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Flexible Scheduling in Construction Industry by Using Primavera and Histogram

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ABSTRACT: The purpose of this project is to optimize the resources by using the methods "Resource allocation, Resource leveling, time cost trade off". Resource allocation is used to assign available resources in an economic way. Resource allocation is the scheduling of activities and the resources required by those activities while taking into construction both the resource availability and the project time. Resource leveling aims to minimize the period variation in resource loading. Resource leveling involves redistribution and imbalance of allocated work. Resource leveling techniques were developing to enhance the shape of the resource histogram by reducing its variations. Time cost trade of is project duration can be reduced by assigning more resources to project activity. Doing this however increases project cost. The critical path method is used for scheduling a set of project activities. The analysis of resources also done by using primavera software.

KEYWORDS: Resource allocation, Resource leveling, Time cost trade off, primavera.

I. INTRODUCTION

Critical Path Method is widely used in construction projects during planning and control phases. CPM relies on fixed durations and relationships among activities determine the Critical Path (CP) and consequently determine the total project duration. Although CPM

Provides a logical, time-based schedule for the projects.

Controlling project cost expenditure is indeed a complex task. Direct cost are directly attributable to the object and it is financially feasible to do so. In construction, the costs of materials, labor, equipment etc. Indirect cost of materials, labor, equipment etc., and all directly involved efforts or expenses for the cost object are direct cost.

Resource histogram is a tool that is often used by the project work for construction field. The resource histogram is specially a bar chart that is used for the purposes of displaying the specific amounts of time that a particular resource is scheduled to be worked on over a time period.

Resource leveling as a technique in which start and finished dates are adjusted based on resource constraints with the goal of balancing demand for resources with the available supply. Resource leveling is the process of resolving these conflicts. It can also be used to balance the workload of resources over the course of the project, usually at the expense of time, cost, scope. Resource leveling is done by using primavera and histogram.

The objective of this project is to develop the better schedules for construction project. The one of the aims to reach while constructing a resource feasible project schedule. Time minimize the total duration of the project. The use of resources is leveling.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

The study about resource allocation, resource leveling, time and cost optimization is carried out from many literatures. These are the resources are optimized by using primavera and histogram. The critical path method is done for manually and primavera software used. The project duration is reduced for using the critical path method. The many construction project the primavera software is used and this was clearly explained by the author Bhanthiri thirumalesha in paper "Resource Optimization in Construction of a Residential Apartment Using Primavera P-6



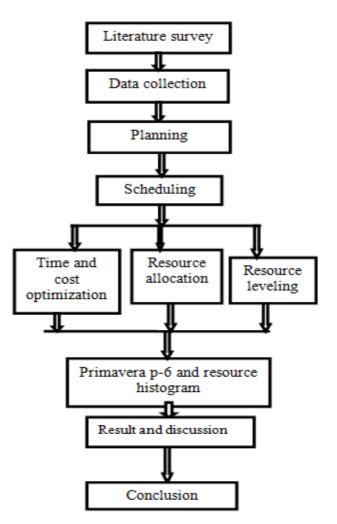
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Software". The resource optimization is clearly studied and the method is used the resource optimization and resource leveling. Then clearly studied about the resource leveling using histogram by using crashing method for level the resources. From the various literature review is clearly stated the PRIMAVERA software used for reduce the time, cost and resources.

III. METHODOLOGY



DATA COLLECTION:

The data of twin house residential building construction was collected. Project activities are done by using critical path method and primavera software.

Id	Activity	Duration	Predecessor
1	Site clearance	2	-
2	Marking	1	1
3	Earth work excavation for foundation	1	2
4	Concrete work in foundation	5	3



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5	Damp proof course	2	4
6	Sand filling for foundation	2	4
7	Brick work	4	5,6
8	Lintel	2	7
9	Brick work	4	8
10	Centering	4	9
11	Reinforcement laying	4	10
12	Concreting	1	11
13	Curing	7	11
14	Deshuttering	2	12,13
15	Ground floor stair construction	2	13
16	First floor brick work	7	15
17	Lintel	3	14,16
18	Brick work	5	16
19	First floor centering	4	18.17
20	First floor reinforcement laying	5	19
21	Concreting	1	20
22	Curing	7	21
23	Deshuttering	3	22,21
24	First floor stair construction	2	23
25	Plastering	20	24
26	White wash one coat	10	25
27	Color wash two coat	18	25
28	Doors & Window installation	6	26,27
29	Electrical wiring installation	5	28
30	Plumping work	4	29
31	Sanitary fiting	4	30
32	Flooring	7	30
33	Interior design	6	31.32
34	Boundary wall and gate	7	33

