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### Made in Bihar



### Pride of Bihar



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# FROM THE DESK OF RESIDENT COMMISSIONER

Dear Readers,

I am pleased to present July 2025 edition of our newsletter, capturing the dynamic strides Bihar continues to make under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar and with the strong support of the Central Government.

This month, Bihar witnessed a landmark moment with the fourth visit of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi this year. During his visit, he launched a host of development projects worth ₹5,200 crore. A proud highlight was the flagging off of "Made in Bihar" locomotive engine for export to West Africa—a powerful symbol of our state's growing industrial capacity.

Another major milestone was the inauguration of Bihar's first Double Decker Bridge, streamlining traffic from Kargil Chowk to Science College and Ashok Rajpath, and setting a new benchmark in urban infrastructure.

Bihar's holistic development continues to gain momentum. The blueprint for the Maa Janki Mata Mandir at Sitamarhi was unveiled, promising a significant boost to religious tourism. In parallel, law enforcement infrastructure saw a leap forward with the flagging off of over 600 new police vehicles and appointment of over 21,000 new personnel, strengthening public safety across the state.

On the industrial front, Bihar is thriving. Alongside the locomotive exports, a state-of-the-art bag manufacturing unit was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister. BIADA's recent land allocations, worth several hundred crores, are set to catalyze the establishment of new industrial units, fostering entrepreneurship and job creation.

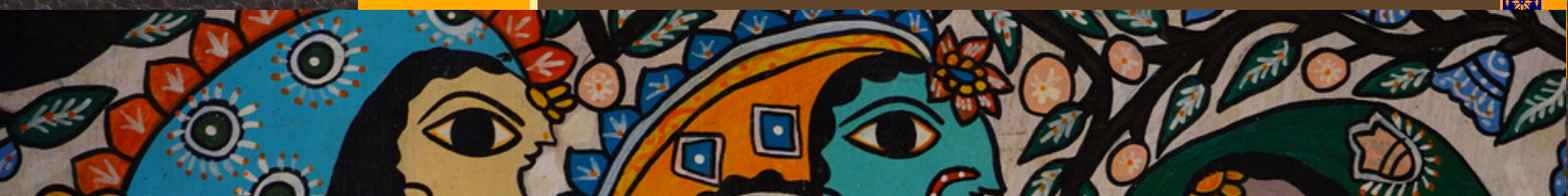
We also take immense pride in the global achievements of Biharis across sectors. A recent highlight was Team Bihar Bhawan's role in the safe repatriation of Bihari residents evacuated under Operation Sindhu by the Government of India.

We invite you to subscribe and stay updated on Bihar's growth journey. For suggestions or queries, write to us at [rescm-bi@nic.in](mailto:rescm-bi@nic.in).

Thank you for your continued trust and engagement.



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## BIHAR ACCELERATES TOWARD A BRIGHT FUTURE WITH ₹5,200 CR DEVELOPMENT BOOST



In a historic moment for Bihar's development journey, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for multiple transformative projects worth over ₹5,200 crore in Siwan on June 29. This massive push spans across critical sectors — from housing and railways to clean water, energy storage, and manufacturing — cementing Bihar's place in India's growth story.

### TRANSFORMATIVE PROJECTS UNVEILED

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- **Vande Bharat Express Launched:** A new high-speed rail connection between Patna and Gorakhpur via Muzaffarpur and Bettiah enhances mobility and tourism across Purvanchal and Buddhist circuits.
- **New Vaishali–Deoria Rail Line:** Strengthening connectivity in North Bihar, this ₹400 crore project brings faster, modern rail access to underserved regions.
- **First Locomotive Export from Bihar:** In a proud “Make in India – Make for the World” milestone, a high-tech engine manufactured at Marhowra is now being exported to Guinea, placing Bihar on the global manufacturing map.
- **Urban Infrastructure Uplift:** ₹3,000 crore allocated for new sewage treatment plants and clean water supply across Bihar towns, including major STPs under the Namami Gange Mission.
- **Green Energy Leap:** A 500 MWh Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) across 15 substations including Siwan, Motihari, Bettiah, and Muzaffarpur will ensure stable, affordable electricity and grid resilience.
- **Massive Housing Drive:** Over 53,600 families received their first PMAY-U housing instalments, and 6,600 new homes were handed over. Notably, a majority of these homes are in the names of women — a big step towards empowerment and gender equity.

In his address, Hon'ble PM commended Hon'ble CM Shri Nitish Kumar for his dedicated efforts towards Bihar's progress. He said that India's accomplishments are gaining global recognition and emphasized that Bihar has made a significant contribution to nation's growth story.





