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Bihar's silt policy, a bullet train through Patna and the UPYOG portal

SILT POLICY
Bihar is the first state with a silt management policy (Chief Minister, 3 November)

BULLET TRAIN
Northern corridor approved on 31 October: Delhi to Siliguri through Patna, extending to Guwahati

UPYOG
Portal for online municipal services launched on 1 November

MILK PRODUCERS
₹68.51 crore sent to 1,06,063 beneficiaries of 5,832 cooperative societies

BPSC RESULTS
Assistant Environmental Scientist (30 October) and District Sports Officer (4 November)

NAVIC
ISRO launched the NVS-03 navigation satellite on GSLV-F18 on 30 October

BPSC this week

Assistant Environmental Scientist: BPSC published the result of the written (objective) examination for Advertisement No. 88/2025, which has 17 posts, on 30 October.

District Sports Officer: The written result for Advertisement No. 90/2025 (District Sports Officer and Assistant Director, Sports; 33 posts) came on 4 November. The stage of every BPSC exam is on the BPSC exam calendar page.

Bihar: government and policy

Silt management policy: On 3 November Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary said Bihar is the first state in India with a comprehensive silt management policy. Its name is the Bihar Water Source Restoration and Silt Management Policy, 2026, and the cabinet had approved it in September. It covers the Ganga, Kosi, Bagmati, Kamla-Balan and Gandak, and lets silt and sand taken out of rivers be used in highways, townships and other works.

UPYOG portal: The Chief Minister launched the UPYOG portal on 1 November under the National Urban Digital Mission. Property tax, trade licences and birth and death certificates of urban local bodies can be handled on it.

Rule for government schools: On 4 November the Education Department barred outsiders from entering government schools during teaching hours without permission. Teachers and students may not make videos in school.

Bihar: economy and infrastructure

Bullet train through Patna: The Prime Minister approved the Northern Bullet Train Corridor on 31 October, and Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw announced it. The route runs from Delhi through Agra, Kanpur, Lucknow, Ayodhya, Varanasi, Prayagraj and Patna to Siliguri, and is to be extended to Guwahati.

Milk producers: On 1 November, ₹68.51 crore was transferred straight to the bank accounts of 1,06,063 beneficiaries linked to 5,832 milk cooperative societies.

VegFed outlet: VegFed, the state vegetable cooperative federation, opened its first outlet in Patna on 1 November, near Gate No. 2 of the zoo. It takes online orders and delivers at home.

Gorakhpur to Siliguri Expressway: NHAI prepared a revised estimate of about ₹73,000 crore for the expressway, which will cross north Bihar.

Bihar: heritage and science

Bodhi tree: Scientists of the Forest Research Institute, Dehradun, examined the Bodhi tree at the Mahabodhi temple in Bodh Gaya on 2 November and found it in good health.

Ratneshwarnath temple: The Bihar State Tourism Development Corporation invited bids for a ₹9.10 crore upgrade of the temple at Rangaon in Tarapur, Munger district.

Darbhanga planetarium: A team from ISRO inspected the site of a proposed Space Gallery and Space Innovation Centre at the planetarium.

India and the world

NVS-03: ISRO launched the NVS-03 navigation satellite on the GSLV-F18 rocket from Sriharikota on 30 October. It is part of NavIC, India's own navigation system.

Wrestling: Manisha Bhanwala won the 59 kg title at the World Wrestling Championships in Astana, Kazakhstan. She is the first Indian woman to win a senior world title in wrestling.

Fast Track Special Courts: The Union Cabinet continued the scheme up to 31 March 2031 with an outlay of ₹3,788.04 crore. The number of courts, which try rape and POCSO cases, is to rise to 850.

Test yourself

1. The Northern Bullet Train Corridor approved on 31 October 2026 passes through which city of Bihar?
   (A) Gaya (B) Patna (C) Muzaffarpur (D) Bhagalpur
2. Under Bihar's silt management policy, silt and sand taken out of rivers may be used for
   (A) Making bricks only (B) Export to Nepal (C) Highways, townships and other works (D) Filling old mines in Jharkhand
3. On 1 November 2026, ₹68.51 crore was transferred to members of which kind of cooperative societies in Bihar?
   (A) Milk producers (B) Sugarcane growers (C) Fishermen (D) Weavers
4. VegFed, which opened its first outlet in Patna in November 2026, is a cooperative federation for
   (A) Milk (B) Honey (C) Fish (D) Vegetables
5. Scientists from which institute examined the Bodhi tree at Bodh Gaya in November 2026?
   (A) Botanical Survey of India, Kolkata (B) Forest Research Institute, Dehradun (C) Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun (D) Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
6. Ratneshwarnath temple at Rangaon, for whose upgrade bids were invited in November 2026, is in which district?
   (A) Banka (B) Jamui (C) Munger (D) Lakhisarai
7. NVS-03, launched by ISRO on 30 October 2026, is a satellite of which system?
   (A) NavIC (B) INSAT (C) Cartosat (D) RISAT
8. Manisha Bhanwala became the first Indian woman to win a senior world title in which sport?
   (A) Boxing (B) Weightlifting (C) Judo (D) Wrestling

Answers: 1 B · 2 C · 3 A · 4 D · 5 B · 6 C · 7 A · 8 D