

# Rapid progress on new flyovers

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Work on the proposed three new flyovers at Rajagiriya, Ganemulla and Polgahawela is progressing rapidly.

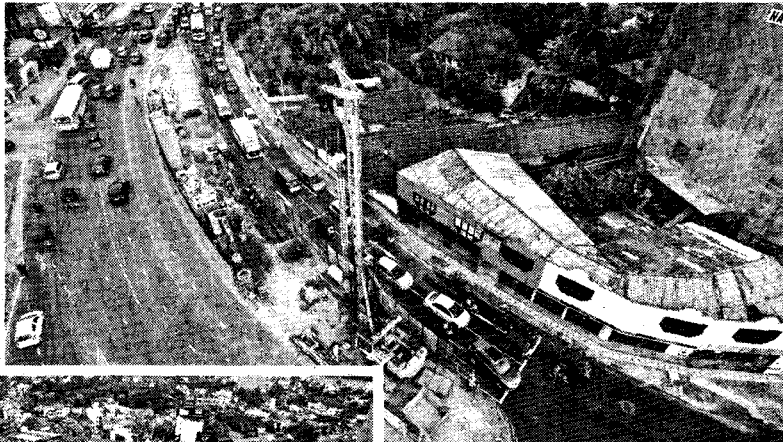
Road Development Authority (RDA) Director of UK Steel Bridges and Spanish Flyover Project, Piyal Warnakulasuriya told the Daily News that these flyovers will ease the heavy traffic congestion in Borella, Rajagiriya, Ganemulla and Polgahawela areas and avoid delays experienced by motorists.

He said the Rajagiriya flyover will be constructed in two phases.

According to the cumulative physical progress report, 64 percent work of the first phase of the Rajagiriya flyover from Battaramulla to Borella has already been completed while 15 percent work of the Rajagiriya flyover from Borella to Battaramulla under the second stage has been completed.

Meanwhile, the cumulative physical progress of the Polgahawela flyover and Ganemulla flyover is 72 percent and 77 percent.

Warnakulasuriya said piling work has already been completed on the



Construction work on the Rajagiriya flyover

Ganemulla and Polgahawela flyovers while the erection of the structures will begin soon.

Piling work on the first phase of the Rajagiriya flyover from Battaramulla to Borella and the second phase from Borella to Battaramulla will be completed by the end of this month.

"Construction of the Rajagiriya flyover is an urgent need due to the heavy traffic congestion experi-

enced any time of the day in the area. The project will help ease traffic congestion at Sri Jayawardenapura Mawatha, Borella, Battaramulla and Rajagiriya by reducing the traffic between the main flows at Rajagiriya Junction," Warnakulasuriya said.

The length of the flyover is 533 metres, while its width is 21.4 metres. This will be a four lane flyover along Parliament Road constructed at a cost of Rs. 4.6 billion funded by the Spanish government.

He said the three projects are built with Spanish aid and expertise and fully overseen by the RDA.

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