



5. SHEIKH JABER AL-AHMAD AL-SABAH CAUSEWAY:

The Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah Causeway is a causeway in Kuwait with an estimated construction value of approximately US\$3 billion. Under China's Belt and Road Initiative, the causeway is part of the first phase of the Silk City project. The causeway is named after the late Sheikh Jaber Al-Sabah to commemorate his contribution to the development of Kuwait. It was one of the largest and most challenging transport infrastructure projects in Kuwait, as well as the entire Middle East region. The Main Link is the 4th longest road bridge in the world at 36.14 km.

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