

1. Design a cantilever retaining wall to retain soil of earth of height 4.0 m above ground level. The soil is having safe bearing capacity and density are respectively 200kN/m² and18kN/m³ . Design all components of retaining walls with all stability checks. Also draw detailed drawing. Use M 20 and Fe 415. Angle of Repose, Φ = 30⁰ , Coefficient of friction between concrete and soil μ = 0.5.

Solution

Height of earth fill, h'= 4.0 m, Safe bearing Capacity, SBC = 200 kN/m², Density of soil, γ = 18 kN/m³, co-efficient of friction between concrete and soil, $μ = 0.5$, angle of repose $φ = 30°$

We need to fix the total height of retaining wall, $H = h' + D_f$

• **Depth of foundation, D^f – (Height of wall below Ground level)**

Using Rankine's formula: find depth of foundation

$$
D_f = \frac{SBC}{\gamma} \left[\frac{1 - \sin \phi}{1 + \sin \phi} \right]^2 = \frac{SBC}{\gamma} k_a^2
$$

 $1 - \sin 30^0$ 1 Active earth pressure coefficient $k_a = \frac{1}{1 + \sin 30^0} = \frac{1}{3}$ 1 Passive earth pressure coefficient $k_p = \frac{1}{k_p} = 3$ k_a $\overline{2}$

$$
= \frac{200}{18} \left[\frac{1 - \sin 30^{\circ}}{1 + \sin 30^{\circ}} \right] = 1.23 \text{ m} \approx 1.2 \text{ m}
$$

Therefore total height of retaining wall $H = 4.0 + 1.2 = 5.2$ m

• **Proportioning of wall**

- a. **Thickness of base slab** = (1/10 to 1/14) H = 1 /10 \times 5.2 to 1 /14 \times 5.2 = 0.52m to 0.37m, say 0.45 m - **450** mm
- b. **Width of base slab** = b = (0.5 to 0.6) H = 0.5×5.2 or $0.6 \times 5.2 = 2.6$ m to 3.12 m say 3.0 m
- c. **Toe projection** = (1/3 to $\frac{1}{4}$) b = 1 /3 × 3.0 or 1/4 × 3.0 = 1.0 m to 0.75 m say 1.0 m(your wish !!)
- d. Provide **450 mm thickness for the stem at the base (overall depth D)** and 200 mm at the **top**

• **Design of stem**

To find Maximum bending moment at the junction Height of stem, h = 5.2 – 0.45 = 4.75 m Active earth pressure acting on stem slab, $P_a =$ $\times \gamma \times h$) $h =$ 2 \overline{a}

 $P_a = 1/2 \times 1/3 \times 18 \times 4.75 \times 4.75 = 67.68$ kN Total Bending moment at any height, $M = P_a \times \frac{h}{a}$ 3

$$
M = 14.25 \times \frac{4.75}{3} = 107.16 \text{ kN-m}
$$

 $M_u = 1.5 \times M = 160.74$ kN-m Taking 1m length of wall,

We have overall depth at base or thickness of stem slab as, $D = 450$ mm

Check for effective depth "d"

$$
M_{u\text{-lim}} = 0.36 \frac{x_{u, \text{ max}}}{d} \left(1 - 0.42 \frac{x_{u, \text{ max}}}{d} \right) b d^2 f_{\text{ck}}
$$

Put Mu, $\text{lim}^{-1} 160.74 \times 10^6$, $b = 1000$ mm, fck = 20N/mm² xu,max /d = 0.48 , Fe 415 , IS 456 2000 $160.74 \times 10^6 = 0.36 \times 0.48 \times (1 - 0.42 \times 0.48) \times 1000 \times d^2 \times 20$ $d = 241.3$ mm ≈ 242 mm

effective cover = clear cover + bar diameter/2 (assuming 12 mm φ bars)

$$
= 40 + 12/2 = 46 \approx 50 \text{ mm}
$$

 $d =$ Overall depth – effective cover = $450 - 50 = 400$ mm >> 242 mm, hence safe

• **Area of steel for stem slab**

$$
M_{\rm u} = 0.87 f_{\rm y} A_{\rm st} d \left(1 - \frac{A_{\rm st} f_{\rm y}}{b d f_{\rm ck}} \right)
$$

d = 400 mm, b =1000 mm, Mu =160.74 $\,$ x 10⁶ Nmm, fy = 415 N/mm² , fck = 20 N/mm² Ast = 1184.86 mm²

Ast, min = $0.0012 \times b \times D = 0.0012 \times 1000 \times 450 = 540$ mm²

 $\text{Ast} > \text{Ast,min}$, hence Ok.

