

Regarding construction of road overbridge from Amdai in Jhargram to Kankaboti in Paschim Medinipur over Kangsabati river

**SHRI KALIPADA SAREN KHERWAL (JHARGRAM):** Honourable Chairperson, in my Lok Sabha Constituency, there is a ferry ghat called Aamdahi situated in the Chubka 8 no. Gram Panchayat area which falls under the Jhargram Block. A permanent bridge is needed to be constructed here over the Kangsabati River. If this bridge is constructed, it will connect Jhargram District Sadar and Paschim Midnapore District Sadar, and it will benefit the people of the area to earn their daily bread and get better medical and educational aid. It will also lessen the distance between Khalseoli and Midnapore towns. At present, the ferry ghat has a temporary bamboo bridge. Thousands of people from the Khalseoli, Manikpara, and Lodhasuli areas use this bridge daily to commute to Gopiballavpur. The bridge collapses every year during the rainy season due to rising water levels in the river. During that time, many people risk their lives to cross the river in small boats. Sir, similarly in Garhbeta block no1 which falls under Panchim Midnapore district, there is an urgent need to erect a bridge in Kalikapore Kalimandir ferry ghat over the Shilabati river which is situated in Shandhipur Gram Panchayat area. Geographically the bridge is situated at the junction of three districts- Bankura, Hoogly and Paschim Midnapore. Once this bridge is constructed, it will reduce the distance to the Midnapore district, and it will benefit the students, patients, and daily commuters. It will significantly reduce the travel time. Sir, through you, I would request the Honourable Minister to construct a 1000-meter-long permanent bridge from Aamdahi in Jhargram District to Kankabati in Paschim Midnapore over the Kangshabati River. I would also request him to construct another 125m bridge over the Shilabati River at the Kalikapore Dewan Kalimandir Ghat, which is situated in Sandhipur Gram Panchayat area under Garhbeta Block no 1. Thank you.