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Table 1 Typical Natural Beach Slopes for Various Sediment Sizes

Median Sediment Sizes D ₅₀ (mm)	Mean Beach Slope
0.2	1:50 – 1:100
0.3	1:25 – 1:50
0.5	1:20 - 1:40
5.0	1:8 – 1: 15

Note: 1. A beach of a given grain size will adopt a flatter slope in an area exposed to severe waves than in an area exposed to moderate waves.

2. For slope of construction profiles, refer to Section 5.3.

Table 2 Typical Data for Cross-shore and Longshore Transport Computations

Type of Sediment Transport	Type of Data
Cross-shore	Prevailing wave height, period, direction and duration under normal weather conditions in different seasons
Transport	• Extreme wave height, period, direction and duration under storm conditions
	Water level (mean sea level and extreme sea level)
	Construction beach profile
	• Sediment size (usually median grain diameter) and density
	Required beach width
Longshore	Wave climate (wave height, period, direction and duration of occurrence), including wind waves and vessel waves
Transport	• Water level (mean sea level, mean high water level and mean low water level)
	• Bathymetry (cross-shore profile : initial beach profile and equilibrium beach profile)
	Sediment size and density
	• Length of shoreline
	Orientation of beach
	Required beach width
	Current (usually speed and direction at model boundary)
	Shoreline characteristics or longshore transport quantity at model boundary
	• Layout of sand retaining or beach protection structures, if any