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BOGIBEEL BRIDGE – ONE STEP BEHIND FOR COMMISSIONING LAST SPAN OF BOGIBEEL BRIDGE LAUNCHED

With the launching of the last and final girder of 125 metres span, the girder No. 39, both the ends of Bogibeel Bridge are getting connected. Shri N K Prasad, General Manager of Northeast Frontier Railway (Construction), commenced the launching of the last normal span of the Bogibeel Bridge superstructure on 12th Nov, 2017. The launching of the last span on to the pier will be completed by 30th Nov, 2017. This important milestone marks the culmination of the critical superstructure steel fabrication and assembly works of the longest Rail-cum-Road bridge in India. The first span of the bridge superstructure involved about 3000 specially trained workers working round the clock at the project site. The superstructure is the first fully welded open-web steel girder bridge on Indian Railways which has been designed and executed as per European standards and entails strict quality norms in inspection and testing of the welds.

The completion of launching of the last span of 125 m will open front for construction of balance portion of the south road viaduct which will link the National Highway to the main bridge. The work of casting of road deck on top of the steel superstructure is also progressing simultaneously along with the linking of track from the North bank of the Brahmaputra. Road deck of 21 spans out of 41 has been completed. The work of rail link on the north bank and south bank of Bogibeel Bridge are in progress and the NH connectivity is also planned to be completed simultaneously with the rail link to the Bridge.

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