is presented using the finite element program SAP 2000N and STAAD PRO that was utilized. The prestressed concrete box girder bridge superstructure analysed in the base case consists of box girders with varying span. The superstructure is loaded by different IRC class like 70 R loads and the loads are incremented until the bridge superstructure system fails. A sensitivity analysis is performed to study how variations in the bridge geometry, damage scenarios, member properties and bridge continuity affect the redundancy of the superstructure. The results are presented in the form of prestressing force, moment, shear and deflection. The deflected shape of the bridge model shows that there is a marginal increase in the value of deflection according to the various loading and increased different various time period intervals too. A comparative study was carried out between I girder and Box girder. By extracting result it has been concluded that box girder is costlier than I girder. It has also seen that losses is more in I girder as compared to Box girder. The analysis and design of Box girder bridges for any span can be obtained from the mathematical models without doing lengthy calculations.

Keywords- Dynamic Response, Moving load, Box girder, Prestressed concrete, I girder, SAP 2000v15, STAAD PRO.

I. INTRODUCTION

Prestressed concrete is fundamentally concrete in which internal stresses of suitable immensity and distribution are introduced so that the stresses resulting from external loads are prevented to a desired degree. In reinforced concrete members, the prestress is often introduced by tensioning the steel reinforcement. The development of early cracks in reinforced concrete due to incompatibility in the strains of steel and concrete was perhaps the starting point in the evolution of a new material like ‘prestressed concrete’. The application of permanent compressive stress to a material like concrete, which is strong in compression but weak in tension, increases the apparent tensile strength of that material, because the following application of tensile stress must first nullify the compressive prestress. Freyssinet attempted to introduce permanently acting forces in concrete to resist the elastic forces developed under the name of “prestressing” in 1904.

Bridges are the structures which gains the world wide importance as they are essential part of any road and railway network. With the immerging technology in structural engineering, very long span bridges with large span to depth ratios are built in structural steel or prestressed concrete as it have excellent riding characteristics that minimizes traffic vibrations, torsional rigidity, and strength hence results in stable, dynamic, long lasting and graceful bridges.

Dynamic analysis of bridges are necessary to ensure overall structural performance and stability during severe ground shaking motion. The main aim of performing dynamic analysis is to provide an accurate measure of expected structural response for a given earthquake or any kind of vibrations and to improve response of bridges during earthquake forces.

The main factors affecting dynamic response are the basic flexibility of structure and, more specially, the relationship between the natural frequency of the structure and exciting frequency of the vehicle. Any passage of load cause deflection from its original position and results in oscillation of bridge. This action continues until it goes back to its original position or another load acts upon it. Consequently, “dynamic behaviour of bridge deck” is essential.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

1. Shear force

Ahmad Abrar & Prof. R.B. Lokhande (2017) conducted comparative analysis and design of t-beam and box girders. Working Stress Method for the Manual design whereas the CSI Bridge for Software analysis was carried out. The span of bridge considered was more than 25m and it was designed for different Indian Road Congress, IRC vehicles. It was found that the IRC 70R vehicle producing maximum effect on the sections. Both manual and analytical result showed that the Shear force at mid span section in T-beam girder is more than the Box girder. The Analytical results of shear force and typical diagram of Box girder are shown below.

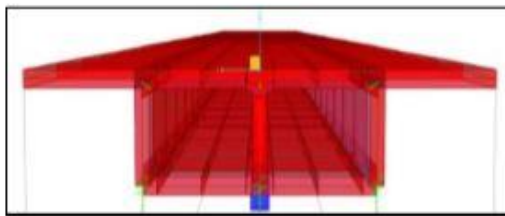


Fig.1: Front View of Box Girder

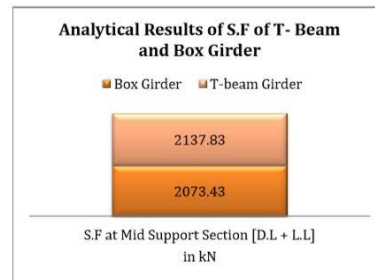


Fig.2: Analytical Results of S.F of T- Beam and Box Girder

Kumar.Ch Phani et.al. (2016) carried out study on Analysis and Design of Prestressed Box Girder Bridge by IRC: 112-2011. Limit State Design method was adopted and Live loads were taken as per IRC: 6. Cross section of box girder and mathematical modeling for box girder of span 30m was performed using SAP2000. The shear force was obtained by considering different loading conditions consisting of dead load, super imposed dead load and live load. It was found that the variation of shear force was along the length up to mid span. Table1. shows the variation of shear force along span of box girder.