• **Main steel**

Provide 16 mm φ bars as main steel

 π _{×16}2 Spacing required, $s = \frac{1000 \times \frac{n}{4} \times 16}{1000 \times 1000}$ 1184.86 $= 169.69$ mm ≈ 170 mm or 160 mm (Your wish!!)

Main steel #16 mm φ (ϑ) 170 mm c/c < 300 mm or 3 times effective depth "d" (Check!!!) IS 456 2000

• **Distribution steel or Ast,min**

 $= 0.12\%$ Gross Area $= 0.0012 \times 450 \times 1000 = 540$ mm²

Use 10 mm φ bars, spacing required

Spacing required, s =
$$
\frac{1000 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 10^{2}}{540}
$$
 = 145.4 mm \approx 140 mm or 150 mm (Your wish !!)

Distribution bars #10 mm φ (ϖ) 150 mm c/c < 450 mm and 5 times effective depth "d" ok (check!!) IS 456 2000

• **Development length L^d**

 $L_d = 47 \Phi_{bar} = 47 \times 16 = 752 \text{ mm} = 0.752 \text{ m}$

• **Curtailment of bars**

Curtail 50% steel from top, $\text{Ast} = \frac{50}{50}$ $\frac{50}{100}$ × 1184.86 = 590 mm²

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\left(\frac{h_1}{h}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}, \left(\frac{h_1}{h}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{h_1^2}{5 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{2}, h_1 = 3.67 \text{ m, is the curtailment length or cutting length}
$$

5.2

Actual point of cut off or cutting position = $3.67 - L_d = 3.67 - 0.752 = 2.91$ m is the cutting length from top.

 π _{×16}2 Spacing required, $s = \frac{1000 \times_4^6 \times 16}{4}$ 590 $= 340.7$ mm ≈ 340 mm As IS 456 spacing < 300 mm or

3 times effective depth "d" (Check!!!)

 $s = 340$ mm > 300 mm

Instead of this you have to provide every alternate bars at 300 mm c/c. Spacing of bars 16 mm $\varphi \otimes 300$ mm c/c. Hence it is ok.

Secondary steel for stem at front (Temperature steel)

0.12% Gross Area = 0.12 × **450** × **1000/100 = 540 mm²**

#10 @ 150 mm c/c< 450 mm and 5d Hence it is ok.

• **Check for shear for stem slab**

Max. Shear Force at Stem Junction, $P_a = 67.68 \text{kN}$ (Lateral earth pressure) Ultimate Shear Force = $Vu = 1.5 x$ kN Nominal shear stress = $\tau_v = Vu/bd = 101.52 \times 10^3 / (1000 \times 400) = 0.25$ N/mm² To find τc, calculate $P_t = {100 A_{st} \over b \times d} = {100 \times 1184 \over 1000 \times 400} = 0.295 %$

Use IS:456-2000, Page 73, Table 19, $p_t = 0.295$ %, M 20

 $\tau_c = 0.379N/mm^2 \approx 0.38 N/mm^2$

Compare τ_v and τ_c ,

 $\tau_{v} < \tau_{c}$ Hence safe in shear. No need of shear reinforcement.

