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Analysis of Criminal Background, Financial, Education, Gender and other details of New Ministers in the Bihar Assembly 2020 Post Cabinet Reconstitution on 28th January 2024

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Summary and Highlights

Consequent to the reconstitution of the Bihar state cabinet on **28 January 2024**, **Association for Democratic Reforms** and **Bihar Election Watch** have analysed the self-sworn affidavits of **all 9 Ministers** including Chief Minister from Bihar State Assembly 2020.

This analysis is based on the affidavits submitted by the candidates prior to the 2020 Assembly elections, Bihar legislative council elections and bye elections conducted thereafter.

List of Cabinet Ministers of Bihar

S.No.	Minister Name	Elections	District/Members	Term (From, To)/ Constituency	Party Name
1	Nitish Kumar	MLC Member	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	(07-May-2018, 06-May-2024)	JD(U)
2	Santosh Kumar Suman	MLC Member	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	(07-May-2018, 06-May-2024)	Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular)
3	Samrat Choudhary	MLC Member	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	(29-June-2020, 28-June-2026)	BJP
4	Prem Kumar	MLA	Gaya	Gaya Town	BJP
5	Vijay Kumar Sinha	MLA	Lakhisarai	Lakhisarai	BJP
6	Shrawon Kumar	MLA	Nalanda	Nalanda	JD(U)
7	Vijay Kumar Choudhary	MLA	Samastipur	Sarairanjan	JD(U)
8	Bijendra Prasad Yadav	MLA	Supaul	Supaul	JD(U)
9	Sumit Kumar Singh	MLA	Jamui	Chakai	IND

Table: Cabinet Ministers of Bihar

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Criminal Background

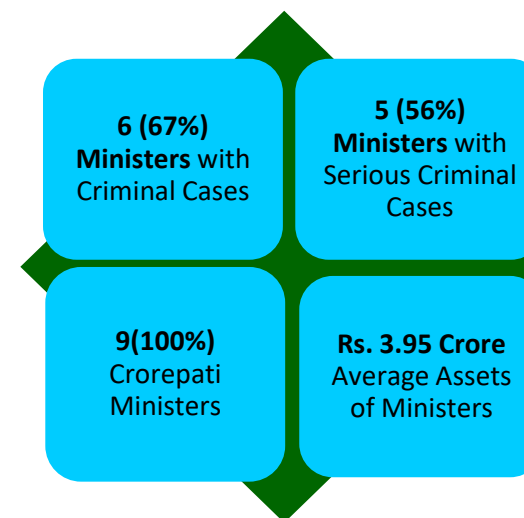
- **Ministers with Criminal Cases:** Out of the 9 ministers analysed, **6 (67%) ministers** have declared criminal cases against themselves.
- **Ministers with Serious Criminal Cases:** **5(56%) ministers** have declared serious criminal cases against themselves.

Financial Background

- **Crorepati Ministers:** All **9 (100%)** ministers are crorepatis.
- **Average Assets:** The average assets of **9** ministers analysed is **Rs 3.95 crores**.
- **Minister with Highest Assets:** The minister with the highest declared total assets is **Vijay Kumar Sinha** from **Lakhisarai** constituency with assets worth **Rs. 8.93 crores**.
- **Minister with Lowest Assets:** The minister with the lowest declared total assets is **Prem Kumar** from **Gaya Town** constituency with assets worth **Rs. 1.70 crores**.
- **Liabilities:** A total of **6(67%)** ministers have declared liabilities out of which the minister with the highest liabilities is **Samrat Choudhary** with **Rs. 68.00 lakhs** of liabilities.

Other Background details (Education, Gender, Age)

- **Ministers' Education:** **2 (22%)** ministers have declared their educational qualification to be **12th** standard while **6 (67%)** ministers have declared having an educational qualification of **graduate or above** and **1** minister is **Diploma Holder**.
- **Ministers' Age:** A total of **2(22%)** ministers have declared their age to be between **30-50 years** while **7(78%)** ministers have declared their age to be between **51- 75 years**.
- **Women Ministers:** Among all the 9 ministers analyzed, **none of them is a woman**.



