Uganda Cross Bridge



Overview

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Key Takeaways

The Source of the Nile Bridge in Jinja is Uganda's iconic cable-stayed bridge connecting key transport routes and boosting regional trade. Source of the Nile Bridge, JinjaThe Source of the Nile Bridge, also known as the New Jinja Bridge, is a cable-stayed bridge across the Victoria Nile in Jinja, Uganda. Commissioned on 17 October 2018, it replaced the older Nalubaale Bridge built in 1954, which had outlived its lifespan and was structurally deteriorating.

The bridge is located between the source of the Nile to the south and the Nalubaale Power Station to the north, forming part of the proposed Kampala–Jinja Expressway, approximately 77. 5 km east of Kampala. Its coordinates are 0°26'19.

0"N, 33°11'15. 0"E. The bridge carries a four-lane dual highway with pedestrian sidewalks, facilitating both vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

It is a critical component of the Northern Corridor, a major highway linking the Indian Ocean at Mombasa, Kenya, to the Atlantic Ocean at Matadi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, making it vital for national and regional trade. The bridge is 525 meters long, funded by a $112 million loan from the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA), and constructed by Zenitaka Corporation and Hyundai Engineering and Construction Companies.

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Border Footbridges

In addition to major road bridges, Uganda has developed smaller cross-border footbridges to improve local trade and mobility. For example, a 12-meter steel footbridge over River Nyibola in Nebbi District was commissioned to facilitate movement between Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Funded by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) through Uganda's Ministry of Local Government at a cost of Shs367.

5 million, it improves access to health facilities, education, and trade opportunities for border communities.

Significance

These bridges are crucial for economic development, regional connectivity, and tourism. The Source of the Nile Bridge attracts tourists to Jinja, near the Nile's source, while also serving as a key route for import and export activities between Uganda and neighboring countries. Footbridges like the one in Nebbi enhance local cross-border trade and community interaction, particularly in areas where larger road bridges are not feasible.

Current Considerations

Due to health concerns, such as the recent Ebola outbreak in the DRC, Uganda has temporarily suspended cross-border passenger traffic at certain points, including ferries and buses, while allowing cargo transport to continue. This affects some cross-border bridge usage but does not impact major road infrastructure like the Source of the Nile Bridge. Overall, Uganda's cross bridges, from the iconic Nile Bridge in Jinja to smaller footbridges along the DRC border, play a strategic role in transportation, trade, and regional integration.

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Source of the Nile Bridge

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The bridge is located at Jinja city (the second capital of Uganda after Kampala) across the Victoria Nile, between the source of the Nile to the south and Nalubaale Power Station (old bridge) to the north. This is adjacent and immediately north of where the Uganda Railways line crosses the Victoria Nile. It is located on the proposed Kampala–Jinja Expressway, approximately 77.5 kilometres (48 mi), by road, east of Kampala, Uganda''s capital and largest city. The coordinates of the New Jinja Bridge are 0°26''19.0"N,

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Jinja Nile Bridge

Jinja Nile Bridge is a road bridge that crosses the River Nile in Uganda, connecting the town of Jinja to the east of the river, and Bugaya to the west. Built in the 1950s, this bridge gives amazing views of

The New Jinja Bridge (also known as Second Nile

The New Jinja Bridge also known as the Second Nile Bridge, located in Njeru, launched construction in January 2014. Zenitaka Corporation and

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About The Bridge: The New Jinja Bridge (also known as Second Nile Bridge) is built across Nile River connecting the town of Njeru to Jinja, which is part of

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New bridge over Nile will help landlocked Uganda

A new River Nile bridge is essential to boost trade and improve traffic in landlocked Uganda. Shem Oirere reports A new bridge across the River Nile at Jinja, to be constructed by

Stunning Source of the Nile Bridge opens in Uganda

Source of the Nile is the fifth-largest bridge in Africa. PHOTO | COURTESY Japan-funded Source of the Nile Bridge, flaunted as Africa''s fifth-largest bridge, has opened in Jinja, 80 kilometres

New Bridge at the Source of the Nile | My Uganda

The crossing provided by the bridge at Jinja highway is so vital to Uganda because it is an import-export route going up to Kenya. Uganda being a landlocked country relies heavily on this

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New Jinja Bridge Named ''Source of the Nile'' – Trumpet

The glamorous single cable bridge spanning River Nile that connects to Jinja Town in Eastern Uganda has been named Source of the Nile. The name

Uganda opens iconic bridge across River Nile

Uganda''s President Yoweri Museveni officially launched a 525-metre long bridge, dubbed The Source of the Nile Bridge, Wednesday in the southern town of Jinja. The $112 million cable

OPENING OF THE JINJA NILE BRIDGE BY H.E. YOWERI KAGUTA

The New Jinja Bridge named: "The Source of the Nile Bridge" Opening of The Source of Nile Bridge Bujagali Lake (former Bujagali Falls) Within the proximity of 10 kilometers, from Jinja

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