

# Design of Post-Tensioned Raft and Piled Raft Foundation in the Amazon Region

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# About Brazil

## Demographic Census 2010

Total Resident Population = 190,732,694

Territorial Area = 8,515,767 Km<sup>2</sup>

Capital = Brasília – DF

Official Currency = Real (R\$)

1 US\$ ~ 2.22 R\$

Minimum wage 2010 ~ US\$ 292

2013 ~ US\$ 335

↓ 2014 ~ **US\$ 323**

Official Language = Portuguese

Population

51% Female

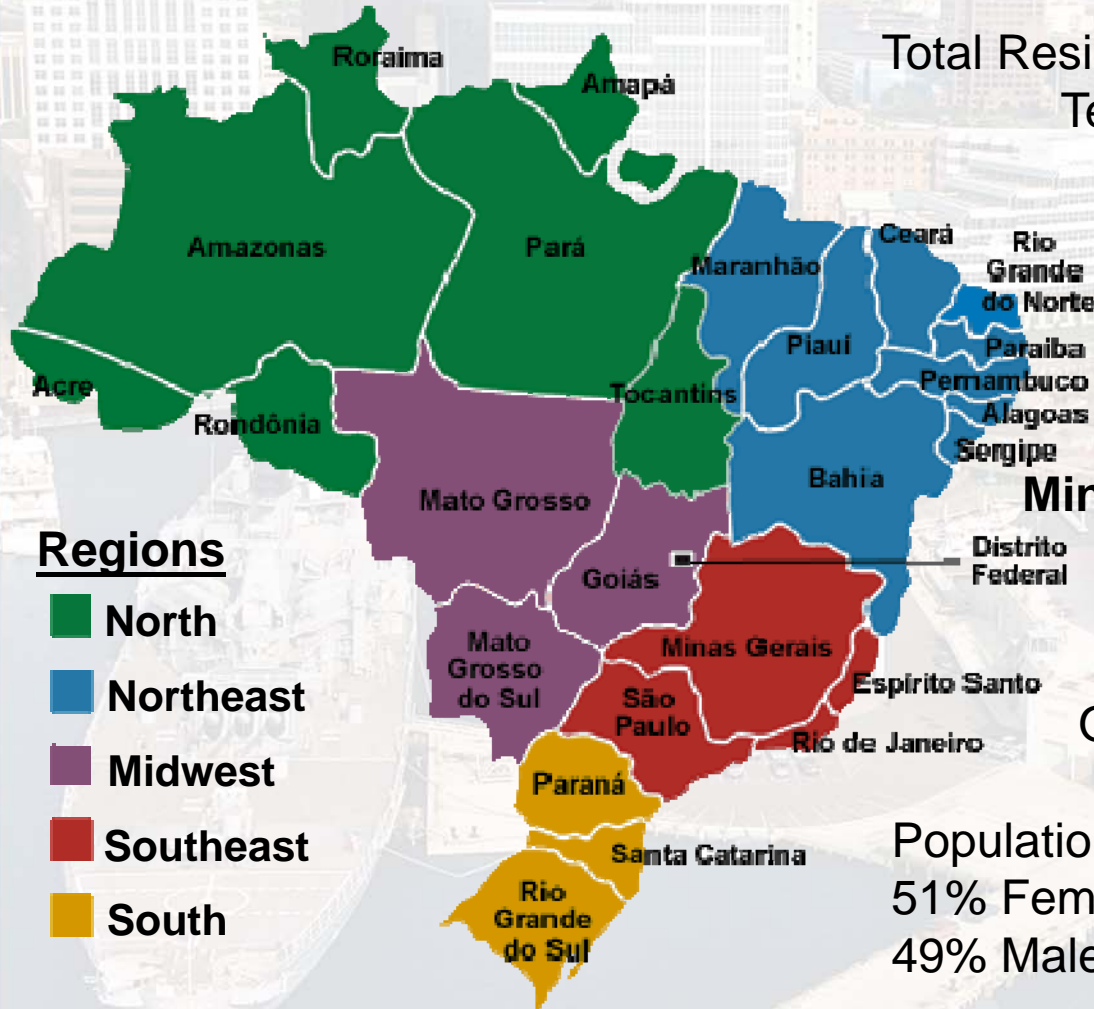
49% Male

84.4% - Urban

15.6% - Rural

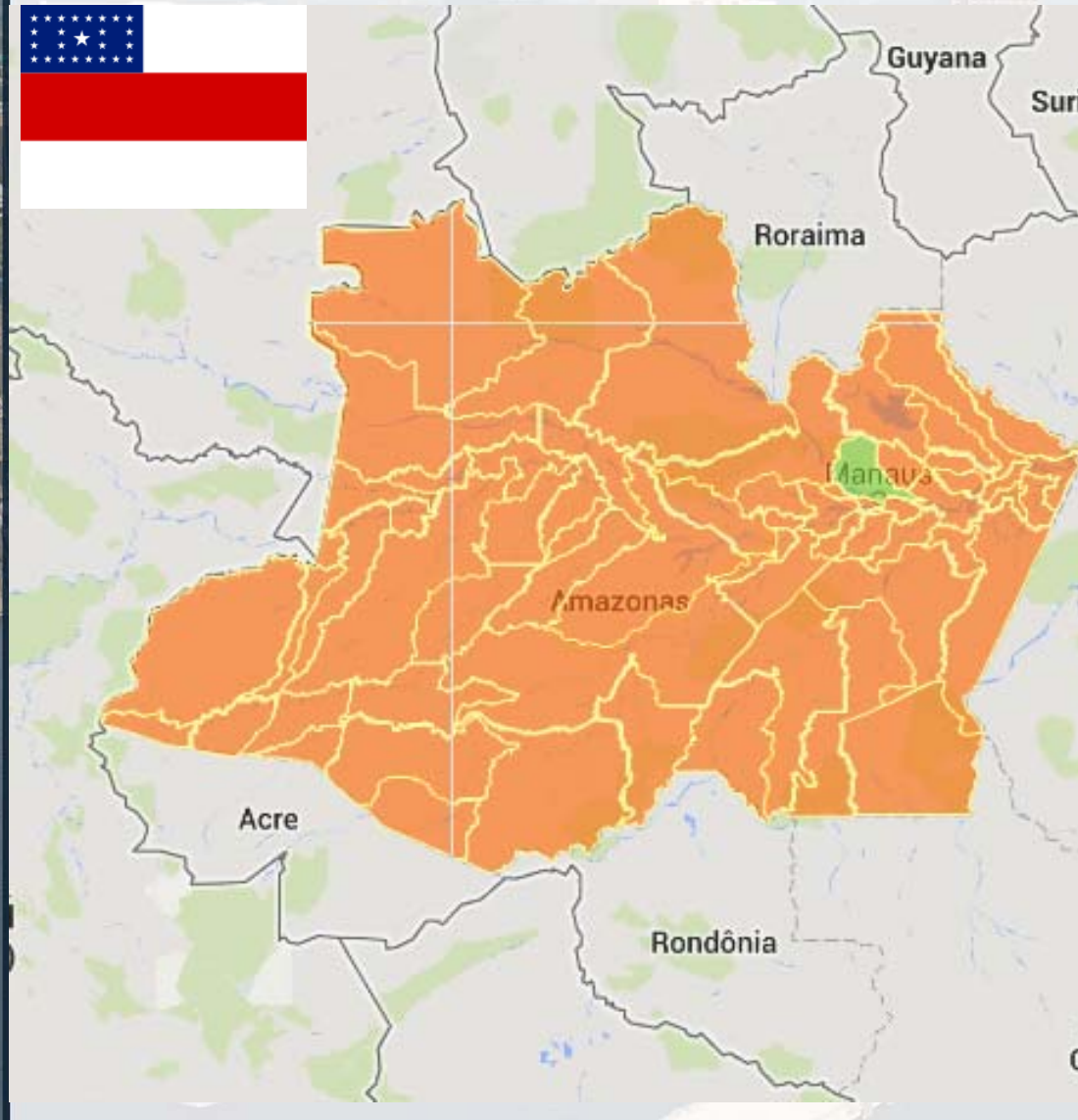
## Regions

- North
- Northeast
- Midwest
- Southeast
- South





# About the state of Amazonas



## **Demographic Census 2010**

Population = 3,807,923

Total Area = 1,559,159 Km<sup>2</sup>

Capital = Manaus

**Populational Density = 2.44  
inhabitants/Km<sup>2</sup>**

Native Indigenous  
Population = 4.8%

Holds 98% of preserved  
forest cover and one of the  
planet's greatest fresh water  
reservoirs.

**Housing Deficit = 10.4 %**

# About Manaus



## Demographic Census 2010

52% of the State of Amazon's population live in Manaus.

**Populational Density =  
158.06 inhabitants/Km<sup>2</sup>**

Number of households with  
monthly per capita income  
greater than 5 minimum  
wages range from 8.01 %  
to 23.44 %

**6<sup>th</sup> richest city in Brazil and  
its only Free Trade Zone.**

One of the greatest industrial  
areas in the country.



# What we have been doing



**Minha Casa  
Minha Vida**

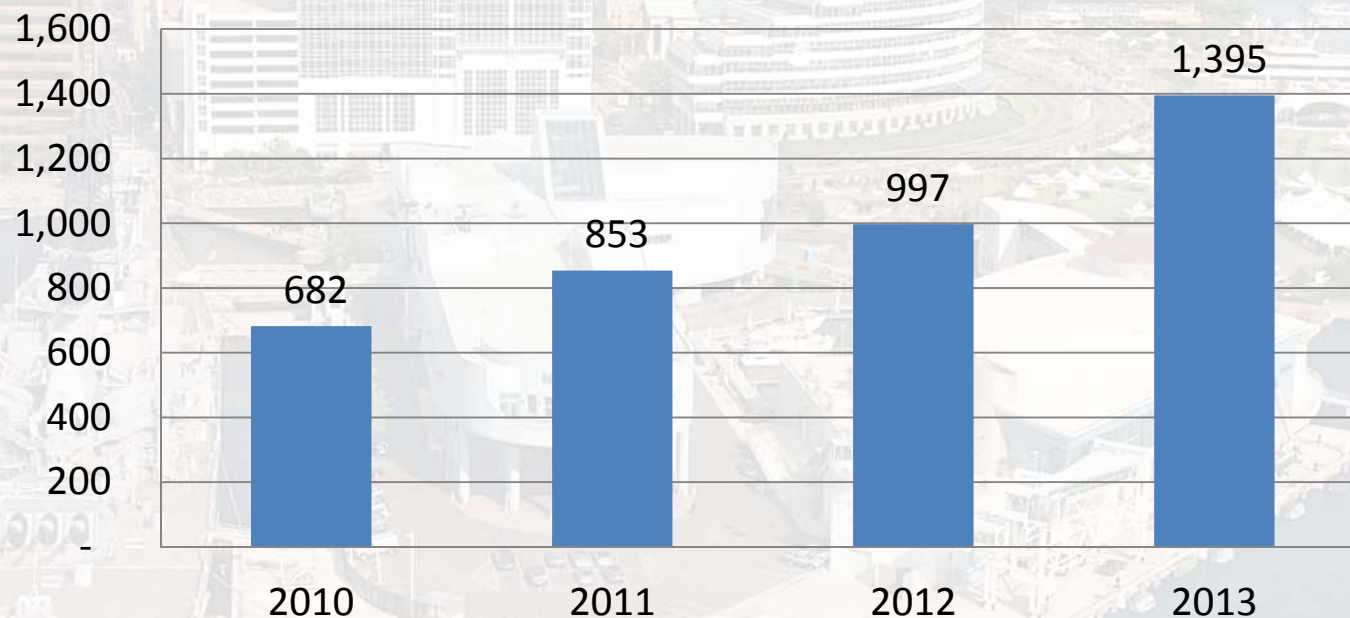
In English:  
My Home  
My Life



**Brazilian Government Dwelling Program: started in **March 2009**, subsidizing low-cost houses and apartments for lower-class families to build **one million homes** at an estimated total cost of about **R\$ 34 Bi** ~ **US\$ 17 Bi**.**

# About PT – Market in Brazil

**Average Monthly Market – Unbonded  
Tendons  
(Ton)**



**1 year = 16,740 ton**



# About PT – Market in Brazil

## Representative cost of one ton of material USD

	Swiss	USA	Colombia	Brazil	Mexico
Tendon	11,100	2200	1700	2250	1350
Rebar	1,550	1000	900	1500	1000
Ratio	7.2	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.35



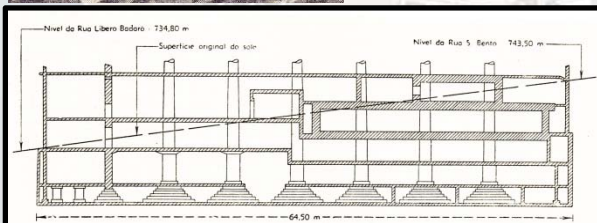
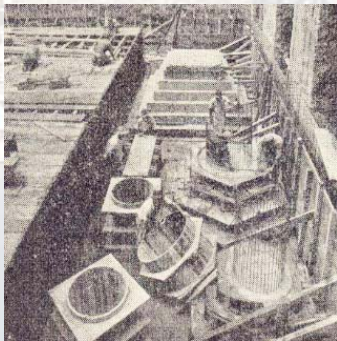
**We have a good potential to grow.**

