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# APPLICATION OF VALUE ENGINEERING IN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The current economic conditions have entailed the use of rational method and techniques and research and application of new techniques by utilizing advancements in technology in the field of production as well as in every field. Excess cost control requires to be maintained throughout the project life of building beginning from the initial stages of design. Scrutinizing the project well and considering all possible alternatives particularly in design stage are important for achieving optimum cost.

The Value Engineering is an intensive, interdisciplinary problem solving activity that focuses on improving the value of the functions that are required to accomplish the goal, or objective of any product, process, service, or organization. Value Engineering stands to a reason that any technique so useful should be applied to every product, and at each stage of the normal day-to-day development of a building construction product. The practice of this technique requires a certain amount of expense, which may get justified by potential cost savings.

In this present work how the principles of value engineering are applied in construction project is explained with selected site named GK's (PRIDE), which has 500 flats in it. As the part of project work collected the information regarding costs and time taken to install all the individual elements in the construction and all the information of the elements that are used in construction and the data collected is being processed in PRIMAVERA (P6).

Key Words: Value Engineering, Building Construction), Cost, PRIMAVERA(P6).

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Value engineering (VE) is a systematic method to improve the "value" of goods or products and services by using an examination of function. Value, as defined, is the ratio of function to cost. Value can therefore be increased by either improving the function or reducing the cost.

The Value Engineering technique directed toward analyzing the functions of an item or process to determine best

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value or the best relationship between worth and cost. Best value is represented by an item or process that performs the required basic function and has the lowest life cycle cost. In this context the application of value engineering yield a better value when construction is approached in a manner that incorporates environmentally-sound and energy efficient practices and materials. However the real objective of value engineering is value improvement and that may not result in an immediate reduction in cost. Value engineering can be used for the following benefits.

- 1. Cost reduction
- 2. Time savings
- 3. Quality improvement
- 4. Isolation of design deficiencies

Value engineering is thus not simply a cost cutting method but improving value for service by modifying and enhancing functions. Value, as defined, is the ratio of function to cost. Value can therefore be increased by either improving the function or reducing the cost. Reasons for poor value can be that, lack of information, decisions based on wrong beliefs, habitual thinking, negative attitudes, and reluctance to seek advice, shortage of time, changing technology, and lack of yard stick to measure value, old specifications and poor human relations. Value engineering gets closer to cost control because it looks at ways to reduce cost on specific items or activities. However, it does not look at the total project picture or check the daily performance it focuses only on specific items in the designs, procurement or construction area.

Value=function/overall cost

#### II. SCOPE OF THE PROJECT AND METHODOLOGY

Methodology: Value engineering is often done by a step by step methodology. The following is the step by step procedure used:

- i. Visit a site
- ii. Identify all the functions, cost, time taken by individual elements in a Project.
- iii. Prepare a Checklist for each and every element.
- iv. Prepare a Tabular Format to note down all the information regarding every element.
- v. Process the data collected in PRIMAVERA
- vi. Identify the main elements among them.
- vii. Develop alternative solutions for delivering those functions
- viii. Generate a report from PRIMAVERA comparing the variation obtained after using alternative materials

For this a six phases procedure which is called the "value analysis job plan." is used. Now the modern version has 8 phases in it. They are:

- I. Orientation phase
- II. Information phase
- III. Functional phase
- IV. Creative phase

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- V. Analysis phase
- VI. Development phase

#### DATA COLLECTION

| s.<br>N | MATERI<br>AL USED  | QU              | ADE<br>JALI<br>OF<br>TER | TY              | TIME<br>TAKEN<br>(DAYS)                 | MAN<br>POWER<br>REQUIRE<br>D                      | MACHINERY NAME, NO. & COST/HR OR DAY            | DIMENSION OF<br>WORK AREA   |                              |   | COST/<br>UNIT<br>SFT<br>(OR)<br>CFT | PROMI<br>SES<br>FROM<br>OWNE<br>R            |
|---------|--|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---|---|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
|         |  | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>n</sup>           | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |   |   |   | L                           | В                            | Н   |                                     |  |
| 1       | Earth work Red soil  |                 | √                        |                 | 30 days                                 | 2   | Crawler<br>mounted<br>Excavator @<br>1500 Rs/hr | 156'9'                      | (88'6"<br>+<br>86'6") /<br>2 | 18'                                       | 25 rs/cft                           | No<br>-                                      |
| 2       | Concrete in foundation  Cement, sand, steel (step footing) | $\checkmark$    |                          |                 | 5 hrs/ footing [30 days for 82 footing] | 5 ppl/<br>day/footing<br>[410 ppl/<br>82 footing] | Pin vibrator<br>@1000 rs/ day                   | 6'9"  S <sub>w</sub> =  21" | 6'                           | D <sub>e</sub> =1 2" D <sub>s</sub> =1 0' |                                     | Fe 500<br>grade                              |
| 3       | Soil filling  Excavated  Soil                              | 1               |                          |                 | 15 days                                 | 15 people/<br>day                                 | Compacting vibrator, Roller @ 3000 rs/ day      | 156'9'                      | (88'6"<br>+<br>86'6")/<br>2  | 6'  | 21rs/cft                            | Compact or done till SBC=35 T/m <sup>2</sup> |

