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LIFELINE FOR STRANDED UPPER DZONGU VILLAGES

A sliding suspension bridge is being installed across Mantam Lake, Upper Dzongu by the north district administration and Roads & Bridges department. The bridge is expected to be ready for vehicular movement within this week. It has a carrying capacity of 14 tonnes. Once complete, the bridge will restore a permanent link with the cut-off villages of Tingvong and Sakyong-Pentok in Upper Dzongu. The suspension bridge will replace the existing 140 m temporary bamboo bridge over the lake. (Deepak Sharma)