



Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurates 'Sabhyata Dwar' in Patna

Hon'ble Chief Minister Nitish Kumar inaugurated the Sabhyata Dwar at Ashok Convention Centre. He also inaugurated two murals based on the life of Mahatma Gandhi at Bapu Sabhagar, a statue and a 'Stambh' of Samrat Ashok. Inaugurating the Sabhyata Dwar, he said that vibrant history of Bihar is our biggest capital. Bihar has a glorious history that inspires us to go ahead in life with positive approach. The Sabhyata Dwar, erected by the State Building Construction department on the banks of the Ganga in Patna, has been constructed on the lines of 'India Gate' and 'Gateway of India'. The Sabhyata Dwar is being considered as the gateway of

Bihar and Patna.

The Sabhyata Dwar has two Mauryan-style arches flanked by two small arches. The gateway has been built using red and beige-coloured sandstones and is topped with a four-sided lion capital of King Ashoka. Offering the glimpse of ancient pride of Bihar and Patliputra, the Sabhyata Dwar embraces century-long glory of ancient era in itself. While the one side of the Dwar shows the message of Jain Tirthankara Vardhaman Mahavir, the teachings of love and peace of Buddha has been erected on the other side. Chandragupta Maurya, the great emperor who integrated entire nation for the first time, has also been erected along with the great king Ashoka.

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It gives us immense pleasure to present to you the May, 18 edition of our E Newsletter. Like in previous editions, we have tried to compile the positive and constructive news related to Bihar. While there is no dearth of such news indicating that Bihar is in the path of development, the need is to handpick them and present them in the form of a crisp news bulletin. This newsletter is our humble attempt in that direction.

Bihar government has been a pioneer in rolling out several schemes aimed to uplift the weaker sections of the society. This month the government gave its nod to a scheme, whereby every students falling in the category of Extreme Backward Caste (EBC) cracking the civil services preliminary tests conducted by the UPSC and the BPSC will get Rs 1 lakh and Rs 50,000 respectively.

Taking you to the headquarter of Bihar Foundation in Patna, an executive committee meeting was organised on 30th May, 18, where it was decided to hold investors' meet in eight major cities spread across different states in the country.

I am sure this will encourage you to go further and read the other news related to Bihar



- Dr S. Siddharth, IAS

Chief Executive Officer, Bihar Foundation

Hon'ble Chief Minister lays foundation stone for a 118-room Bihar Sadan in Delhi

Hon'ble Chief Minister Nitish Kumar laid foundation stones for a swanky 10-storeyed Bihar Sadan, a new guest house of the state government, in Delhi. 'Bihar Bhavan' was constructed for the first time in Delhi in 1960s. After that, the 'Bihar Nivas' was constructed in the '80s after the increasing footfalls of state's guests. Now, the ten-storeyed Bihar Sadan is being constructed in Dwarka.

The well-equipped building will come up on a 2-acre land in Dwarka Sector-19 area of the national capital at a cost of Rs 78.78 crore. Bihar Sadan would provide staying accommodation for dignitaries from the state, including the governor, CM, ministers, legislators, high court judges and state government's officials and guests. After 'Bihar Bhawan' and 'Bihar Niwas', the 'Bihar Sadan' will be third guest house of

state government in the national capital. The proposed building will have 10 floors besides basement and ground floor. It will have 118 rooms, besides a conference room for 200 people and cafeteria for 180 people. Of total 118 rooms, there would be eight VIP suites, two VVIP suits, 89 double bed rooms and 19 single bed rooms. It will also have an exhibition area for 200 people and car parking for 224 vehicles. Solar energy will be used in Bihar Sadan.

First state-of-the-art semen production center being set up in Purnea

Hon'ble Chief Minister Nitish Kumar unveiled the Bhoomi Pujan and Shilapatta of the country's largest frozen semen station at Goat Rearing Center of Maranga in Purnia. This first frozen semen station in Bihar will be constructed at a cost of Rs 64 crores in 20 months. In this, 300 high genetic merit bulls will be





kept and 50 lakhs of semen dose will be produced per year. Red Sindhi, Bachaur, Gangatiri, Sahiwal breeds will also be kept. With the establishment of this semen station, milk productivity of cows and buffaloes will increase rapidly in the state. On this occasion, a memorandum of understanding was exchanged between the National Dairy Development Board and the Bihar Government. The responsibility for the construction of this project has been entrusted to NDVB.

