



Z-Morh Tunnel

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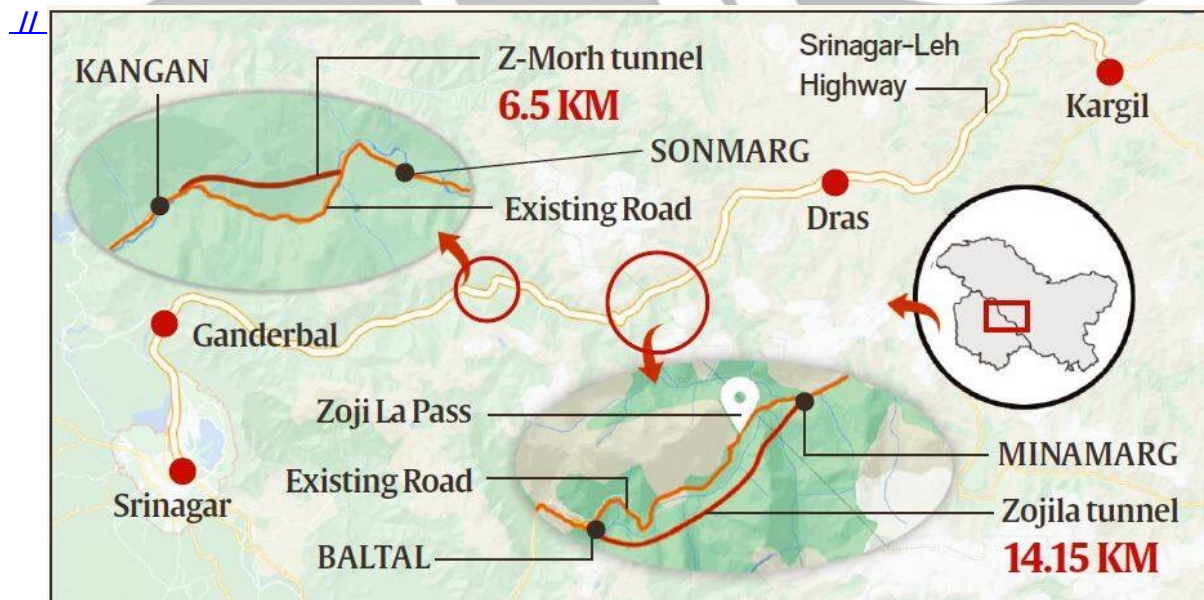
In a militant attack, seven persons were killed in the [Z-Morh tunnel](#), a strategic infra project on **the Srinagar-Sonamarg highway**. This is the **first militant attack on a key infrastructure project in J&K**.

▪ About Z-Morh Tunnel:

- It is a 6.4 km long tunnel envisaged to **provide all-weather connectivity to Sonamarg**, a renowned tourist spot along the Srinagar-Leh highway.
- Originally planned by the [Border Roads Organisation \(BRO\)](#) in 2012. Re-tendered later by the **National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL)** to a private company.

▪ Strategic Importance:

- The tunnel is being **constructed in an area prone to snow avalanches**, making the road to Sonamarg impassable during most part of the winter.
- It is a **key part of** the larger [Zojila tunnel project](#) and is essential for all-weather connectivity to Ladakh facilitating quick access for military personnel to the border areas of Ladakh.
- This connectivity is **crucial for Indian defense forces stationed near the Pakistan border** and for deployments against [Chinese forces in Eastern Ladakh](#)



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