Table1: Shear Force Variation along span (KN)

Span (m)	0L	0.1L	0.2L	0.3L	0.4L	0.5L
DL	194	156	117	78	39	0
LL	80	72	57	41	23	0
SIDL	23	18	14	9	5	0
Total	297	246	188	128	67	0

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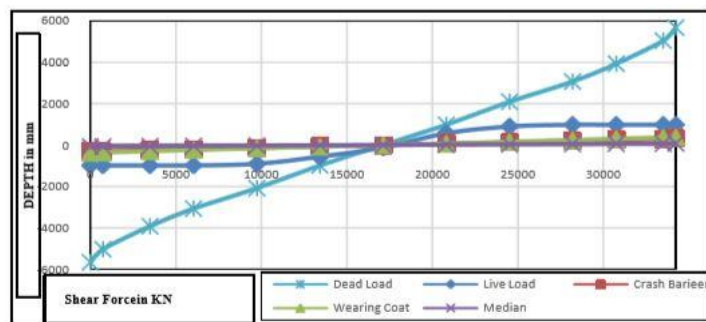


Fig. 3: Shear force diagram for different loadings

Chourasia Mayank & Dr. Saleem Akhtar (2015) conducted Design and Analysis of Prestressed Concrete Box Girder by Finite Element Method (4 Cells & 1 Cell). The box girder was designed for 2 lane national highway bridge having simply supported support, span length as 30m, width of carriageway 7.5m, width of footpath 1.25m, total width of segment 10m and moving load was applied as per IRC class AA loading. The design standard of India, IRC was followed in design of Box-girder superstructures subjected to IRC class AA loading. Analysis was carried out using the MIDAS Civil Software which is based on finite element method of analysis. It was found that designed value of the applied internal shear force as 600.456kN.

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Based on the literature it is found that Shear force at mid span section in T-beam girder is more than the Box girder, the variation of shear force was along the length up to mid span, the maximum shear force obtained was at support and minimum shear force was at midspan, and Shear force resistance of PSC T-Beam Girder was more compared to RCC T-Girder for 24 m span.

2. Bending moment

Ahmad Abrar & Prof. R.B. Lokhande (2017) conducted comparative analysis and design of t-beam and box girders. The span of bridge considered was more than 25m and it was designed for different Indian Road Congress, IRC vehicles. Excel Sheets were developed for manual calculations and Structural components were designed by selecting the trail section and checking for the adequacy of that section and stresses developed. Both manual and analytical result showed that the Bending moment at mid span section in T-beam girder is more than the Box girder. The results for bending moment by manual calculation and analytical are shown in fig.4.

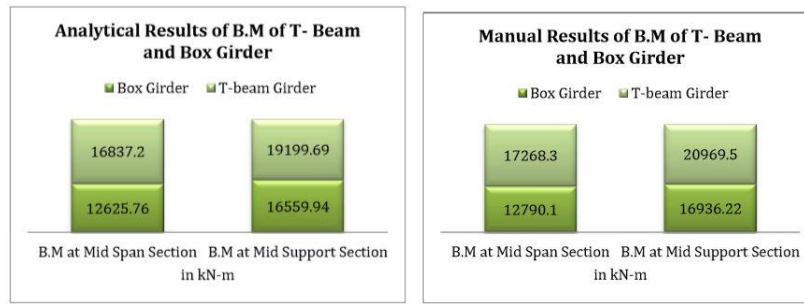


Fig. 4: Manual & Analytical Results of B.M of T- Beam and Box Girder

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Table 2: Bending moment variation along span (tm)

Span (m)	0L	0.1L	0.2L	0.3L	0.4L	0.5L
DL	0	526	934	1226	1400	1459
LL	0	218	381	495	565	588
SIDL	0	62	110	145	165	172
Total	0	806	1425	1866	2130	2219

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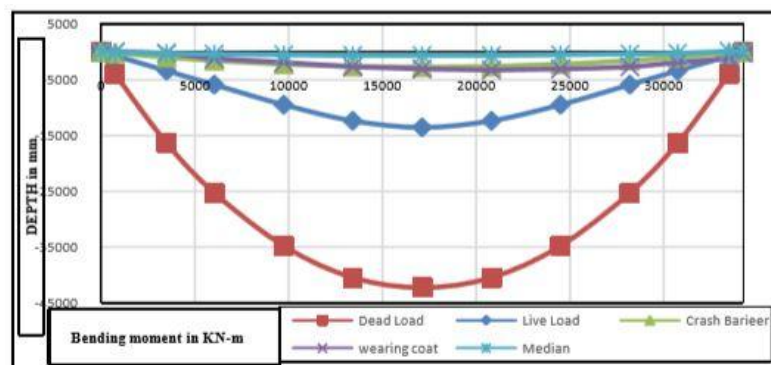


Fig. 5: Bending moment diagram for different loadings

The box girder was analysed as a simply supported. The maximum bending moments were at midspan and there negative moments were observed at supports. The bending moment diagram for different loading conditions is shown in figure 5.