Criteria for serious criminal cases

1. Offence for which maximum punishment is of 5 years or more.
2. If an offence is non-bailable
3. If it is an electoral offence (for eg. IPC 171E or bribery)
4. Offence related to loss to exchequer
5. Offences that are assault, murder, kidnap, rape related
6. Offences that are mentioned in Representation of the People Act (Section 8)
7. Offences under Prevention of Corruption Act
8. Crimes against women.

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Full Background Details of Bihar Ministers 2024

S.No.	District/Members	Term (From, To)/Constituency	Minister	Party	Age	Gender	Total Assets (Rs.)	Liabilities (Rs.)	Cases Total	Serious IPC Counts	Education	PAN Given	Self Income (Rs.)	The financial year for which the last income tax return has been filed by minister	Self Profession
1	Lakhisarai	Lakhisarai	Vijay Kumar Sinha	BJP	54	M	8,93,71,448 8 Crore+	22,65,944 22 Lacs+	1	0	Diploma	Y	15,97,651 15 Lacs+	2019-2020	Social Worker
2	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	MLC Member (29-June-2020-28-June-2026)	Samrat Choudhary	BJP	51	M	8,85,90,222 8 Crore+	68,00,000 68 Lacs+	1	1	Doctorate	Y	16,83,935 16 Lacs+	2019 - 2020	Social Service
3	Jamui	Chakai	Sumit Kumar Singh	IND	39	M	3,68,09,526 3 Crore+	59,91,410 59 Lacs+	1	5	Graduate	Y	18,20,470 18 Lacs+	2019-2020	Agriculture
4	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	MLC Member (07-May-2018-06-May-2024)	Nitish Kumar	JD(U)	67	M	3,09,83,431 3 Crore+	0	1	2	Graduate Professional	Y	90,350 90 Thou+	2016-2017	Social service
5	Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly	MLC Member (07-May-2018-06-May-2024)	Santosh Kumar Suman	Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular)	42	M	2,57,46,848 2 Crore+	6,51,328 6 Lacs+	2	1	Doctorate	Y	7,70,244 7 Lacs+	2017-2018	Lecturer & Social Worker
6	Nalanda	Nalanda	Shrawon Kumar	JD(U)	62	M	2,39,43,354 2 Crore+	19,06,250 19 Lacs+	0	0	12th	Y	3,20,750 3 Lacs+	2019-2020	Agriculture & Social Service
7	Supaul	Supaul	Bijendra Prasad Yadav	JD(U)	74	M	2,24,01,413 2 Crore+	0	0	0	12th	Y	7,13,670 7 Lacs+	2019-2020	Member Bihar Legislative Assembly
8	Samastipur	Sarairanjan	Vijay Kumar Choudhary	JD(U)	63	M	2,11,80,474 2 Crore+	0	0	0	Post Graduate	Y	8,55,703 8 Lacs+	2019-2020	Social Service
9	Gaya	Gaya Town	Prem Kumar	BJP	65	M	1,70,54,960 1 Crore+	9,76,373 9 Lacs+	6	4	Doctorate	Y	4,52,341 4 Lacs+	2020-2021	Social Service, Salary and Allowance from Assembly

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Education Details of Ministers