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| 4 | Brick work  Clay bricks (Red)  Size: (9"x4"x3")  Cost: 6 rs/ brick | √ |   | 5 days/<br>1800 ft   | 6 people/<br>day                      |                     |                | 4"<br>9" | 10'          | 40 rs/sft 67 rs/sft [includi ng cement] | Good<br>Quality<br>Bricks   |
|---|--|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------|--------------|---|---|
| 5 | Lintels over openings Concrete steel                               |   | √ |  | 2 people                              |                     | 6 <sup>'</sup> | 9"<br>6" | 9"<br>6"     | 91Rs/sft                                | No<br>-   |
| 6 | Elevator or lift Head rooms Steel ropes                            |   | 7 | 3 months<br>after<br>ordering<br>15days to<br>install for<br>7 slabs | 3people /day (company professiona ls) | Motors<br>(Company) | 5'6"           | 5'6"     | 10'/fo<br>or | 9<br>lakhs/7<br>slabs<br>(408kg)        | *Repute d make  *6 passenge r c apacity  *Entranc e lobby with granite cladding |
| 7 | Shuttering or centering Steel,jack centering, Lubricant            |   | √ | For slab<br>takes<br>8days/950<br>sft                                | 15people/d<br>ay                      | hammers             |                |          |              | 50Rs/sft                                | No  |

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| 8 | i)Beams a)cement b)steel | √ | √        | <b>V</b> | 25beams/<br>day   | 12people<br>for<br>25beams/d<br>ay | miller@1200/d<br>ay<br>lift@3000/day<br>vibrator@600/d<br>ay | -  | 18" | 9" | 425/cft | Fe500gra<br>de steel |
|---|--------------------------|---|----------|----------|-------------------|------------------------------------|--|----|-----|----|---------|----------------------|
|   | a)cement b)steel         | V | <b>V</b> |          | 25column<br>s/day | 12<br>people/day                   | miller@1200/d ay lift@3000/day vibrator@600/d ay             | 9' | 18" | 9" | 425/cft | Fe500gra<br>de steel |

#### DATA ANALYSIS BY USING PRIMAVERA

#### III. PROCEDURE USED IN PRIMAVERA

Primavera is enterprise project portfolio management software. Primavera P6 Professional Project Management is a powerful yet easy-to-use solution for planning, managing, and executing projects and programs. Primavera P6 Professional Project Management gives today's project managers and schedulers what they value most: control. Primavera P6 Professional Project Management, the recognized standard for high-performance project management software, is designed to handle large-scale, highly sophisticated, and multifaceted projects.

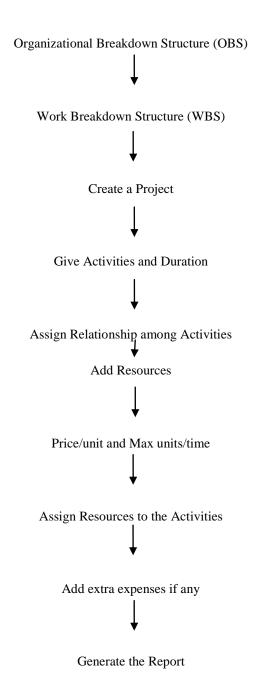
#### 3.1 Benefits

- 1. Plan, schedule, and control from the simpliest to the most complex projects.
- 2. Allocate best resources, and track progress.
- 3. Visualize and communicate project performance versus plan.
- 4. Conduct what-if analysis, and analyze alternative project plans to increase speed and efficiency of project execution.

#### 3.2 Procedure

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#### IV. RESULTS FROM SCHEDULING

The following results are obtained after scheduling is done.

