Choice of Low Cost Construction Technologies

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Abstract—The paper is devoted to the choice of the best construction technology for further introduction into the corresponding branch of industry in the Chechen Republic. The main purpose of the study is to give an overview of the main modern construction technologies. Key parameters for each innovation are determined. The design analysis of each of these technologies is made on the basis of these parameters via the method of analytical hierarchy for subsequent use of the above technologies in housing and utilities sector of the Chechen Republic. General conclusions on the choice of construction innovations are made on the basis of the obtained results. The most critical technologies in terms of their further introduction into construction branch of the Chechen Republic are defined.

Keywords—innovations, construction technology, materials, cost, method of analytical hierarchy, parameters, analysis, calculation, construction.

I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years there has been a variety of modern construction materials and technologies having different structure and properties in the world. Each of them is efficient and unique. Nevertheless, the principle of superiority of one over the other is also typical for them. There are the best of the best too. For this purpose, we decided to carry out the design analysis of technologies which we consider the most efficient for use in the Chechen Republic. All these innovations belong to the same sphere of application, but have different benefits due to different physical properties, chemical composition, and application technology.

The method of analytical hierarchy (further to be referred to as MAH) will be used to choose the best product [1, 2, 3].

Among the most commonly used construction technologies the following were chosen for the analysis: superpave technology, soil stabilization, cold deep in-place recycling, cheap seal and slurry seal pavement technologies, 3D printed homes, housing from iron cargo containers, cardboard housing, rapid construction, trenchless pipe rehabilitation methods.

II. DESIGN ANALYSIS OF THE CHosen TECHNOLOGIES IN CONSTRUCTION

Now it is possible to carry out the design analysis of the above-mentioned innovations from the perspective of their use for the development of construction industry in the Chechen Republic. Certain key parameters are traditionally used to design the model concepts, techniques, materials, etc. Let us define one key parameter for construction technologies – low cost, which includes: low labor input; resource-efficiency; profitability; low materials consumption. The main MAH principle centers around the hierarchical structuring of problems [4, 5, 6]. The calculation is made in tabular form thus...
identifying the superiority margin $n$ of the chosen alternatives. This means that the number $n$, equal 1 (Table 1), characterizes equal importance of the compared innovations. The number $n$ equal 3 – weak superiority, 5 – essential superiority, 7 – considerable superiority, 9 – unconditional superiority. If the parameter $j$ in the table exceeds the parameter $i$, then one is divided by $n - 1/n$. Figure 1 shows the general hierarchical structure of the model of the choice of the best technologies.

Next, let us define the parameters critical for decision-making regarding the choice of the best elements. Then, let us define the weight values of the chosen key parameters for the studied innovations, make decision matrixes for the use of new technologies on the basis of the chosen key indicators, carry out pair-wise comparison of innovations in order to estimate the degree of their importance. Let us choose innovations according to their importance for construction [7, 8]. Using the above model of calculation via the method of analytical hierarchy, let us make the comparative analysis of the considered innovations against the above key indicator for further application in construction.

![Hierarchical structure of the choice of the best construction technology](image)

**TABLE I. PAIR-WISE ASSESSMENT OF LOW COST CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGIES**

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<th>Soil stabilization</th>
<th>Cold deep in-place recycling</th>
<th>Cheap seal and slurry seal pavement technologies</th>
<th>3D printed houses</th>
<th>Housing from iron cargo containers</th>
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Fig. 1. Hierarchical structure of the choice of the best construction technology

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Then, the cardboard housing – weight value equals 11%;
And, finally, the housing from iron cargo containers – weight value equals 8%.

IV. Conclusions
The above conclusions and literature facts make it possible to confirm that the advance of the trenchless pipe rehabilitation methods or other innovations of the construction industry may bring the maximum benefit from the perspective of the maximum economy of material and financial resources and will contribute to the development of the institutions involved into the studied field. The creation of special investment development coordination centers, development of methods and concepts on the introduction of highly efficient technologies, training of highly qualified staff will foster sustainable development of construction in the Chechen Republic. Besides, the above factors will also contribute to the progress in other spheres of human life and activities.

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