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# The Direction and Condition of Modern Education in Bihar

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#### **Abstract**

The State of Bihar is one of the major hubs of learning in the country of India. Since long back, this state has been a centre of education. Presently, a huge gap got created in between the demand of education and supply. This gap between the school education and higher education has brought the literacy rate of the state a bit down. This signifies the importance of establishment of more schools in the field of modern education. This craving for higher education among the general population of Bihar has led to a migration of the student community from the state. This has led to a flooding of students to seek educational opportunities in other state, even for graduation level college education. Patna has become an educational hub for the Eastern India. It is an important centre for preparation of exam like IIT, IAS, Engineering and Medical entrance. The quality education of schools is better in Patna than New Delhi. But Bihar still lacks behind in Higher Education. We need an initiative from educational ministry of Bihar to take proper step in opening technical institutes for students of Bihar which will help them to stay in their state and also attracts students from different states. If we all work toward these steps, we will see a rise in education system of Bihar which will be very fruitful for betterment of Bihar and its people.

**Keywords:** Education, Institute, Students, Hub, Higher Education. **Introduction** 

Education is an important part of any country's culture. Education is impotant for proper development of a person. Development of a country depends upon a strong educational system. If we see India still literacy rate is low comparatively to developed countries. But if we see Bihar then we find educational progress is very slow. In ancient time Bihar was the hub of education. There were two famous universities in Bihar, Nalanda and Vikramshila. Those days educational system was of a very high quality in Bihar. But nowadays the condition of education is very depressing in Bihar. At present, Bihar ranks lowest in the literacy rate. In Bihar, Patna holds the highest literacy rate with 63.82% and Kishanganj ranks the lowest with 31.02% This situation we find due to lack of good quality of educational institutes. So, there is need to develop modern educatio0nal system in Bihar. Really development would not come in Bihar without modern education. As the Central Government and the State Government of Bihar have taken a lot of projects in hand to uplift the condition of education in Bihar. Besides this to develop modern education in Bihar there is need for the introduction of specialized cources in the field of science and technology. As government has given special attention to this field. It is expected that in coming year's modern education will be available in developed forms in Bihar.

#### Aim of the Study

The major objectives of this study are as

- 1. To analyse the condition of education in Bihar
- 2. To find out the scope of modern education in Bihar

# **Research Methodology**

The required information and data for the present study have been collected mainly from secondary sources. For the fulfillment of the objectives I have taken the content from relevant books and articles from journals and websites. The method used is analytical and descriptive.

#### **Universities in Bihar**

In ancient time Bihar was the famous place for education in India. Bihar was known for two major universities — Nalanda University and Vikramshila University. Among all the present universities of Bihar, Patna University is one of the oldest university of Bihar. After Patna University



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some other universities came into existence to fulfill the need for education. All the universities of Bihar offer a wide range of courses to the students for their higher studies. Different types of courses are offered by universities in Bihar such as graduate, post – graduate, doctoral and post doctoral programmes. There are wide range of carrier oriented certificate and diploma courses for students which help them in getting a good job. There are 17 states universities, 1 IIT and 4 other Central universities operating in Bihar. Since 2005, many reform made in Bihar in the field of education. Many new institutions are developing in Bihar such as Nalanda Mahavira University, IIT Patna,

### **Engineering Colleges in Bihar**

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A number of courses have been introduced in the field of engineering these days. So students have lot of scopes for entering into a course of engineering. The engineering colleges of Bihar offer a variety of modern courses which will help the students in their education.

There are some important engineering colleges in Bihar such as:

- 1. Bhagalpur College of Engineering, Sabour
- 2. Siwan Engineering & Technical Institute, Siwan
- 3. Muzaffarpur Institute of Technology, Muzaffarpur
- 4. Women Institute of Technology, Darbhanga
- 5. Bihar College of Engineering, Patna
- Maulana Azad College of Engineering and Technolgoy, Neora, Patna
- National Institute of Foundry and Forge Technology
- R.P. Sharma Institute of Technology, Danapur, Patna
- 9. IIT, Patna

## Medical College in Bihar

The Study of medical science has received a boom with the introduction of latest technologies and courses. There are numerable colleges in India who provide education on medical sciences.

Presently, a very big community of students is opting for medical studies. The urge for studying

Medical science has given birth to a number of institutions and courses regarding medical science in Bihar Medical Colleges. Students from different states shift their base to Bihar every year to

Pursue their students in Bihar Medical colleges.

Here is a list of some of the Bihar Medical College:

- 1. Patna Medical College
- 2. AN Magadh Medical College
- 3. Birsa Memorial Institute of Medical and Allied Science
- 4. Darbhanga Medical College
- 5. Dr. SM Nafui Imam Medical and Dental College
- 6. Dayanand Ayurved College and Hospital
- 7. Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College

The Bihar Medical College are having modern infrastructures and their modernized courses curriculum undoubtedly help to attract the potential students from inside and outside of the state.

The highly promising medical courses of Bihar Medical Colleges have become successful in alluring students not only from our country but also from foreign countries.

#### **Dental College in Bihar**

Lots of prospects and higher study options are there for students at Bihar Dental Colleges. But students at large are going outside their state as well as abroad to pursue a good career of their choice. With the advancement of science and technology students have become more keen to know about different courses and are looking forward to opt for career options that will suit their criteria as well as will be fruitful in near future.

For the students who are willing to continue their higher education in medical science especially in dental science then dental colleges of Bihar are good options for them to give a thought on it. Following dental colleges are available in Bihar:

- 1. Dr. BR Ambedkar Institute of Dental Science and Hospital, Patna.
- 2. Darbhanga Dental College, Darbhanga
- 3. Buddha Institute of Dental Sciences, Patna
- 4. Mithila Minority Dental College and Hopsital, Darbhanga
- 5. Sarjug Dental College, Darbhanga
- Dr. SM Naqui Imam Dental College and Hospital, Behera
- 7. Patna Dental College and Hopsital, Patna

The revised and improved curriculum of these college have enabled to bring large number of students in Bihar Dental College.

