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It is with a heavy heart to inform you, honorable minister of public works and infrastructure Dean Macpherson, that I have been struggling to receive positive response to my request for the completion of the following construction projects:

• The GaRankuwa mall's extension

project that was started in 2019 and does not show any sign that it will be completed any time soon.

In the meantime we, members of the community, struggle to access existing sections of the centre because of the difficulty to navigate entrance.

 The reconstruction of the Kraaipan bridge after it was swept away by floods in 2021 and has been a stop-start project.

As a result, the community of

Kraaipan in the North West now uses the train bridge to connect to the outside world.

It's a very dangerous activity as people can be run over by trains, but what can they do?

May I appeal, as a last resort, to the department now under your political leadership to complete this projects because your predecessor did not listen to our pleas; neither did the presidency.

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