

Revolutionizing Road Infra with Modern Equipment, Technologies, Sustainable Materials and Policy Guidelines

February 29th - March 1st, 2024, Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi

UHPFRC Technology for Sustainable Development

Mr. Satish Navanale

M/s LONGSPAN STRUCTURES PVT LTD.



**International Road Federation
India Chapter**

www.indiairf.com |  india@irf.org.in

Contents

- Introduction to UHPFRC Technology
- Benefits of UHPFRC Technology
- Areas of Application
- UHPFRC Technology in India
- Sustainability with UHPFRC Technology
- Case Study 1 : Bridge with 102.5 m Span (STEEL Vs UHPFRC)
- Case Study 2 : Bridge with 102.5 m Span (Conventional Vs UHPFRC)
- Prestressed Precast UHPFRC Sheet Piles
- UHPFRC Application in Development stage - Floating Bridges



Quick Background on Concrete Technology

EVOLUTION OF CONCRETE TECHNOLOGY

1824



Portland Cement
First Developed
(Joseph Aspdin)

Reinforced Concrete
Evolved With Addition of
Metallic Reinforcement

1849



1980s



High Performance Concrete
Improves the Compressive
Strength of Concrete

The Term 'Ultra-High
Performance Concrete' is
Coined

1994



1997



UHPC is first used in
Pedestrian Bridge in
Canada

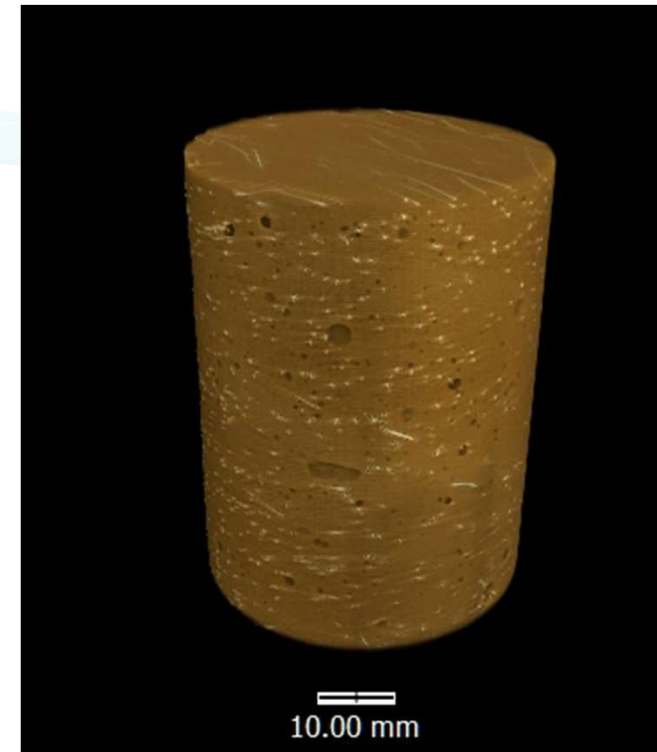
Sherbrooke
Pedestrian Bridge,
Quebec, Canada