Stability analysis – 1. To find factor of safety against overturning

Calculations of **Resisting Moment ΣM^R – Self weight of wall and weight of earth fill retained by heel slab**

Pressure below the Retaining Wall

Calculations of Overturning Moment **M^O – Lateral earth pressure about the base slab**

Stability checks:

1. **Check for overturning**:

As per IS: 456:2000, *(Factor of Safety) overturning* should satisfy condition that ΣM_R/M₀ > 1.55

ΣM^R = 394.757 kNm, M^O = 140.61 kNm

(F.S) overturning = $\Sigma M_R / M_O = 2.80 > 1.55$ Hence it is safe

2. Check for Sliding: **ΣW= 204.86kN P^H =81.12 kN (Horizontal earth pressure)** As per IS: 456:2000, *(F.S) sliding* should satisfy condition that $\mu\Sigma W/P_H \ge 1.55$

 $\frac{\mu \Sigma W}{R} = \frac{0.5 \times 204.86}{81.04} = 1.26$ P_H 81.04

 $(F.S)$ *sliding* = $\sqrt{1.26}$ \leq 1.55 Hence it is not safe against sliding. Shear key is needed.

3. **Check for subsidence**: (Max. pressure at the toe should not exceed the safe bearing capacity of the soil under working condition)

Let the resultant cut the base at distance 'x' from toe T, $x = \sum M / \sum W$, where $\sum M =$ Net moments about toe = $\sum M_R$ - M_O = 394.757 – 140.61 = 254.15 kNm

254.15 $x = \frac{25 \text{ m/s}}{204.86} = 1.24 \text{ m}$, b = 3m

- **Eccentricity** $\underline{\mathbf{e}} = \underline{\mathbf{b}}/2 \underline{\mathbf{x}} = 3/2 1.24 = 1.5 1.24 = 0.26 \text{ m} < \underline{\mathbf{b}}/6$, 0.26 < 0.5
- $e = 0.26m$
- (Eccentricity of force should not exceed one sixth of base) **Here** $e < b/6$. Hence it is safe.

Pressure below the base slab

$$
\text{Max. pressure} = P_{\text{max}} = \frac{\sum W}{b} \left[1 + \frac{6e}{b} \right]
$$

103.79kN/m² < SBC, safe bearing capacity

Min. pressure = $P_{min} = \frac{\sum W}{b} \left[1 - \frac{6e}{b} \right]$

 $32.7kN/m^2$ > zero, So there is no tension or separation developed at base slab, Hence it is safe

Both values of pressure are lesser than SBC (200 kN/m^2). Hence it is safe.

Design of Heel Slab

Calculations of Moment about heel slab C

ΣM^C = 62.18 kNm

 $Mu = 1.5$ x 62.18 = 93.27 kNm

$$
M_{\rm u} = 0.87 f_{\rm y} A_{\rm st} d \left(1 - \frac{A_{\rm st} f_{\rm y}}{b d f_{\rm ck}} \right)
$$

 $\rm{Mu} = 62.18 \times 10^6 \rm{ Nmm}, b = 1000 \rm{ mm}, d = 400 \rm{ mm}, f_{ck} = 20 \rm{ N/mm^2} \, f_y = 415 \rm{ N/mm^2}$

Ast = 669.04 mm²

Use 12 mm φ bars (it is base slab) (You can choose 12 mm also)

 π _{×12}2 Spacing required, $s = \frac{1000 \times_4^6 \times 12}{4}$ 669.04 $= 170$

Main steel #12 mm Φ @170 mm c/c < 300 mm and 3d ok. Hence it is safe.

Development length

L^d = 47 φbar = 47 x 12 = 564 mm

Distribution steel

#10 mm Φ @ 140 mm c/c < 450 mm and 5d ok

Check for shear at junction (Tension)

Critical section for shear is at the face as it is subjected to tension.

Maximum shear =V= 70.72 kN, V_U, max = 70.72 x 1.5 =106.08 kN

$$
\tau_{\text{v}} = \frac{V_U}{b \times d} = \frac{106.08 \times 10^3}{1000 \times 400} = 0.26
$$

pt =
$$
\frac{100 \times 669.04}{1000 \times 400} = 0.167\%
$$

Use IS:456-2000, Page 73, Table 19, pt = %

$$
\tau_c = 0.297 \text{ N/mm}^2
$$

Compare . τ_v and τ_{uc} , $\tau_v < \tau_c$ Hence it is safe in shear.

