If loads from purlins, false ceiling etc. are applied in between the nodes, then principal rafters or main ties are designed for combined stresses from bending and axial load.

## **PURLINS AND GRITS**

- Angle, channel, I and Z sections are used for purlins and grits to support the cladding.
- IS: 800 1984 provides general design procedure for angle purlins conforming to steel grades Fe 410-O, Fe 410-S, Fe 410 -W and roof slopes not exceeding 30° based on a minimum live load of 750 N/m² if the following requirements are fulfilled:
  - (i) Width of angle leg in the plane perpendicular to the roof

covering 
$$\geq \frac{L}{45}$$

- (ii) Width of angle leg in the plane parallel to the roof covering  $\geq \frac{L}{60}$
- (iii) Maximum bending moment in the purlin,

$$M = \frac{w \times L^2}{10}$$

Where w = uniformly distributed load per unit length on purlin including wind load

L = span of purlin

(iv) The bending moment about minor axis may be neglected and the angle purlin may be designed for the above moment.

$$\therefore Z_{x} \text{ required} = \frac{M}{\sigma_{bc}} = \frac{w \times L^{2}}{10 \times 165} \text{ mm}^{3}$$