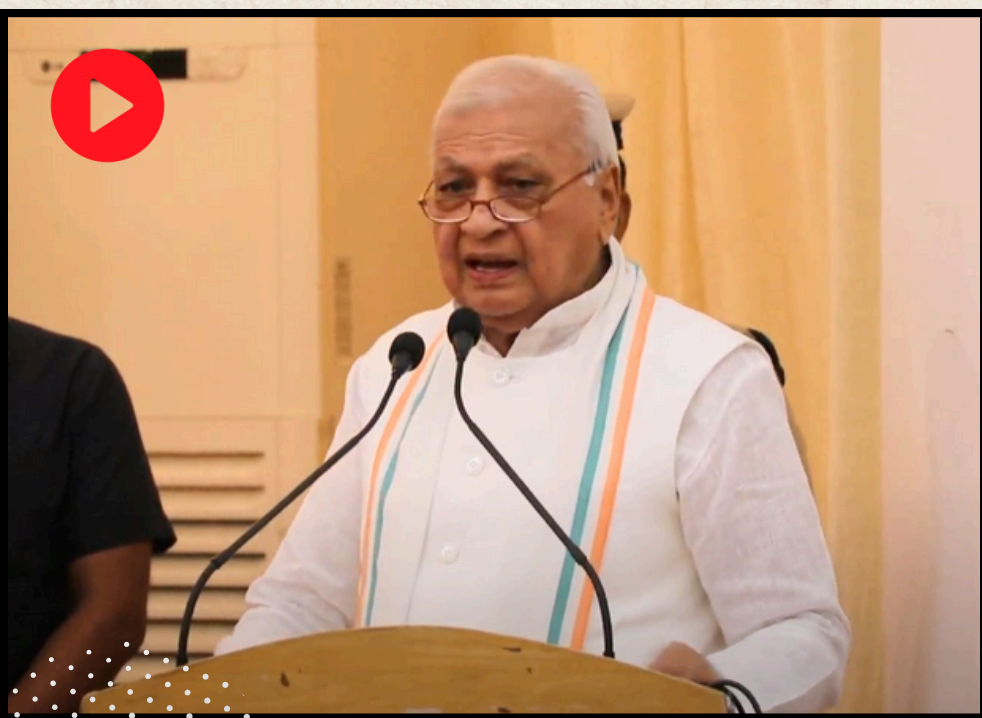
## FOUNDATION STONE LAID FOR NEW GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT AND GUEST HOUSE

On June 18, 2025, His Excellency Governor of Bihar, Shri Arif Mohammad Khan, laid the foundation stone for a new Governor's Secretariat and Raj Bhavan Guest House within Raj Bhavan premises, Patna. The ceremony was graced by Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Shri Samrat Chaudhary, Hon'ble Minister Shri Vijay Kumar Chaudhary, and Hon'ble Minister Shri Ashok Chaudhary.



The new infrastructure is set to enhance administrative efficiency and provide better hospitality for visiting dignitaries, reflecting Bihar's commitment to good governance and modern public service standards.

## BOOK "INKESHAF" UNVEILED BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AT RAJ BHAVAN



On June 19, 2025, His Excellency the Governor of Bihar, Shri Arif Mohammad Khan, officially launched the book *Inkeshaf* authored by Shah Nawaz Khan Kashif at the Darbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Patna.

In his address, His Excellency emphasized the importance of self-reflection in shaping individuals and societies. He praised the author's commitment to literary expression and historical insight.



## BIHAR AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY EARNS 'A' GRADE FROM NAAC



His Excellency the Governor of Bihar, Shri Arif Mohammed Khan, expressed joy on Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour, Bhagalpur being awarded an 'A' Grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

His Excellency extended heartfelt congratulations to the entire university community, highlighting that it is the first state-level university in Bihar to receive this prestigious distinction. He acknowledged the collective efforts and unwavering dedication of the scientists, faculty members, students, staff, and farmers that made this achievement possible.



## INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATION AT RAJ BHAVAN

His Excellency Governor Shri Arif Mohammed Khan, along with the officers and staff of Raj Bhavan Secretariat, participated with great enthusiasm in Yoga Session organized at Raj Bhavan to mark the 11th International Day of Yoga, and performed various yogic exercises.



## HE LADY GOVERNOR LEADS YOGA DAY CELEBRATIONS

On the occasion of 11th International Yoga Day, Her Excellency Lady Governor Smt. Reshma Arif participated in a yoga camp held at Lady Sifton Maternity and Child Welfare Centre and Women's Empowerment Committee Training Centre within Raj Bhavan campus, Patna.



## HON'BLE CM SHRI NITISH KUMAR INAUGURATES BIHAR'S FIRST DOUBLE DECKER FLYOVER



Marking a historic moment in Bihar's urban development, Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar inaugurated the state's first Double Decker Flyover on June 11 near Kargil Chowk (Gandhi Maidan), Patna. This innovative two-tier structure is a major leap toward easing traffic congestion and improving intra-city connectivity.