Design of toe

To find the maximum bending moment

103.97

 $Mu = 1.5$ x 42.4= 63.75kN-m,

Ast = 452.02 mm², since Area of steel is less, we have used 10 mm Φ bars

Provide Main steel #10 @ 150 mm c/c < 300 mm and 3d ok

Development length:

L^d = 47 φbar = 47 x 10 = 470 mm

Check for shear: at d from junction, d =400 mm

Net shear force at the section XX

V= **-(103.9 +89.7) /2 x 0.6** + **0.45 x 0.6 x 25** = -51.33 kN

 $V_{U,max} = 51.33 \times 1.5 = 76.9 \text{ kN}$

 ζ v = 76.9x1000/ (1000x 400) =0.19 MPa,

find pt = $100 \times$ Ast /(1000×400) = 0.113

From IS:456-2000, ζc = 0.28 MPa

ζv < ζc, Hence safe in shear.

• **Design of Shear key**

Assume width and height of shear key as 450 mm. Let Pp be Total passive force developed in the front of shear key.

Pp = Pressure at junction of toe \times width of shear key \times coefficient of passive pressure \times 1m $= 80.21 \times 0.45 \times 3 \times 1 = 108.28$ kN

Factor of safety against sliding $FOS = \frac{Pp + \mu \sum W}{P}$ P_{A} $=\frac{108.28+0.6\times204.86}{04.43}$ $\frac{0.0 \times 204.00}{81.12} = 2.85 \ge 1.55$

Hence safe Provide 0.3 % of cross-sectional area for shear key as reinforcement $=$ $\frac{0.3}{100}$ \times 450 \times 1000 = 1350 mm^2 Provide 16mm dia @140mmc/c

 $\theta\text{=}45+\phi/2$

Reinforcement detailing of Retaining wall with shear key

2. A R.C.C. retaining wall with counterforts is required to support earth to a heightof 7m above the ground level. The top surface of the backfill is horizontal. The trial pit taken at the site indicates that soil of bearing capacity 220kN/m² is available at a depth of 1.25m below the ground level. The weight of earth is 18kN/m³ and angle of repose is 30°. The coefficient of friction between concrete and soil is 0.58. Use concrete M20 and steel grade Fe415. Design the retaining wall.

Given Data: fck= 20 N/mm², fy = 415N/mm², H = 7 m above G.L, Depth of footing below G.L. = 1.25 m, $\gamma = 18 \text{ kN/m}^3, \ \mu = 0.58, \ \text{SBC} = 220 \text{ kN/m}^2$ 1−sin ³⁰0 ² 1

Coefficient of active pressure $=$ k_a

 $=[\begin{matrix} 1+sin 30^{0} \end{matrix}] =$

Coefficient of passive pressure = k_p = $\frac{1}{n}$ = 3 ka

Taking depth of foundation as 1.25 m

The height of the wall above the base or Total height of retaining wall, H in metres $=$ H = 7 + 1.25 = 8.25 m.

• **Proportioning of Wall Components – Stem, Heel, Toe and Counterforts**

1. Base width of retaining wall, $b = 0.6$ H to 0.7 H = 0.6 x 8.25 or 0.7 x 8.25

 $= (4.95 \text{ m to } 5.78 \text{ m}),$ $\text{Say b} = 5.5 \text{ m}$

- 2. Width of Toe or Toe projection = $b/4 = 5.5/4 = 1.375$ say 1.2 m or 1.3m
- 3. Assume thickness of vertical wall or stem $= 250$ mm (We are assuming constant thickness for stem slab)
- 4. Assume thickness of base slab $=$ $\frac{450 \text{ mm}}{ }$

5. Spacing of counterforts

Clear spacing of counterforts, $l = 3.5 \left(\frac{H}{\gamma} \right)$ 0.25 $\big)$ ^{0.25} = 3.5 $\big(\frac{8.25}{18}\big)$ 0.25 $) = 2.88 \text{ m}$

Assume width of counterfort $= 400$ mm, c/c spacing of counterforts = $2.88 + 0.40 = 3.28$ m ≈ 3.00 m or 3.5m

So, clear spacing of counterforts becomes = $3.00 - 0.4 = 2.6$ m

Calculations of Restoring moment – Weight of retaining wall and weight of earth fill retained on heel slab

Calculations of overturning moment – Active earth pressure

• **Check for overturning**

Factor of safety against overturning

$$
FOS = \frac{2210.71}{561.52} = 3.94 > 1.55
$$
, Hence it is safe against overturning.

