

First in Bihar: Personalities, Events, Structure and State Symbols

| Personalities | Name |
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| First Governor during British India | James David Sifton |
| First Governor | Jairamdas Daulatram |
| First Muslim Governor | Zakir Hussain |
| First Chief Minister | Dr Krishna Singh |
| First Female Chief Minister | Rabri Devi |
| First Harijan Chief Minister | Bhola Paswan Shastri |
| First Muslim Chief Minister | Abdul Ghafur |
| First Education Minister | Sir Ganesh Dutt |
| First Speaker of Legislative Assembly | Ramdayalu Singh |
| First Open University | Nalanda Open University |
| First Poet | Vidhyapathi |
| First Non-Congress Chief Minister | Mahamaya Prasad Sinha held in March 1937. |
| First Democratic election of Bihar | Mohammad Yunus formed the Govt and became first Premier (April- July 1937) of Bihar province. |
| First Chief Justice of Patna High Court before Independence | Sir Justice Edward Maynard Des Champs Chamier |
| First Indian Chief Justice of Patna High Court after independence | Pandit Lakshmi Kant Jha |
| First Female Chief Justice of Patna High Court after Independence | Justice Rekha Doshit |
| First Gyanpeeth Award Winner | Ramdhari Singh Dinkar |
| First Hindi Newspaper | Sarvhitaishi |
| First English Newspaper | Searchlight |
| First Bhojpuri Film | Hey Ganga Maiya Tohe Piyari Chadhayibo (1963) |

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| First Maithili Film | Kanyadaan (1965) |
| First Hindi Film | Kal Hamara Hai |
| First Magadhi film | Bhaiyaa, (1961) |
| First Doordarshan Centre | Muzzafarpur |
| First International Cricket Stadium in Bihar | Moin-ul-Haq Stadium (Previously Known as Rajendra Nagar Stadium) |
| First Tiger Reserve | Valmiki National Park, a tiger reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary (Located in Champaran District) |
| The First Republic of the World | Vaishali (Bihar) |
| First ancient University of Bihar | Nalanda University |
| The First University of Bihar during British Raj | Patna University |
| First European to enter Bihar | Portuguese |

Bihar State First Symbols

State Tree: Peepal

Peepal is the state tree of Bihar. The scientific name of the Peepal tree is *Ficus religiosa* or sacred. It is found in the sub-continent of India. The peepal tree is considered sacred by the followers of Hinduism, Jainism and Buddhism. Gautam Buddha attained enlightenment (bodhi) while meditating underneath a *Ficus religiosa*. The site is in present-day Bodh Gaya in Bihar, India.

State Flower: Marigold

Marigold is the state flower of Bihar. The scientific name of Marigold is *Tagetes erecta*, Blooms naturally occur in golden, orange, yellow. Marigold is an extensively used flower in the state.

State Bird: Home Sparrow

Home Sparrow is the state bird of Bihar. The scientific name of House Sparrow is *Passer domestics*. Generally, sparrows are small, plump, brown-grey birds with short tails. Many species nest on buildings, trees and the house. Sparrows are among the most familiar of all wild birds. They are primarily seed-eaters, though they also consume small insects.

State Animal: OX

The State Animal of Bihar is Ox also known as a bullock. Mainly, used for ploughing, for transport (pulling carts, hauling wagons and even riding), for threshing grain carts, hauling wagons and even riding), for threshing grain by trampling and for powering machines that grind grain or supply irrigation among other purposes.

State Fish: Mangur

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