- 1. Total cost of the Apartment building is INR 5,44,50,398.
- 2. Total Time taken for the Project to complete is 753Days

#### 4.1 Major Activities

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According to cost and time taken

|     | Work done         | Cost (Lakhs) | Time(Days) |
|-----|-------------------|--------------|------------|
|     |                   |              |            |
| 1.  | Flooring          | 87           | 40         |
| 2.  | Doors             | 70           | 80         |
| 3.  | Brick Wall        | 54           | 100        |
| 4.  | Plumbing          | 41.5         | 120        |
| 5.  | Shuttering        | 38.5         | 25         |
| 6.  | Kitchen, corridor | 36           | 60         |
| 7.  | Electricity       | 33           | 90         |
| 8.  | Plastering        | 31.5         | 30         |
| 9.  | Windows           | 30           | 50         |
| 10. | False Ceiling     | 14           | 45         |

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#### Time taken by Existing Structure

| VBS          |                                    |                      |                       |                        |                     |             |             |
|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Activity ID  | Activity Name                      | Original<br>Duration | Remaining<br>Duration | Activity %<br>Complete | Primary Resource    | Early Start | Early Finis |
| Appartments  |                                    |                      |                       |                        |                     |             |             |
| A1000        | SOP                                | 723                  | 723                   | 0%                     |                     | 01-Aug-16   | 21-Nov-18   |
| Planning     |                                    |                      |                       |                        |                     |             |             |
| A1010        | Survey                             | 2                    | 2                     | 0%                     | R-2.Surveyor        | 01-Aug-16   | 02-Aug-16   |
| A1030        | Architect Plan                     | 3                    | 3                     | 0%                     | R.Planning Engineer | 01-Aug-16   | 03-Aug-16   |
| A1020        | Soil Testing                       | 5                    | 5                     | 0%                     | R.Planning Engineer | 01-Aug-16   | 05-Aug-16   |
| A1040        | Estimations                        | 2                    | 2                     | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer  | 06-Aug-16   | 08-Aug-16   |
| A1050        | Approval from GHMC                 | 15                   | 15                    | 0%                     | R.Planning Engineer | 09-Aug-16   | 25-Aug-16   |
| A1060        | Approval for Electrical Connection | 5                    | 5                     | 0%                     | R.Planning Engineer | 26-Aug-16   | 31-Aug-16   |
| A1070        | Approval for Water Connection      | 5                    | 5                     | 0%                     | R.Planning Engineer | 26-Aug-16   | 31-Aug-16   |
| Excavation   |                                    |                      |                       |                        |                     |             |             |
| A1080        | Clearing the Site                  | 1                    | 1                     | 0%                     | R-9.Labour          | 26-Aug-16   | 26-Aug-16   |
| A1090        | Pit Excavation                     | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     | R-9.Labour          | 27-Aug-16   | 19-Sep-16   |
| A1100        | Marking for Footings               | 1                    | 1                     | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer  | 20-Sep-16   | 20-Sep-16   |
| Construction | on                                 |                      |                       |                        |                     |             |             |
| A1110        | Shuttering for Footings            | 10                   | 10                    | 0%                     | R-9.Labour          | 21-Sep-16   | 01-Oct-16   |
| A1120        | Concreting of Footings             | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer  | 03-Oct-16   | 05-Nov-16   |
| A1125        | Soil Fill and Compaction           | 15                   | 15                    | 0%                     | R-9.Labour          | 07-Nov-16   | 23-Nov-16   |
| A1130        | Shuttering for Columns and Beams   | 8                    | 8                     | 0%                     | R-9.Labour          | 24-Nov-16   | 02-Dec-16   |
| A1140        | Concreting of Columns and Beams    | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer  | 03-Dec-16   | 26-Dec-16   |
| A1150        | Stair Case                         | 15                   | 15                    | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer  | 27-Dec-16   | 12-Jan-17   |

