## **The Sutong Bridge**

The Sutong Bridge lies between Nantong City and Suzhou of Jiangsu province, and became a part of the national key trunk route planned by the Ministry of Communications from Jiayin in Helongjiang province to Nanping in Fuijang province. Sutong Bridge, which crosses the 6km Changjiang River, has several roles: it has aided the trunk road net in both the province and throughout the country; it has improved safety for vehicles crossing the river; and has reduced the pressure of increasing traffic. The bridge was completed in January 2008 and was officially opened for traffic in June

2008. Sutong Bridge is the winner of 2010 Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement award (OCEA). The Sutong Bridge was an all-China project. No international participations were invited for the bridge construction. The construction contractor selected was China Harbour Engineering Group (CHEC).