# What we have been doing

## Some successful experiences in Brazil - slab-on-ground or mat/raft foundations:



**Residential Building in Fortaleza in August 1999. The building has fourteen floors**



**Bank of Brazil Building in São Paulo in the 1950s.**



**Hotel Le Méridien Copacabana opened in 1975 in the city of Rio de Janeiro. The building has forty floors.**



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## Some of the project's features:

**Project = 9 blocks with 4 floors each**

**Each Apartment Building = 1,440 m<sup>2</sup>**

**Total Height of Each Block = 14 m**

**Type of Construction = Structural  
Masonry (Concrete)**

**Location: Manaus**

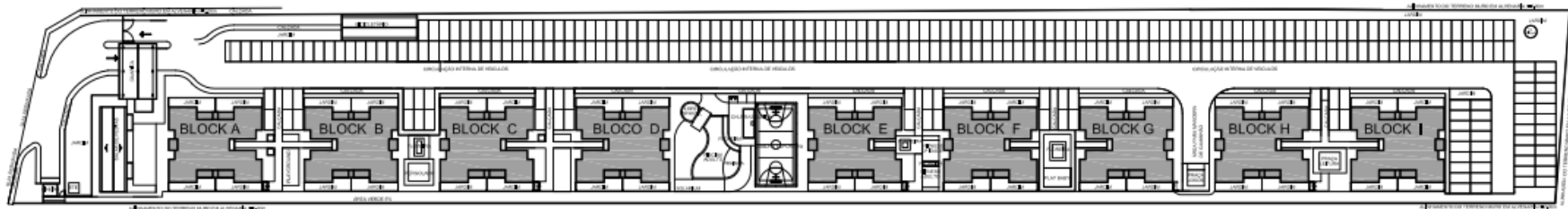
**State: Amazonas**

**Country: Brazil**



**10** ELEVATION  
SCALE 1/50  
0 2M 6

**KEY - LAYOUT**

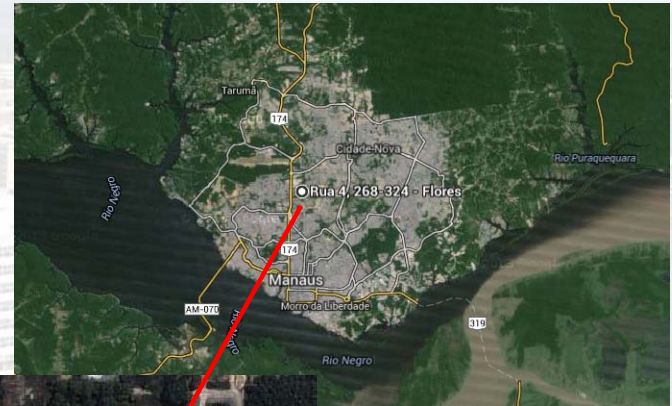


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## Some of the project's features:

Photo of the construction site

Land Area = 17,000 m<sup>2</sup>





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## Some of the project's features:

### Soil Investigation

Two points for each block

SPT (Standard Penetration Test)

CBR Test

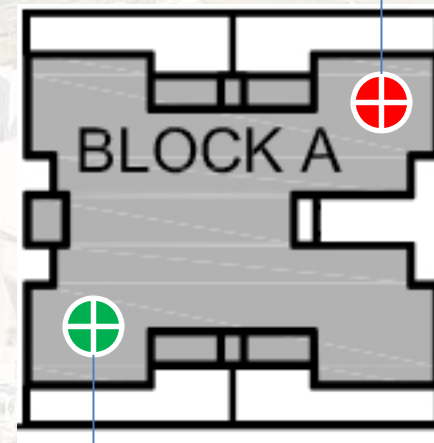
Liquid Limit

Plastic Limit

Plasticity Index

Soil Classification

After Earthwork



Before Earthwork



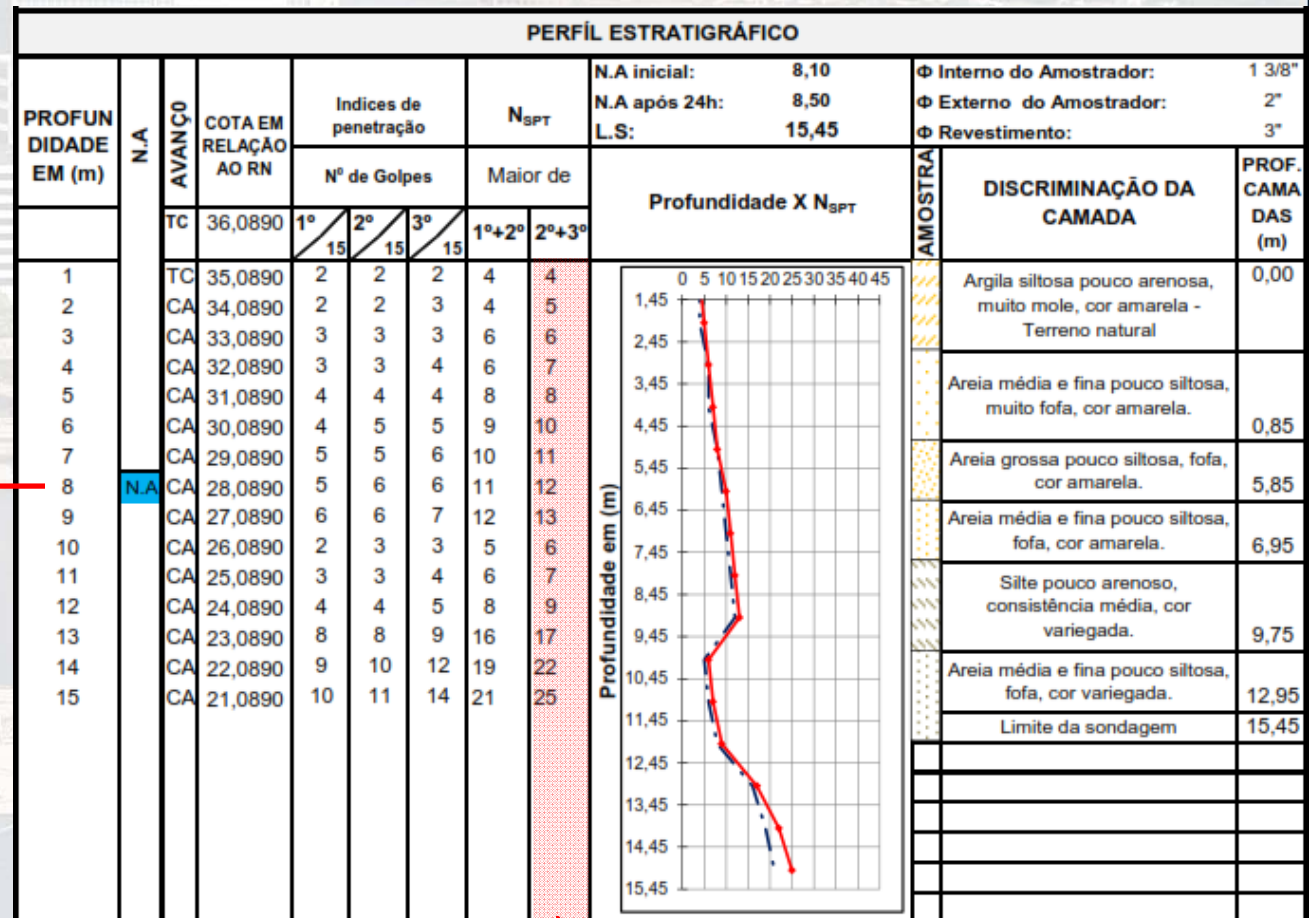
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## Soil Investigation

# SPT – Standard Penetration Test

## Water level ←



## Soil - Standard Penetration Test - SPT



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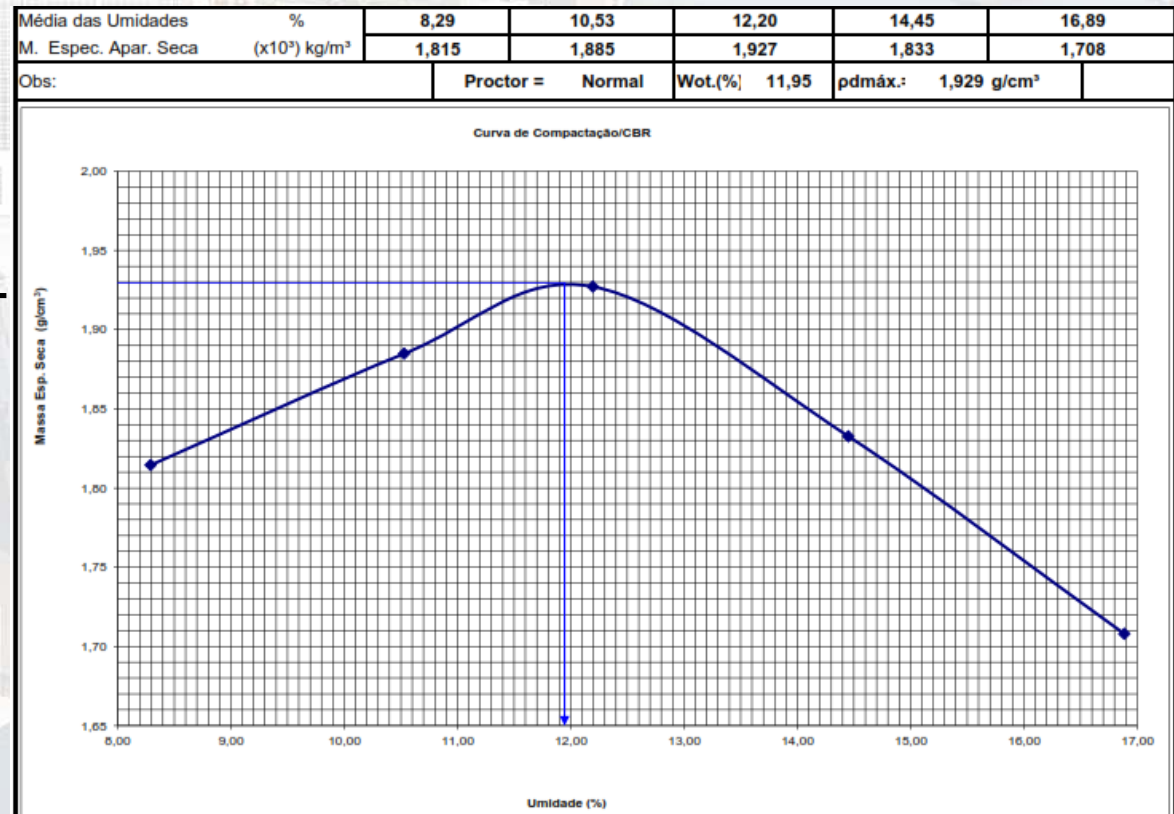
### Soil Investigation

