

**Road Transportation** - India's highway network measures 33,689 km. There are opportunities for Canadian companies in the planning, construction, operation and maintenance of this network, in addition to industrial co-operation opportunities for road maintenance and ancillary equipment. Most projects have been financed by the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank. Given its pressing need to improve and expand its highways and concurrent budgetary restrictions, the Government of India has amended the National Highways Act to allow for privately operated toll roads. The Indian government is looking to the private sector to undertake the construction and operation of badly needed bridges and expressways.

**Security Products** - The market for electronic and other security products in India is relatively new and still small in size. The current import market is only about US\$3 million per annum which includes baggage X-ray equipment, bomb detectors, access and perimeter controls, burglar alarms, and metal detectors. Most of the buyers have been government agencies either through global tender or direct sourcing. However, this market is expected to grow significantly in the coming years, especially in the private sector. India already produces a wide range of security systems, yet they are not comparable in quality nor technological sophistication to what is available internationally. Opportunities exist in the following areas: access control systems; counter-espionage devices; devices for open space and interior protection; fire safety detection and prevention equipment; bomb detection and disposal equipment; perimeter protection devices; surveillance equipment; equipment for police use and for bank security; and equipment for forensic science laboratories. In addition, the National Airports Authority of India is planning to upgrade the security systems at all Indian airports.