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Title : Need to expedite the completion of diversion work on N.H.- 53 at Katakhal point in Karimganj Parliamentary Constituency, Assam.

SHRI LALIT MOHAN SUKLABAIIDYA (KARIMGANJ): Katakhal Railway Bridge on NH-53 is one of the few road-cum-railway bridges in India which stands in my constituency. The bridge is in a dilapidated condition and almost everyday railway workers remain engaged in repairing work, which makes the trains cross this bridge at snail speed. As a result road traffic remain stranded on both sides of the bridge for at least half an hour each time when a train passes through this bridge. A diversion road on NH-53 was constructed with a separate road bridge for the convenience of the traffic, but an over-bridge on the railway line to connect the diverted road is pending for the last five years, and therefore, the diverted road remains unused and the people continue to suffer. I draw the attention of the Government to the prolonged sufferings of the people belonging to my constituency, Silchar and Mizoram State, as the people of this region have to undergo painful delays while crossing this bridge to travel to other parts of India. Considering the public inconvenience, it is urged upon to the appropriate authorities of the Government that the diversion of NH-53 at Katakhal point be completed without further delay.