Constructed at a cost of ₹422 crore, the engineering feat connects key urban points across both tiers:

- **Tier-I:** Spanning 1,449.30 metres, this level links **Kargil Chowk to Science College**.
- **Tier-II:** Extending 2,175.50 metres, it connects **Kargil Chowk to Ashok Rajpath**—a crucial route serving educational institutions and commercial zones.

This smart urban infrastructure is expected to significantly reduce congestion around the Gandhi Maidan, PMCH, and Patna University areas, optimising traffic flow in one of the city's busiest corridors.

## HON'BLE CM SHRI NITISH KUMAR FLAGS OFF 618 NEW POLICE VEHICLES TO STRENGTHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT IN BIHAR



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar flagged off a fleet of 618 newly procured police vehicles—comprising 520 four-wheelers and 98 two-wheelers—on June 19, 2025, from Patna. The initiative aims to enhance mobility, surveillance, and rapid response across urban and rural police stations throughout Bihar. Addressing the gathering at the flag-off ceremony, Hon'ble Shri Kumar reiterated the government's commitment to modernising law enforcement infrastructure and ensuring public safety. The addition of these vehicles is expected to improve day-to-day patrolling, reduce response times, and facilitate better policing in remote areas.



## HON'BLE CM SHRI NITISH KUMAR HANDS OVER APPOINTMENT LETTERS TO 21,391 NEWLY RECRUITED POLICE PERSONNEL



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar distributed appointment letters to 21,391 newly recruited police personnel at a grand ceremony held on June 27, 2025, at Bapu Sabhagar, Patna. The large-scale induction underscores the State Government's continued commitment to enhancing public safety and modernising the police force.

Addressing the gathering, Hon'ble Shri Kumar congratulated the new appointees and reflected on the government's sustained efforts over the past 18 years to build a robust and inclusive police force. He highlighted significant progress, including the consistent expansion of personnel strength and increased representation of women officers.

The new recruits will fortify police presence across districts, playing a key role in maintaining law and order, fostering public trust, and advancing the overall administrative efficiency of Bihar Police.

## 101 ASSISTANT ARCHITECTS JOIN BIHAR'S INFRASTRUCTURE MISSION

In a key step toward strengthening Bihar's technical cadre, 101 newly appointed Assistant Architects officially joined the state government on June 25, 2025, following their selection through the Bihar Public Service Commission (BPSC). The appointment letters were handed over by Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar at a formal ceremony held at the Chief Minister's Secretariat.



The architects will be deployed across departments including Building Construction, Education, Tourism, and others, where their expertise will be instrumental in elevating the architectural design and execution of government projects. Their induction marks a focused move toward modernising public infrastructure through professional and merit-based recruitment.



## HON'BLE CM SHRI NITISH KUMAR UNVEILS BLUEPRINT FOR MAA JANKI MATA TEMPLE COMPLEX IN SITAMARHI



In a landmark cultural and religious initiative, Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar unveiled the design blueprint for a grand temple complex at Punaauradham, Sitamarhi, the revered birthplace of Jagat Janani Maa Janki, on June 22. This visionary project is set to transform the site into a prominent centre of spiritual significance and heritage tourism.

A dedicated trust has already been established to oversee and accelerate construction. Emphasising the emotional and cultural importance of the initiative, Hon'ble Shri Kumar stated that the development of this temple is not just a project, but a matter of immense pride for every citizen of Bihar. Once completed, the temple complex is expected to emerge as a national pilgrimage site—showcasing Bihar's devotion, historical depth, and its commitment to preserving sacred legacies.

## BIHAR MANGO FESTIVAL 2025 SHOWCASES STATE'S HORTICULTURAL PROWESS



Bihar celebrated its rich mango heritage with grandeur as Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar inaugurated the Mango Festival 2025 at the Sattar Ashok Convention Centre, Patna. Organised by the Department of Agriculture, the two-day event held on **28–29 June** featured participation from over 800 mango cultivators representing every district of the state, and showcased more than **5,000 mango varieties**.

This year's theme - "**Reviving Old Orchards, A Gift to Future Generations**" - emphasises the Government's continued commitment to rejuvenating traditional horticultural assets. Since the launch of Bihar's Agricultural Roadmap in 2007–08, mango cultivation has grown by 82%, now covering more than 1.65 lakh hectares across the state.



## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY: HON'BLE CM LEADS TREE PLANTATION DRIVE

On the occasion of World Environment Day (June 5), Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar led a symbolic tree plantation drive at Jethuli Ganga Path, reaffirming Bihar's commitment to sustainable development and environmental stewardship.

Speaking on the occasion, Hon'ble CM emphasised the critical role of tree plantation in combating climate change and securing a greener future. He encouraged citizens to actively participate in the Hariyali campaign by planting trees in their homes and communities, calling environmental protection a "responsibility to the next generation."



