

Merging Art, Automation and Construction

11<sup>th</sup> Webinar on Revolution in Infrastructure Development by 3D Concrete Printing

Delivering Sustainability, Optimization and Speed using 3D Concrete Printing technology

# Concrete is the most prevalent construction material due to its low cost and durability



Concrete needs to be poured in formwork



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## Conventional construction

- Labour intensive
- Requires formwork
  - Limited flexibility
  - Cost increases with complexity
- Time consuming



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#### The Pain-Killer





#### Robotic construction

- Minimum labor
- Higher productivity



#### No need of formwork

- Ease of creating complex and optimized structures
- Minimal construction waste



#### Optimized 3D Designs

- Low material consumption
- Thermally efficient designs

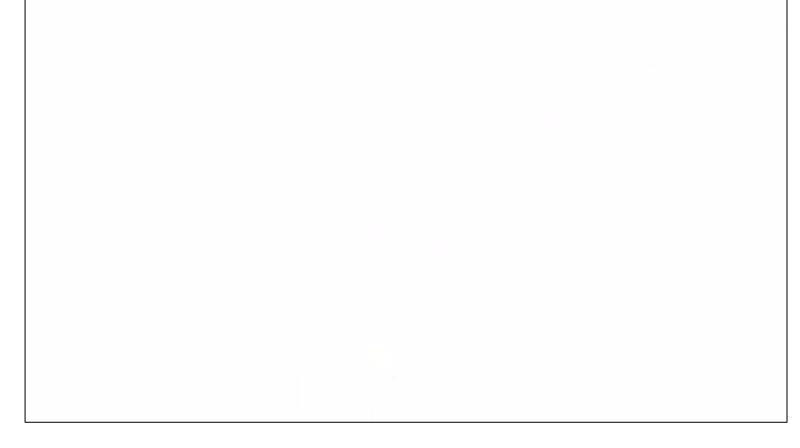


#### Robust quality control

- Minimal human intervention
- Automated feeding, mixing, pumping and 3D printing



BIM and MEP integration



Video Link

# Adoption Underway in Defence and Residential Civil Construction







<u>Video Link</u>

# We work extensively with Indian Defence. We have built Blast and Impact resistant 3D printed structures for them



450+ Impact and Blast resistant bunkers delivered 5,000 Bunkers expected to be delivered in next 2 years





Construction time reduced from 45 days to 7 days
Higher Ballistic performance compared to
Conventional bunkers





3D-printed permanent defences have been constructed for first time by Indian Army's Corps of Engineers in desert sector. These defences were trial tested against a range of weapons from small arms to the main gun of T90 tank: Indian Army's Engineer-in-Chief Lt Gen Harpal Singh

## We have built for Hills



- Higher insulation Reduced heating requirement
- Modular structures Reduced construction timelines





### We have built for Deserts



- Higher insulation Reduced HVAC load
- Modular structures Reduced construction timelines
- Resilient structures Protection against Sand-storms and wind





## We have built for Coastal regions



- Reduced corrosion Lower maintenance, higher life
- Waterproof Resilient against high humidity and monsoon



# We have built for Highest Earthquake Prone Areas



- Structural stability Suitable for high seismic zones
- Lower insurance cost





What can be built with 3DCP in Road Infrastructure







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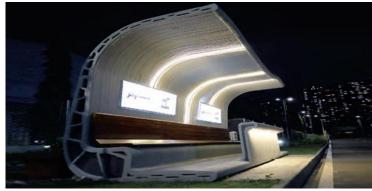
#### Bus stands







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Tvasta / Godrej

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# Retaining walls









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### Public utilities





Weber / Saint Gobain



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### Road Dividers and Barriers





## Manholes, Drains and Trenches











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#### Limitations



Higher cost

Limited pilot projects

Long term durability and structural performance data

Lack of Standards and Testing protocols

## The Way Forward



#### Adoption Strategy

- —Short-term Adoption (1-2 years)
  - Road dividers and barriers
  - Manholes, Drains and Trenches
  - Bus stops, Public utilities, Toll booths
- -Mid-term Adoption (2-5 years)
  - Culverts
  - Retaining walls
  - Pedestrian bridges
  - Bridge pier formwork
- -Long-term Adoption (5-10 years)
  - Load bearing bridge components
  - Bridge foundations

## The Way Forward



- Pilots for feasibility studies, structural testing and long-term performance data
- Committees for development of IRC, BIS, ASTM and ACI codes and guidelines
- Industry-Academia collaboration for full-scale pilots and testing
- Government push for promoting pilots through NHAI, BRO, CPWD and PWDs
- Awareness sessions to promote short-term and long-term adoption



# Best Way to Predict the Future is to Create it!

-Peter Drucker



Let's Print the Future !!!