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Title : Damage caused to the bridges on National Highway Nos. 209 and 212.

SHRI R. DHRUVANARAYANA (CHAMRAJANAGAR): Madam Speaker, I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards damages caused in the National Highway Nos. 209 and 212, which connect the Mysore city with the rest of the South Indian cities. These two highways have two major bridges, which are constructed across rivers Cauvery and Kabini.

Due to recent monsoon, flood water and flash flood water, both the bridges were damaged very badly. The flash flood water also breaches out the culvert in Kabini Bridge near Nanjanagud.

The Mysore-Nanjanagud NH 212 is one of the busiest roads in the State of Karnataka. It caters to thousands of daily commuters who shuttle between the two places. The inter-State vehicles proceeding to Kerala and Tamil Nadu also have to pass through Nanjanagud on this road.

In the similar way, traffic on T. Narasipura-Mysore Road, which is also a part of NH 212, has been disrupted due to damage occurred to the Cauvery river bridge. Again, the traffic has been diverted at this place as a precautionary measure.

So, I would like to request the Union Minister of Transport to take speedy steps to repair these two bridges as early as possible. With these words, I conclude my speech.