



# Work Accident Risk Analysis with FMEA (Failure Mode and Effect Analysis) Method on Steel Frame Bridge Project



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## Abstract

Risk is the possibility of the occurrence of an event outside of which every activity that is likely to be detrimental is carried out by humans. In the Nangarasong Steel Frame construction project in Flores district, there is uncertainty which will create a risk that can encourage the project and can affect the potential for work accidents. Uncertainty factors can cause risk in an activity that has an impact on decreasing labor productivity, risk of cost, time, and damage to design or technology. To reduce these adverse impacts, a risk management system is needed, which includes analysis, analysis, and monitoring of risks that may occur. Risk management makes an integrated effort to manage the risk of work accidents by using the FMEA (Failure Mode And Effect Analysis) method. All construction projects that may experience accident risks are identified and analyzed for the severity with FMEA, from the results of which the causes and impacts of the work accident risks will be sought. After knowing and the impact of the risk of work accidents, the next action on the risk of work accidents that result.

## Keywords

FMEA method;  
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## 1 Introduction

Construction projects are jobs that have a high risk of work accidents with the possibility of serious work accidents. The number of work accidents in Indonesia is still very high. If the risk of an accident occurs it will have an impact on the disruption of the overall project performance so that it can cause losses in costs, time, and quality of work. A bridge is a structure made to cross a ravine or obstacle such as a river, railroad, or highway. Bridges are built for crossing pedestrians, vehicles, or trains over obstacles. Bridges are also part of land transportation infrastructure which is very vital in traffic flows (Adzim, 2013; Endroyo & Tugino, 2009; Gita, 2015).

The Nangarasong Steel Frame Bridge construction project, which is one of the construction projects that has a high risk of work accidents. In addition to using a steel frame whose installation process can cause various potential work accidents, the construction of this bridge is also close to residential areas, heavy equipment and project vehicles used must require correct procedures. This research will be carried out by identifying and analyzing the risks that occur in the project and then providing control over the risk of work accidents (Harms-Ringdahl, 2004; Marhavilas et al., 2011).

The method used in this research is FMEA (Failure Mode Effect Analysis). Failure Mode Effect Analysis method is a method of evaluating the possibility of a system, design, process, or service to take steps to handle it. Prevention of work accidents can be done by controlling the occurrence of work accidents that have a high risk both in terms of consequences, the possibility of occurrence, and ease of detection (Ismail, 2018; Suraji & Duff, 2000; Suraji et al., 2001). This method is expected to be able to see the risks that may occur in the Steel Frame Bridge construction project along with their impacts and how to control them. Thus, in this study, the analysis of the risk factors for work accidents that occurred in the Steel Frame Bridge construction project was studied, assessed the risks from the lowest to the highest, and determined the proposed strategy in risk control (Zhang et al., 2014; Chen & Leu, 2014; Adar et al., 2017).

## 2 Materials and Methods

In this study, the research design used is descriptive qualitative, namely a research method that utilizes qualitative data and is described descriptively. In this study, in order to obtain the required data, the authors used data collected through primary and secondary data sources (Melchior & Zanini, 2019; Brody et al., 1990; Rodriguez et al., 2018). The primary data source used in this research is the method of distributing questionnaires. The population is 20 employees of the Nangarasong Bridge construction project in Flores.

## 3 Results and Discussions

### *Identify potential failure modes*

To find out the potential risk factors for work accidents in the project, the stage of identifying the risk of work accidents begins with conducting field surveys and direct interviews at the project.