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| Activity ID | Activity Name                                       | Original<br>Duration | Remaining<br>Duration | Activity %<br>Complete | Primary Resource   | Early Start | Early Finish |
| A1160       | Shuttering of Slab and Laying Electrical Pipes      | 7                    | 7                     | 0%                     | R-9.Labour         | 13-Jan-17   | 20-Jan-17    |
| A1170       | Concreting the Slab                                 | 7                    | 7                     | 0%                     | R-1.Civil Engineer | 21-Jan-17   | 28-Jan-17    |
| A1180       | Construction of Brick Walls                         | 70                   | 70                    | 0%                     |                    | 30-Jan-17   | 20-Apr-17    |
| A1200       | Lintels over Openings                               | 2                    | 2                     | 0%                     |                    | 21-Apr-17   | 22-Apr-17    |
| A1190       | Plastering of Walls                                 | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                    | 21-Apr-17   | 25-May-17    |
| A1210       | Lift1   | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                    | 24-Apr-17   | 27-May-17    |
| A1215       | Lift2   | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                    | 24-Apr-17   | 27-May-17    |
| A1220       | False Ceiling                                       | 45                   | 45                    | 0%                     |                    | 26-May-17   | 17-Jul-17    |
| A1250       | Flooring in Corridor and Stair Case                 | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     | R-9.Labour         | 18-Jul-17   | 09-Aug-17    |
| A1240       | Laying Tiles in Kitchen and Bathroom                | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                    | 18-Jul-17   | 21-Aug-17    |
| A1230       | Flooring  | 50                   | 50                    | 0%                     |                    | 18-Jul-17   | 13-Sep-17    |
| A1255       | Flooring in Parking and Cellar                      | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     | R-9.Labour         | 10-Aug-17   | 01-Sep-17    |
| Electrical  |   |                      |                       |                        |                    |             |              |
| A1260       | Marking for Laying Concealed Conduit Pipes in Walls | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 22-Aug-17   | 04-Dec-17    |
| A1270       | Chipping the Wall and Concealing Electrical Pipes   | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 22-Aug-17   | 04-Dec-17    |
| A1280       | Wiring and DB Installations                         | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 22-Aug-17   | 04-Dec-17    |
| A1290       | Giving Connections and Fixing Switch Boards         | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 22-Aug-17   | 04-Dec-17    |
| Sanitation  |   |                      |                       |                        |                    |             |              |
| A1320       | Installation of Water Tank                          | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                    | 05-Dec-17   | 08-Jan-18    |
| A1300       | Concealing Water Pipes                              | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 05-Dec-17   | 19-Mar-18    |
| A1310       | Running Mian Water Pipeline from Tank               | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                    | 05-Dec-17   | 19-Mar-18    |
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#### Time taken by Existing Structure

| Activity ID | Activity Name                  | Original<br>Duration | Remaining<br>Duration | Activity %<br>Complete | Primary Resource | Early Start | Early Finis |
|-------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| A1330       | Laying Drain lines             | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                  | 05-Dec-17   | 19-Mar-18   |
| A1340       | Fixing Taps and Other Fixtures | 90                   | 90                    | 0%                     |                  | 09-Jan-18   | 23-Apr-18   |
| Carpentry   |                                |                      |                       |                        |                  |             |             |
| A1350       | Fixing Door Frame              | 40                   | 40                    | 0%                     |                  | 24-Apr-18   | 08-Jun-18   |
| A1360       | Fixing Door Shutter            | 30                   | 30                    | 0%                     |                  | 09-Jun-18   | 13-Jul-18   |
| A1370       | Fixing Windows                 | 50                   | 50                    | 0%                     |                  | 09-Jun-18   | 06-Aug-18   |
| Painting    |                                |                      |                       |                        |                  |             |             |
| A1380       | Texture                        | 10                   | 10                    | 0%                     |                  | 07-Aug-18   | 17-Aug-18   |
| A1390       | Putty                          | 12                   | 12                    | 0%                     |                  | 18-Aug-18   | 31-Aug-18   |
| A1400       | Weather Shield                 | 10                   | 10                    | 0%                     |                  | 01-Sep-18   | 12-Sep-18   |
| A1410       | Lappum                         | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     |                  | 13-Sep-18   | 05-Oct-18   |
| A1420       | Plastic Emulsion               | 20                   | 20                    | 0%                     |                  | 06-Oct-18   | 29-Oct-18   |
| A1430       | Wood Enamil                    | 10                   | 10                    | 0%                     |                  | 30-Oct-18   | 09-Nov-18   |
| A1440       | Door Polish                    | 10                   | 10                    | 0%                     |                  | 10-Nov-18   | 21-Nov-18   |
| A1450       | EOP                            | 0                    | 0                     | 0%                     |                  |             | 21-Nov-18   |
| Fotal       |                                | 723                  | 723                   |                        |                  | 01-Aug-16   | 21-Nov-18   |

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#### Cost for existing activities