## NUTRITIOUS MEALS AT ₹20: HON'BLE CM SHRI NITISH KUMAR APPROVES EXPANSION OF 'DIDI KI RASOI'



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar on June 24, 2025, approved a proposal to reduce the cost of meals under the 'Didi Ki Rasoi' scheme **from ₹40 to ₹20 per plate**. This decision, announced following cabinet approval, demonstrates the government's strong commitment to serving patients and visitors at government institutions with dignity and care.

Operated by Jeevika self-help groups, the '**Didi Ki Rasoi**' initiative provides hygienic and wholesome meals at medical colleges, government hospitals, subdivision offices, and block headquarters. The subsidy will make meals more affordable, particularly for the underprivileged and those traveling from rural regions.



## HON'BLE CM INAUGURATES HIGH-TECH BAG MANUFACTURING UNIT IN MUZAFFARPUR



Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar inaugurated a **modern bag manufacturing unit** by Cosmos Light Style Pro Ltd. at the Bela Industrial Area, **Muzaffarpur**, on June 14, 2025. This initiative signals the state's growing momentum in attracting high-value investments and creating employment-driven industrial hubs.

The newly launched unit is equipped with advanced technology and is expected to generate employment for over 1,200 people, with 40% of positions earmarked for women, thereby promoting gender-inclusive growth. By producing premium-quality bags for domestic and export markets, the unit will contribute to Bihar's manufacturing ecosystem and boost the region's economic vitality.

Hon'ble Shri Kumar reaffirmed the government's commitment to strengthening Bihar's industrial base through proactive policy measures, infrastructure development, and ease-of-doing-business reforms. The initiative aligns with the state's broader vision of sustainable job creation and regional economic upliftment.

## NEW MANUFACTURING UNIT INAUGURATED AT TEXTILE PARK, MUZAFFARPUR



On June 19, 2025, Hon'ble Industries Minister Shri Nitish Mishra inaugurated a state-of-the-art manufacturing unit of High Spirit Commercial Ventures Pvt. Ltd. (Priority Bags) at the Textile Park in Muzaffarpur. Spread over 48,000 sq. ft., the new facility is equipped with modern machinery and technology. It will produce 8.4 lakh vegan leather duffel and travel bags annually. With this addition, the company now operates four manufacturing units in Bihar, with a combined annual capacity of 18 lakh bags. The unit brings the company's stitching machine capacity in Bihar to over 3,500 and has generated employment for more than 8,000 people.



## HON'BLE CM TOURS IRRADIATION CENTRE, PACK HOUSE IN BIHTA

Hon'ble CM Shri Nitish Kumar on June 15 (Sunday) visited Integrated Irradiation Centre, where he reviewed the pack house and cold storage facilities and received detailed information about the irradiation process used to prepare agricultural and food products for export.



## GAYA SET TO EMERGE AS INDUSTRIAL POWERHOUSE UNDER BIHAR INTEGRATED MANUFACTURING CITY INITIATIVE

The third board meeting of **Bihar Integrated Manufacturing City Gaya Limited (BIMCGL)** was held on June 13, 2025, under the chairmanship of Shri Kundan Kumar, Managing Director of BIADA and CEO of BIMCGL. The meeting laid out key strategic measures to position Gaya as a cutting-edge manufacturing centre under the Integrated Manufacturing Cluster (IMC) Gaya project.

**Key resolutions included:**

- Appointment of a Programme Manager for upcoming industrial townships
- Approval of the Master Plan by the National Industrial Corridor Development Corporation (NICDC)
- Commitment to issuing the EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) Tender shortly
- A unified vision to develop Gaya as a world-class manufacturing destination



## BIADA CLEARS INDUSTRIAL PROPOSALS WORTH OVER ₹452 CRORE ACROSS BIHAR IN JUNE

Bihar continued its industrial growth momentum with Project Clearance Committee (PCC) of BIADA, chaired by Shri Kundan Kumar (IAS), Managing Director, BIADA, approving significant land allotments to industrial units across the state during two meetings held on June 11 and June 24, 2025. Across both sessions, 24 industrial units were allotted plots spanning a total of 28.12 acres in key districts including Bhagalpur, Darbhanga, Muzaffarpur, Begusarai, Jehanabad, Siwan, Buxar, Bhojpur, West Champaran, Saharsa, Gaya, Rohtas, and Patna.

### • Notable Allottees:

- M/s Aditya Birla Fashion & Retail Ltd.
- M/s Ganga Foods
- M/s Nostino Foods
- M/s EPIC AGRO PRODUCTS PRIVATE LIMITED
- M/s Trustyle Interiors Pvt. Ltd.
- M/s Shree Food Industries



## CHIEF SECRETARY RELEASES E-OFFICE USER MANUAL TO DIGITIZE ADMINISTRATION



On June 16, Chief Secretary Shri Amrit Lal Meena released the e-Office User Manual at Chief Secretariat Assembly Hall, Patna. The manual is a key step towards streamlining administrative processes and enhancing transparency and efficiency in governance.