Introduction

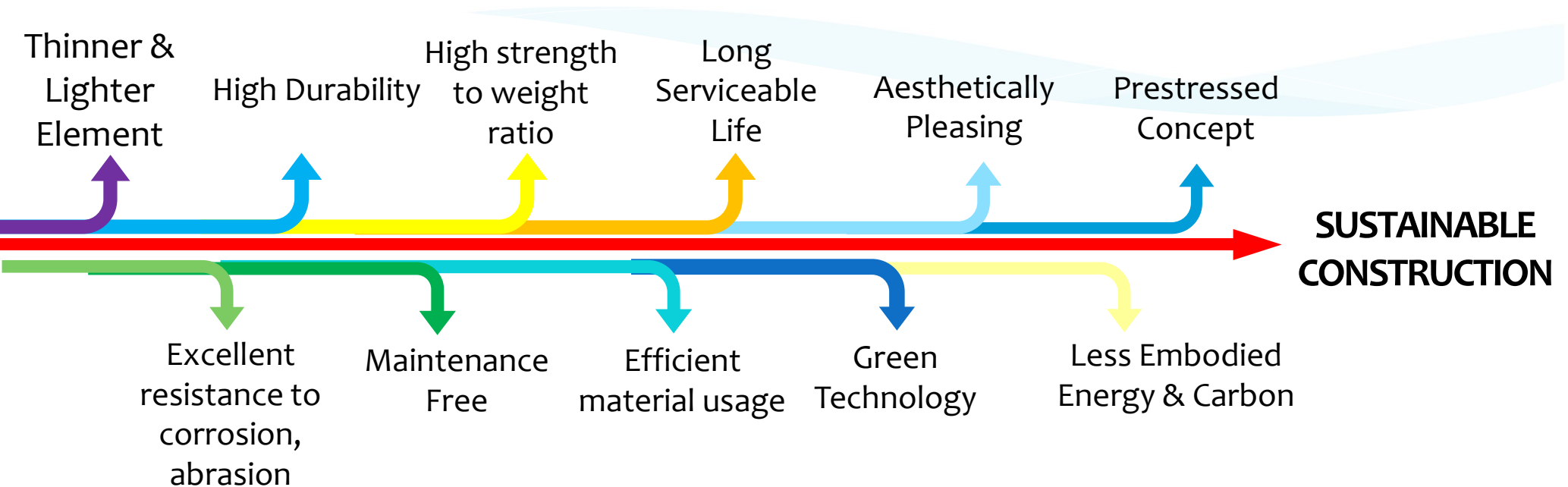
UHPFRC is a new generation of cement-based construction material tailored for very High Compressive Strength, High Ductility, Durability and Sustainability based on:

- ❑ Micro-scale optimization of fine and ultrafine aggregates (silica fume and sand),
 - ❑ Lower content of water to cement ratio
 - ❑ Added superplasticizer and reinforcement with high-strength steel fibers.
-
- Concrete Grade 150/165 & above.
 - With usable structural ultimate tensile strength (> 8 MPa) and ultimate flexural strength more than 30 MPa.
 - at least 4-6 times stronger than normal concrete (in compressive strength)
 - 10 times more fatigue Strength as comparad to Normal Concrete
 - Better Impact Resistance due to high Strenght



Steel Fiber distribution in UHPFRC

Advantages of UHPFRC Bridge Construction



Areas of Application

- Currently most promising Field of Application of UHPFRC is Infrastructure Bridge girders, Sheet Piles, Wearing coat, etc.
- Building & industrial Infrastructure
- Offshore Structures
- Defence Structures.
- Thermal and Nuclear Power Plants
- Architectural Facades and finishes.



