



# UNSEEN BENEFITS OF PRECAST

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#### **HISTORY OF PRECAST**

The Romans were one of the first to use an early form of Precast Concrete. Used molds and wooden forms to create an intricate aqueduct system and catacombs.

Despite these early uses, it didn't become popular till the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century with John Alexander Brodie being one of the first to patent precast paneled construction.

1954, Precast Concrete Institute was formed and still serves as a technical sounding board for all things related to precast.













124 km of metro line
139 km of white topping
Total Road length of 250 km





Approximate combined drain length is 500 km

### **MATERIAL EFFICIENCY**

- Double layer reinforcement
- PCC bed first cast followed by casting and curing of the base







#### **MATERIAL EFFICIENCY**

- Cast in Situ is over engineered because of inherent problems
- Precast can be designed to perform with less material
- Saves material and cost

What does this mean in terms of money, congestion, pollution and the environment...





#### **COST EFFICIENCY**

**COST FOR CAST IN SITU** 

Rs.4500/rmt all inclusive

Potential to save over 6000crores for Bangalores drain networks alone!

Rs. 2700/rmt all inclusive



**COST FOR PRECAST** 



#### TIME EFFICIENCY

- Currently only 25% of white topping done
- Major contributing factor is the time taken
- Police hesitate to give clearance due to traffic problems that pile up
- Precast Panels can be employed
- Work would happen much faster reducing disruptions while still having the same long-term benefits





# PRACTICAL MANHOLE EXAMPLE

- Brick manholes are slow to install
- Difficult to ensure proper procedure
- We had a challenge to install a precast manhole
- Install overnight, start to finish





## FOR THE PUBLIC









**LESS DUST POLLUTION** 

**LESS INCONVENIENCE** 

**MORE SAFE** 



#### **FOR THE ENVIRONMENT**





None of the above would be useful if we did not have an environment.

Using precast and the latest technologies reduces the use of many natural resources.

For example, using precast can save 150 liters/cmt compared to other methods.







#### **SUMMARY OF THE UNSEEN BENEFITS**

- Less material waste
- Less water used
- Less inconvenience
- Less pollution
- More safety
- More longevity
- More money saved



