

## Case Brief: Development of Public Infrastructure on Private Land

A newly elected Chief Minister of a developing State is contemplating about improving transportation infrastructure through a major road widening project in the area. He wants to accomplish this goal in fast pace and with people's co-operation. The main dilemma faced by him is how to bring about this development amid the crisis of public land and the general climate of mistrust from the landowner's side. The senior IAS officer and the lead consultant of the road widening project makes him aware of the other successful mechanism which can help him fast-track the development process with minimal resistance from the people. On comprehending the various available options, the project gets initiated under the leadership of CM with an innovative approach. The approach ultimately was proved successful in delivering the project while achieving the social, political, and economic goals.

This case is best used as an introduction to various models used for promoting infrastructure development in an area by public agencies with more feasible, efficient, and sustainable manner. As such, it is also applicable for class on understanding innovative ways of acquiring land: to understand the problems of land acquisition for infrastructural development; insightful ways of using private land for public welfare; different models used in infrastructural development; and circumstances under which each method is more appropriate.

The case focusses on varied impediments of infrastructure development and a few strategies which have been proved successful in different states, comprehensively covering problems of land acquisition: using ways of private land for public welfare and different models of infrastructural development. It helps understand how land acquisition and development solutions need to be oriented to specific states, locale and situations.