#### CBR Test

Analysis depth = 0,80 – 2,10 m

CBR<sub>(2.54mm)</sub> = 11.02%

Expansion = 0.36%

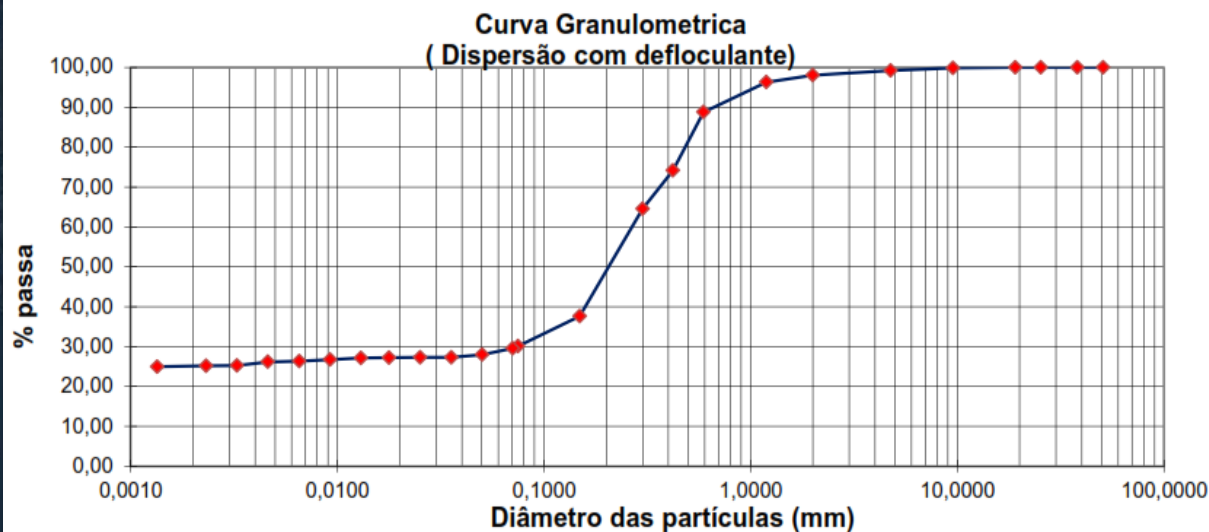


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### Soil Classification

% Gravel = 2%

% Sand = 67%

% Mo (Silt) = 5%

% Clay = 26%

ASTM Soil Classification System = SC  
AASHTO Soil Classification = A-2-6

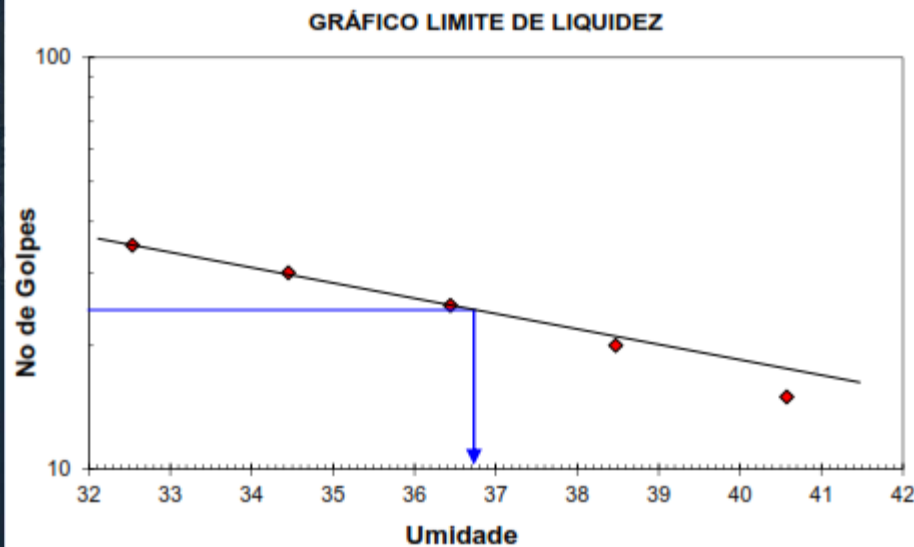


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*Soil expansivity prediction by liquid limit*

Degree of expansion	$w_L$ : %	
	Chen <sup>6</sup>	IS 1498 <sup>4</sup>
Low	<30	20–35
Medium	30–40	35–50
High	40–60	50–70
Very high	>60	70–90

*Soil expansivity predicted by plasticity index*

Degree of expansion	$I_p$ : %		
	Holtz and Gibbs <sup>10</sup>	Chen <sup>6</sup>	IS 1498 <sup>4</sup>
Low	<20	0–15	<12
Medium	12–34	10–35	12–23
High	23–45	20–55	23–32
Very high	>32	>35	>32

Source: Nelson J. & Miller D. (1992)



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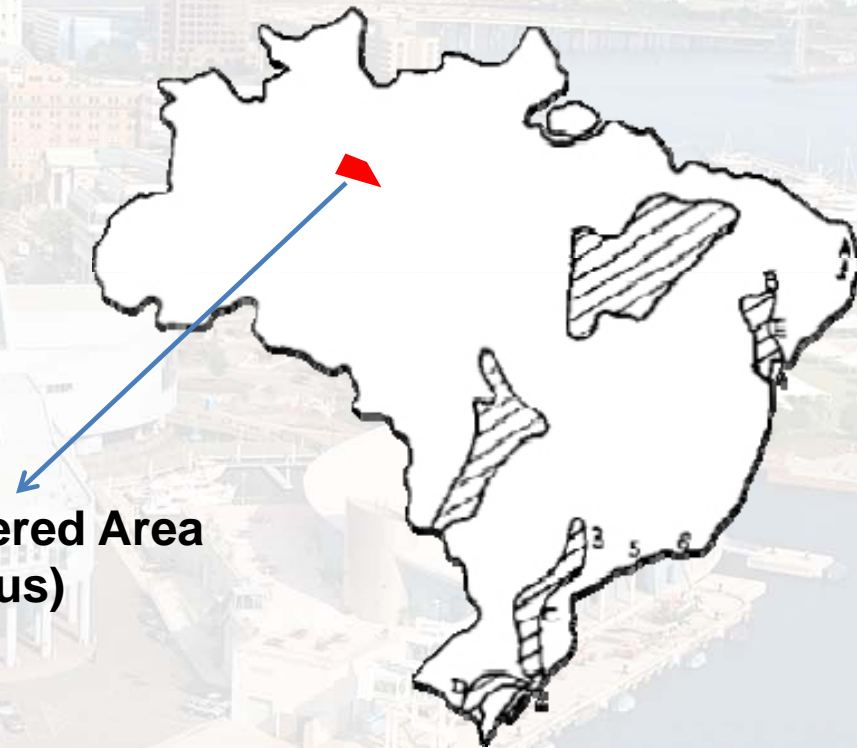
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### Soil Investigation

Expansive soils: main occurrences in Brazil

New Discovered Area  
(Manaus)



Source: Vargas et al, 1989.

Areas of sedimentary rocks with  
montmorillonites potentially  
subjected to expansion.

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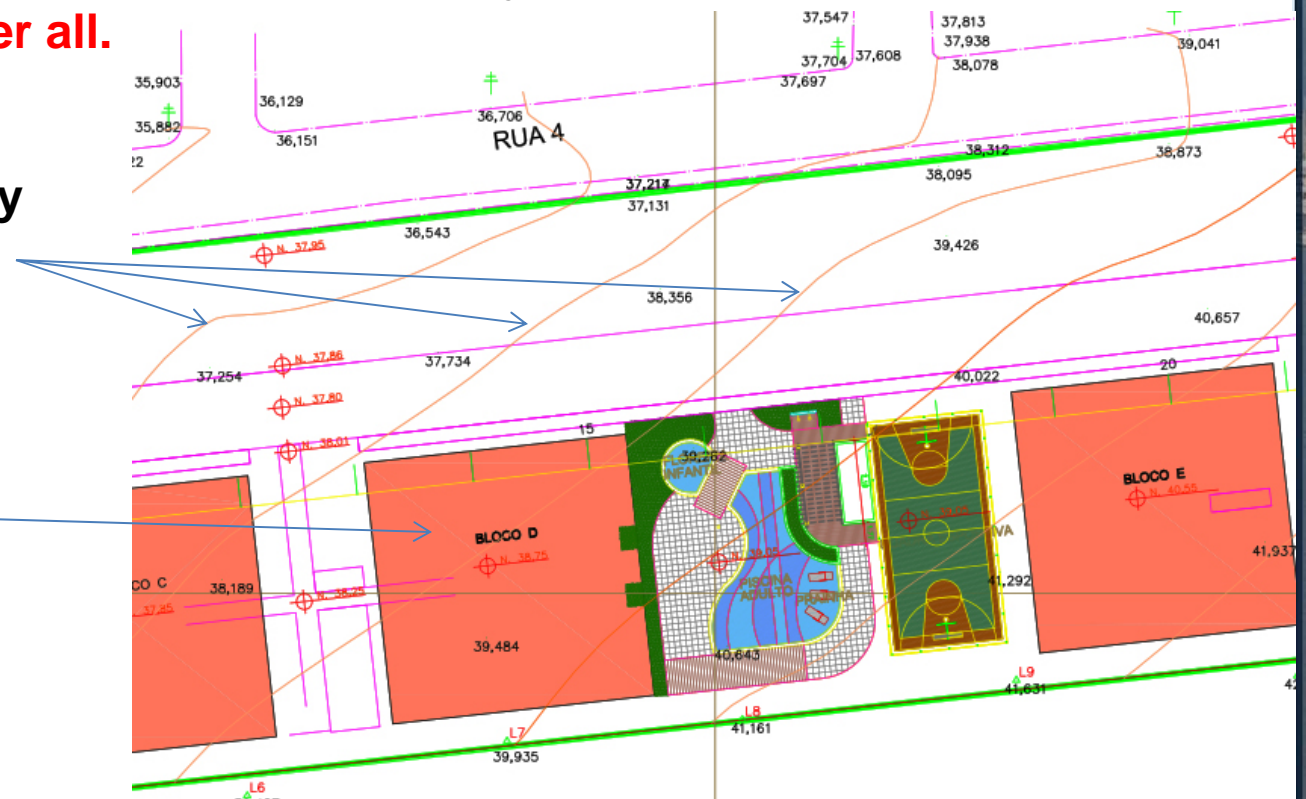
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### Soil Investigation

Earthworks project established a level where this layer of expansive soil was removed. So the project was conceived in **non-expansive soil after all.**

### Natural Topography of the Land (Contour Levels)

### Level Design





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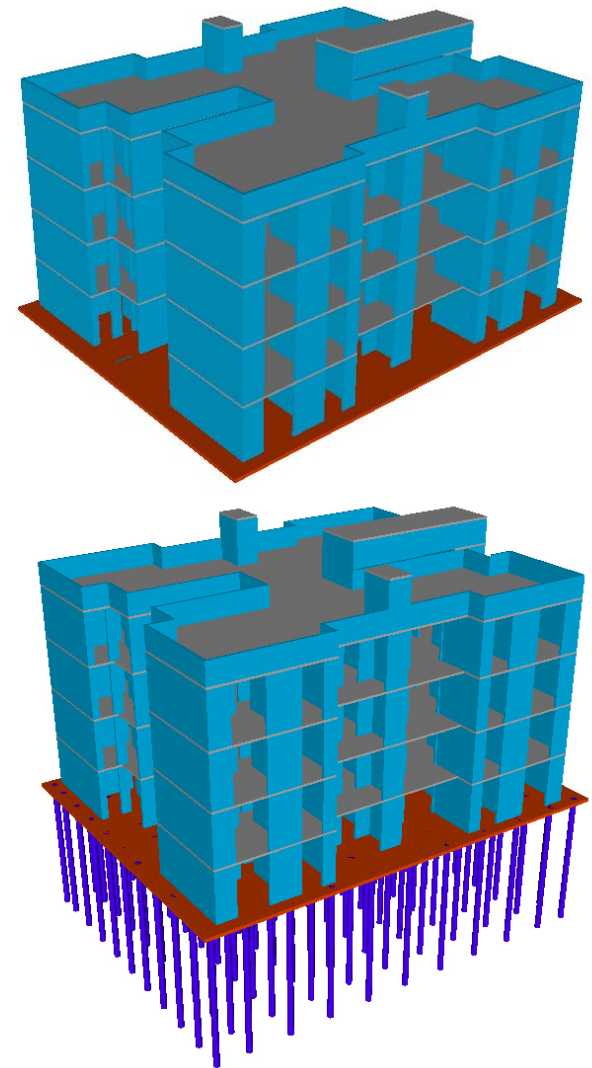
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**Design of Post-Tensioned Raft and  
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**FEM – Finite Element Method**

**ADAPT**  
Structural Concrete Software

 **EDGE**  
+  
 **MAT**



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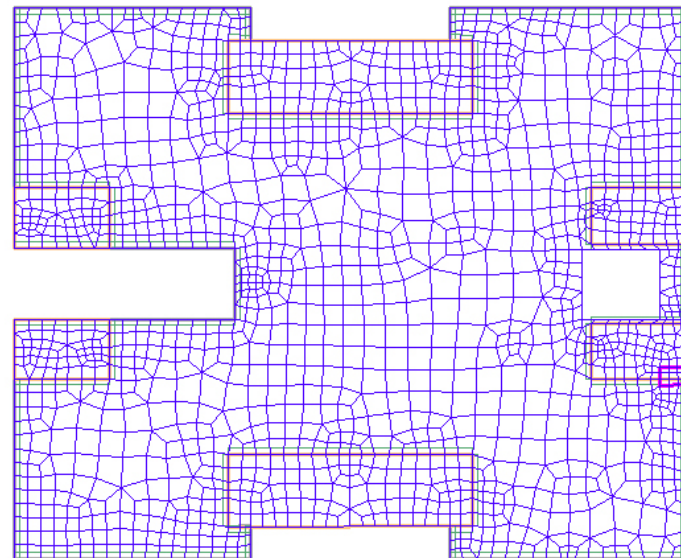
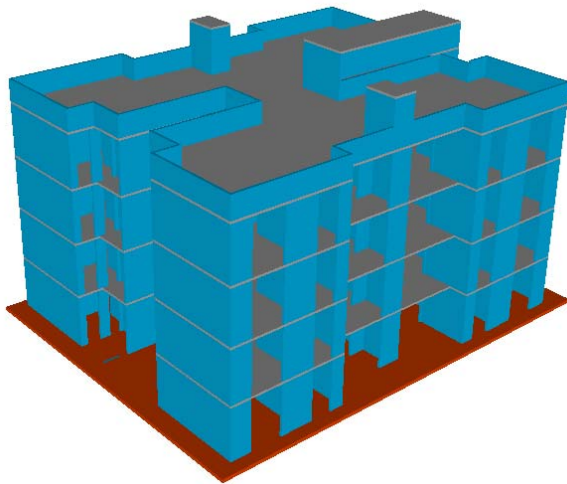
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**FEM – Finite Element Method**