UHPFRC technology in India

LIST OF UHPFRC Project Executed and Under Progress

Bridge No.	Bridge Name	Authority	Span Arrangement (m)	Total Length (m)	Total	Status	GIRDER Type
					Width (m)		
1	Latur Br.	MORTH Through MSRDC	2 x 55.5	111	16	Completed	BBG2400-55.5m
2	Mahad Br. CH161+400	PWD NHAJ Division	1 x 33.9	33.9	16	Completed	BT1500-33.9m
3	Kharwandi CH.18+889	PWD NHAJ Division	2 x 30	60	16	Completed	BT1500-30m
4, 5	Samruddhi Br1. CH531+068 & 107	MSRDC	1 x 52	52	35	Completed	UBG2250-51.8m
5, 6	Samruddhi Br2. CH531+968	MSRDC	1 x 52	52	35	Completed	UBG2250-51.8m
7	Taloja Creek Br.	PWD Maharashtra	2 x 33	66	8.25	Completed	BT1500 - 32.6 m
8	Dharmapuri- 145+635	NHAI	1 x 102.6	102.6	16	Completed	UBG4000-102.6m
9	Dharmapuri- 137+979	NHAI	1 x 60	60	32	Completed	UBG3000-57.5M
10, 11	Dharmapuri- 142+465 (MCW)	NHAI	3 x 35	105	21	Completed	BT1500-34m
	Dharmapuri- 142+465 (SR)	NHAI	3 x 35	105	21.6	Completed	BT1500-34m
12	Dharmapuri- 138+875	NHAI	1 x 60	60	16		UBG3000-57.5M
13	TNT - RTO Flyover Span 1	PWD NHAJ Division	1 x 65	65	17.2	Completed - Erection Pending	UBG3000-65M
14	TNT - RTO Flyover Span 2	PWD NHAJ Division	1 x 65	65	17.2	Completed - Erection Pending	UBG3000-65M
15, 16, 17	TURBHE ROB - Flyover	PWD Maharashtra	38 x 30	1140	11.6289	In Progress	BT1500 -30m
18, 19	Vehicular Overpass Chandni Chowk (Main span)	NHAI	1 x 57	57	38.6	Completed	UBG2250 - 57m
	Vehicular Overpass Chandni Chowk (Ramp)	NHAI	6 x 23 - 35m	193	16		BT1500 -30m
20	Pandoh Nerchwok 206+650	MoRTH	1 x 32	32	25	In Progress	BT1500 -32m
21	Pandoh Nerchwok 207+270	MoRTH	1 x 20	20	25	In Progress	BT1500 -20m
22	Pandoh Nerchwok 209+510	MoRTH	1 x 39	39	25	In Progress	BT1500 -39m
23	Raipur, Chhattisgarh 155+340	MoRTH	2 x 35	70	12.9	In Progress	BT1500 -35m
24	Raipur, Chhattisgarh 147+970	MoRTH	4 x 35	140	12.9	In Progress	BT1500 -35m
25	Raipur, Chhattisgarh 133+090	MoRTH	3 x 47	141	12.9	In Progress	UBG2250-47m
			1 x 35	35	12.9	In Progress	BT1500-35m
26	DHARAMPURI - 145+902	NHAI	1 x 34	34	32	In Progress	BT1500-34m
27,28	DHARAMPURI - 124+630 (MCW)	NHAI	2 x 30	60	21	In Progress	BT1500-30m
	DHARAMPURI - 124+630 (SR)		2 x 30	60	21.6	In Progress	BT1500-30m
29	DHARAMPURI - 127+538	NHAI	2 x 29	58	32	In Progress	BT1500-29m
30	DHARAMPURI - 129+506	NHAI	1 x 35	35	32	In Progress	BT1500-35m
31	DHARAMPURI - 141+350 - Flyover	NHAI	2 x 32.5	65	22	In Progress	BT1500-32.5m



LIST OF UHPFRC Project Executed and Under Progress

Bridge No.	Bridge Name	Authority	Span Arrangement (m)	Total Length (m)	Total	Status	GIRDER Type
					Width (m)		
	DHAKAMIPURI - VUP Projects						
32	Ch. 119+160	NHAI	2 x 10.5	22	21.5	In Progress	IB850 - 21.5 m
33	Ch. 136+400	NHAI	2 x 10.5	22	21.5	In Progress	IB850 - 21.5 m
34	Ch. 152+700	NHAI	2 x 10.5	22	21.5	In Progress	IB850 - 21.5 m
35	Ch. 131+300	NHAI	2 x 10.5	22	21.5	In Progress	IB850 - 21.5 m
36	Mumbra Bridge overlay	PWD Maharashtra	50 x 30	1500	15	Completed	-
37	INDORA FLYOVER - NAGPUR	NHAI	VARIOUS spans of 60 m, 80m and 90 m with total bridge length of 5950 m			In Progress	Various
38	Thirunavaya Bridge, Kerala	RBDCK, Govt of Kerala	13 x 62	806	11	In Progress	mUBG3000
39	VUP on Solapur Hyderabad Highway (302+050)	NHAI	2 x 20	40	2 x 16	Completed	BT1500 - 20m
40	Extension to Major Bridge on Solapur Hyderabad Highway (322+450)	NHAI	2 x 32.24	64.48	3.5	Completed	BT1500-30m
41,42	Bridge at Ch. 175+075	TIPL - NHAI	1 x 55	55	2 x 16	In Progress	UBG2250
43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50	8 Nos of Major Bridges on Kolhapur-Ratnagiri 4 Lane Highway	NHAI				In Progress	BT1500-37.5
51,52,53,54	Missing Link Project on Mumbai Pune Expressway.	Navyuga - MSRDC	16 x 25 + 35	435	24.95 x 2	In Progress	BT1500-25m
55,56	2 Bridgs on Mumbai Goa Highway	MoRT&H	3 x 37.5	112.5	16 x 2	In Progress	BT1500-37.5
57	Taloja Creek Br. (New Reconstruction)	PWD, Maharashtra	2 x 67.06	134.12	13.55	In Progress	UBG3000 - 66.06
58	Taloja Creek Br.	PWD Maharashtra	2 x 33	66	8.25	In Progress	BT1500 - 32.6 m
59	Bhoj Morbe Pkg. 17 Major Bridge	NHAI	2 x 21.25	95	3 x 31.76	In Progress	BT1500 - 32.6 m
60	FORMULA 3 Race track Building	Private					
61	Marwah Towers Arches	Private					
62, 63	Firodia Township Bridges	Private					