Speaking on the occasion, he said, "Under the leadership of Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar, Bihar government is committed to faster and more transparent administration. The e-Office system will enable quicker file movement and improve service delivery through effective use of technology."

## BIHAR CIVIL SERVICES OFFICERS ORGANIZE BLOOD DONATION CAMP ON WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY



To mark World Blood Donor Day (June 14), a blood donation camp was organized on Saturday by IAS, IPS, and IFS officers of the Bihar cadre along with their families. The initiative was jointly conducted by the Bihar IAS Association, Bihar IPS Association, and Bihar IFS Association. The camp was inaugurated by Chief Secretary Shri Amrit Lal Meena, reflecting the commitment of Bihar's civil services community to public welfare and humanitarian causes.

## BIHAR CABINET APPROVES ₹4,026 CRORE SCHEME FOR MARRIAGE HALLS IN ALL GRAM PANCHAYATS



In a major step towards strengthening rural infrastructure, Bihar Cabinet on June 24, 2025, approved Mukhya Mantri Kanya Vivah Mandap Yojana for the construction of marriage halls in all 8,053 gram panchayats of the state. The project, with a total outlay of ₹4,026 crore, aims to support social and cultural functions at the village level. Each hall will be built at an estimated cost of ₹50 lakh and the scheme will be implemented in phases over five years, starting this financial year.



## BIHAR MAKES HISTORY AS INDIA'S FIRST STATE TO EXPORT RAIL ENGINES GLOBALLY

In a landmark achievement for Bihar's industrial growth, Webtech Diesel Locomotive Factory at Madhaura in Chhapra district has become the first in India to export rail engines to global market. On June 20, 2025, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi flagged off the first consignment of 150 state-of-the-art diesel locomotives destined for the Republic of Guinea in West Africa.

Established in 2018 as a joint venture between Webtech Inc. (76%) and Indian Railways (24%), the Madhaura facility has already produced 729 powerful diesel engines, including 545 of 4,500 HP and 184 of 6,000 HP capacity. The factory spans 226 acres, sources 40–50% of its components from across India, and employs hundreds of skilled workers—many from Bihar itself.



## BIHAR'S ARTISANS CHAMPION 'MAKE IN INDIA' WITH INDIGENOUS SWING RIDE INNOVATION

In a significant stride towards self-reliance and industrial innovation, skilled artisans from Kanhaiyaganj village in Ekangarsarai, Nalanda district, have successfully developed a fully automatic 'Swing Star' ride—an amusement attraction that was previously imported from China. This breakthrough aligns seamlessly with the spirit of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's 'Make in India' initiative.



This cutting-edge ride, typically valued at ₹1.5 crore when sourced internationally, is now being manufactured locally for just ₹60 lakh—marking a substantial reduction in cost without compromising on quality or safety. Entirely software-controlled, the ride operates with a streamlined interface comprising just three buttons: Start, Stop, and Emergency.

## PIRPAINTI RAILWAY STATION REVAMPED UNDER AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME

**Pirpainti Railway Station** in Bhagalpur, Bihar, has been transformed under the 'Amrit Bharat Station Scheme,' a nationwide initiative to modernize over 1,300 railway stations across India.

Among the 103 redeveloped stations virtually inaugurated by Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi

on May 22, 2025. Developed at a cost of ₹19 crore, the station now features improved cleanliness, hygienic restrooms, an air-conditioned lounge, and multiple upgraded passenger amenities.





# BIHAR HERITAGE ON GLOBAL STAGE!



Bihar's rich cultural heritage received international recognition as two iconic art forms from the state were presented as diplomatic gifts by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during the G7 Summit in Canada.

To honour the Canadian Prime Minister, a handcrafted Brass Bodhi Tree sculpture from Bihar was gifted - symbolising wisdom, peace, and spiritual awakening.

The South Korean President received a traditional Madhubani painting, a globally celebrated folk art form originating from the Mithila region of Bihar. Known for its vibrant colours, intricate patterns, and eco-friendly natural dyes, Madhubani art reflects the state's deep-rooted storytelling traditions and reverence for nature and mythology.

## HON'BLE RAKSHA MANTRI'S DIPLOMACY VIA 'TREE OF LIFE'

Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh presented a Madhubani painting called 'Tree of Life' to Hon'ble Chinese Defence Minister - an exquisite artwork from Bihar's Mithila region.

Rendered with intricate patterns and natural dyes, the Tree of Life often features birds, animals, and human figures nestled within its branches, reflecting the harmony between nature and all living beings. It embodies wisdom, fertility, and spiritual energy, and is frequently associated with sacred trees like the Peepal (Ashwatha), which holds deep significance in both Hinduism and Buddhism.





