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AL JAMA-AH calls for the earlier completion of Foreshore Bridge in Cape Town

The Al Jama-ah party says the completion of the Foreshore Highway Bridge in Sea Point, Cape Town, must occur earlier than within the estimated nine years given by Minister of Transport Fikile Mbalula. The bridge will cost about R1.808Billion to complete.

Minister Mbalula was replying to a written question submitted by Al Jama-ah's Member of Parliament Hon Ganief Hendricks. He asked the Minister to provide reasons why the bridge, also known as the "Unfinished Bridge" remained unfinished for the past 40 years.

"Completion of the bridge must be fast tracked and completed before the term of the 6th Parliament ends. It is a big embarrassment of the past 5 parliaments that the bridge remains incomplete," says Hendricks.

According to the Minister a decision was taken to postpone the completion of the bridge until a later date when traffic had increased to the levels that could justify completion. Subsequently the emphasis had changed from road building to promoting public transport.

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