| Activity ID          | Activity Name                                     |             | Start     | Finish    | Budgeted Total<br>Cost | Budgeted Tota<br>Cost |
|----------------------|---|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| A1000                | SOP   |             | 01-Aug-16 | 21-Nov-18 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                |
| A1010                | Survey  |             | 01-Aug-16 | 02-Aug-16 | Rs1,600.00             | Rs1,600.00            |
| A1020                | Soil Testing                                      |             | 01-Aug-16 | 05-Aug-16 | Rs8,000.00             | Rs8,000.00            |
| A1030                | Architect Plan                                    |             | 01-Aug-16 | 03-Aug-16 | Rs4,800.00             | Rs4,800.00            |
| A1040                | Estimations                                       |             | 06-Aug-16 | 08-Aug-16 | Rs1,600.00             | Rs1,600.00            |
| A1050                | Approval from GHMC                                |             | 09-Aug-16 | 25-Aug-16 | Rs50,800.01            | Rs50,800.01           |
| A1060                | Approval for Electrical<br>Connection             |             | 26-Aug-16 | 31-Aug-16 | Rs800.00               | Rs800.00              |
| A1070                | Approval for Water Connection                     |             | 26-Aug-16 | 31-Aug-16 | Rs800.00               | Rs800.00              |
| A1080                | Clearing the Site                                 |             | 26-Aug-16 | 26-Aug-16 | Rs102,000.00           | Rs102,000.00          |
| A1090                | Pit Excavation                                    |             | 27-Aug-16 | 19-Sep-16 | Rs338,000.00           | Rs338,000.00          |
| A1100                | Marking for Footings                              |             | 20-Sep-16 | 20-Sep-16 | Rs2,300.00             | Rs2,300.00            |
| A1110                | Shuttering for Footings                           |             | 21-Sep-16 | 01-Oct-16 | Rs79,000.00            | Rs79,000.00           |
| A1120                | Concreting of Footings                            |             | 03-Oct-16 | 05-Nov-16 | Rs190,000.00           | Rs190,000.00          |
| A1125                | Soil Fill and Compaction                          |             | 07-Nov-16 | 23-Nov-16 | Rs21,500.00            | Rs21,500.00           |
| A1130                | Shuttering for Columns and<br>Beams               |             | 24-Nov-16 | 02-Dec-16 | Rs406,400.00           | Rs406,400.00          |
| A1140                | Concreting of Columns and<br>Beams                |             | 03-Dec-16 | 26-Dec-16 | Rs368,250.00           | Rs368,250.00          |
| A1150                | Stair Case  |             | 27-Dec-16 | 12-Jan-17 | Rs220,850.00           | Rs220,850.00          |
| A1160                | Shuttering of Slab and Laying<br>Electrical Pipes |             | 13-Jan-17 | 20-Jan-17 | Rs3,347,200.00         | Rs3,347,200.00        |
| A1170                | Concreting the Slab                               |             | 21-Jan-17 | 28-Jan-17 | Rs478,827.27           | Rs478,827.27          |
| A1180                | Construction of Brick Walls                       |             | 30-Jan-17 | 20-Apr-17 | Rs4,500,000.00         | Rs4,500,000.00        |
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#### Cost for existing activities

| Activity ID          | Activity Name  |             | Start     | Finish    | Budgeted Total<br>Cost | Budgeted Total<br>Cost |
|----------------------|--|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|
| A1190                | Plastering of Walls                                    |             | 21-Apr-17 | 25-May-17 | Rs2,251,000.00         | Rs2,251,000.00         |
| A1200                | Lintels over Openings                                  |             | 21-Apr-17 | 22-Apr-17 | Rs180,000.00           | Rs180,000.00           |
| A1210                | Lift1  |             | 24-Apr-17 | 27-May-17 | Rs900,000.00           | Rs900,000.00           |
| A1215                | Lift2  |             | 24-Apr-17 | 27-May-17 | Rs900,000.00           | Rs900,000.00           |
| A1220                | False Ceiling  |             | 26-May-17 | 17-Jul-17 | Rs1,350,000.01         | Rs1,350,000.01         |
| A1230                | Flooring   |             | 18-Jul-17 | 13-Sep-17 | Rs6,797,400.00         | Rs6,797,400.00         |
| A1240                | Laying Tiles in Kitchen and<br>Bathroom                |             | 18-Jul-17 | 21-Aug-17 | Rs1,497,960.00         | Rs1,497,960.00         |
| A1250                | Flooring in Corridor and Stair<br>Case                 |             | 18-Jul-17 | 09-Aug-17 | Rs494,600.00           | Rs494,600.00           |
| A1255                | Flooring in Parking and Cellar                         |             | 10-Aug-17 | 01-Sep-17 | Rs1,334,000.00         | Rs1,334,000.00         |
| A1260                | Marking for Laying Concealed<br>Conduit Pipes in Walls |             | 22-Aug-17 | 04-Dec-17 | Rs1,500.00             | Rs1,500.00             |
| A1270                | Chipping the Wall and<br>Concealing Electrical Pipes   |             | 22-Aug-17 | 04-Dec-17 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                 |
| A1280                | Wiring and DB Installations                            |             | 22-Aug-17 | 04-Dec-17 | Rs3,375,000.00         | Rs3,375,000.00         |
| A1290                | Giving Connections and Fixing<br>Switch Boards         |             | 22-Aug-17 | 04-Dec-17 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                 |
| A1300                | Concealing Water Pipes                                 |             | 05-Dec-17 | 19-Mar-18 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                 |
| A1310                | Running Mian Water Pipeline<br>from Tank               |             | 05-Dec-17 | 19-Mar-18 | Rs4,050,000.00         | Rs4,050,000.00         |
| A1320                | Installation of Water Tank                             |             | 05-Dec-17 | 08-Jan-18 | Rs100,000.00           | Rs100,000.00           |
| A1330                | Laying Drain lines                                     |             | 05-Dec-17 | 19-Mar-18 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                 |
| A1340                | Fixing Taps and Other Fixtures                         |             | 09-Jan-18 | 23-Apr-18 | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                 |
| A1350                | Fixing Door Frame                                      |             | 24-Apr-18 | 08-Jun-18 | Rs2,835,000.00         | Rs2,835,000.00         |
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#### V. ALTERNATIVE MATERIALS SUGGESTED