• **Check for sliding** $\textbf{FOS} = \mu \sum W/P_H \ge 1.55$

Total horizontal force tending to slide the wall =Ph=**204.19kN**

Resisting force = μ $\Sigma W = 0.58$ x 679.25 = 393.97kN

Factor of safety against sliding $=$ $\frac{\Sigma W \mu}{\Sigma}$ P_h $=\frac{393.97}{394.48}$ $\frac{33337}{204.19}$ = 1.93>1.55 Hence it is safe against

sliding.

• **Check for pressure distribution at base**

Let **X** be the distance of Resultant R from toe(T), $\frac{-Net Moment}{\ }$ ΣW = 2210.71 − 561.52 679.25

 $=2.43m$

Eccentricity= $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{b}/2 - \mathbf{X} = 5.5/2 - 2.43 = 0.32 < b/6$ (0.91m)

Whole base is under compression.

Maximum pressure at toe

$$
Max. pressure = P_{max} = \frac{\sum W}{b} \left[1 + \frac{6e}{b} \right]
$$

 $=166.61$ kN/m² < SBC = 220kN/m²

Minimum pressure at heel

Min. pressure =
$$
P_{min} = \frac{\sum W}{b} \left[1 - \frac{6e}{b} \right]
$$

= 80.39kN/m² < sBC = 220kN/m²

By interpolation, Intensity of pressure at junction of stem with toe i.e. under B $=$ p_B $= 80.39 + (166.61 - 80.39)$ x 4.3/5.5 $= 147.8$ kN/m²

By interpolation, Intensity of pressure at junction of stem with heel i.e. under C $=p_C= 80.39 + (166.61 - 80.39)$ x $4.05/5.5 = 143.9$ kN/m²

b) Design of Toe slab

• **To find steel**

b = 1000mm, d = 400 mm, fck = 20N/mm², fy = 415N/mm², Mu = 160.9 x 10 6 Nmm

$$
M_{\rm u} = 0.87 \ f_{\rm y} \ A_{\rm st} d \left(1 - \frac{A_{\rm st} f_{\rm y}}{b d f_{\rm ck}} \right)
$$

Ast = 1188.22 mm²

Take 16 mm diameter bars as main bars, Spacing s =
$$
\frac{1000 \times_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4} \times 16^2}}{1188.22} = 170 \text{ mm} < 300
$$

mm and 3 d.

Main bars - Provide **16 mm** Φ dia @ 170 mm c/c .

Distribution steel =

0.12 % x b x D = 0.12 x 1000 x 450/100 = 540 mm²

 π _{×12}² Let's provide 12 **mm** Φ diameter bars, Spacing s = $\frac{1000 \times ^{2}_{4} \times 12}{4}$ $\frac{4}{540}$ = 210 mm < 450mm and

5 d

Distribution bars - Provide **12 mm** Φ dia @ 210 mm c/c .

• **Development** $\text{length} = 47 \times \text{diameter}$ of main $\text{bar} = 47 \times 16 = 750 \text{ mm}$

• **Check for Shear**

Locate a critical section XX at a distance 'd' from junction of toe slab

Critical section for shear: At distance $d = 400$ mm) from the **junction** of the toe $\frac{166.61-80.39}{5.5} = \frac{y}{4.7}, \ \ y = 73.67$

Pressure at section $XX = 73.67 + 80.39 = 154.06$ kN/m²

Net vertical shear = - (**166.61 + 154.06) x 0.80/2 +** (**25 x 0.45 x 0.80**) = 119.28kN

Net ultimate shear = $Vu_{\text{max}} = 1.5 \times 119.28 = 178.9 \text{ kN}$ ζ v = 178.9 x 1000/1000 x 400 = 0.447 MPa pt = 100 x 1188.22/ (1000 x 400) = 0.29 % ζ c = 0.39 N/mm² ζ c < ζv

Hence it is not safe in shear. Provide stirrups or increase percentage of steel, $pt = 0.5\%$.

