



Bihar Government Tables Rs 2.78 Lakh Crore Budget

Why in News?

Recently, the **Bihar government presented a Rs 2.78 lakh crore budget**, making education its top priority by allocating over 22% of funds to the department.

Key Points

- The government also laid **special focus on information and technology, tourism** and earmarked over **Rs 1 lakh crore for sundry government schemes**.
- Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister Samrat Choudhary presented a **budget of Rs 2,78,725.72 crore**:
 - Allocating Rs 22,200.35 crore (22.20%) to the education department.
 - Rs 13,840.56 crore (13.84%) to the rural development department.
 - Rs 8,191.79 crore (8.19%) to the social welfare department.
 - The rural works and health departments were allocated Rs 7,409.13 crore (7.41%) and Rs 7,117.56 crore (7.12%).
 - The government would spend Rs 3,073.26 crore on several scholarship schemes alone.
 - The government has estimated an expenditure of **Rs 5,040 crore** on good governance schemes under the [Saat Nischay, Part-II programme](#).
- The budget has a **revenue surplus of Rs 1,121.41 crore** and shows a fiscal deficit of 2.98%. It also shows an outstanding debt of Rs 3.48 lakh crore.

Saat Nischay, Part-II Programme

- Nischay 1. Yuva Shakti - Progress of Bihar
- Nischay 2. Strong woman, capable woman
- Nischay 3. Irrigation water to every field
- Nischay 4. Clean Village - Prosperous Village
- Nischay 5. Clean City - Developed City
- Nischay 6. Easy Connectivity
- Nischay 7. Additional health facilities for all

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