

# Flexible Scheduling For Construction by Using Primavera Software

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***Abstract- The purpose of this project is to optimize the resources by using the methods “Resource allocation, Resource levelling, 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 levelling aims to minimize the period variation in resource loading. Resource levelling involves redistribution and imbalance of allocated work. Resource levelling 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.***

***Indexed Terms- Resource allocation, Resource Levelling, Time cost trade off, primavera.***

## I. INTRODUCTION

“The two main important factors in the construction field are time and money”. Time and money are mainly depending on the utilization of available resources and effective management, and proper planning at the right time and right place. There are four main resources in the construction field are man power, materials, machineries and money. The whole construction projects are depends on proper utilization of available resources. If not proper utilization of resources the project will be lost due to excess of time and cost. Planning and scheduling is important techniques of the management. Planning is necessary to understand the proper utilization of

human and material resource and to the problems related to delay of construction projects.

In project management technology, resources are required to carry out the project tasks. They can be people, equipment, facilities, funding, or anything else capable of definition (usually other than labour) required for the completion of a project activity. The lack of a resource will therefore be a constraint on the completion of the project activity.

Resources may be storable or non-storable. Storable resources remain available unless depleted by usage, and may be replenished by project tasks which produce them. Non-storable resources must be renewed for each time period, even if not utilized in previous time periods.

Resource scheduling, availability and optimization are considered key to successful project management.

Allocation of limited resources is based on the priority given to each of the project activities. Their priority is calculated using the Critical path method and heuristic analysis. For a case with a constraint on the number of resources, the objective is to create the most efficient schedule possible minimizing project duration and maximizing the use of the resources available.

In economics, resource allocation is the assignment of available resources to various uses.

- Time Limited: The project must be finished by a certain time, using as few resources as possible. But it is time, not resource usage that is critical.
- Resource Limited: The project must be finished as soon as possible, but without exceeding some specific level of resource usage or some general resource constraint

- Resource over allocation: Assigning more tasks than what resources can handle within the standard work week.

In strategic planning, resource allocation is a plan for using available resources, for example human resources, especially in the near term, to achieve goals for the future. It is the process of allocating scarce resources among the various projects or business units.

There are a number of approaches to solving resource allocation problems e.g. resources can be allocated using a manual approach an algorithmic approach or a combination of both Resource Levelling optimizes histogram of resources on a project.

Resource allocation is the process of assigning and scheduling available resources in the most effective and economical manner. there may be contingency mechanisms such as a priority ranking of items excluded from the plan, showing which items to fund if more resources should become available and a priority ranking of some items included in the plan, showing which items should be sacrificed if total funding must be reduced.

## II. OBJECTIVE OF THIS STUDY

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.

- To select the ongoing project for optimize the resources.
- To minimize the total duration of the project.
- To optimize the total cost of the project
- To allocate the all the resource for using primavera software and resource histogram.
- To evaluate and levelling of resources using primavera software.

## III. LITERATURE REVIEW

Literature survey aimed to identify the Flexible Scheduling for Construction by using Primavera Software in construction industry.

This report “Resource Optimization in Construction of a Residential Apartment Using Primavera P-6 Software.” Bhajanthri Thirumalesha,Rajani V.Akki And Basavaraj Bavi, Summaries the objective of this study on resources used in the construction industry is to optimize or reduce on wastages of the resources in construction project. resources optimization has been done by using project management software like primavera p-6.here material, manpower, money, have been taken in to consideration for optimization because they are most commonly used resources were found as an over allocated resources for some activities. Hence optimization was done to this resource and by modifying predecessors without affecting the duration of the project. These resources were levelled in such way that their allocation is well within maximum availability.

An another report “Resource Using Primavera P6 Optimization Of Construction Project” written by Vignesh V, This paper present the success of a project depends upon the efficiency of the project management the work done by utilizing the scheduled resources of men, material, machine, money and time. Accurate and workable planning is very difficult for large projects the schedule may be increase due to resource levelling. Certain changes can be made in the software such as Microsoft project and primavera. The activities consuming the same resources would not be allocated in parallel.