## BIHAR POLICE SUB-INSPECTOR SCALES NEW HEIGHTS — BOTH LITERALLY AND FIGURATIVELY

In a landmark achievement that reflects both personal grit and institutional pride, Sub-Inspector Shri Chandan Kumar of the Bihar Police has inscribed his name in golden letters with an extraordinary feat. A 2017 batch officer, Shri Kumar has served with distinction in the Special Task Force (STF) since 2022, following his initial posting in Motihari district.



Driven by a lifelong passion for mountaineering, Shri Kumar undertook intensive training in 2024 at the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling. With due permission from the Bihar Police, he then set out to conquer two of Africa's formidable peaks—Mount Meru and Mount Kilimanjaro. At 5,895 metres (19,341 feet), Mount Kilimanjaro stands as the tallest peak in Africa and the world's highest free-standing mountain.

Braving extreme cold, thinning oxygen, and rugged terrain, Shri Kumar's successful summit of Kilimanjaro stands as a symbol of perseverance, resilience, and excellence. His accomplishment not only fulfils a personal dream but also elevates the honour of the Bihar Police on a global stage.

## BHAGALPUR'S SHRI SATYAM MISHRA HONOURED WITH HARVARD'S PRESTIGIOUS PHYLLIS STRIMLING AWARD

In a moment of immense pride for Bihar, Shri Satyam Mishra, a native of Bhikhanpur, Bhagalpur, has been awarded with the **Phyllis Strimling Award by Harvard University**—becoming the first male recipient in the 25-year history of this honour. Conferred annually upon one graduating student, the award recognises



outstanding contributions in the fields of education, social justice, and inclusive learning. Shri Mishra graduated from Harvard with the highest academic distinction. The award was presented to him by Dean Noni Leso in the presence of faculty and fellow graduates during the convocation ceremony on May 28.



## FROM PUNPUN TO PODIUM: BIHAR'S MS. KOMAL SHINES ON INTERNATIONAL WATERS

In an inspiring story of determination and triumph, Ms. Komal, a remarkable athlete from Punpun near Patna, has brought honour to the nation by clinching a bronze medal at the prestigious Dragon Boat Race in Hong Kong, China. Hailing originally from Arwal district, she overcame limited resources and formidable odds to represent India on the global stage—proving that with perseverance and the right support, dreams can chart international waters.



Ms. Komal's talent was first identified in 2020 when the Bihar Dragon Boat Association selected her for a specialised training camp in Motihari. Following three months of intensive preparation, she earned her place on the national team and soon made waves by securing three gold medals at the national level. Her exceptional performance led to her selection for the 2024 Asian Dragon Boat Championship, where she secured bronze medals in both the 500-meter and 200-meter categories.

Her achievements were made possible through the proactive encouragement of the Government of Bihar. Initiatives such as “Medal Lao, Naukri Pao” and the Khel Samman Samaroh have fostered a renewed energy in Bihar's sporting ecosystem, motivating countless young athletes to pursue excellence. In recognition of her accomplishments, Ms. Komal received incentive grants of ₹62,000 in 2022, ₹2,00,000 in 2023, and ₹72,000 in 2024.

## VALMIKI TIGER RESERVE ROARS WITH EIGHT TIMES MORE TIGERS

**भास्कर खास** 15 साल में बाघों की आबादी 8 गुनी से अधिक वृद्धि हुई  
**वीटीआर में बाघों की संख्या 54 से 70 हुई... इसकी वजह अनुकूल परिस्थिति और पर्याप्त भोजन मिलना**

बाघों को शिकार करने में आसानी हो, इसलिए 1500 हेक्टेयर में बना ग्रासलैंड

बिहार में बाघों की आबादी तेजी से बढ़ रही है। बेतिया स्थित वाल्मीकि टाइगर रिजर्व (वीटीआर) में अनुकूल परिस्थिति और पर्याप्त भोजन मिलने से बाघों की संख्या 54 से बढ़कर 70 पहुँच गई है। यह वृद्धि पिछले 15 सालों में 8 गुनी से अधिक हो गई है। पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवयु परिवर्तन विभाग के द्वारा 2025 में कराए गए सर्वे के अनुसार करीब 10 से अधिक शावकों को सीसेटोवी में देखा गया है। 2010 में वीटीआर में 8 बाघ थे। 2022-23 में संख्या बढ़कर 54 से अधिक हो गई। अब पिछले छह साल में यह संख्या बढ़कर 70 पहुँच गई। वृद्धि का यह आंकड़ा पिछले 31 साल यानी 1994 से अब तक का है। इसका प्रमुख कारण अनुकूल परिस्थिति का होना है। दरअसल, 900 वर्ग किलोमीटर में फैले जंगल में 1500 हेक्टेयर में ग्रासलैंड विकसित किया गया है। जिससे शाकाहारी वन्य प्राणियों की संख्या में इजाफा हुआ है। इस ग्रासलैंड में हिरण, गौर, नीलगाय सहित कई छोटे-छोटे जानवर नजर आने लगे हैं। टाइगर रिजर्व में घास के मैदानों और गंडक नदी के आस-पास शाम के समय हिरणों के झुंड अक्सर दिख जाते हैं। पानी के लिए कोर जोन में करीब 150 से अधिक तालाब खोदा गया है। बाघों को पानी पीने के लिए हमेशा तालाब में पानी रहता है।

