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Title : Demand for construction of a flyover of four kms over Tentulia to reduce the distance from Chopra to Teesta Bridge on NH-31.

DR. JAYANT KUMAR ROY (JALPAIGURI): Sir, we all know that the development of Northeastern part of India including norther part of West Bengal was not at par with the other parts of the country for which our Central Government has taken several measures in order to develop the region and develop its connectivity with the rest of the country. The distance from other parts of the country is one of the important factors for keeping it away from development. If the distance is reduced, the activities which are being carried out for its development would be much faster.

I would like to request for construction of a flyover of four kms over Tentulia with the consent of the Bangladesh Government. If it is constructed, the distance from Chopra to Teesta Bridge on NH-31 will get reduced from 110 kms to 27 kms. We know that under the leadership of our beloved Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi ji, we have been able to develop a warm relationship with our neighbouring countries including Bangladesh. We may take an advantage of it and build a flyover that I am requesting for.

In addition to North Bengal, the other Northeastern States will also be benefited if this plan is implemented. Further, the problem of regular traffic jam on the NH-31 which runs through Siliguri, which is the second largest city of West Bengal, can be avoided to a large extent.

I would urge the hon. Minister of Road Transport and Highways, through you, Sir, to take cognisance of the matter and do the needful.

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