Shear reinforcement shall be provided to carry a shear equal to $V_u - \tau_c bd$ The strength of shear reinforcement V_{μ} shall be calculated as below:

a) For vertical stirrups:

$$
V_{\text{us}} = \frac{0.87 f_{\text{y}} A_{\text{av}} d}{s_{\text{v}}}
$$

Shear carried by steel, $V_{us} = V_{u} - \tau_c$ bd $= 178.9 \times 1000 - 0.39 \times 1000 \times 400 = 22.9 kN$ Using #8 mm 2-legged stirrups, $Asv = 2 x \pi x 8^2 / 4 = 100.53$ mm²

$$
V_{\text{us}} = \frac{0.87 f_{\text{y}} A_{\text{av}} d}{s_{\text{v}}}
$$

Spacing of vertical stirrups, $s_v = 633.99$ mm < 0.75 x 400 < 300 mm

Provide #8 mm 2-legged stirrups at 290 mm c/c.

• **Design of Heel Slab**

Heel slab is a **continuous slab**. Consider **1** m wide strip near the outer edge **D** The forces acting near the edge **D** are

1. Downward wt. of soil retained on heel slab =18 x 7.8 x l = 140.4 kN/m Downward self wt. of heel slab = $25 \times 0.45 \times 1 = 11.25 \text{ kN/m}$

Upward soil pressure at $D = -80.39$ kN/m²

Upward wt due to soil pressure = $-80.39 \times 1 = -80.39 \text{ kN/m}$

Net force at D, $p = 140.4 + 11.25 - 80.39 = 71.26$ kN/m

Also Net force at C, $p = 140.4 + 11.25 - 143.9 = 7.75$ kN/m

Factored Negative Bending Moment for heel at junction of counterfort (D)

Mu = 1.5 x pl²/12 = 1.5 x $\frac{71.26}{2}$ x 2.6²/12 = 60.2 kN-m (At the junction of Counter Fort)

• **To find steel**

b = 1000mm, d = 400 mm, fck = 20N/mm² , fy = 415N/mm² , Mu = 60.2 x 10⁶ Nmm

$$
M_{\rm u} = 0.87 \ f_{\rm y} \ A_{\rm st} \ d \left(1 - \frac{A_{\rm st} f_{\rm y}}{b d f_{\rm ck}} \right)
$$

Find Ast = 426 mm², Ast_{min} = 0.12 x 1000 x 450/100 = 540 mm²

426 mm^2 < 540 mm^2 Provide Ast = 540 mm^2

Provide # 12 mm @ 210 mm c/c < 300 mm

Check for shear (Heel slab)

Shear Force at $D = 71.26 \times 2.6/2 =$

Factored shear = V_u = 1.5 x Shear Force = 139 kN

pt = 100 x 540 / (1000 x 400) = 0.13 and M20 concrete, ζ_c = 0.28 N/mm²

 $\zeta_{\rm v} = V_{\rm umax}/\text{bd} = 139 \text{ x } 1000 / (1000 \text{ x } 400) = 0.35 \text{ N/mm}^2$

 $\zeta_c < \zeta_v$, Unsafe, hence shear steel is needed.

Using #8 mm 2-legged stirrups,

Shear reinforcement shall be provided to carry a shear equal to $V_u - \tau_c bd$ The strength of shear reinforcement V_{μ} shall be calculated as below:

a) For vertical stirrups:

$$
V_{\rm us} = \frac{0.87 f_{\rm y} A_{\rm av} d}{s_{\rm v}}
$$

Shear carried by steel, Vus = $V_{\text{u}} - \tau_{\sigma}$ bd = 139 x 1000 – 0.28 x 1000 x 400 = 27 kN Using #8 mm 2-legged stirrups, Asv = $2 \times \pi \times 8^2 / 4 = 100.53$ mm²

$$
V_{\rm us} = \frac{0.87 f_{\rm y} A_{\rm av} d}{s_{\rm v}}
$$

Spacing $s_v = 538$ mm < 0.75 x $400 = 300$ mm

Provide #8 mm 2-legged stirrups at 290 mm c/c.

