Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Request the government to expedite the construction work of Maccha gadda bridge in Peda Bailu village and alocate funds for the construction of other new bridges wherever required.

*KUMARI GODDETI MADHAVI (ARAKU): Sir, for the benefit of people of Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, Maccha gadda bridge is being constructed in Peda bailu village of my constituency. This bridge was sanctioned ten years ago by then Government. Around Rs.13 crores were spent on construction of this bridge but as those funds were not sufficient additional funds of Rs.16 crores were sanctioned. But still that bridge is in first phase of works. People are facing difficulties to cross that stretch of river and are losing lives while crossing that stretch. Also, there are various areas where there is a need for such bridges. People are losing their lives for many years as bridges are being not constructed. Keeping in view the difficulties faced by people of my constituency, new bridges may be constructed in Konajala pottu, Velagadda, Veeravaram, Chompi and Sarapalli. I request Central Government to save lives of tribals who are losing lives due to non construction of bridges. Therefore, I further request that wherever bridges are required, funds may be allocated and process of constructing bridges may be expedited.