An another one report “Analysis Of Academic Building By Planning, Scheduling And Resource Allocation Using Oracle Primavera P6” written by Vipin Kumar,Dr.Sreenivasreddy, Shahpur Maneeth And P.D.Brijbhushan, Primavera p6 helps in effectively scheduling the project by assigning relationship at a time for each activity reduce the float. Resource allocated activity and can managed and reassigned the time. Multiple resource for the each activity can be allocated in effectively for manpower, machinery or material. Resource histograms to know that a particular resource is need for particular month or duration of time. Then the resources allocated at different working location. Overall activity manage of time till the end of project.

This paper presents “Optimization Of Construction Resource By Comparing Primavera Alevelling Nd Mat Lab” Merin Saji, K. Shobana, The objective of this project is to develop using genetic algorithm For obtaining a better resources profile. The model is observed that the Total construction cost is reduced and duration will be increases. A real Time project solved using this optimization software shows the better Result can be obtained. Effective use of resource levelling is to minimize the project cost. Primavera commonly used in scheduling of Construction projects MATLAB software can be used for developed Resource levelling problem.

This report “Optimization And Levelling The Resources Of An Existing Building By Using Primavera Software”, shashank bharakumar, Prof.S.S.Deshmukh, This paper proposes a quantitative assessment approach for resource optimization for project schedule in objective primavera p6 software is used for the resources levelling. Resources are levelled with the help of primavera p6 software and resource schedule optimization techniques term of resource optimization and levelling problem is one of the highly important issues in project manager. Resource optimization and resource levelling time and cost should be managed properly.

The report A Study on Optimization of Resources for Multiple Projects by Using Primavera” B.S.K.Reddy, S.K.Nagaraju and M.D Salman, Resource utilization is all about co-relating resources its availability session and reducing their undesirable demand. Resource levelling preference at the resource supply station by resource optimal benefits .resource levelling at project job site demand of resource projects. The resource levelling is to reduce wastage of the construction resources. Resources levelling is done for using the primavera software and histogram for used. The main objective of this project is resource levelling for without impacting cost and duration.an integer linear optimization model of resource levelling used. The objective function of the model minimizes the resource requirements between desirable non-uniform resource levels.

The report “Using Primavera Software In Resource Allocation And Project Evaluation Of Construction Projects” written by Hamed Ziaidoostan, Hamidreza Ghaneh, Matin Amanin And Mahamadmahi Gholipoor, Resource allocation is one of the most important management tasks in construction projects .One of the main objectives of this project is successful implementation of construction failure in executive plans and resource utilization. The resource allocation includes financial resources, time, cost and money. The resources will be allocated in an effective manner with successful implementation of plans, employees, operation, control and commitments.

The report “Schedule Control of an Apartment Building using Primavera Techniques Vijay K, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, Resource management is one of the most important aspects of construction project management in today’s economy because the construction industry is resource intensive and the costs of construction resources have steadily risen over the last several decades. Thus general schedule control techniques are useful in optimizing resource scheduling and project duration. General methods such as crashing techniques, reducing the activity duration, increasing the resources, applying calendar or increasing the working hours of the resources. These techniques help to reduce project duration use of unlimited availability of resources for completion of a project. Through it is observed that resources are limited in real project scenario. It has been observed that the project delays occur due to insufficient supply of resources. In large scale projects, preparing an accurate and workable plan is very difficult. The main aim of this study is to analyse the schedule control techniques by constraints and activity types is done using primavera P6 software for an apartment building. The project schedule control decreases the duration due to apply of constraints, level of effort, resource dependent it has an effect on the project duration.

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#### IV. CONCLUSION

Flexible scheduling enhances the results from CPM and the current techniques used to enhance its schedules. The model is successfully utilized to solve different objectives such as resource levelling, resource allocation, cost optimization with resource constraints. For each objective, Flexible Scheduling found better solution when offering three-sided trade-off between cost, time and efficiency. In the case for resource levelling, results extracted by flexible scheduling outperformed classical solutions in terms of minimizing variations; however an additional managerial cost resultant from the selected scenarios. Hence, a new cost of levelling was introduced such that project managers can decide to trade for better levelled resources. In addition, with the rest of objective, solutions provided by flexible scheduling outperformed current techniques in terms of time and cost despite the increasing in labour cost. They are detailed and handy such that it tells for each activities how many workers to be assigned and for how many working hours per day.

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