**Shell Element**

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**Maximum Distance = 0.50 meters**





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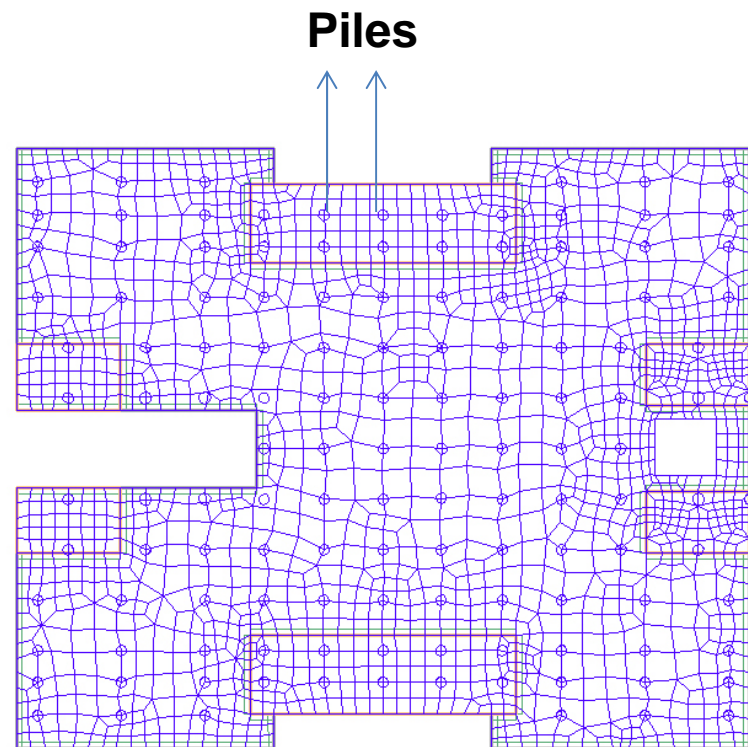
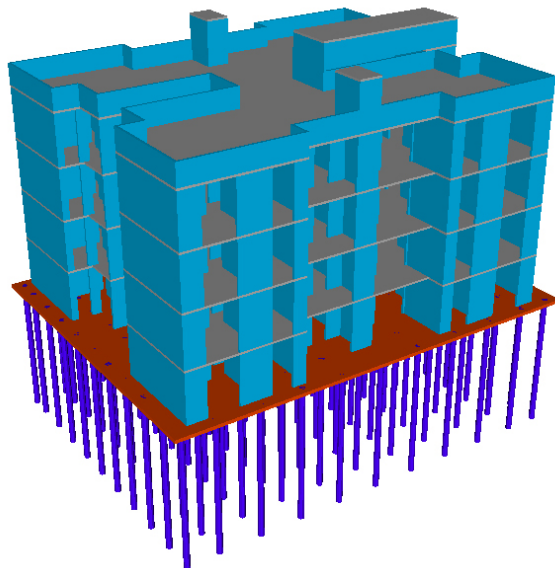
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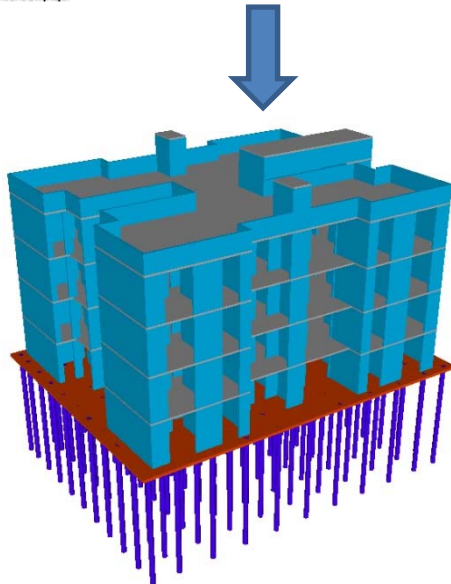
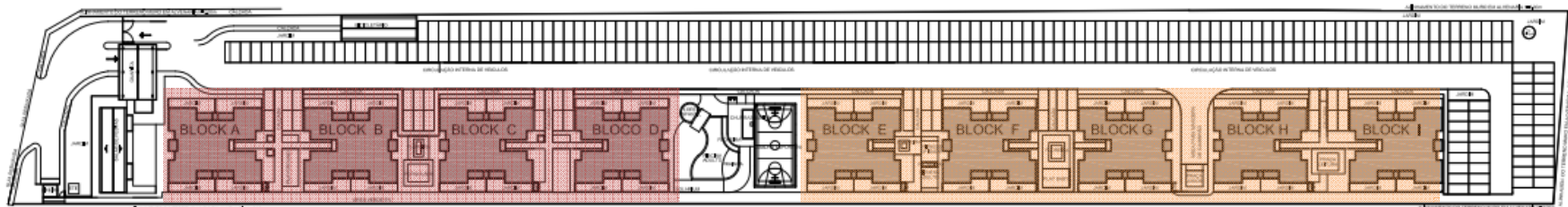


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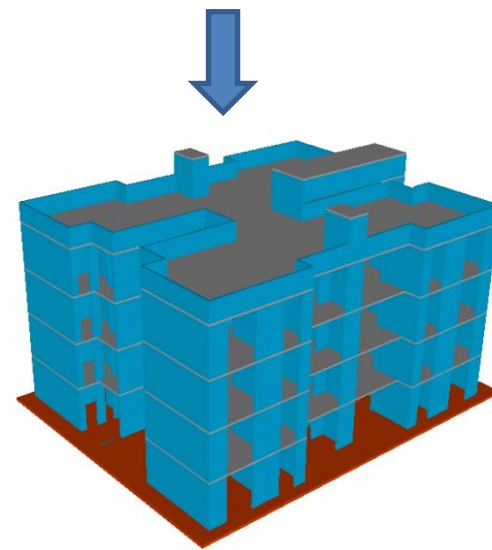
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KEY - LAYOUT



04 – Blocks with Piled Raft Foundation



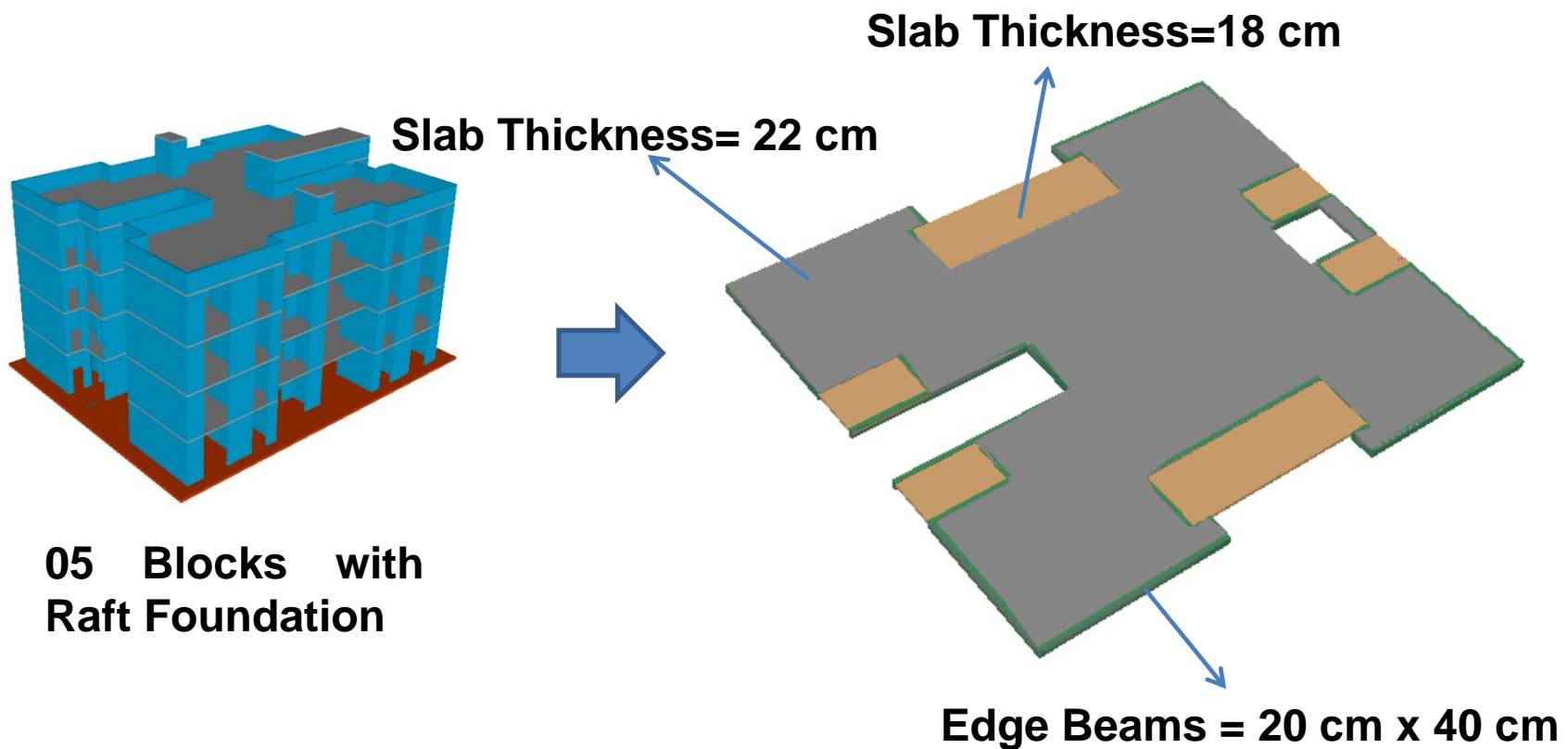
05 – Blocks with Raft Foundation



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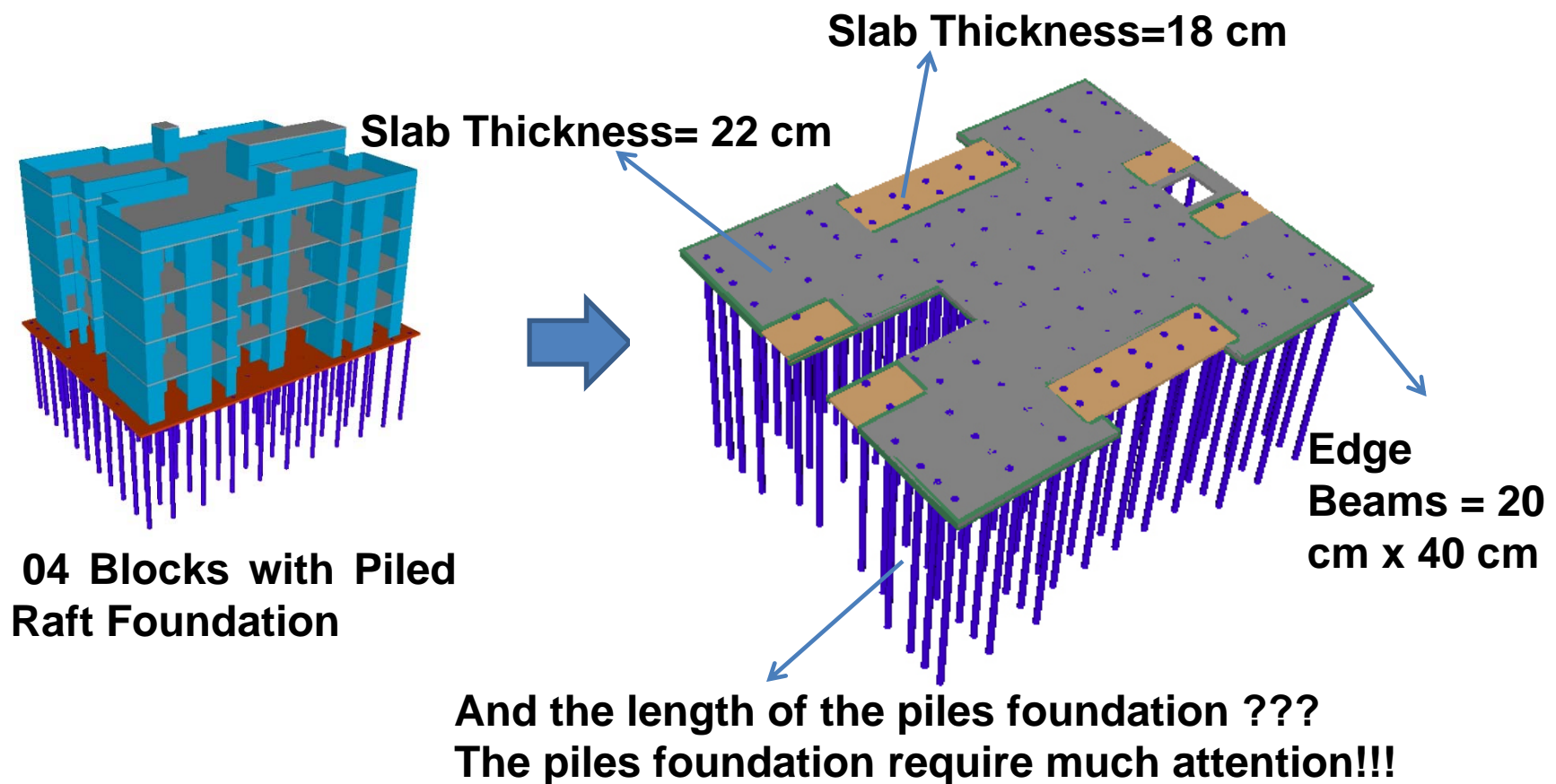
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### Design of Post-Tensioned Raft and Piled Raft Foundation