Provide for 1m x 1m area as shown in figure

• **Area of steel for +ve moment (Heel slab)**

Maximum +ve ultimate moment at mid span of heel slab = $1.5 \times 71.26 \times 2.6^{2}/16$

 $= +45.15$ kN-m

Since $45.15 \text{ kNm} < 60.2 \text{ kNm}$, Provide minimum steel.

Ast, $min = 540$ mm²

Provide Main bars # 12 mm bars at 200 mm c/c < 300 mm

Also provide distribution steel # 12 mm at 200 mm c/c < 300 mm

• **Design of Stem (Vertical Slab)**

Consider stem slab as continuous slab spanning between the counterforts and subjected to earth pressure.

The intensity of earth pressure = $p_a=$ ka x γ x h = $\frac{1}{2}$ x 18 x 7.8= 46.8 kN/m² 3

For 1m, it will be $46.8 \text{ kN/m}^2 \text{ x } 1 \text{ m} = 46.8 \text{ kN}$

Maximum -ve ultimate moment near ends of counterforts,

Mu= 1.5 x $p_a l^2 / 12 = 1.5$ x 46.8 x 2.6²/12 = 39.54 kN.m.

Find the required effective depth or thickness of the stem slab

$$
M_{\rm u\,1\,} = 0.36 \, \frac{x_{\rm u,\,max}}{d} \left(1 - 0.42 \, \frac{x_{\rm u,\,max}}{d} \right) b d^2 \, f_{\rm ck}
$$

Mu, $\lim_{x \to 9}$ =39.54 x 10⁶ N mm, xu, max/d = 0.48, b = 1000, fck =20N/mm²

After calculations find 'd', d = 119.70 mm \approx 120 mm

However, provide total depth or thickness, $D = 250$ mm. Hence safe.

- To find steel:
- Effective depth, $d = 250 50 = 200$ mm, (effective cover = 50 mm)
- **b** $= 1000$ mm, d = 200 mm, fck = 20N/mm², fy = 415N/mm², Mu = 39.54x 10⁶ Nmm
- Ast = 582.1 mm², Ast min = 0.0012 x 1000 x 250 = 300 mm²
- Ast provided > Ast, min. Hence safe
- Provide $#12$ mm @ 210 mm c/c

As the earth pressure decreases towards the top, the spacing of the bars is increased .

Max. Ultimate shear = $Vu_{max} = 1.5 \times 46.8 \times 2.6/2 = 91.26 \text{ kN}$ For pt = 100 x Ast / (1000 x 200) = 0.29 % and M20 concrete ζ c = 0.38 N/mm² ζ v = V_{umax}/bd = 91.26 x1000/(1000 x 200) = 0.45 N/mm² $\zeta v > \zeta c$, It is not safe in shear. Either increase the pt = 0.5%, so that $\zeta c = 0.48$ N/mm² or Provide shear reinforcement in the form of stirrups.

• **Design of Counterfort**

The total horizontal earth pressure acting on the counterfort = $\frac{1}{x}$ x k_a x γ x h² x c/c distance 2

between counterfort

B.M. at the base at C= **547.56 x 7.8/3** = **1423.65kN.m**. Ultimate moment = $Mu= 1.5 \times 1423.65 = 2135.48 \text{ kN.m.}$ Counterfort acts as a T-beam, lets find the effective depth

$$
M_{\rm u\, \, lim} = 0.36 \, \frac{x_{\rm u, \, max}}{d} \left(1 - 0.42 \, \frac{x_{\rm u, \, max}}{d} \right) b d^2 \, f_{\rm ck}
$$

Mu, lim = 2135.48 x 10⁶, xu, max/d = 0.48, b = 400, fck = 20N/mm² Find 'd' = 1390 mm

The effective depth is taken at right angle to the sloping face of counterfort

tan θ = 7.8/4.05 = 1.93,

 $\theta = \tan^{-1}(.1.93) = 62.5^{\circ}$,

From the geometry

D /4.05 = sin 62.5, D = 3.6 m = 3600 mm, d = 3600 – 50 = 3550 mm > 1390 mm. Hence depth of counterfort provided is safe.

