

PWD CLARIFIES ON BORIM BRIDGE

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The Engineering Officer, PWD has clarified that the vibrations on Borim bridge caused are due to finger type expansion joint, which will be taken up immediately after monsoon by arranging regulation of traffic for 10 days on the bridge.

There has been reports in a section of press regarding vibrations caused on Borim Bridge by traffic. As on short term and immediate measures, Rehabilitation work of Borim bridge was taken up, which included external prestressing and other repairs. The work was carried out by Freyssinet Prestressed Concrete Company Limited Mumbai and was completed on April 15, 2018. The bridge is maintained by said agency for a period of 3 years.

Considering existing bridge is nearly 33 years old, an alternative long term proposal for New Bridge and bypass connecting NH17B at Loutlim is prepared. This alignment has already been approved by Ministry of Road Transport and Highway (MORTH).

Government is concerned about health status of this bridge and adequate measures have been taken to keep it safe and traffic worthy.

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