UHPFRC PROJECTS IN INDIA AS ON DATE = 63 NOS
COMPLETED PROJECT TILL DATE = 18 NOS



India's First UHPFRC Bridge – May 2021



Transportation



Transportation
via trailers



Alignment and Post-tensioning

India's First UHPFRC Bridge – May 2021



Alignment and Post-tensioning



Completed Photo of Bridge

Interchange Structure - Chandni Chowk (Pune)

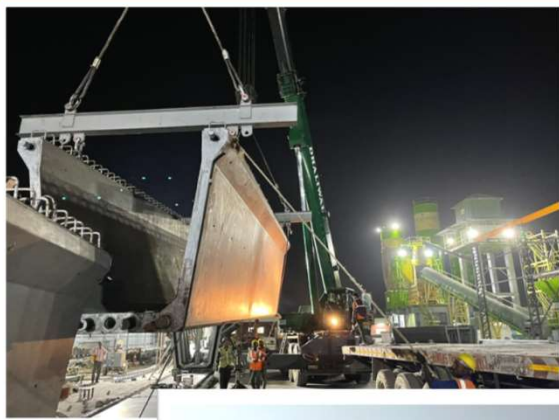
UHPFRC is Cost Effective, Speedy Construction & Sustainable solution for Structures in Urban Environment



Interchange Structure - Chandni Chowk (Pune)



Bridges on Samruddhi Mahamarg



**DURING
CASTING
PROCESS**



GIRDER LAUNCHING IN PROGRESS @ Ch. 531+968



Sustainability with UHPFRC Technology

- Sustainability is a concept that has gained significant importance within the construction industry and is here to stay. In a time of increased focus on environmental challenges and the need to create a more sustainable future, it is crucial to recognize the significance of sustainability in construction. Particularly, it is important to focus on the materials used, their durability, and production processes.

HOW UHPFRC help in Sustainability?

- **Higher strength parameters of UHPFRC enables sleek and slender components resulting**
 - 30 to 40% less consumption of concrete
 - Less carbon footprint with 25% less CO₂ emissions
- **Higher Durability results into service life of 100+ years.**
- **Minimal maintenance is required.**
- **Lightweight precast component**



CEPP fib Model Code 2020

In order to provide the designer with a indicator to evaluate whether the concrete under consideration has a high potential to build a sustainable structure, the so-called Concrete Environmental Performance Potential (**CEPP**) can be considered. Concrete Environmental Performance Potential (**CEPP**) is defined in Eq. (14.5-2):

$$\text{CEPP} = \frac{f_{ck} t_{SL}}{EIC} \quad (14.5-2)$$

with:

- f_{ck} the characteristic strength of the concrete according to section 14.2 in [MPa] representing the possible performance of the material;
- t_{SL} the potential service life of the concrete under the specific environmental actions to be expected in the lifetime of the building member in years
- EIC the environmental impact calculation, expressed as the CO₂-eq. for 1 m³ of concrete.

The **CEPP**-index recognizes the fact that high strength concretes may have high emissions for producing 1 m³ of concrete, but that their strongly improved structural behaviour and durability allow to produce highly sustainable structures. It also

acknowledges that eco-concretes will only be deemed sustainable if they meet the required structural performance and durability criteria. Note that the dimension of the **CEPP**-index (i.e. [MPa · year/(kg CO₂-eq)]) does not hold a physical interpretation, but rather represents the impact of crucial input values on the concrete's environmental performance.

