Glossary

Concrete: Concrete is the proper mix proportion of cement, fine aggregate and coarse aggregate with the designed water-cement ratio.

Reinforced Cement Concrete: If the concrete is reinforced with the materials like steel, wood, plastics etc. it will be called as reinforced cement concrete

Reasons for using steel as a only material in RCC:

- 1. Steel has more tensile strength than that of other materials
- 2. Coefficient of thermal expansion of steel is almost same as that of concrete
- 3. There is perfect bond between them.

Characteristic strength of materials: Characteristic strength of materials is the strength of materials below which not more than 5% test results are expected to fall.