#### Bihar Agricultural University

Bihar Agricultural University is an autonomous institute under state government established in 2010. Under Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) situated at Sabour, Bhagalpur. The university has 10 colleges and 12 research stations spread in 3 agro-ecological zones of Bihar. The degree programmes of the university and its colleges have been accredited by ICAR in 2015-16. The University is also an ISO-9000-2008 certified organization with international standard operating protocols for maintaining highest standards in teaching, research, extension and training. The university has ten colleges:

- 1. Bihar Agricultural College, Sabour
- Bhola Paswan Shastri Agricultural College, Purnea
- 3. Madan Bharti Agriculture College, Agwanpur
- 4. Nalanda College of Horticulture, Noorsarai
- 5. Dr. Kalam Agricultural College, Kishangani
- 6. VKS College of Agriculture, Dumraon
- 7. Forestry College, Munger
- Agriculture Business Management College, Patna
- 9. Biotechnology College, Arah
- 10. Community Science and Food Technology, Gaya

#### Schools in Bihar

The state of Bihar is one of the major hubs of learning in the country of India. Since long back, this state has been a centre of education. Still presently, a huge gap got created in between the demand of education and supply. This gap between the school education and higher education has brought the literacy rate of the state a list down. This signifies the importance of establishment of more schools in the field of higher education.

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#### **Schooling System of Bihar**

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Bihar's schooling system is somewhat same as it was during the British era. The State houses innumerable schools ranging form government to private. Acting as essential seats of learning, these schools are known for their contribution in the field of education. State schools affiliated to the Bihar School Examination Board are administered by the government of Bihar. District schools, even known as the Zila Schools are a part of the schooling system in Bihar. These Zila schools are generally located at the older district headquarters of the state. The type of the schools even varies depending upon the board, which they are affiliated to CBSE (Central Board of Secondary Education) and CICSE (Council for Indian School Certificate Examination)

After the liberalization period, the number of missionary as well as Madrasa Schools has increased. The chain of Christian missionary schools are said to be some of the best schools of Bihar. Apart from the types of schools mentioned earlier, the different kinds of schools in the state of Bihar are as follows:

- 1. Play Schools
- 2. Montessori Schools
- 3. Kids Schools
- 4. Nursery Schools
- 5. Primary Schools
- 6. Secondary Schools
- 7. Senior Secondary Schools

Besides the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya and Kendriya Vidyalaya situated indifferent parts of the state, the renowned schools of Bihar can be mainly divided into the following major heads:

- 1. Government Schools
- 2. CBSE Schools
- 3. ICSE Schools

A perfect learning environment necessitates appropriate infrastructure along with the required educational equipments. An analysis of the different school in Bihar reflects that, on an average, the primary schools have got 2 classrooms and the upper primary ones have got 4 classrooms. Some of the primary schools are even featured with single classroom. However, the percentage of schools having permanent building is quite high. Around 6.8% of the Bihar schools are managed by one teacher. Though very few in number, but some of these schools even offer computer education. As per D.I.S.E report elementary classes are held for physically challenged or disabled children. All the schools have got facilities for drinking water, Some of the schools even serve mid-day meals.

#### **Bihar School Examination Board**

The School examination boards are mainly established for scheduling date and time for conducting the final examinations of the secondary school stages. Thus, the school examination boards are having a highly prestigious job to perform. Some is the purpose of the Bihar School Examination Board. School examination board plays a vital role in holding examination schedules and preparing proper curriculum for a course. Thus, this Board has a great responsibility in prescribing a standard syllabus and in

preparing a proper set of questions for examinations. Even the credit of introducing new syllabus or applications for a course also goes to the school examination boards.

The School Examination Board in Bihar holds the examinations of the Bihar Secondary School Stage even year. They are in one serve the Godfather of all the schools as it is the board which regulates the whole examination system. According to the Acts and Regulations of the board, they are assigned to prepare the study material and course curriculum for the schools who come under this board. Even other promotional activites regarding study materials and objectives are also performed by the Bihar School Examination Board. The Bihar School Examination Board conducts its Sr. Secondary & Secondary School Examination during the months of February-March every year.

Other than this, Bihar School Examination Board also performs some extender works in conducting examinations for various departments. These exams are not taken on yearly basis. Such courses include Certificate Course in Physical Education, Diploma in Physical Education, Teacher's Training Examination. However, these examinations are taken by the Bihar School Examination Board on the basis of some terms and conditions given by the State Government.

#### Conclusion

Bihar is the centre of learning. Patna, the capital of Bihar, has become an Educational hub for the Eastern India. It is an important centre for preparation of exams like IIT, IAS, Engineering and Medical entrance. The quality education of schools is better in Bihar than other states. But Bihar still lacks behind in Higher Education after having so many colleges and Universities. Although, there is quality primary and secondary education but there is no quality higher education which the main reason of migration of students outside Bihar. Moreover a lot of emphasis in Bihar is given on becoming a doctor or an engineer or an IAS officer instead of opting for journalism, fashion or animation. The reason is that education culture at Bihar is such that young students can't think anything beyond the scope of engineering, medical or IAS of Bihar has to progress, people will have to come out of this old school thought.

We need an initiative from education ministry of Bihar to take proper steps in opening more such institutes based on modern education for students of Bihar which will help them to stay in their state and also attract students from different states. If we all work towards these steps, we will see a rise in education system of Bihar which will be very fruitful for betterment of Bihar and its people.

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