TWO DAYS' TRAVEL POSSIBLE IN TWO HOURS

Prior to construction of the bridge over Midim Khola, people used to travel from Pokhara via Damauli and Dumre to reach Beshisahar (the then District Headquarters) spending about two days. "Locals



used to build minimal bamboo structure for temporary pedestrian crossings, which could not resist the river flow during rainy season making various administrative and socio-economic services inaccessible during three months in every monsoon", Mr. Dinesh Bishwakarma, In-charge of Sailung Health Unit, Kolosothar – 2, recalled. He further mentioned, not only health care facilities, schools also used to become unreachable. Due to no vehicular transportation, the local traders also could not travel to the big markets for bringing goods.

Mr. Bishwakarma is now very glad that he is being able to provide health care support to the people



Mr. Dinesh Bishwakarma, In-charge of Sailung Health Unit

of Kolosothar - 2, efficiently as he can easily travel to the Health Unit from his village Kolosothar - 9, Gilund with his motorbike in two hours. Also, locals can now conveniently reach the hospitals with advance facilities located across the river if they need such facilities that are not available in Sailung Health Unit.

Including the residents of Kolosothar -

2, residents from the ward - 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 also got easy access to the headquarter due to the construction of this motorable bridge where they can proceed administrative requirements like citizenship certificate, land registration, judicial and court cases. Likewise, the local traders can easily import goods from the bigger markets and the farmers sell their produce in those markets.

This bridge was contracted on 18 Paush 2076 (2020 January 03), with an amount of NRs. 77,897.872.16 (after variation). The bridge connects Kolosothar Rural Municipality and Besishahar, headquarter of Lamjung through Kapurgaun – Maling – Salmebhanjyang Road, and was completed with total expenditure of NRs. 81,540,246.71



Midim Khola Bridge, 74.15 m (2 x 35 m), completed on 04 Kartik 2079 (2022 October 21)