



Sambandh Database and Map: India's Infrastructure Links

329: Samdrup Jongkhar - Darranga Road

1. Infrastructure Link Code: 329

2. Infrastructure Link Name: Samdrup Jongkhar –

Darranga Road

3. Infrastructure Sector: Land Infrastructure

4. Infrastructure Type: Roadways

5. Approximate Location:

In Bhutan:

https://goo.gl/maps/5wdYFDLj2YAWtDsp8;

In India:

https://goo.gl/maps/ErWzKcx2CsAm52xv8

Countries: India and Bhutan

· State Name (India): Assam

Sub - National Unit Name (Bhutan):

Samdrup Jongkhar Dzongkhag

6. Entities: Border Roads Organisation (India)

7. Status: Operational (as of September 2024)

8. Timeline:

The Eastern division of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) of India launched Project Dantak in 1961, focused on modernisation of Bhutan's infrastructure. The Project began with road building in Samdrup Jongkhar and connecting it to Darranga. This became a road linkage point between India and Bhutan, It has not gained much significance due to strikes by insurgents and separationist groups on the Assamese side. It is often a route used by tourists and Assamese workers use the Samdrup Jongkhar - Darranga route to go to Bhutan daily to work as day workers.

Under the 2010 Economic Development Policy of Bhutan, it was <u>proposed</u> to transform existing border points between India and Bhutan into Special Economic Zones. Samdrup Jongkhar was to be included in those plans.