RESOURCES USED FOR TWIN HOUSE:

Resource Id	Resource Name	Maximum Availability	Cost
EE	Engineer	1	1000/day
Su	Supervisor	1	900/day



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La	Labour	5	800/day
Не	Helper	7	600/day
СМ	Concrete mixer	-	1000/day
Ex	Excavator	-	1000/day

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING ESTIMATED AMOUNT:

1. AMOUNT CALCULATION FOR GROUND FLOOR: Total = Rs. 1147954.70 Add 8% for water supply and sanitary works = Rs.91836.38 Add 8% for electrification works = Rs. 91836.38Total = Rs. 1331627.53 Add 2% for contingencies = Rs. 26632.55 Add 3% for work charge establishment = Rs. 39948.82Grand total for ground floor = Rs. 1398208.9 2. AMOUNT CALCULATION FOR FIRST FLOOR Total = Rs. 997470.40 Add 8% for water supply and sanitary works = Rs. 79797.63 Add 8% for electrification works = Rs. 79797.63Total = Rs. 1157065.69 Add 2% for contingencies = Rs. 23141.31 Add 3% for work charge establishment = Rs. 34711.97Grand total for first floor = Rs. 1214918.97 TOTAL AMOUNT CALCULATION: Total (GF+FF) = Rs. 2613127.87 FROM THE GIVEN DATA THE RESOURCES USED: Cement (450 bags) = Rs. 180000Fine aggregate (242.735 cu.m) = Rs. 776755 Coarse aggregate (125.56 cu.m) = Rs.401792Bricks (108577 nos) =Rs. 651462 Steels (11664 kg) = Rs. 886464 Total woking days = 167No of labours used = 873TOTALLY ESTIMATED COST = Rs. 5609600.87

CRITICAL PATH METHOD:

From the above collected data's the network diagram is drawn and from that critical path is determined. The schedule time 167 days. The maximum time required to complete the twin house building is 140 days.



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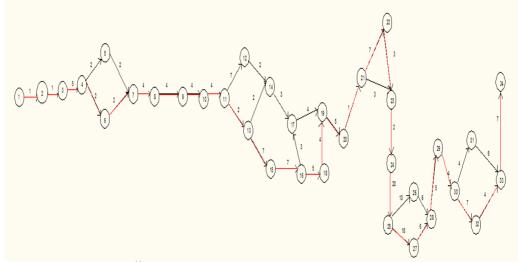


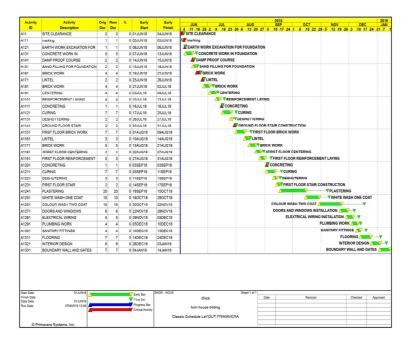
Fig:1 Network Diagram

critical path:

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 11 - 13 - 15 - 16 - 17 - 19 - 20 - 21 - 22 - 23 - 24 - 25 - 26 - 27 - 28 - 29 - 30 - 32 - 33 - 34 = 1 + 1 + 5 + 2 + 2 + 4 + 4 + 1 + 2 + 7 + 7 + 5 + 4 + 5 + 1 + 7 + 3 + 2 + 20 + 18 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 4 + 6 + 7 + 7 = 140

PROJECT DURATION ACTIVITIES (CPM):

Learning the primavera software and understand the procedure which helps to know the project completion scheduling period. After collecting the data planning the all resources used for project and finishing time. Then the calendar in my project is 8 hours per day working hours for the labours. Sunday is holiday and government holidays.





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IV. CONCLUSION

The critical path and the building estimated total amount were determined from the above data. Then which amount of resources used for this building is calculated. Total estimated building cost is Rs. 5609600.87.The twin house building constructed schedule duration is 167 days. The critical path method and primavera is done by the duration is reduced 140 days. The project will be done by 140 days.

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