Table 1  
Identify failure mode

NO.	Type of work	Job description	Failure Mode
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1	Preparatory Work	1. Measurement and Benchmarking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Slipped due to a steep project site</li> <li>a. Hit by a passing vehicle (active road)</li> </ul>
		1. Working Electrical Installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Electrocution / leakage current</li> <li>a. b. Stumbling on cables while working</li> <li>b. c. Cable damaged due to being run over by heavy equipment/vehicles</li> </ul>
		Equipment Mobilization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Accident when mobilizing heavy equipment</li> <li>b. Heavy vehicles can't walk</li> </ul>
2	Foundation work	Foundation work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a. Accident when mobilizing heavy equipment</li> <li>b. b. Hit by excavator while digging</li> <li>c. c. Hit by a dump truck</li> <li>d. d. Slip</li> <li>e. e. Buried by avalanche</li> <li>f. f. Inhaled dust</li> </ul>
		2. Wells	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a. Hit by a pit while transporting</li> <li>b. b. Slipped into the river due to slab soil</li> <li>c. c. Falling and slipping into the dug hole</li> </ul>
		3. Ironing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a. Hand blisters due to direct contact with iron</li> <li>b. b. Stuck when transporting iron</li> <li>c. c. Stumbled on iron while transporting</li> <li>d. d. Falls during installation at height</li> <li>e. e. Injured during the welding process</li> <li>f. f. Injured during the iron binding process</li> </ul>
		4. Foundry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a. Mixer movement, dangerous CP</li> <li>b. b. Hit/sprayed by concrete material</li> <li>c. c. Falls while casting at a height</li> </ul>
3	Steel Frame Bridge Works	1. Steel Frame Mobilization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Struck by a broken crane</li> <li>a. b. Hit by steel frame</li> <li>b. c. Material late date</li> </ul>
		2. Steel Frame Installation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. a. The reinforcing steel was crushed during installation</li> <li>b. b. Crane overturned/slipped during installation</li> </ul>

			c. c. Clamped steel when laying
			d. d. Exposure to radiation during welding
			e. e. Falls during installation at height
	3. Ironing		a. a. Hand blisters due to direct contact with iron
			b. b. Stuck when lifting iron
			c. c. Stumbled on iron while transporting
			d. d. Falls during installation at height
	1. Formwork		e. e. Slipping when installing iron
			a. a. Slips during installation
			b. b. Punctured by sharp objects during installation/disassembly
			c. c. Struck by formwork material
			d. d. Falls during unloading at a height
	5. Concrete Floor Plate		a. a. Falls while casting at a height
			b. b. Inhalation of dust and cement material
4	Masonry/Stone Work	Excavation	a. a. Accident when mobilizing heavy equipment
			b. b. Hit by excavator while digging
			c. c. Hit by a dump truck
			d. d. Slip
			e. e. Buried by avalanche
			f. f. Inhaled dust
	2. Stone Laying		a. a. Injured during masonry
			b. b. Injured due to small equipment used
			c. c. Falling slip

Sumber: Wawancara dan Pengamatan Lapangan,2021

Table 2  
Most critical risk interest

Type of work	Job description	Failure Mode	Risk Assesment			RPN	RPN TOTAL
			Severity	Occurance	Detection		
Steel Frame Bridge Works	1. Steel Frame Mobilization	a. Struck by a broken crane	2.25	1.7	1.8	6.89	7.95
		b. Hit by steel frame					
	2. Steel Frame Installation	a. The reinforcing steel was crushed during installation	2.2	2.05	2	9.02	32.48
		b. Clamped steel when laying	2.3	2.05	2.65	12.49	
		c. Exposure to radiation during welding	2.8	2.65	2.4	17.81	
		d. Falls during installation at height	3.1	3.7	3.4	39.00	
	3. Ironing	a. Stuck when lifting iron	4.05	4.1	3.65	60.61	28.79
		b. Stumbled on iron while	2.7	3.1	3.2	26.78	
			3.1	2.6	3.15	25.39	

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	transporting					
	c. Falls during installation at height	2.9	2.7	3.25	25.45	
	d. Slipping when installing iron	3.2	3.45	3.4	37.54	
4. Formwork	a. Slips during installation	3.2	3.45	3.4	37.54	
	b. Punctured by sharp objects during installation/disassembly	3.1	3.15	3.4	33.20	24.46
	c. Struck by formwork material	2.2	2.3	2.4	12.14	
	d. Falls during unloading at a height	2.3	2.55	2.55	14.96	
5. Concrete	a. Falls while casting at a height	2.6	2.35	2.85	17.41	
Floor slab	b. Inhalation of dust and cement material	3.2	2.35	3	22.56	19.99