On this occasion, the Hon'ble Chief Minister said that apart from milk of cattle and cow, urine and dung is also useful for farmers. Dung is used as organic manure. Cow urine is used in the form of pesticide medication. The benefit of this station will also be available to the cattle-borne farmers of the surrounding districts. The completion of this project will save almost five hundred crores government revenue.

Madhubani railway station bags 2nd prize in beautification contest

Madhubani railway station under Samastipur division of East Central Railway in Mithilanchal region has been declared the second best in an all India railway station beautification contest held under the station beautification drive launched recently by the Railway Ministry. There was also a provision of cash prize in the beautification competition, under which five lakhs were designated for second best.

As Mithilanchal is world famous for Maithli Paintings, more than 100 artists adorned Madhubani station with renowned Madhubani paintings and erected the regional culture on the walls of station. Over 160 paintings adorned about 9,414 square feet area of the station walls, providing a visual delight to passengers. The painting work at Madhubani station started on October 2 last year, when local artists joined the campaign to beautify the station walls with



Madhubani classic art and paintings. The award has given the recognition to this station across the nation.

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Bihar Foundation to hold programmes in 8 cities of the country

In the first executive meeting of new financial year of the Bihar Foundation under the chairmanship of Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Modi, Bihar Foundation decided to hold programmes, investors' meet and road show to communicate the achievements of Bihar Government to non-residents Bihari in eight major cities spread across different states this year.

Addressing the first executive meeting of the Foundation for the current financial year, he said "conferences of non-resident Biharis will be held at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Nagpur, Pune and Surat".

People interested in investing in Bihar will be specially invited to these conferences. In order to popularize the culture of Bihar, stalls will be set up where traditional Bihari dishes would be served. The chapters in foreign locations like Qatar, Dubai, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Canada, Australia, South Korea and Singapore have also been asked to hold celebrations of Bihar Diwas.

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EBC students cracking the civil services preliminary conducted by UPSC and BPSC will get aid from Bihar Government

The Bihar government has approved a scheme where Extreme Backward Caste (EBC) students cracking the civil services preliminary tests conducted by the UPSC and the BPSC will get Rs 1 lakh and

Rs 50,000 respectively. The government has also approved a similar proposal for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students. The passed students coming from these communities will be given assistance through an online application.

Every year around 1,900 candidates pass the preliminary examination of BPSC and 200 pass the preliminary examination of UPSC from these communities. In another decision, the government approved a proposal to provide Rs 1,000 monthly assistance to students living in minority hostels of the Welfare Department. Besides, it was also decided to give 15 kg of food grains to SC-ST, EBC, OBC and



minority students living in the hostels. 1000 rupees assistance will be provided for SC-ST students living in the hostels.

Five Ghats will be developed under the smart city area in Patna

Under the Smart City project, the five Ghats of Patna will be developed in the Wetland and River Front Development Plan. To reach at these Ghats, a link road will also be developed. Inspection work has been completed on the western part of Buddha Ghat, Tar Ghat, Sipahi Ghat, Bhagwa Ghat and collectorate Ghat. The link roads will be constructed from four places, Buddha Ghat, A. N. Sinha Institute, Sabhyta Dwar, and Collectorate Ghat, at Ashoka Rajpath to connect these Ghats. As the plan envisages, two



types of walk-way will also be developed for people to roam. Under the plan, upper and lower walks will be made, which will be connected to each other. The upper walk will continue throughout the year, while the lower walk will continue during the absence of water.

The cost of the Repairs Wetland and River Front Development Plan is approximately 23 million. There will be an emphasis on wetland and green environment. River Front Development will be about one and a half kilometers. It will be built from Bamboo Ghat to Collectorate Ghat. It will have also the facility of Urban Park, Public Gate, Urban Plaza, and Cafeteria. The saplings will be planted according to the weather.

Group D govt posts scrapped now in Bihar

Designations such as 'peons', 'chaprasi', 'orderlies' are now banned in Bihar. These government posts and those manning the posts will be called "office attendants" and "attendants". The government



decided to scrap Group D from its services in the light of the seventh pay commission recommendations and adjust the employees in to Group C category. The decision was taken at the cabinet meeting chaired by chief minister Nitish Kumar at his secretariat.