Minimizing the environmental impact by choosing a low CO₂-concrete might potentially affect the properties of the concrete. Because in this Model Code, all concrete properties related to structural performance are expressed as a function of the characteristic compressive strength f_{ck} , which is a key parameter for quantifying structural performance and well-known to the designer, f_{ck} is incorporated in the **CEPP** definition. Reducing the environmental impact by choosing a low CO₂-concrete should neither lead to a reduction in durability. In recognition of the significance of durability, the potential service life t_{SL} of the concrete under a given environmental impact is also introduced in the **CEPP** definition. For concrete production, the most dominant environmental impact results from the greenhouse gas (GHG) emission, including CO₂. For this reason the CO₂-equivalent is here chosen as the lead environmental impact parameter in the **CEPP** definition. The CO₂-equivalent can be calculated by summing up the CO₂-equivalent contribution of the different concrete constituents. The individual CO₂-equivalent of each constituent material must be obtained from the specific producer. Further, emissions e.g. resulting from the transport of the raw materials to the concrete plant and emissions resulting from the mixing process etc. should be considered. For more details see Haist et al. [14-yy].



fib Model Code
for Concrete Structures
2020

Final draft

May 2023

Presented at the fib Technical Council and General Assembly 2023 in Istanbul



International Road Federation - India Chapter
www.indiairf.com | india@irf.org.in

Revolutionizing Road Infra with Modern Equipment, Technologies, Sustainable Materials and Policy Guidelines, February 29th - March 1st, 2024, Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi

Calculation for Durability For Exposure to Marine Environment

De Passivation of steel start

FIB Model Code 2020

Assumption

1. Non cracked section
2. Diffusion coefficient Dc constant

$$C_{x,t} = C_s \left[1 - \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{x}{2\sqrt{D_c t}} \right) \right]$$

← Y

Grade130/145 UHPC

Grade50/60 NSC

Exposure Class		XS3				XS3		
Cement Content		850	kg/m ³		Cement Content	485	kg/m ³	
Chloride Conc. at Splashing Surface	C _s	19.25	kg/m ³		C _s	19.25	kg/m ³	
Chloride Threshold Concentration	C _{x, 0.3%}	2.55	kg/m ³		C _{x, 0.3%}	1.46	kg/m ³	
	C _x /C _s	0.1324675			C _x /C _s	0.075524		
	1-C _x /C _s	0.8675325			1-C _x /C _s	0.924416		
Mean Comp. Cly. Strength	f _{cm}	138	MPa		f _{cm}	58	MPa	
Concrete Cover	X	75	mm		X	75	mm	
Chloride Diffusion Coeff.	D _c	1.00E-13	m ² /s		D _c	2.00E-12	m ² /s	
Chloride Diffusion Coeff.	D _c	1.00E-07	mm ² /s		D _c	2.00E-06	mm ² /s	
Error Function	erf(Y)	0.8675			erf(Y)	0.9244		
Error Function Calculated	erf(Y) cal difference	0.0			erf(Y) cal difference	0.0		
	Y	1.0638			Y	1.2565		
Time (sec)	t	12,426,285,178			t	445,384,084		

Higher CTL

Higher Impermeability

Solve for 0

Solve for 0

De Passivation of steel start

394
27 years
times Higher

De Passivation of steel start

14.12 years

Conclusion UHPC is very much more durable and superior than NSC.

Case Study 1 : Bridge with 102.5 m Span (STEEL Vs UHPFRC)

EC – Embodied Carbon
EE – Embodied Energy

Dura 1.5 SF					NSC 32/40				
Density	2420	kg/m3			Density	2350	kg/m3		
EE	3.83354262	MJ/kg	9.278	GJ/m3	EE	0.880	MJ/kg	2.068	GJ/m3
EC	0.46844106	kg/kg	1133.674	kg/m3	EC	0.123	kg/kg	289.050	kg/m3
NSC 50/60					Steel bar/structure				
Density	2373.9860000	kg/m3			Density	7850	kg/m3		
EE	1.0471890	MJ/kg	2.486	GJ/m3	EE	29.200	MJ/kg	229.220	GJ/m3
EC	0.1704154	kg/kg	404.564	kg/m3	EC	2.590	kg/kg	20331.500	kg/m3
Deck width		16	m	Length	102.6	m			
Steel I Beam Composite RC Deck Bridge									
	Remark	Nos. of Pile	Length (m)	Concrete (m3)	Steel (kg)	Mass (ton)	EE (GJ)	EC (ton)	
1	RC Deck (125 kg/m3)	Grade 50/60		410	51300	1026	2518	299	
2	End-diaphragm (125 kg/m3)	Grade 32/40		19	2400	48	110	12	
3	RC parapet (120kg/m3)	Grade 32/40	205.2	66	7880	162	366	39	
4	Bow String Girder	Steel	102.6	0	1442000	1442	42106	3735	
4.1	Cross Bracing (5% of Steel I Beam)	Steel		0	72100	72	2105	187	
4.2	Other component (bolt and nut, assume 3%)	Steel		0	43260	43	1200	112	
						2793	48469	4384	
Deck width		16	m	Length (m)	102.6	m			
DURA UHPC Composite RC Deck Bridge									
	Remark	Nos. of Pile	Length (m)	Concrete (m3)	Steel (kg)	Mass (ton)	EE (GJ)	EC (ton)	
1	RC Deck (125 kg/m3)	Grade 50/60		410	82080	1056	3417	379	
2	End-diaphragm (125 kg/m3)	Grade 32/40		19	3610	49	145	15	
3	RC parapet (120kg/m3)	Grade 32/40	205.2	66	7880	162	366	39	
4	3 pcs Dura UHPFRC UBG4000 girder (188.82 m3/beam)	Dura 1.5 SF	102.6	566	0	1371	5255	642	
4.1	Strands (31.11t/beam)	Steel		0	279990	280	8176	725	
4.2	Rebar (6.352t/beam)	Steel		0	57168	57.17	1600	118	
						2975	19028	1948	