बाघों की संख्या	2005-06	18	2013-14	28	2022-23	54
	2010-11	08	2018-19	32	2024-25	70

भौगोलिक स्थिति के कारण गंडक नदी के किनारे काफी दूर तक घास फैली है। यहाँ बाघ शिकार करने पसंद करते हैं। घास होने के कारण यहाँ नेपाल और आस-पास के छोटे-छोटे जानवर काफी संख्या में पशुचरते हैं। ऐसे में बाघ को आसानी से अपना भोजन मिल जाता है।

■ टाइगर रिजर्व में बेहतर संरक्षण और प्रबंधन से बाघों की संख्या बढ़ रही है। फरीस्ट गार्ड और फरीस्टर की संख्या बढ़ाई गई है। करीब 1500 हेक्टेयर में ग्रासलैंड विकसित किया गया है। कोर जोन और बाफर जोन में तालाब बनाया गया। यहाँ बाघ आसानी से पानी पी लेते हैं।  
 -हरजोत कोर बम्हारा, अपर मुख्य सचिव, वन एवं जलवयु परिवर्तन विभाग

Bihar's Valmiki Tiger Reserve (VTR) in Bettiah has recorded a remarkable surge in its tiger population—from just 8 in 2010 to 70 in 2025, according to a recent survey by the Department of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change. Over ten tiger cubs have been captured on CCTV, reflecting thriving breeding conditions. This eightfold growth is a result of sustained conservation efforts since 1994.

VTR's rich grasslands, abundant prey base, and over 150 strategically constructed ponds have created an ideal habitat across its 900 sq. km expanse.



## MEET &amp; GREET

## NORWEGIAN EMBASSY DELEGATION VISITS BIHAR BHAWAN



Resident Commissioner of Bihar, Shri Kundan Kumar met with senior officials from the Royal Norwegian Embassy - Head of Political Affairs, **Mrs Beate Gabrielsen**, and Senior Advisor, **Mrs Undis Vatvedt Singh** - during their courtesy visit to Bihar Bhawan, New Delhi. The delegates shared warm recollections of their prior visit to Bihar and expressed keen interest in arranging a return visit, this time in the company of His Excellency the Ambassador of Norway.

## BIHAR BHAWAN FACILITATES SMOOTH REPATRIATION OF STATE CITIZENS UNDER MEA-LED RESCUE MISSION

As part of the Government of India's ongoing evacuation efforts, over 4,400 Indian nationals have been safely brought back from Iran and Israel through 19 special flights, according to the Ministry of External Affairs. Among the returnees were several citizens of Bihar, whose onward journey home was efficiently coordinated by Bihar Bhawan, New Delhi.

Under the guidance of Resident Commissioner, Shri Kundan Kumar, Team Bihar Bhawan played a pivotal role in ensuring that evacuees from the state received timely assistance upon arrival in India. This included logistical support, temporary accommodation, medical facilitation, and transport arrangements to their respective hometowns across Bihar.





# WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT SERVICES AT BIHAR BHAWAN



## फारिश

मेरा गांव सिवान डिस्ट्रिक्ट में आता है। मेरे पिता के इलाज के लिए बिहार सरकार से मुझे 50 हजार रुपए की मदद प्राप्त हुई है। आरटीपीएस के लोग काफी मददगार हैं और उनका कार्य भी सराहनीय है। इसके लिए बिहार भवन दिल्ली के आरटीपीएस कर्मचारियों और बिहार सरकार का आभार व्यक्त करता हूं।

## बाबूनंद प्रसाद

मेरा गांव सिवान डिस्ट्रिक्ट में आता है। मैं यहां ग्रामीण नकशों के लिए आया था। ये नक्शा मुझे गांव में भी नहीं मिल पाया था। फिर मुझे बिहार भवन के बारे में पता चला। यहां की सर्विस से मैं बहुत संतुष्ट हुआ हूं। मुझे नक्शा भी प्राप्त हो गया है।



## सुधीर कुमार

मैं बिहार के नालंदा से रहने वाला हूं। मेरे बच्चे का ब्रोनमेरो (रीढ़ की हड्डी) का ऑपरेशन है उसके लिए मदद मांगी थी। लगभग 7 लाख रुपए की मदद मुझे मिली है। बिहार भवन के आरटीपीएस के लोगों का सहयोग सराहनीय है। जल्द ही मेरा काम करा दिया। यहां की सर्विस से मैं बहुत संतुष्ट हूं।