The cabinet decision has been taken because lower-division clerks and peons in government service were put at the same pay level (level I of Rs 5,200 to Rs 20,200) under the seventh pay commission. The State Government will decide the period of time on the basis of the salary level for promotions in different services and cadres.

Usha from Nalanda bags Florence Nightingale Award for her outstanding work in nursing

On the occasion of International Nursing Day, Usha Kumari, a resident of Hadol village of Noorsarai block of Nalanda District, was honored with Florence Nightingale award in the Cultural Center Hall of Rashtrapati Bhavan. The award was given by Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda and Union Health Minister Ashwani Kumar Choubey. On this occasion, Hon'ble President Ramnath Kovind was also present as the Chief Guest.

A total of 35 people were given awards in the honor ceremony held at President Bhavan. Usha was the only Bihari to receive this award. Usha has been given the award for her outstanding work in the field of nursing. Usha of Noorsarai is currently placed in



the primary health center of Saran district, Makar. Apart from serving the patients, Usha made the public aware about health. She made them aware about the vaccination of children. On the basis of her hard work, Usha became a favorite among the people of the area.

Religious sites of Valmiki Tiger Reserve will be connected with eco tourism



The Eco-tourism center, being operated in Valmiki Tiger Reserve, is being developed enthusiastically. From Valmiki Nagar to Manguraha, the facilities of eco-huts, tree-hut, hotel Vihar, and other places like rest house will be developed. In this regard, many schemes are being implemented for tourists' facilities in the forest areas linked with eco tourism. With such facilities, Valmiki Tiger Reserve in Bihar will top the list of other reserves across the nation. Currently, the Eco-hut, Tree-Hut, Hotel Valmiki Bihar, Community center etc, being developed for tourists in Valmiki Tiger Reserve, is different from other states' eco-tourism. The construction works are going on for tourists in Valmiki Nagar, Gonauli, Harnatand, Madanpur, Manguraha, Govardhana, and Udaipur forest shelters of Betiah block to develop the Eco Tourism Center.

There are also various arrangements for jungle safaris for tourists. The tourists coming here will also enjoy the elephant safari. In the dense forests of Valmiki Tiger Reserve, more than half a dozen religious sites located from ancient times are being linked to eco tourism that includes Nar Devi, Jatashankar Dham, Kauleshwar Dham, Someshwar, Madanpur Devi place, Soma Temple etc.



Some important decisions taken by Nitish Cabinet in the month of May

- The cabinet accepts the proposal to give the status of State Fair to Malamas Mela organized in Nalanda District
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-39-2018/Agenda No. 14/ Date: 8th May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d08052018.pdf>
- Under the 'Chief Minister Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe Hostel Grant Scheme', an aid of 1000 Rs. to be given as hostel grant of hostel to students studying in Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe hostels per month has been approved
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-39-2018/Agenda No. 8/ Date: 8th May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d08052018.pdf>
- Under the 'Chief Minister Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribe Civil Service Incentive Scheme', the cabinet approves to give grant of fifty thousands (50,000) to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates who passes the Preliminary Examination (PT) examination of Joint Competition Examination conducted by Bihar Public Service Commission for further preparation, and Rs. one Lakh (1,00,000) for those Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates who passes Civil Services Preliminary Examination (PT) conducted by Union Public Service Commission
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-39-2018/Agenda No. 16/ Date: 8th May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d08052018.pdf>
- Under the 'Chief Minister very backward class Civil Services Incentive Scheme', candidates of extremely backward classes who passes the preliminary examination (PT) of Joint Competition Examination conducted by the Bihar Public Service Commission will be given Rs 50,000 for further preparation and those EBS candidates who passes the preliminary examination conducted by Union Public Service Commission will be given an assistance of 1,00,000 rupees
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-40-2018/Agenda No. 08/ Date: 15th May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d15052018.pdf>
- To set up micro and small enterprises for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes youths of the State, state cabinet has approved the Chief Minister Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Entrepreneurship Scheme and the release of 102.50 crores (One hundred two crores and fifty lakhs) for the promotion of this scheme under the financial year 2018-2019
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-40-2018/Agenda No. 7/ Date: 15th May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d08052018.pdf>
- Free land transfer on lease for 30 years to STPI for opening of software platform of India (STPI) in Darbhanga has been approved
(Ref: Resolution No. 41-(08)-41-2018/Agenda No. 8/ Date: 21st May 2018)
LINK: <http://csd.bih.nic.in/Upload/Decisions/d21052018.pdf>



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