Diâmetro seção circular	350	mm	*
Comp. total da estaca	12.0	m	
Carga axial	37.00	ton	
Módulo Elasticidade (Ec)	20.00	GPa	
Nível d'água	8.0	m	

ps	1.46	mm
pe	1.90	mm
p	3.36	mm

Settlement by the soil



Settlement by the elastic shortening



Total Settlement

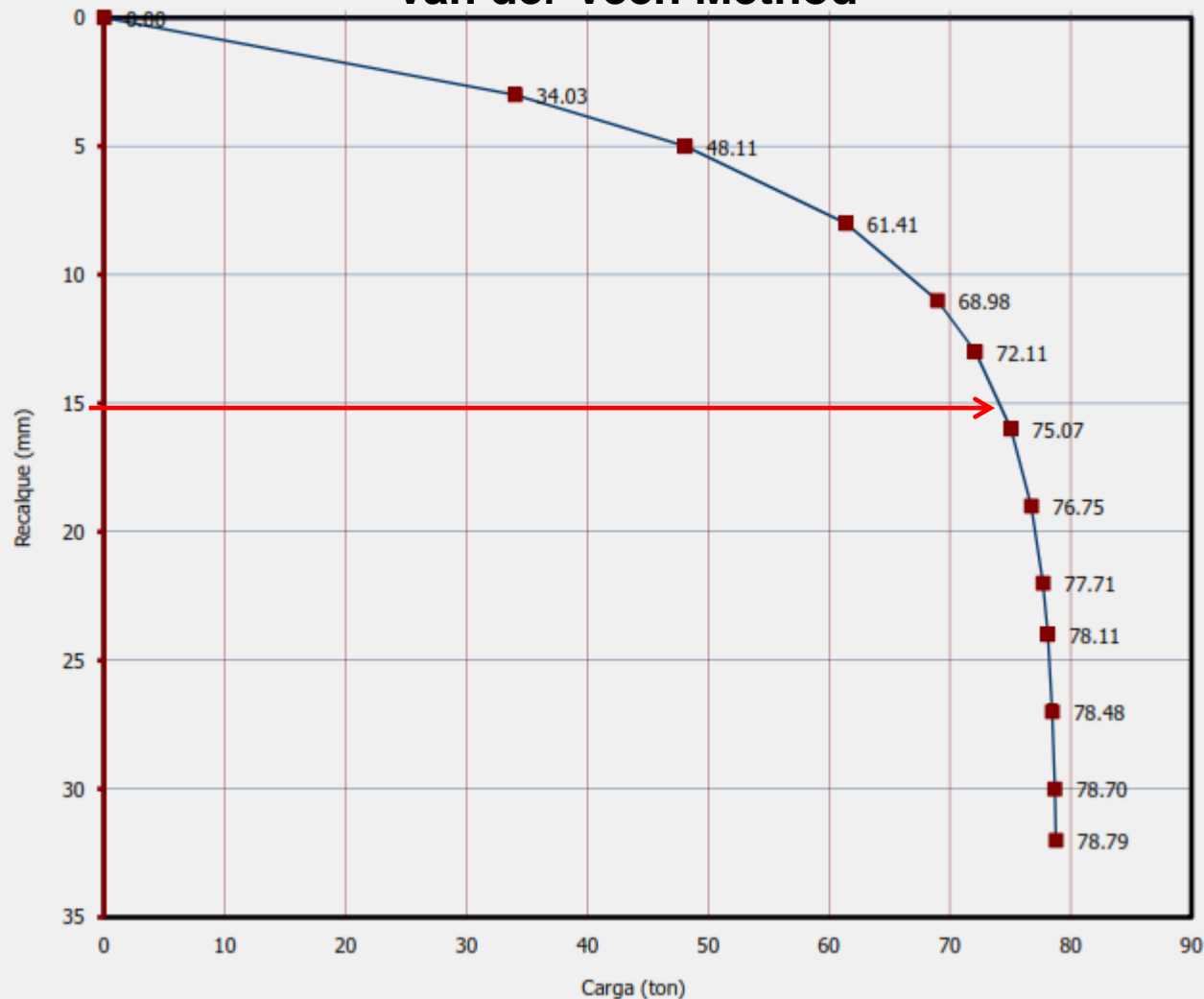
Capacidade de carga - Método Aoki-Velloso			
Capac. carga Lateral (ton)	Capac. carga Ponta (ton)	Capac. Total (ton)	Carga admissível (ton)
36.6	42.3	79.0	39.5

Type of the Pile Foundation: = Auger Piles

Maximum Allowable Load of the Pile Foundation  
Aoki-Velloso Method – One of the main methods  
applied in Brazil.

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## Forecasting Load X Settlement Van der Veen Method



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**Design of Post-Tensioned Raft and Piled Raft Foundation**

**Safety Factor  
= 73/39.5**

**Safety Factor  
= 1.85**

**Recommends the  
safety factor  
greater than 1.5 for  
the group of piles.**

**Then OK!!**

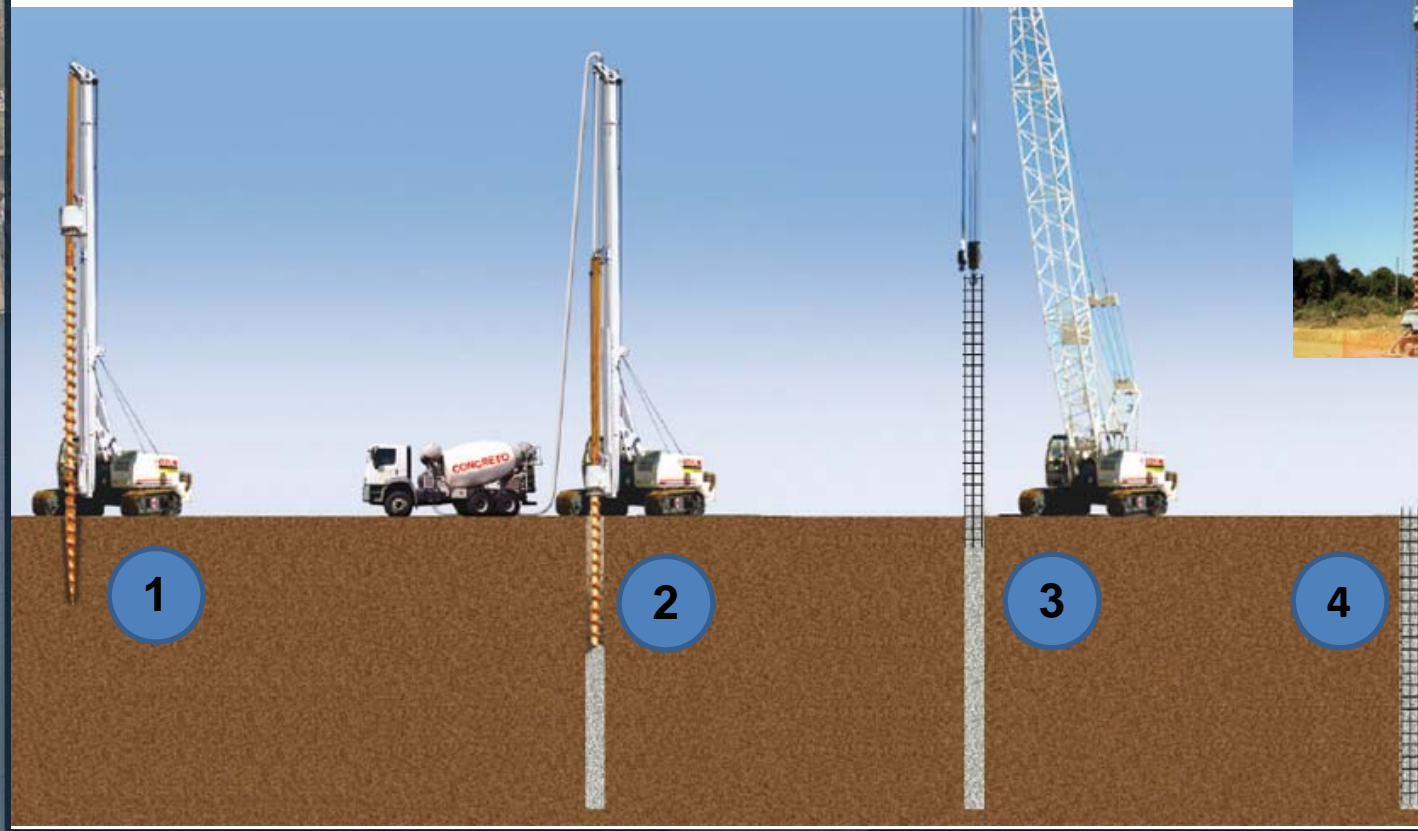


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#### Stages of implementation of the pile (Auger Pile)



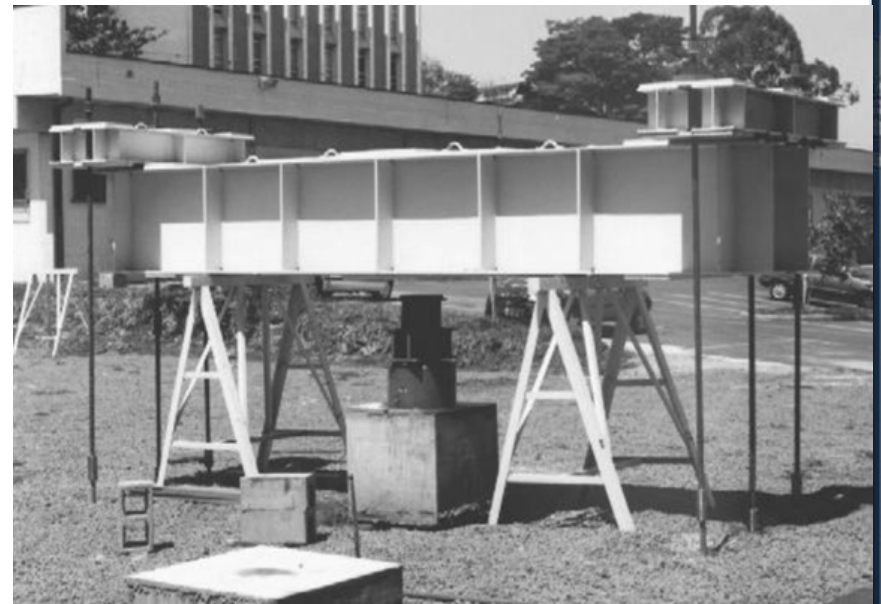
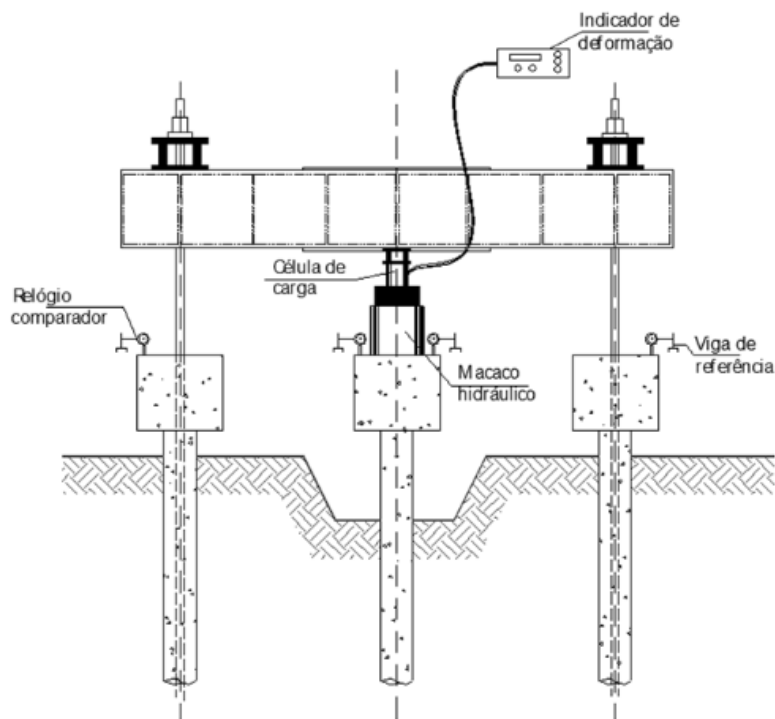
Equipment

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The Brazilian Standard NBR6122 recommends 1% of the executed piles to be trialed.