As the part of project work, alternative materials are being searched without affecting its function. All the materials are selected carefully by comparing various properties with the conventional material.

Following are the alternative materials used:

- 1. Clay Bricks are replaced with AAC Blocks
- 2. Vitrified Tiles are replaced with Marble Flooring
- 3. Internal Teak doors are replaced with Teak Veneer doors
- 4. Cement Plastering is replaced with Gypsum Plastering
- 5. Green Marble in Corridor is replaced with Morwad Marble
- 6. Marble Flooring on Stair case is replaced with Flamed Granite
- 7. River sand is replaced with Robo Sand

#### 5.1 Comparison between Bricks and Blocks

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| Construction of | 100sq feet 6 | 5 inch wall |         | Rate       |             | 3400    |  |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------|------------|-------------|---------|--|
| Material        | Brick Wal    | 1           |         | Block Wall |             |         |  |
|                 | Quantity     | Prices/Unit | Cost    | Quantity   | Prices/Unit | Cost    |  |
| Brick/Block     | 600.00       | 8.50        | 5100.00 | 56.00      | 76.51       | 4284.43 |  |
| Mortor          |              |             |         |            |             |         |  |
| Cement(Bag)     | 3.38         | 275.00      | 928.13  | 1.28       | 275.00      | 350.63  |  |
| Sand(brass)     | 0.15         | 5500.00     | 825.00  | 0.06       | 5500.00     | 330.00  |  |
| Plaster         |              |             |         |            |             |         |  |
| Cement(bag)     | 4.00         | 275.00      | 1100.00 | 2.00       | 275.00      | 550.00  |  |
| Sand (brass)    | 0.16         | 5500.00     | 880.00  | 0.08       | 5500.00     | 440.00  |  |
|                 |              |             | 8833.13 |            |             | 5955.05 |  |
|                 |              |             |         | Savings(%) | 32.6        |         |  |

#### **5.2 Technical Comparison**

| S.no | Parameter                | AAC Blocks   | Clay Bricks            |
|------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 1    | Compressive Strength     | $3.5-4N/m^2$   | 2.5-3 N/m <sup>2</sup> |
| 2    | Fire Resistance(8" Wall) | Upto 7hours  | Around 2hours          |
| 3    | Variation in size        | 1.5mm(+/-)   | 5mm(+/-)               |
| 4    | Dry density              | 550-700kg/m <sup>3</sup>   | 1800kg/m <sup>3</sup>  |
| 5    | Energy Saving            | Approximately 30% for heating and cooling                        | None                   |
| 6    | Cost Benifit             | Reduction in dead weight leading to saving in steel and concrete | None                   |

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#### **Vitrified Tiles Are Replaced With Marble Flooring**

- 1. Marble is a type of rock composed of recrystallized material most commonly limestone.
- 2. The white marble comes from the most pure form of limestone.
- 3. Colors and veins in the marble arise when other materials are present in the earth crust along with limestone.
- 4. Marble gives soft look and provides elegance to the modern era structures. Marble is a natural stone whereas Vitrified Tiles are made up of Chemical Reaction.
- 5. Tiles are made from porcelain, fired clay or ceramic with a glazed surface
- 6. Marble is highly durable and resistant to water and grease than the Tiles.

#### **Comparision of Cement Plastering and Gypsum Plastering**

| Cement mortor Plastering                              | Gypsum Plastering                             |
|---|---|
| Lot of materials gets waste during mixing and         | Ensures Zero wastage                          |
| application   |   |
| Sand cement plaster is applied within level           | Gypsum plaster is applied within level strips |
| patches, which does not ensure line & level           | which ensure line &level surfaces.            |
| surfaces  |   |
| Water curing for 7 days minimum                       | No water curing is needed                     |
| Shrinkage cracks                                      | No shrinkage Cracks                           |
| Increases thickness upto 50mm                         | Thickness of wall limited to 15-20mm          |
| Need to use POP to finish, wastage is as high as      | Direct application on Brick ,Block or RCC,no  |
| 30-40%  | separate finishing product is required.       |
| Attains full strength after 28days                    | Ready to paint                                |
| Compressive strength =1783N/m <sup>2</sup>            | Compressive strength =2175N/m <sup>2</sup>    |
| Not a green material, cement releases CO <sub>2</sub> | Environmentally Green                         |