Based on the value of the risk priority results above, the priority order for repairs that must be carried out is obtained from the mode of the Steel Frame Bridgework accident (Sepang et al., 2013; Sinaga et al., 2014; Sudiarsa et al., 2018). The order of priority starts with Steel Frame Installation work with the highest RPN value of 32.48, then Steelwork work with an RPN value of 28.79, Formwork work with an RPN value of 24.46, Floor Plate Concrete work with an RPN value of 19.99, and the lowest RPN value in the Steel Frame Mobilization work is 7.95.

#### *Control of work accident risk*

Risk control is the most important stage as whole risk management. Risk control is the efforts made to anticipate the occurrence of risks that arise as a result of work accidents on the project (Boral et al., 2020; Mutlu & Altuntas, 2019; Efe, 2019). The following is the control of the work sub-items with the highest RPN value

Table 3  
Risk control analysis

Type of work	Job description	Risk	Control
Steel Frame Bridge Works	1. Steel Frame Mobilization	a. Struck by a broken crane	- Make sure the machine is in good condition before operating - Using the right PPE - Ensure that the distance between workers and heavy equipment being operated is a safe distance
		b. Hit by steel frame	- Inspection of lifting equipment before operating - Presence of supervisor during the steel frame transportation process - Using the right PPE
		a. The reinforcing steel was crushed during installation	- Inspection of lifting equipment before operating - Presence of supervisor during the steel frame transportation process - Using the right PPE
	2. Steel Frame Installation	b. Clamped steel when laying	- Use gloves
		c. Exposure to radiation during welding	- Pay attention to welding SOPs - Using welding glasses

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	d. Falls during installation at height	- Use of safety belts - Blue sheet installation
3. Ironing	a. Stuck when lifting iron b. Stumbled on iron while transporting c. Falls during installation at height	- Use gloves - Use the right PPE - Use of safety belts - Blue sheet installation
4. Formwork	d. Slipping when installing iron a. Slips during installation b. Punctured by sharp objects during installation/disassembly c. Struck by formwork material d. Falls during unloading at a height	- Use proper PPE (safety helmet, shoes) - Use proper PPE (safety helmet, shoes) - Pay attention to work SOPs - Using the right PPE - Use proper PPE (safety helmet) - Ensure proper placement of the formwork - Use of safety belts - Blue sheet installation
5. Concrete Floor slab	a. Falls while casting at a height b. Inhalation of dust and cement material	- Use of safety belts - Using the right PPE - Blue sheet installation - Use proper PPE (masks) - Using materials that comply with health standards

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## 4 Conclusion

Based on the results of data processing, some conclusions can be drawn as follows:

- 1) The results of the study, identified 33 risk variables that may occur in the construction of the Nangarasong Steel Truss Bridge in Flores, NTT which is divided into 4 types of work with 14 sub-items of ongoing work on the project, namely preparatory work, foundation work, framework steel, and masonry work.
- 2) The level of risk importance (RPN) or the dominant failure mode that occurs in the construction of the Nangarasong Steel Frame Bridge is the preparatory work of 18.83; foundation work of 21.83; steel frame bridgework of 24.92; and masonry work of 24.80. Priority risk from steel truss bridgework as the work item with the largest RPN value. And the lowest RPN value in preparatory work is 18.83.
- 3) The source causes of work accidents are caused by 4 factors, namely; human factors, management factors, environmental factors, and technical factors.
- 4) Work accidents have an impact on the workers themselves, the workers' families, and the company. Work accidents cause minor injuries, serious injuries, to death for workers, not only that, losses will also be experienced by various parties. So that work accidents have an impact on the workers themselves, their families, and the company.

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