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## **Alternative road plan welcomed**

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*From Dodabetta to Udhagamandalam*

Udhagamandalam: A move to promote an alternative road between Dodabetta and Udhagamandalam has been welcomed by all sections of the society here.

Thanking the government for considering favourably the long-standing demand to improve the road which connected places like Dodabetta, Wood House and Pudhumund, Municipal Councillor N.Chunchiah said that it would relieve congestion not only on the main Dodabetta-Ooty road but also within the town.

Pointing out that a sum of Rs. 6 crore had been earmarked for improving the road, he said he hoped that the work would be completed by the summer of 2010.

## **Footpaths**

Meanwhile some of those residing along the road said that it was used by many pedestrians and underscored the need to provide foot paths along risky stretches.