$$\text{EC Reduction} = \frac{(4384 - 1948)}{4384} \times 100$$

$$= 55.56 \%$$

$$\text{EE Reduction} = \frac{(48469 - 19028)}{48469} \times 100$$

$$= 60.74 \%$$

Case Study 2 : Bridge with 102.5 m Span (Conventional Vs UHPFRC)

Dura 1.5 SF					NSC 32/40				
Density	2420	kg/m3			Density	2350	kg/m3		
EE	3.83354262	MJ/kg	9.278	GJ/m3	EE	0.880	MJ/kg	2.068	GJ/m3
EC	0.46844106	kg/kg	1133.674	kg/m3	EC	0.123	kg/kg	289.050	kg/m3
NSC 50/60					Steel bar/structure				
Density	2373.9860000	kg/m3			Density	7850	kg/m3		
EE	1.0471890	MJ/kg	2.486	GJ/m3	EE	29.200	MJ/kg	229.220	GJ/m3
EC	0.1704154	kg/kg	404.564	kg/m3	EC	2.590	kg/kg	20331.500	kg/m3

EC – Embodied Carbon
EE – Embodied Energy

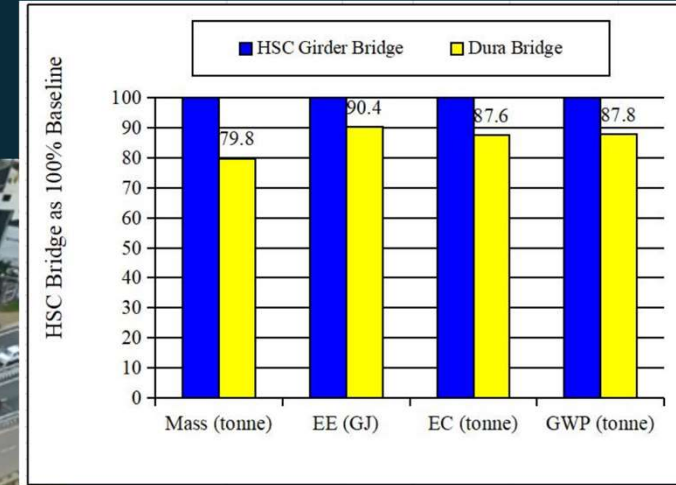
PSC Girder + RC Deck Bridge									
	Remark	Nos. of Pile	Length (m)	Concrete (m3)	Steel (kg)	Mass (ton)	EE (GJ)	EC (ton)	
1	RC Deck (125 kg/m3)			240	30000	600	1473	175	
2	End-diaphragm (125 kg/m3)			19	2400	48	110	12	
3	RC parapet (120kg/m3)		120	38	4608	95	214	23	
4	Precast T beam - 5 x 30 m (2 Spans)		60	305	0	1442	759	124	
4.1	Strands			0.00	22899	23	669	59	
4.2	Rebar			0.00	25953	26	758	67	
5	Substructure (Central Pier - 150kg / cum)			200.00	30000	505	1373	139	
						2233	3982	618	