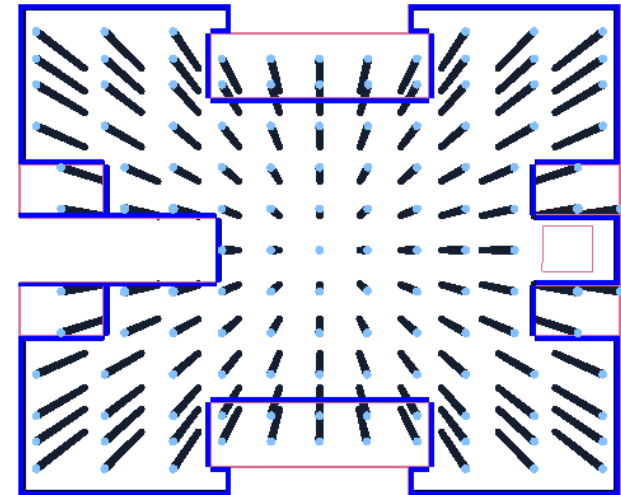
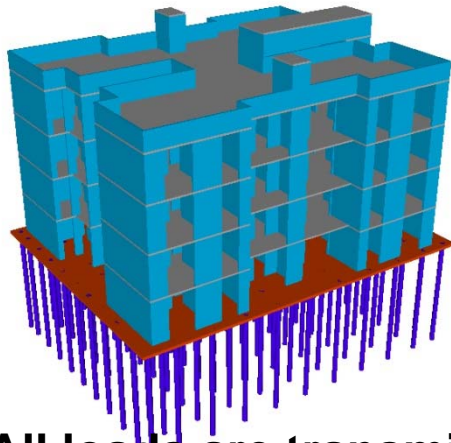


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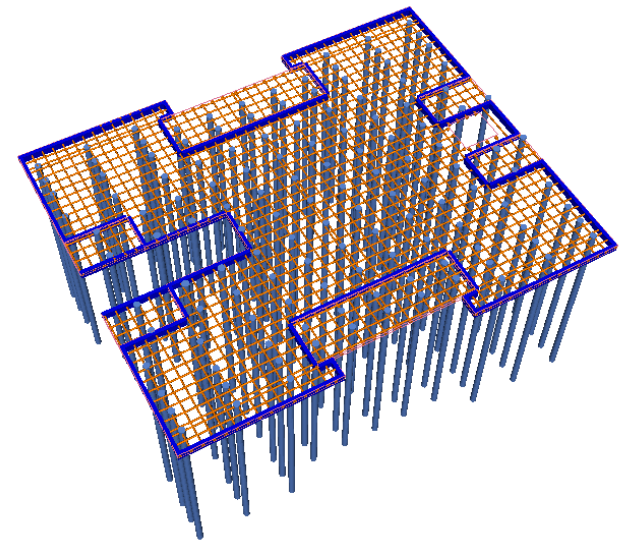
**Results**

**Post-Tensioned Piled Raft Foundation**



**All loads are transmitted only to the piles.**

Load Combination	Minimum Displacement (mm)	Maximum Displacement (mm)
Service	0.17	3.24
Strength	0.43	4.55
Initial	0.00	0.89

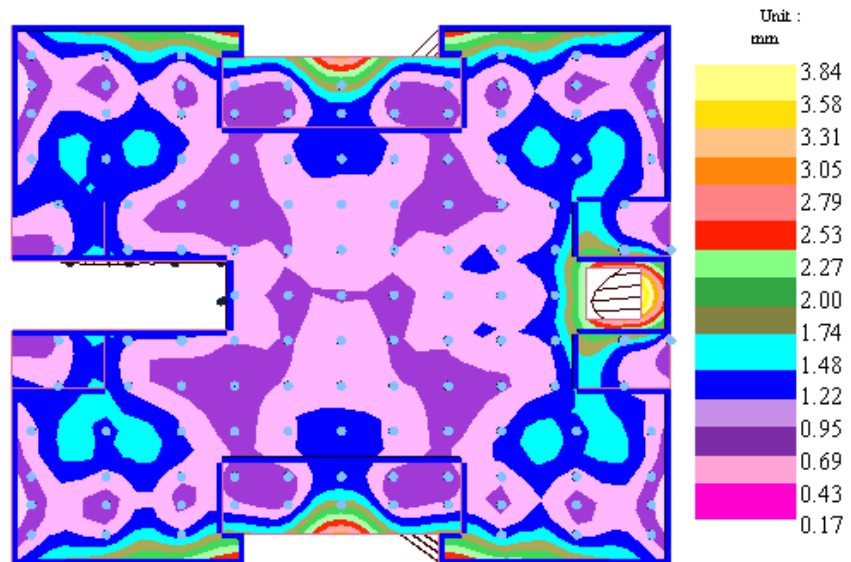
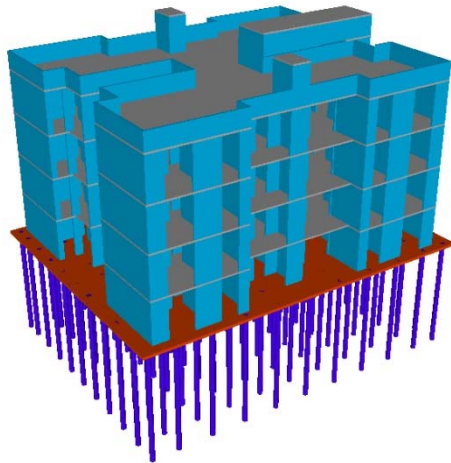


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## Some of the project's features:

### Results

#### Reinforced Piled Raft Foundation



All loads are transmitted only to the piles.

Load Combination	Minimum Displacement (mm)	Maximum Displacement (mm)
Service (TL)	0.17	3.84
Strength (DLO)	0.24	5.37
Cracked Sustained Load	0.17	4.05

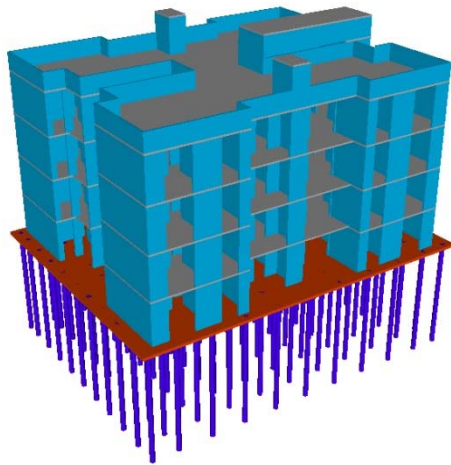


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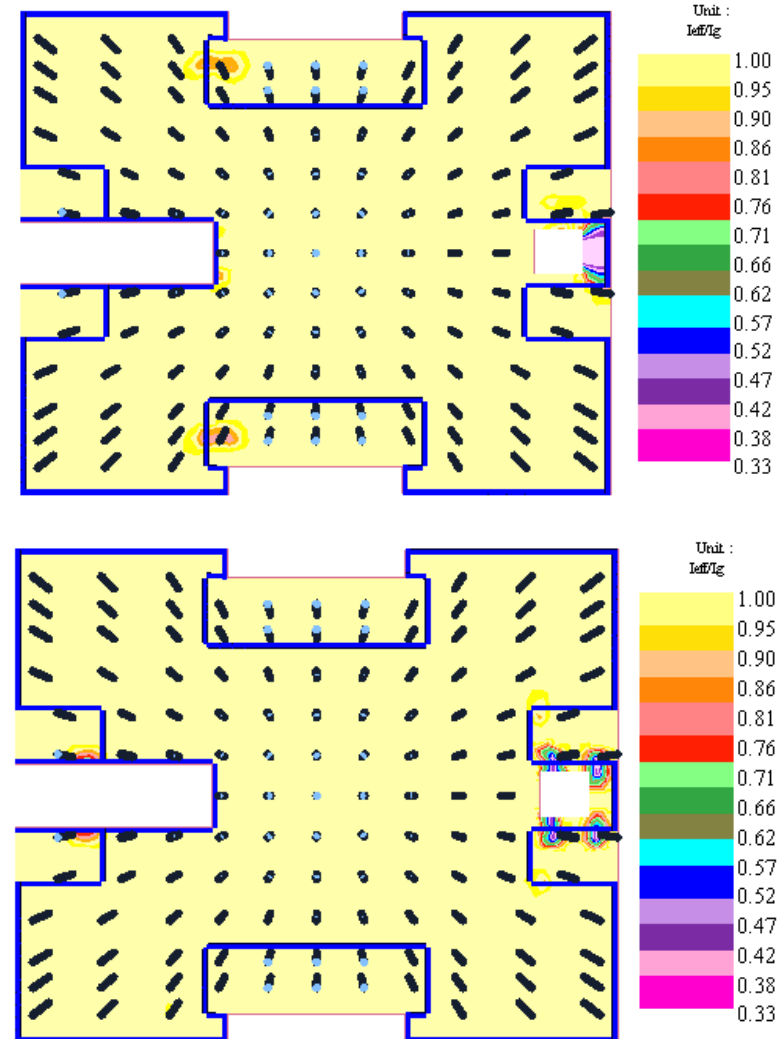
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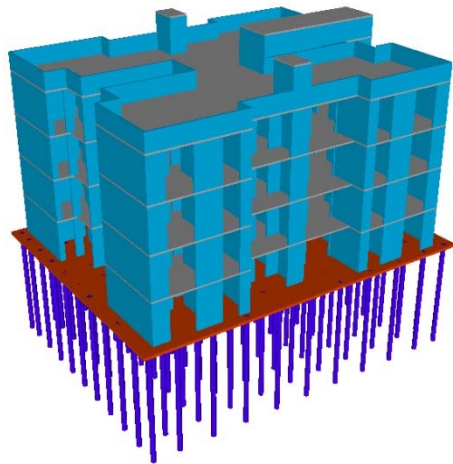
**Reduced Rotational  
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## Some of the project's features:

### Summary



Design Reference	SOG Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	SOG Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Weight Rebar (kg)	Weight Tendon (kg)	Rate Rebar (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Rate Tendon (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Reinforced Concrete	432.86	99.68	4,250	-----	42.64	-----
Post-Tensioned + Reinforced Concrete	432.86	99.68	1,790	1,207	17.95	12.11

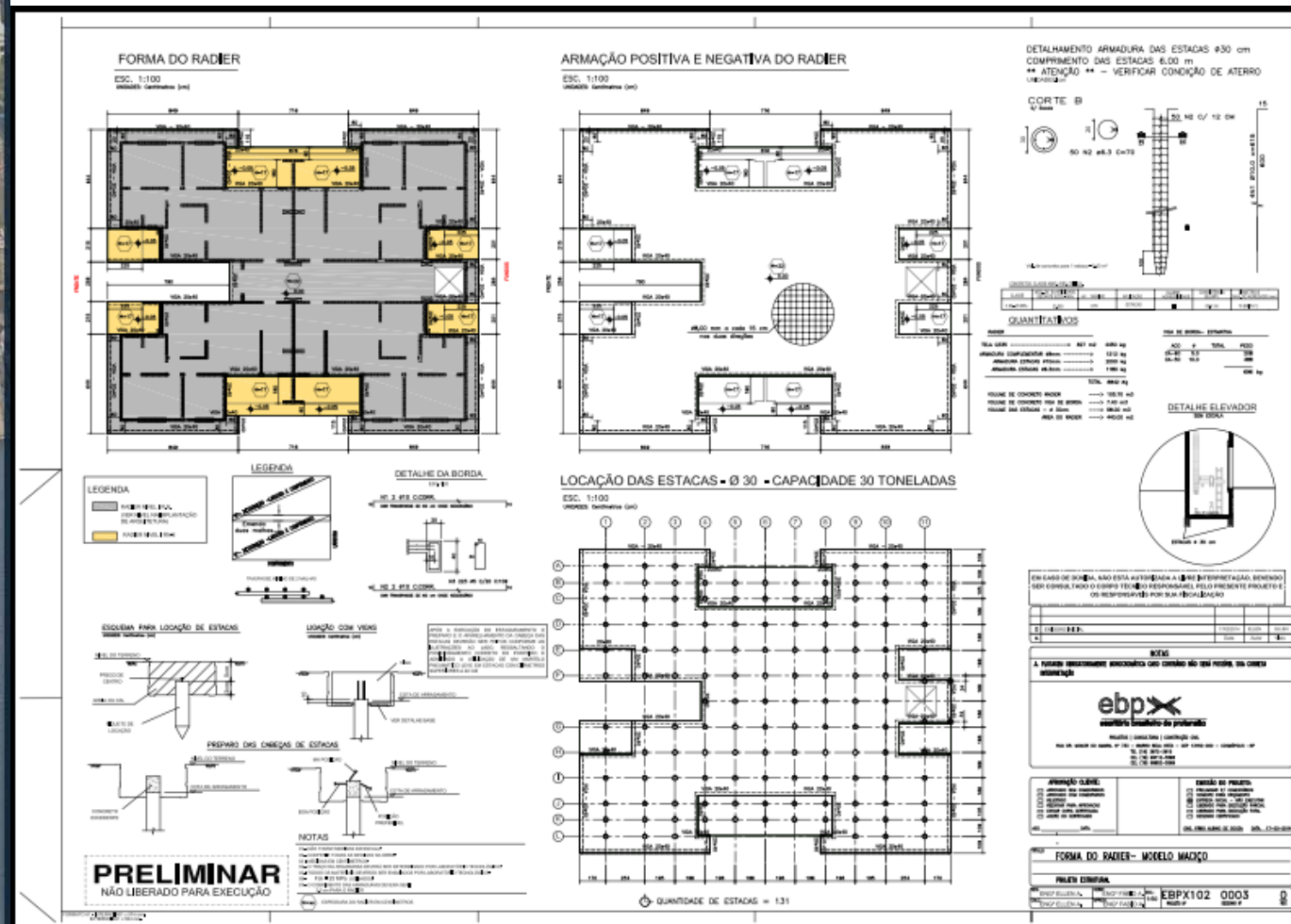


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### Design of Post-Tensioned Raft and Piled Raft Foundation