## देवेन्द्र कुमार

मैं समस्तीपुर से हूं। यहां मैं अपने बच्चे का आय प्रमाण पत्र बनाने के लिए आया था। आरटीपीएस के लोगों का सहयोग बहुत ही सराहनीय है। बहुत ही जल्दी मेरा कार्य करा दिया। दिल्ली में दी जा रही इस प्रकार की सेवा के लिए मैं मुख्यमंत्री जी का भी आभार व्यक्त करता हूं।





## BIHAR FOUNDATION TO LAUNCH INTEGRATED CENTRES IN 10 CITIES TO AMPLIFY CULTURAL AND INVESTMENT OUTREACH

Government of Bihar has announced plans to establish Integrated Centres of Bihar Foundation in 10 prominent cities across India - **Surat, Bengaluru, Pune, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chennai, Chandigarh, Ludhiana, Coimbatore, and Guwahati**. These centres will serve as dedicated hubs for disseminating information related to Bihar's art, culture, crafts, textiles, tourism, and industrial policies, while also promoting the state as an investment destination on a global scale. The centres will work in close coordination with international Indian trade organisations, fostering strategic collaborations and positioning Bihar prominently in national and international discourse.

The announcement was made by Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar cum Chairman, Bihar Foundation, Shri Samrat Choudhary. This initiative reaffirms Bihar Foundation's mission of Bonding, Branding, and Business, and lays the foundation for deeper socio-economic integration between Bihar and its vast diaspora across India.

**State govt to open integrated centres of Bihar Foundation in 10 cities, including Surat, Bengaluru, Pune, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chennai, Chandigarh, Ludhiana, Coimbatore and Guwahati.**

These centres will provide information about Bihar's art, culture, crafts, textiles, tourism and industrial schemes as well as promote the state as an investment destination at the international level. These centres will work in coordination with international Indian trade organisations.

**Samrat Choudhary**

Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Bihar, cum Chairman, Bihar Foundation



## AT GLOBAL SCALE!

### 'State govt to open Bihar Foundation centres in Oman'

Jainarain Pandey / TNN

Patna: State govt will spend Rs 29.87 crore on opening integrated centres of Bihar Foundation in 10 cities, including Surat, Bengaluru, Pune, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chennai, Chandigarh, Ludhiana, Coimbatore and Guwahati, said deputy CM Samrat Choudhary here on Monday.

A new chapter of Bihar Foundation will also be opened in Oman, he said. Samrat said this chapter will play an important role in promoting the cultural heritage of Bihar at the global level as well as in the economic, social and industrial development of the state. He said the formation of Oman chapter is a concrete step towards establishing a bridge between the state and the migrant Biharis.

The deputy CM said these centres will provide information about Bihar's art, culture, crafts, textiles, tourism and industrial schemes as well as promote the state as an investment destination at the international level.

These centres will work in coordination with international Indian trade organisations, he added.

He said budget provision has been made keeping in mind the minimum human resources and other requirements for the operation of



Deputy CM Samrat Choudhary

these centres.

Samrat said apart from these centres, a total of 30 chapters of Bihar Foundation located in India and abroad (14 in India and 16 abroad) will be connected through a virtual dialogue programme in three phases.

In the first phase, chapters in the USA, New Zealand, Canada; in the second phase, the UAE, Sydney, Bahrain, South Korea, Hong Kong, Japan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, United Kingdom and the Netherlands will be connected through a dialogue programme. In the third phase, chapters located in Chennai, Goa, Gujarat, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Varanasi, Chandigarh, Gurugram, Siliguri, Sikkim and Guwahati will be connected, he said. These dialogue programmes will give an opportunity to the overseas Biharis associated with Bihar Foundation to share their role and experience, Samrat said.

The Bihar Foundation centres are not limited to India, Chapters in foreign nations like Oman will also open such centres in the coming days. Speaking about the initiative, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister Shri Samrat Choudhary, who also serves as Chairman of Bihar Foundation, confirmed that a budgetary provision has been made to support these centres, taking into account minimum human resources and operational requirements.

He further announced a three-phase virtual dialogue programme that will connect all Bihar Foundation chapters worldwide.

Our Motto!

**BRANDING . BONDING . BUSINESS**



## TRADITIONAL SIPS FROM BIHAR: COOLING SUMMER DRINKS WITH LOCAL FLAIR

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### BEL KA SHARBAT

Extracted from the pulp of the wood apple (bel), this naturally sweet and fragrant drink is rich in vitamins and known to cool the body, aid digestion, and prevent heatstroke.



### SATTU SHARBAT

A protein-rich drink made from roasted gram flour, seasoned with black salt, lemon, and cumin.

### AAM JHORA

A tangy blend prepared from raw mango pulp, seasoned with rock salt and roasted cumin. It's a traditional antidote to dehydration and sunburn, loved for its bold and zesty flavor.





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