

Foundation stone laid for Rs. 6.25 crore ropeway at Tsomgo

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TRIMONGI, 17 May: Minister for Tourism, State Transport, and Public Relations of the Rs. 6.25 crore ropeway project being developed at Tsomgo. The stone was laid after some delay because of East Tibetan

The Ropeway will be constructed by BOOT - Build Operate Own, Transfer basis by Coopers & Lybrand Services Private Limited, Kolkata. The Company will operate the ropeway for a period of 21 years from the date of commercial operation. [The ropeway is being developed by the Coopers & Lybrand Services Private Limited with the Tourism Department as consultant. The State Government will be paid monthly by the Company.]

The Project will be completed within two years and will be 175 metres long, starting at the lower station part



of the lake and going up to the hill top on the right side of the lake. The lower station shall be later connected up to the car park, it is expected.

The parameters of the ropeway project also include a 200-metre stretch from the car park to the lower station. The private company engineering the project is also installing an electricity facility through

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with a transport capacity of 2000 people. The ropeway project is a cable car system of 175 metres long and will be built in 2002. It is an important project with the project

area development in the area.

He further mentioned that the ropeway cable detachable ropeway will be run from the station - one from uphill and the other from the main base station. There shall be a total of six seats per cabin, two in the lower station, two in the middle and two near at the top. The ropeway will run at a speed of 10 metres per second.

The project developers have promised that the project will be completed in 18 months time, with work being undertaken even in winter season.

Once it starts, this is bound to become a big hit with visiting tourists, complementing the yak ride option which will be available offering a bird's eye view of the lake and taking tourists to places which are otherwise too strenuous to attempt on foot.

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