• **To find steel b = 400mm, d = 3550 mm, fck = 20N/mm² , fy = 415N/mm² , Mu =** 2135.48 **x 10⁶ Nmm**

$$
M_{\rm u} = 0.87 \ f_{\rm y} \ A_{\rm st} \ d \bigg(1 - \frac{A_{\rm st} \ f_{\rm y}}{b d \ f_{\rm ck}} \bigg)
$$

Ast = 1708 mm²

• **Check for minimum steel – IS 456 2000 CL 26.5.1.1**

26.5.1.1 Tension reinforcement

a) Minimum reinforcement—The minimum area of tension reinforcement shall be not less than that

given by the following:

$$
\frac{A_s}{bd} = \frac{0.85}{f_y}
$$

where

- minimum area of tension reinforcement, А
- breadth of beam or the breadth of the web Ь of T-beam,
- effective depth, and d
- characteristic strength of reinforcement in f, $N/mm²$.
- As per IS 456, Ast.min = 0.85 bd/fy = 0.85 x 400 x 3550/415 = 2908.4 mm² (T Beam section)
- Use 22 mm diameter bars, calculate no of bars = $2908.4 / (\pi \times 22^2 / 4) = 7.65 \approx 8$
- Provide 2 layers of bars ie $4 \# 22$ mm, $4 \# 22$ mm
- Development length $=L_d = 47 \times 22 = 1030 \text{ mm} = 1.03 \text{ m}$
- The half of the reinforcement can be curtailed is equal to $\sqrt{H} = \sqrt{7.8} = 2.79$ m 1.03 **m** = 1.7 m from top, Bars are curtailed.

• **Design of Horizontal Ties or Horizontal stirrups (H S)**

The counter forts are subjected to tensile stresses along the outer face ED of the counter forts

The tension exerted on counterfort for 1 m height at base due to horizontal earth pressure, T

 $T = k_a \times \gamma \times h \times c/c$ distance between counterfort $\times 1$ m

 $= 1/3$ x 18 x 7.8 x 3 x 1 = 140.4 kN

Area of steel required to resist the tension $=$ Ast $=$ $1.5 \times T$ $0.87 \times f_y$

 $1.5 \times 140.4 \times 10^{3} / (0.87 \times 415) = 583 \text{ mm}^2$

Using # 8 mm 2-legged stirrups, $\text{Ast} = 100 \text{ mm}^2$, spacing, s =

spacing = $1000 \times 100/583 = 170 \text{ mm c/c}$.

Provide horizontal stirrups (H S) 2-legged # 8 mm at 170 mm c/c near bottom.

Since the horizontal pressure decreases with height, the spacing of stirrups can be increased from 170 mm c/c to 450 mm c/c towards the top.

• **Design of Vertical Ties or Vertical stirrups (V S)**

The maximum vertical tension exerted at the end of heel slab due to net downward force at $D = 71.26$ kN/m.

Total tension at $D = 71.26$ x c/c distance between counterforts = 71.26 x 3 = 213.78 kN

Area of steel required to resist the vertical tension $=$ Ast $=$ $\frac{1.5 \times T}{25}$ = $0.87 \times f_y$

Required Ast = 1.5 x 213.78 x 10^{3} / (0.87 x 415) = 888 mm²

Using # 8 mm 2-legged stirrups, $\text{Ast} = 100 \text{ mm}^2$

Spacing = $1000 \times 100/888 = 110 \text{ mm c/c.}$

Provide vertical stirrups (V S) # 8 mm 2-legged stirrups at 110 mm c/c.

Increase the spacing of vertical stirrups from 110 mm c/c to 450 mm c/c towards the end C.

Section through stem at the junction of Base slab.