**Piled Raft  
Foundation  
Preliminary  
Design –  
Reinforced  
Concrete**

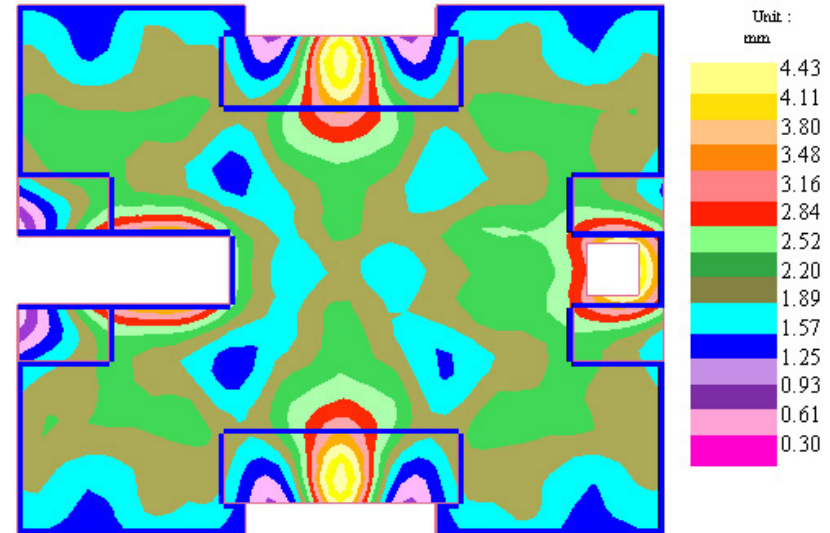
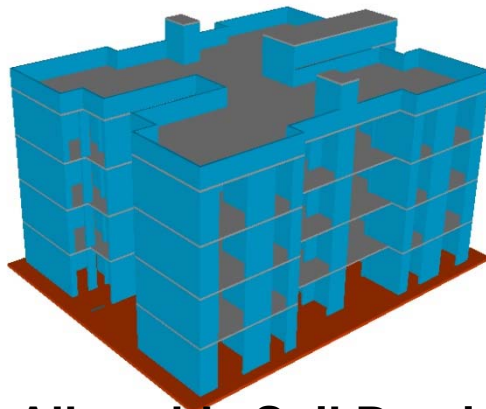


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### Results

#### Post-Tensioned Raft Foundation



**Allowable Soil Bearing = 0.17 Mpa (1.7 kgf/cm<sup>2</sup>)**

**Modulus of soil reaction = 2.00 – 3.00 kgf/cm<sup>3</sup>**

Load Combination	Minimum Displacement (mm)	Maximum Displacement (mm)	Minimum Soil Pressure - MPa	Maximum Soil Pressure - MPa
Service	0.04	3.18	0.007	0.09
Strength	0.30	4.43	0.01	0.13
Initial	0.02	0.60	0.001	0.02

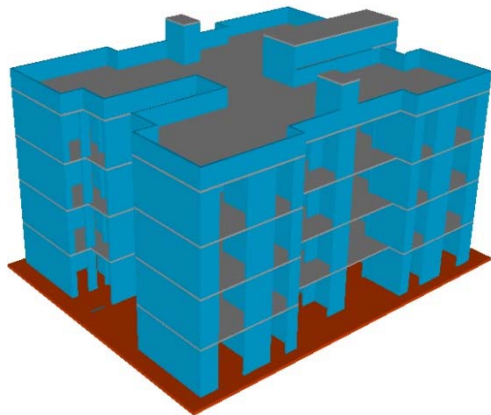
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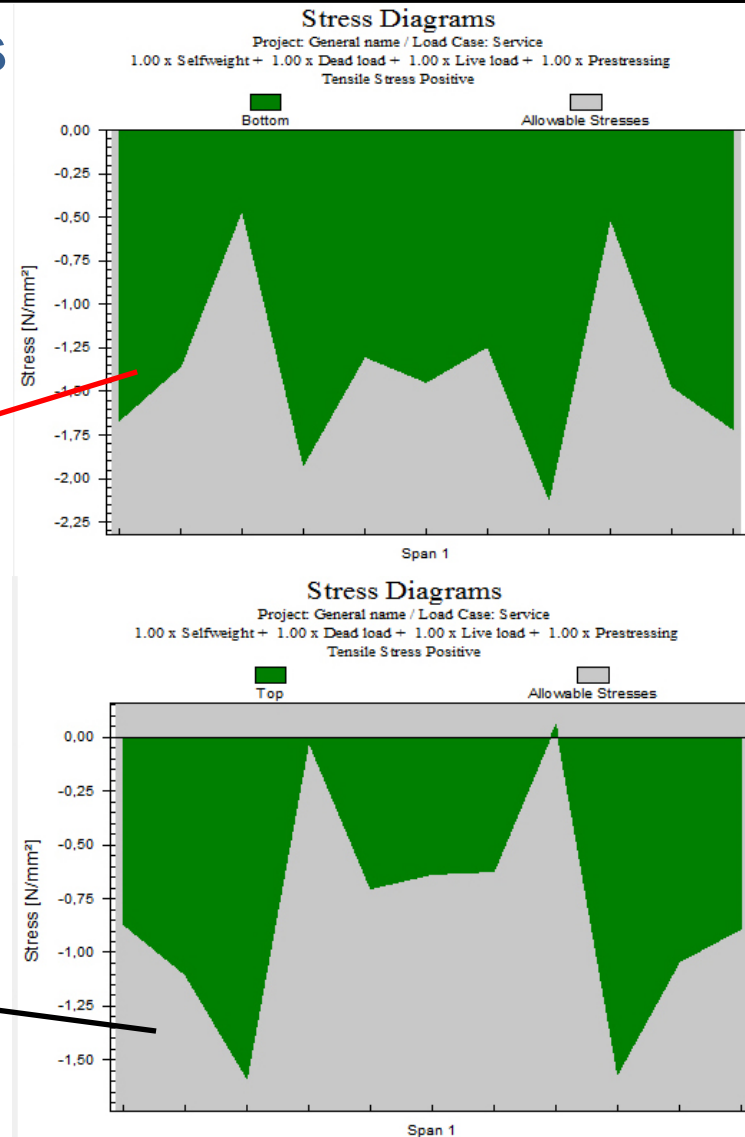
#### Top and Bottom Stresses with Allowable Values



Calculated  
Stress



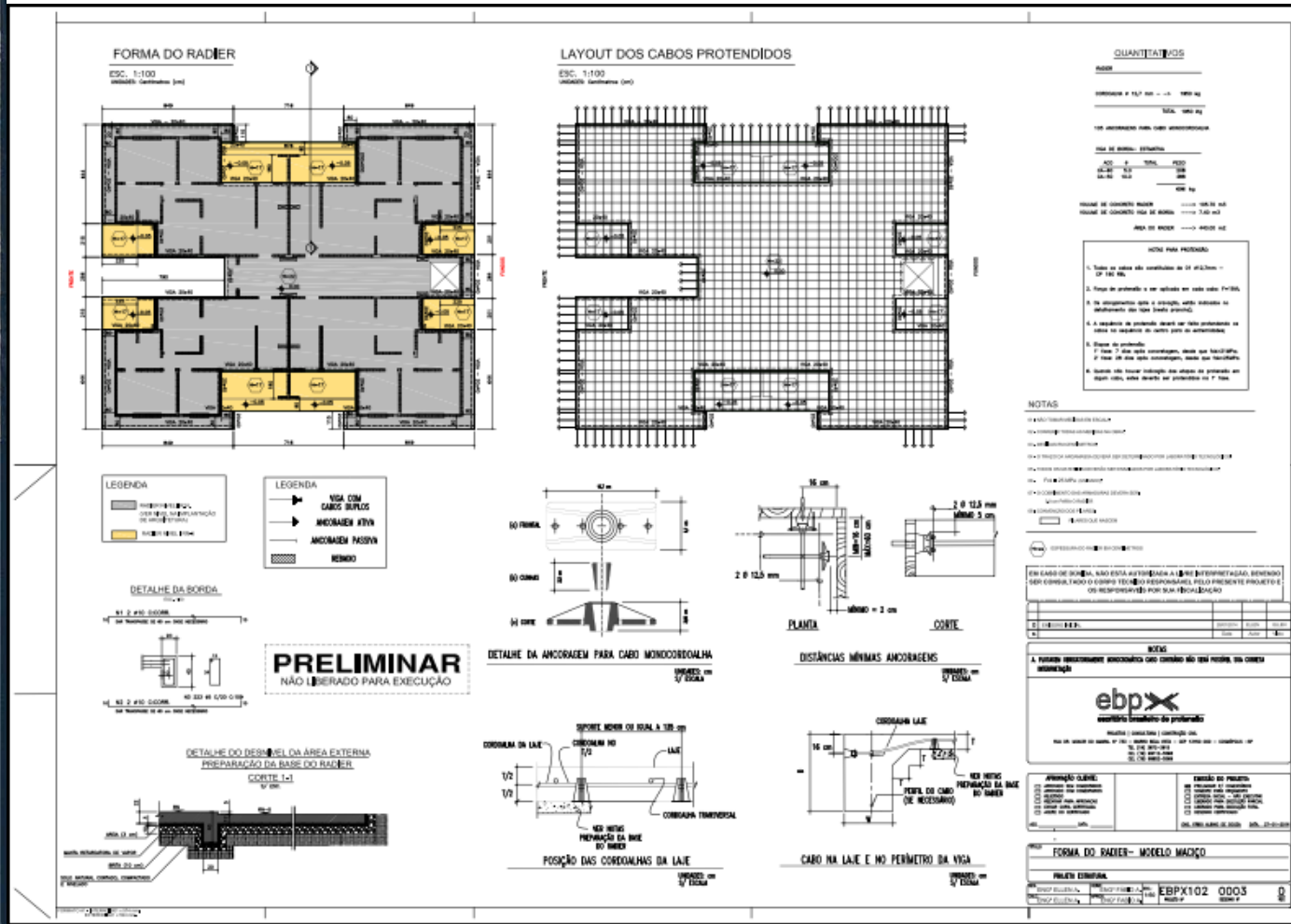
Allowable  
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Raft Foundation  
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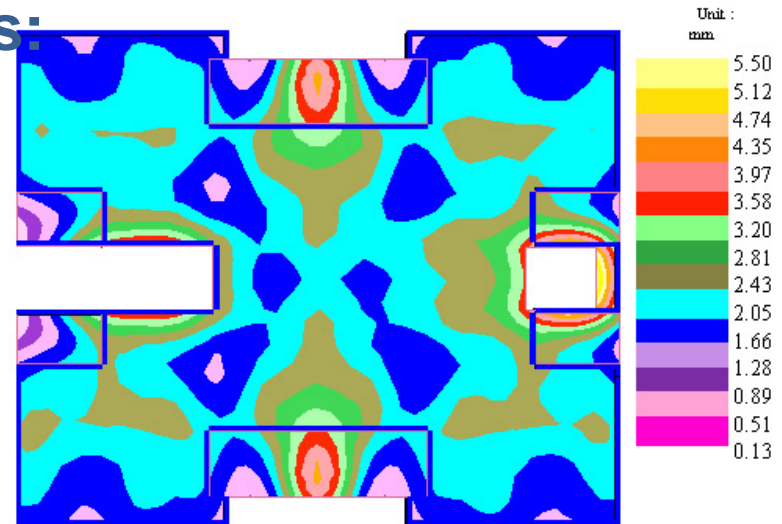
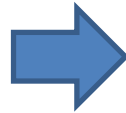
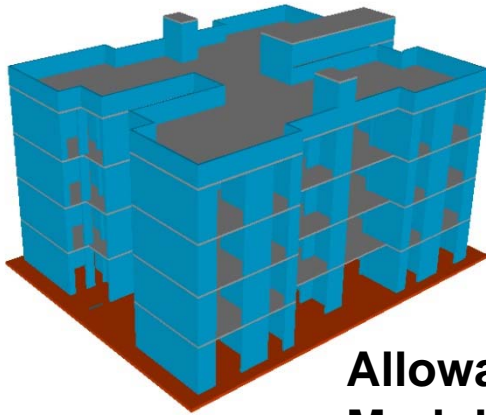