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4. Prestressing force

Kumar.Ch Phani et.al. (2016) conducted studies on Analysis and Design of Prestressed Box Girder Bridge by IRC: 112-2011. The various spans to depth ratio were taken for the analysis of box girder bridges, and for all the cases, stresses were within the permissible limits. As the depth of box girder decreases, the prestressing force decreases and no. of cables decreases. Because of prestressing, more strength of concrete is utilized and also well governs serviceability. From table 3. We can clearly see that when span to depth ratio increases, the prestressing force decreases.

Table 3: Comparison of prestress force and deflection for various span to depth ratio

Span/Depth	Prestressing Force (kN)	Eccentricity (mm)	Deflection (mm)		
			DL+SIDL	DL+SIDL+PRE	DL+LL+PRE+SIDL
15	5428	850	14	11	18
16	5370	800	16	12	20
17	5309	750	17	13	23
18	5251	700	19	16	26
19	5194	650	22	18	29

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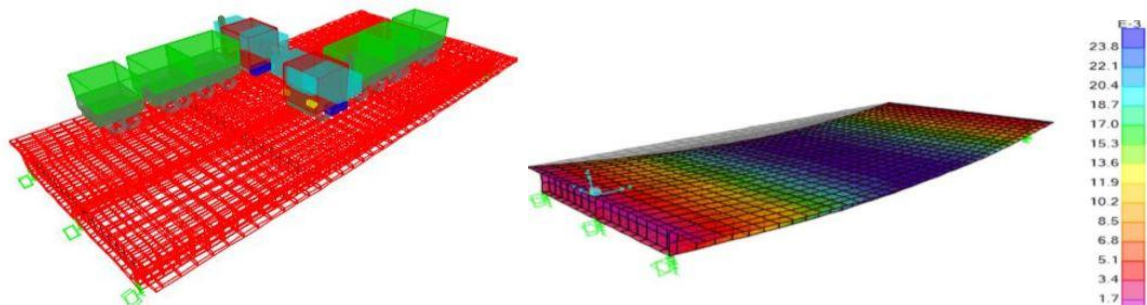


Fig.6: 70R Loading vehicle Arrangement

Fig.7: Deformed Shape of Box Girder

Chourasia Mayank & Dr. Saleem Akhtar (2015) conducted Design and Analysis of Prestressed Concrete Box Girder by Finite Element Method (4 Cells & 1 Cell). The box girder was designed for 2 lane national highway bridge having simply supported support, span length as 30m, width of carriageway 7.5m, width of footpath 1.25m, total width of segment 10m and moving load was applied as per IRC class AA loading. The design standard of India, IRC was followed in design of Box-girder superstructures subjected to IRC class AA loading. Analysis was carried out using the MIDAS Civil Software which is based on finite element method of analysis. It was found that deflection for 4 cells was 17.06 mm & 7.189 mm for 1 cell.

Peera D.Gouse et.al. (2015) carried out A Study on Design of Prestressed Post-Tensioned Girder by Morice-Little Method. It was focused more on Morice-Little method for design of Prestressed Post-Tensioned. In the analysis, the effective width was divided into eight equal segments and Live load was used as per IRC Class AA tracked loading and Regulation as per IRC: 5; IRC: 6; IRC: 18; IRC: 21. The loadings and deflections at nine standard positions were considered and all deflections were related to the average deflection. The actual deflection at each of those nine standard positions has given by an arithmetical coefficient, called distribution coefficient and denoted by the symbol K, multiplied by the average deflection produced by the load distributed uniformly across the entire effective width.

Kumar Rajamoori Arun et.al. (2014) investigated DESIGN OF PRE-STRESSED CONCRETE T-BEAM BRIDGES. The author presented a practical approach on a major bridge having 299 m span, 36 PSC Beams and 8 RCC Beams. The study was focused on PSC Beams, where the beam post-tensioning values, rate of elongation and behavior could be defined after stressing. The main code followed in this course was IS: 1343 – 2012 entitled Code of Practice for Prestressed Concrete. Deflection for PSC T-beam Girder was lesser than RCC T-Beam Girder Bridge.

Based on the literature it is found that HDPE gave less deflection than the Bright metal and hence in this case, structural stability was more effective, deflection for 4 cells was more compared to 1 cell and deflection for PSC T-beam Girder was lesser than RCC T-Beam Girder Bridge.

III. CONCLUSION

Based on the study done it can be concluded that prestressed concrete bridges subjected to dynamic load is suitable for highway bridges as it can resist maximum shear force and bending moment. The most economical and suitable section for two lane Indian national highway is box girder.

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