DURA UHPC Composite RC Deck Bridge									
	Remark	Nos. of Pile	Length (m)	Concrete (m3)	Steel (kg)	Mass (ton)	EE (GJ)	EC (ton)	
1	RC Deck (120 kg/m3)			192	23040	479	1150	137	
2	End-diaphragm (100 kg/m3)			19	1920	47	96	11	
3	RC parapet (120kg/m3)		120	38	4608	95	214	23	
4	3 pcs Dura UHPFRC UBG3000 girder (74 m3/beam)		60	216	0	523	2004	245	
4.1	Strands (11.40 t/beam)			0	34200	34	999	89	
4.2	Rebar (3.7 t/beam)			0	11100	11.10	321	28	
						1189	4787	533	

EC Reduction
 $= \frac{(618 - 533)}{618} \times 100$
=13.86 %



UHPC's Sustainability for Interchange at Pune



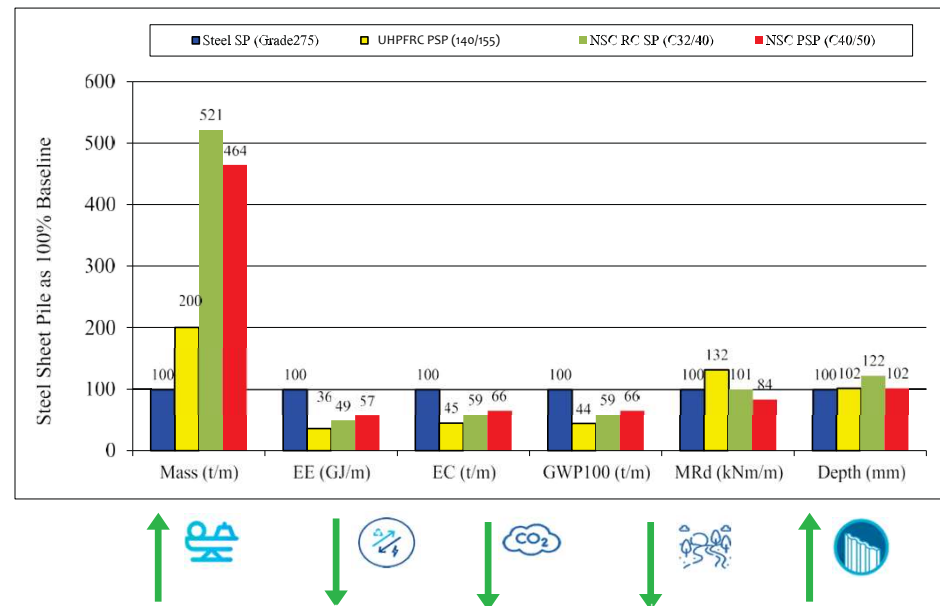
60m span
(UHPC vs HSC)

- 20% lighter ↓
- 10% less EE ↓
- 12% less CO₂ ↓
- 12% less GWP ↓
- **CEPP Ratio = 97**

PRESTRESSED UHPFRC SHEET PILES

Recently, developed new application from UHPFRC is Prestressed Sheet Pile. Which offer superior strength and high durability, enhanced life span. It is an alternative to Steel Sheet Piles.

- Made from grade above 130/145 UHPFRC.
- Thinner and lighter elements
- Superior strength and durability
- Enhance in load-carrying capacity and resistance to bending and deformation
- High structural integrity and load-bearing capabilities



UHPFRC APPLICATION IN DEVELOPMENT STAGE FLOATING BRIDGES

Bridges are constantly being constructed across India. Construction of Permanent bridges in certain cases may be impractical based on objectives, cost & terrain and limitation of construction time.

Examples, where alternative to conventional bridges is required.

Based on Objectives	Based on Cost	Based on Terrain
Military Bridges	Where deep water locations are present, such as backwaters of Dams, Pile or well foundations are impractical to construct.	Over Lakes and Dam Backwaters
Bridges for carrying utilities.		Perennial Rivers
Bridges in Emergency conditions		River or water bodies with very large depth
Bridges for site access.		

The current alternative is floating Bridges which are constructed using structural Steel, which have disadvantages such as corrosion, high cost, low service life and periodic maintenance.



The Bergsøysund Bridge



Nordhordland Bridge



The Evergreen Point Floating Bridge



Thank You

