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Foreword

This Singapore Standard was prepared by the Working Group on Design and Execution of Precast Concrete Slabs and Walls for Buildings set up by the Technical Committee on Building Structures and Substructures under the purview of BCSC.

This standard resulted from the review of CP 81:1999, "Code of practice for precast concrete slab and wall panels". SS 677 replaces CP 81.

The local industry is moving towards greater prefabrication in building construction to achieve higher construction productivity and better-quality building finish. Among other precast concrete elements, precast concrete slab and wall panels are commonly used in building construction.

The standard gives provisions for the design, production and construction of precast slab and wall panels in buildings. It is based on local experiences, practices and relevant standards and codes of practices. It covers the following main areas:

- Design and durability;
- Watertightness and weather-resistance at precast joints;
- Production quality control;
- Handling, storage, transportation and erection; and
- Acceptance of precast components.

To gain the full benefits of using precast slabs and wall panels, it is important to have proper planning starting from the design and development stage of a building project. The planning involves the standardisation and simplicity in design, production, transportation, site accessibility and installation of precast components. This standard will help the users achieve an efficient and economical design that will contribute to higher production and construction productivity and better-quality precast products.

The design of precast reinforced and prestressed concrete slab and wall panels for ultimate and serviceability limit state is in accordance with the requirements and recommendations given in Eurocode 2 : Design of concrete structures. The important design data and requirements recommended in Eurocode 2 such as the basic design considerations on building stability, connections and durability aspect are incorporated in this standard for ease of reference and design of precast slab and wall panels.

Joints are the feature of precast slab and wall panel design. Improper design and detail of the joints will lead to the problem of water seepage through the joints. In this standard, the design and details of the joints in relation to joint width and waterproofing material are recommended to ensure water- and weather-tightness.

The standard also includes requirements and guidelines on acceptance of precast slab and wall panels in relation to the quality and integrity of the precast components that are received on job sites.

It is assumed in the drafting of this standard that the design of precast reinforced or prestressed concrete slab and wall panels is entrusted to a Professional Engineer and the execution of the work is carried out under the direction of an appropriately qualified supervisor.

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1 Scope

This standard gives requirements and recommendations for the design, manufacture, handling, transportation, erection and acceptance of precast concrete slabs (with or without prestress), load bearing and non-load bearing precast concrete wall panels.

The production, handling and construction techniques vary with different types of equipment, machinery and construction material used. As such, the design and detail for the stresses induced in the precast concrete slab and wall panels arising from different techniques of production, handling and construction are not covered in this standard.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this standard. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

BS EN ISO 11600 Building construction. Jointing products. Classification and requirements for sealants

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