VI. MARBLE FLOORING ON STAIR CASE IS REPLACED WITH FLAMED GRANITE

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- 1. Marble flooring on Stair case is not suggestible even though less number of polish coatings is made, as it has a tendency to skid.
- 2. Flamed granite is a material made from Granite which has rough surface and gives greater grip when we step on it.
- 3. Granite is a light-colored igneous rock with grains large enough to be visible with the unaided eye.
- 4. Granite flaming is the application of high temperature to the surface of stone to make it look like natural weathering, which makes its surface to become rough.
- 5. This causes the crystals to pop and results in a highly textured and rough surface with zero shine

#### 6.1 River Sand is Replaced with Robo Sand

- 1. River sand is the most traditionally used construction material in Slab, Columns, Beams and also in Wall Plastering.
- 2. It is a material which is available near River beds, which is completely depleting now a days leading to environmental imbalance.
- 3. Also river sand became too costly about INR 2000/Ton, which indirectly leading to increase in Construction Cost.
- 4. So there is an immediate need to search an alternative material i.e., ROBO SAND
- 5. ROBOSAND is sand manufactured, obtained from specific natural granite using the state of the art
- 6. European technology.
- 7. Its numerous advantages over river sand have made it a favorite and a "Must- to- use" with quality conscious builders.
- 8. The compressive strength of the concrete made of Robo sand is observed to be the same to the strength of the concrete.

#### **6.2 Test Results**

## Test on concrete making material with ROBO SAND and RIVER SAND as ingredients cement (As per IS 4031-1988)

|                             | RIVER SAND  | ROBO SAND   |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 3 days compressive strength | 33.0Mpa     | 33.0Mpa     |
| 3 days compressive strength | 39.0Mpa     | 39.0Mpa     |
| 3 days compressive strength | 49.0Mpa     | 49.0Mpa     |
| Setting time initial        | 190 min     | 190 min     |
| final                       | 290 min     | 290 min     |
| Fineness('s)                | 308 sq.m/Kg | 308 sq.m/Kg |

