

**Chenab River rises in the upper Himalayas in the Lahaul and Spiti district of Himachal Pradesh state. The river is formed by the confluence of two rivers, Chandra and Bhaga, at Tandi, 8 km southwest of Keylong, in the Lahaul and Spiti district. Perched between two hill slopes, at a height similar to an 85storey tower, the Chenab bridge, which India claims is the world's highest railway bridge, will have trains plying on it by January February 2024. Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw made the announcement during a site visit to monitor the progress of the construction on Sunday. The bridge is at a height of 359 m, making it taller than the Eiffel Tower in Paris, which stands at 330 m. Traversing a length of 1.3 km, once operational, the Chenab bridge will pave the way for trains to run seamlessly along the Udhampur Srinagar Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL) project, and prove to be a crucial link between Kashmir and rest of India. The plan is to run Vande Bharat trains along the stretch and also Vande Metro trains between Jammu and Srinagar, which will reduce the travelling time between the two towns to 3.5 hours," Mr.Vaishnaw said. Currently, the travel time by road on the 248km**

Jammu Srinagar National Highway is about seven hours. While the construction of the bridge was completed in August 2022, a broad gauge railway track was laid along the bridge later in the year. Mr. Vaishnav conducted a trolley inspection across the bridge and supervised the construction work on tunnels. About 28,000 tonnes of steel has been used to construct the arch bridge. The Chenab Rail Bridge is a steel and concrete arch bridge between Bakhal and Kauri and just 42 km from main Reasi town in the Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Q 1. In which state Chenab bridge is made

- A. himachal Pradesh
- B. Jammu and Kashmir
- C. Punjab
- D. Uttrakhand

Q 2. Why Author said this bridge is different from other

- A. because it is too long
- B. Because its Arch is made from steel concrete
- C. Because vande baharat train runs on this track

**D. None of them**

**Q 3. Which two district canal bridge connect**

**A. Resai and kauri**

**B. Bakkal and Kauri**

**C. Lahaul and Spiti**

**D. Lahaul and kauri**

**Q 4. Height of Bridge**

**A. 1.3Km**

**B. 359m**

**C. 42km**

**D. 330m**

**Q 5. 'Pave the way ' means**

**A. Construction**

**B. Clear the way**

**C. in shorter time**

**D. Cover a distance**