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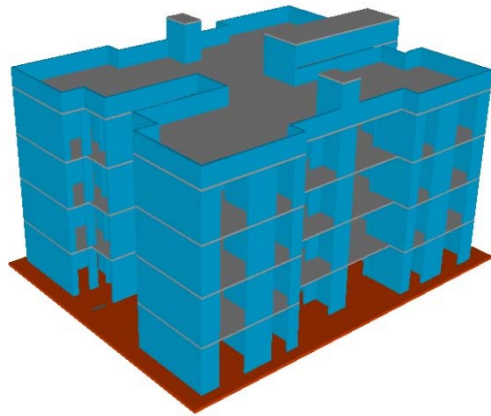
Load Combination	Minimum Displacement (mm)	Maximum Displacement (mm)	Minimum Soil Pressure - MPa	Maximum Soil Pressure - MPa
Service (TL)	0.09	3.93	0.01	0.12
Strength (DLO)	0.12	5.50	0.02	0.17
Cracked Sustained Load	0.09	4.54	0.01	0.14

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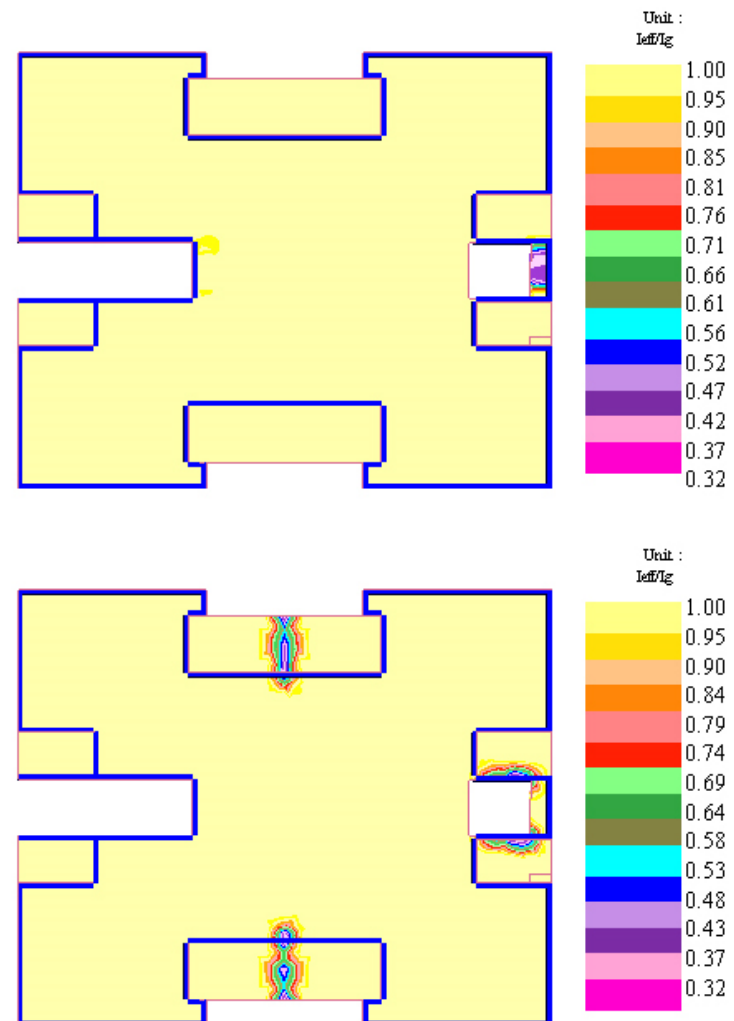
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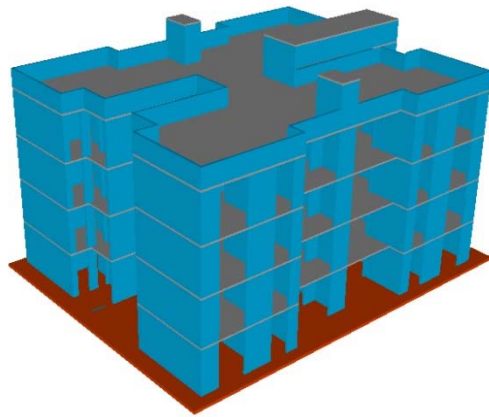




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## Conclusion – Raft Foundation

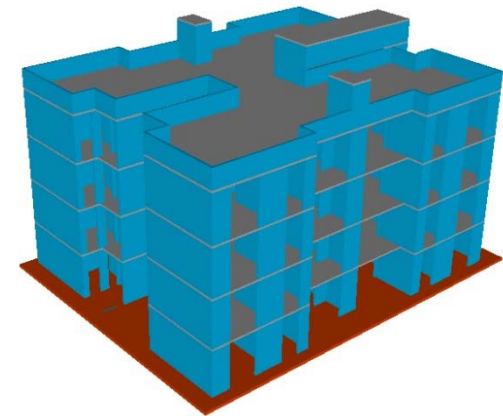
The summary data are very interesting and deserve the following comments.

1-. In Brazil the ratio of tendon cost x rebar cost is 1.5 and it is a competitive value.

2-) Calculating it we have  $1,216 \times 1.5 = 1,824 + 1,402 = 3,227 \text{ kg} - \text{Steel}$ . The economy of using post tensioned slab-on-ground is  $(4,404 - 3,227) = 1,177 \text{ kg} - \text{Steel/slab-on-ground}$ .

3-) **26.7% would be saved.**

4-) It is noticed that in this case **almost 2 full foundations could be saved** which would result in much higher profit. When we overlook at all the work involved in these two foundations that could be saved the benefits are much better.



# Case Study

## Conclusion – Piled Raft Foundation

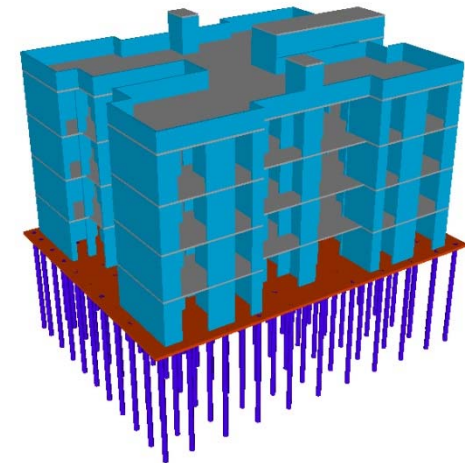
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1-. In Brazil the ratio of tendon cost x rebar cost is 1.5 and it is a competitive value.

2-) Calculating it we have  $1,207 \times 1.5 = 1,810 + 1,790 = 3,600 \text{ kg} - \text{Steel}$ . The economy of using post tensioned slab-on-ground is  $(4,250 - 3,600) = 650 \text{ kg} - \text{Steel/ slab-on-ground}$ .

3-) 15.3% would be saved.

4-) It is noticed that in this case almost 1 full foundations could be saved.





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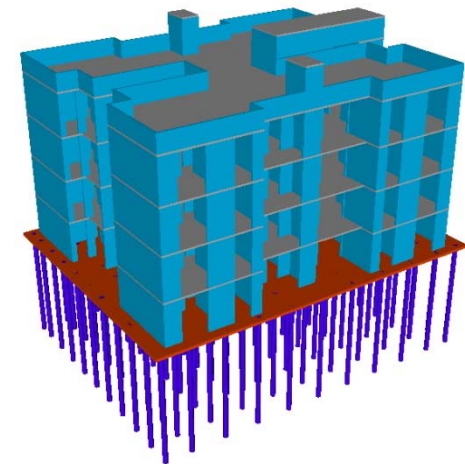
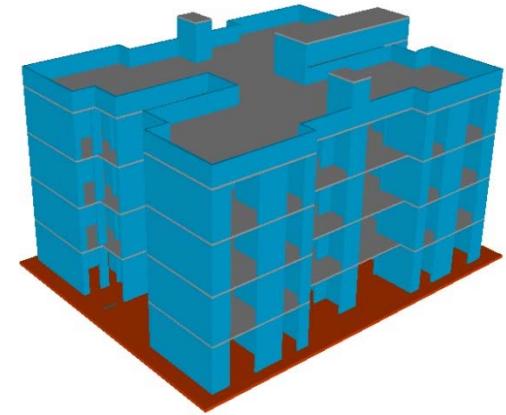
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**Almost 3 full foundations could be saved.**



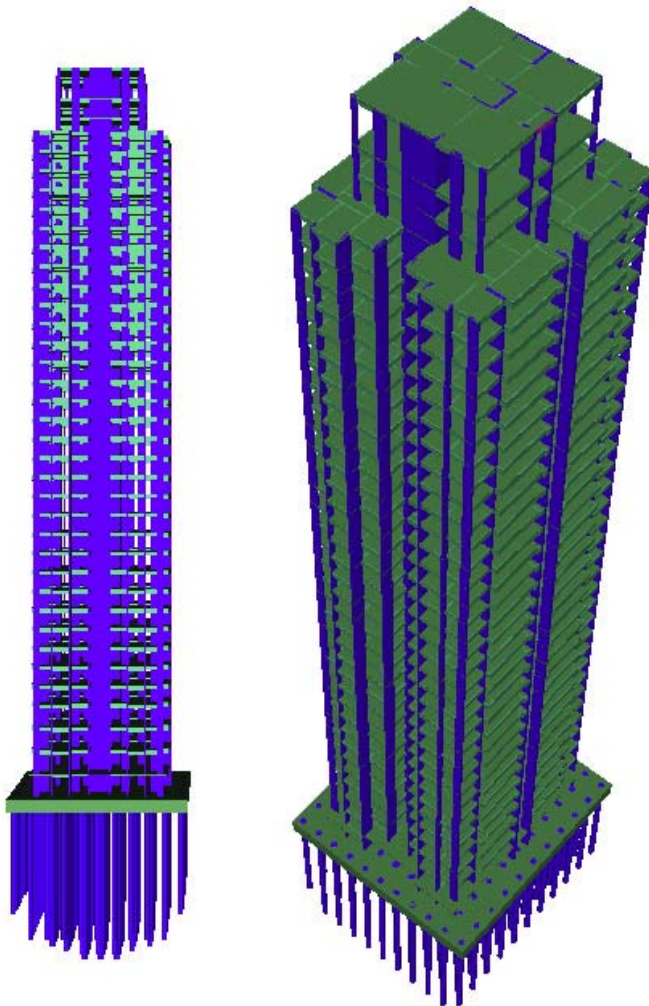
**USD 25,000 saved.**



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## TIKUNA'S TOWER – MANAUS

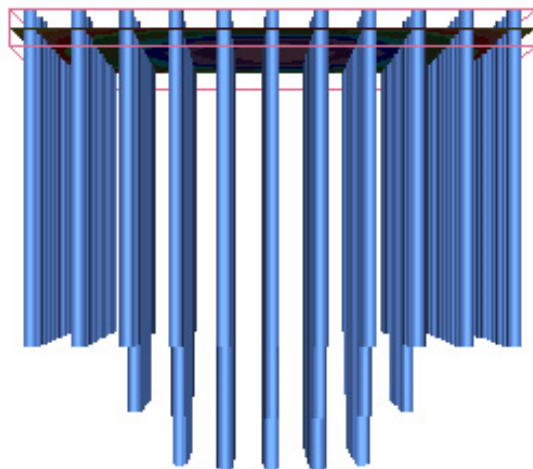
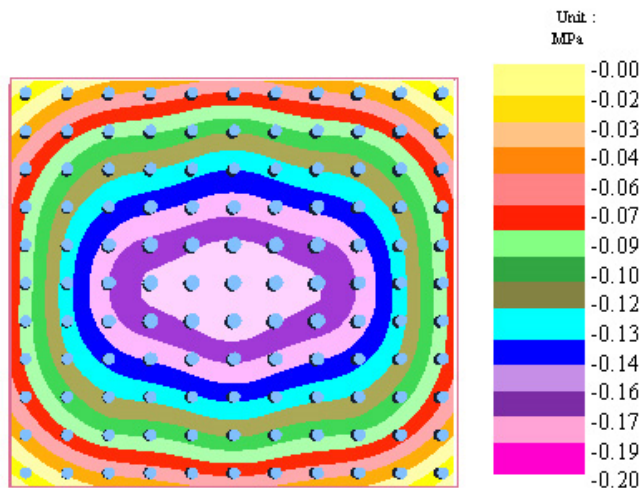


### Post-Tensioned Raft Foundation Some of the project's features:

- 36 Floor Stories
- 112 meters high
- 14,100 m<sup>2</sup>
- Coefficient Gamma Z (Brazilian Parameter)
- Gamma Z (X) = 1.18
- Gamma Z (Y) = 1.11
- P-Delta
- Wind (X) = 13.49%
- Wind (Y) = 7.95%

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### Post-Tensioned Raft Foundation Some of the project's features:

- Column with maximum load = 28,450 kN
- Horizontal Displacement
  - Displacement X = 3.70 cm
  - Displacement Y = 2.60 cm
- Total Auger Piles = 121
- External Ring (outer) = 80 cm -> 18 meters
- Internal Ring (inner) = 90 cm – 100 cm -> 25 meters
- Slab Thickness = 2.50 meters



# Questions and /or Comments



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Thank you !!!