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| Activity ID          | Activity Name                                     | Original<br>Duration | BL Project<br>Duration | Budgeted Total<br>Cost | BL Project Total<br>Cost |
|----------------------|---|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| A1000                | SOP   | 723                  | 753                    | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1010                | Survey  | 2                    | 2                      | Rs1,600.00             | Rs1,600.00               |
| A1020                | Soil Testing                                      | 5                    | 5                      | Rs8,000.00             | Rs8,000.00               |
| A1030                | Architect Plan                                    | 3                    | 3                      | Rs4,800.00             | Rs4,800.00               |
| A1040                | Estimations                                       | 2                    | 2                      | Rs1,600.00             | Rs1,600.00               |
| A1050                | Approval from GHMC                                | 15                   | 15                     | Rs50,600.01            | Rs50,800.01              |
| A1060                | Approval for Electrical<br>Connection             | 5                    | 5                      | Rs800.00               | Rs800.00                 |
| A1070                | Approval for Water Connection                     | 5                    | 5                      | Rs800.00               | Rs800.00                 |
| A1080                | Clearing the Site                                 | 1                    | 1                      | Rs102,000.00           | Rs102,000.00             |
| A1090                | Pit Excavation                                    | 20                   | 20                     | Rs338,000.00           | Rs338,000.00             |
| A1100                | Marking for Footings                              | 1                    | 1                      | Rs2,300.00             | Rs2,300.00               |
| A1110                | Shuttering for Footings                           | 10                   | 10                     | Rs79,000.00            | Rs79,000.00              |
| A1120                | Concreting of Footings                            | 30                   | 30                     | Rs190,000.00           | Rs199,000.00             |
| A1125                | Soil Fill and Compaction                          | 15                   | 15                     | Rs21,500.00            | Rs21,500.00              |
| A1130                | Shuttering for Columns and<br>Beams               | 8                    | 8                      | Rs406,400.00           | Rs406,400.00             |
| A1140                | Concreting of Columns and<br>Beams                | 20                   | 20                     | Rs368,250.00           | Rs395,250.00             |
| A1150                | Stair Case  | 15                   | 15                     | Rs220,850.00           | Rs220,850.00             |
| A1160                | Shuttering of Slab and Laying<br>Electrical Pipes | 7                    | 7                      | Rs3,347,200.00         | Rs3,347,200.00           |
| A1170                | Concreting the Slab                               | 7                    | 7                      | Rs478,827,27           | Rs478,827.27             |
| A1180                | Construction of Brick Walls                       | 70                   | 100                    | Rs4,500,000.00         | Rs5,400,000.00           |
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| Activity ID        | Activity Name  | Original<br>Duration | BL Project<br>Duration | Budgeted Total<br>Cost | BL Project Total<br>Cost |
|--------------------|--|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| A1190              | Plastering of Walls                                    | 30                   | 30                     | Rs2,251,000.00         | Rs3,151,000.00           |
| A1200              | Lintels over Openings                                  | 2                    | 2                      | Rs180,000.00           | Rs180,000.00             |
| A1210              | Lift1  | 30                   | 30                     | Rs900,000.00           | Rs900,000.00             |
| A1215              | Lift2  | 30                   | 30                     | Rs900,000.00           | Rs900,000.00             |
| A1220              | False Celling  | 45                   | 45                     | Rs1,350,000.01         | Rs1,350,000.01           |
| A1230              | Flooring   | 50                   | 40                     | Rs6,797,400.00         | Rs8,669,227.28           |
| A1240              | Laying Tiles in Kitchen and<br>Bathroom                | 30                   | 30                     | Rs1,497,960.00         | Rs1,497,960.00           |
| A1250              | Flooring in Corridor and Stair<br>Case                 | 20                   | 30                     | Rs494,600.00           | Rs719,200,00             |
| A1255              | Flooring in Parking and Cellar                         | 20                   | 20                     | Rs1,334,000.00         | Rs1,334,000.00           |
| A1260              | Marking for Laying Concealed<br>Conduit Pipes in Walls | 90                   | 90                     | Rs1,500.00             | Rs1,500.00               |
| A1270              | Chipping the Wall and<br>Concealing Electrical Pipes   | 90                   | 90                     | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1280              | Wiring and DB Installations                            | 90                   | 90                     | Rs3,375,000.00         | Rs3,375,000.00           |
| A1290              | Giving Connections and Fixing<br>Switch Boards         | 90                   | 90                     | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1300              | Concealing Water Pipes                                 | 90                   | 90                     | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1310              | Running Misn Water Pipeline<br>from Tank               | 90                   | 90                     | Rs4,050,000.00         | Rs4,050,000.00           |
| A1320              | Installation of Water Tank                             | 30                   | 30                     | Rs100,000.00           | Rs100,000.00             |
| A1330              | Laying Drain lines                                     | 90                   | 90                     | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1340              | Fixing Taps and Other Fixtures                         | 90                   | 90                     | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| A1350              | Fixing Door Frame                                      | 40                   | 40                     | Rs2,835,000.00         | Rs2,835,000.00           |
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| Activity ID | Activity Name       | Original<br>Duration | BL Project<br>Duration | Budgeted Total<br>Cost | BL Project Total<br>Cost |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| A1360       | Fixing Door Shutter | 30                   | 40                     | Rs3,150,000.00         | Rs5,850,000.00           |
| A1370       | Fixing Windows      | 50                   | 50                     | Rs3,060,000.00         | Rs3,060,000.00           |
| A1380       | Texture.            | 10                   | 10                     | Rs59,400.00            | Re59,400.00              |
| A1390       | Putty               | 12                   | 12                     | Rs793,920.00           | Rs793,920.00             |
| A1400       | Weather Shield      | 10                   | 10                     | Rs660,870.00           | Rs660,870.00             |
| A1410       | Lappum              | 20                   | 20                     | Rs2,170,000.00         | Rs2,170,000.00           |
| A1420       | Plastic Emulsion    | 20                   | 20                     | Rs1,240,000.00         | Rs1,240,000.00           |
| A1430       | Wood Enamil         | 10                   | 10                     | Rs344,000.00           | Rs344,000.00             |
| A1440       | Door Polish         | 10                   | 10                     | Rs150,594.00           | Rs150,594.00             |
| A1450       | EOP                 | 0                    | а                      | Rs0.00                 | Rs0.00                   |
| Total       |                     | 723                  | 753                    | Rs47,817,971.29        | Rs54,450,398.57          |

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#### **VII.CONCLUSIONS**

- 1. Cheaper alternative materials are available in the market which satisfies the functions and requirements of the work.
- 2. With ages the construction sector should witness number of new trends, technology advancements.
- 3. Reducing the cost of construction is only possible when new materials are being invited and accepted in construction.
- 4. People thinking must change to accept the change in construction materials, ultimately leading to cut down the increasing construction costs without compromising in quality leading to increase in the VALUE of construction.

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