

**To**

The Project Director  
National Highway Authority of India  
NHAI Complex, Sector-2A  
Bidhan Nagar, Durgapur -713212

**Date:** 23.08.2025

**Subject:** Urgent Request for Overbridge Construction at Old Court Crossing

**Respected Sir,**

We, the Local residents and Commuters of surrounding areas, seek your urgent intervention regarding the dangerous and congested situation at the Old Court Crossing in Durgapur.

This crossing has become extremely hazardous due to severe traffic congestion, lack of proper traffic control measures, and the absence of an overbridge. Accidents and near-miss incidents are occurring almost daily, putting the lives of local residents, schoolchildren, daily commuters, and workers of DSP Plant at risk.

It is important to mention here that over the past few years, the situation has become increasingly alarming:

- In **2022**, **2 people died** and **2 were critically injured**.
- In **2023**, **2 more deaths** occurred along with **2 critical injuries**.
- In **2024**, **6 individuals were critically injured**.
- And in **2025** (till date), **3 people have lost their lives**, and **2 more are in critical condition**.

These are **official records**, which amount to a total of **7 deaths and 12 serious injuries**. However, **unofficially**, there have been **many more accidents**, resulting in additional casualties and injuries that remain unrecorded. The actual number of incidents is far higher, and this crossing has sadly turned into a high-risk zone. **No matter how good the traffic control is, it will not be possible to prevent accidents here unless a flyover bridge is constructed.**

We would like to inform you that we have already submitted a written application to the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) regarding this issue. However, despite repeated appeals, no effective steps have been taken so far.

Whenever we raise this concern, both NHAI and the local administration suggest closing the crossing entirely. But this is not a reasonable solution, as a large number of people use this route every day. The main entrance to the DSP Plant is located at this crossing, and thousands of factory workers and the general public use this road daily to access the plant premises. Closing this crossing would result in severe inconvenience and public hardship.

A copy of the application submitted to NHAI on 08/02/2024 is enclosed with this letter.

We humbly request your intervention and urge you to initiate action for immediate construction of an overbridge at this location, in order to prevent further accidents and ensure public safety.

We hope you will treat this matter with the seriousness and urgency it deserves.

**Thanking you,**

**Yours faithfully,**

**Local residents and Commuters**