

**CALLING ATTENTION TABALED BY SHRI GLENN SOUZA  
TICLO, MLA AS FOLLOWS:**

**" Fear and anxiety in the minds of the people of Corjuem- Aldona and Shikeri-Mayem villages with regards to the metal bridge connecting them which is in a very dilapidated condition and having number of holes on the walking surface which is corroded and could collapse any moment thus endangering the lives of pedestrians and the daily commuters. The steps the Government will take in this matter."**

Sir,

The footbridge linking Shikeri village in Mayem constituency to Corjuem Village in Aldona constituency was constructed as a Steel footbridge way back in 2003 as per the local sources. Prior to that it was a wooden footbridge that locals used to cross the creek. Over the course of the time the metal structure suffered corrosion due to presence of saline water. In the mean time GSIDC Constructed Poirā – Corjuem bridge on the same river further at an approximate distance of about 1.50 km. having proper approach roads on both sides.

The footbridge was repaired in the year 2015 but continued to weaken due to the corrosion. The floor of the bridge has developed holes and eventually the footbridge had to be closed for traffic.

Following steps have been taken by Government for the safety of pedestrians and the daily commuters.

1. As per Collectors notification it has been directed to close the said foot bridge for the general public as it is in dilapidated conditions.
2. Barricading has been constructed on the either sides of the foot bridge approaches.
3. New proposal for reconstruction of the said footbridge is under process
4. Alternative Poirā - Corjuem Bridge is available for the public use instead of the said foot bridge. Additional distance involved due to use of this bridge is approximately 2.50 Km.