S.No.	Minister	Party Name	Constituency	Education	Education Details
1	Bijendra Prasad Yadav	JD(U)	Supaul	12th Pass	12th Pass from Higher Secondary School Examination Board, Birpur Bihar in 1965
2	Shrawon Kumar	JD(U)	Nalanda	12th Pass	12th Pass from S.P.M. College Bihar Sharif, Nalanda in 1977
3	Sumit Kumar Singh	IND	Chakai	Graduate	Graudate from Hindi Vidhyapeeth Deoghar in 2008
4	Nitish Kumar	JD(U)	MLC Member (07-May-2018-06-May-2024)	Graduate Professional	B.Sc. (Engg.) from Bihar College of Engineering, Patna University Year 1973
5	Vijay Kumar Choudhary	JD(U)	Sarairanjan	Post Graduate	M.A, Patna University Year 1980, B.A. (Hons.), Patna University Year 1976
6	Prem Kumar	BJP	Gaya Town	Doctorate	Ph.D. from Magadh University Bodhgaya in 1999, Post graduation from Magadh University Bodhgaya in 1991
7	Samrat Choudhary	BJP	MLC Member (29-June-2020-28-June-2026)	Doctorate	Doctor of LITT from California Public University, USA PFC Kamraj University
8	Santosh Kumar Suman	Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular)	MLC Member (07-May-2018-06-May-2024)	Doctorate	Ph.D. from Magadh University, Bodhgaya Year 2003, UGC NET Year 2001, Post Graduation from Delhi University (North Campus) Year 2001, Graduation from Delhi University Year 1998
9	Vijay Kumar Sinha	BJP	Lakhisarai	Diploma	Civil Eng. (Diploma) from Govt. Polytechnic Begusarai in 1989

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Details of Ministers with declared criminal cases

S.No.	Minister Information	Brief Details of IPCs
1	<p>Name: Nitish Kumar Members: Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly Term (From, To)/ Constituency:(07-MAY-2018, 06-MAY-2024) Party: JD(U) Total Cases:1 Serious IPC:2 Other IPC:3 Cases (Cognizance taken)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> IPC Sections - 147, 148, 149, 302, 307 , Other Details - Section 27 of the Arms Act, Court taking Cognizance- ACJM Barh, Dist. Patna, Complaint Case No. 41(c) of 2009, Date of Cognizance- 31.08.09, Cr. Misc. No. 33116 of 2009 (Nitish Kumar V/S the state of Bihar & ors.) before the Hon'ble Pata High Court in which stay was granted on 08.09.2009 which is pending for hearing before Hon'ble Patna High Court <p>Cases (Charges framed) -----No Cases----Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	<p>1 charge related to Murder (IPC Section-302) 1 charge related to Attempt to murder (IPC Section-307) 1 charge related to Rioting, armed with deadly weapon (IPC Section-148) 1 charge related to Every member of unlawful assembly guilty of offence committed in prosecution of common object (IPC Section-149) 1 charge related to Punishment for Rioting (IPC Section-147)</p>
2	<p>Name: Santosh Kumar Suman Members: Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly Term (From, To)/ Constituency:(07-MAY-2018, 06-MAY-2024) Party: Hindustani Awam Morcha (Secular) Total Cases:2 Serious IPC:1 Other IPC:11 Cases (Cognizance taken)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> IPC Sections - 188, 143 , Other Details - Case No. 406/15, Police Station- Aurangabad (Bihar), Court taking Cognizance- ACJM II Aurangabad, Date of Cognizance- 07.12.15 <p>Cases (Charges framed)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> IPC Sections - 109, 147, 148, 149, 188, 341, 323, 325, 338, 354B, 333 , Other Details - Bihar Police Act 2007, Prevention of Property Act 1994, Case No. 199/1, Police Station Bodhgaya, Gaya (Bihar) <p>Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	<p>1 charge related to voluntarily causing grievous hurt (IPC Section-325) 2 charges related to Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant (IPC Section-188) 1 charge related to Punishment (IPC Section-143) 1 charge related to Punishment of abetment if the act abetted is committed in consequence, and where no express provision is made for its punishment (IPC Section-109) 1 charge related to Punishment for Rioting (IPC Section-147) 1 charge related to Rioting, armed with deadly weapon (IPC Section-148) 1 charge related to Every member of unlawful assembly guilty of offence committed in prosecution of common object (IPC Section-149) 1 charge related to wrongful restraint (IPC Section-341) 1 charge related to voluntarily causing hurt (IPC Section-323) 1 charge related to Causing grievous hurt by act endangering life or personal safety of others (IPC Section-338) 1 charge related to Voluntarily causing grievous hurt to deter public servant from his duty (IPC Section-333)</p>
3	<p>Name:Samrat Choudhary Members: Elected From Bihar Legislative Assembly</p>	<p>1 charge related to undue influence or personation at an election (IPC Section-171F) 1 charge related to Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant (IPC Section-188)</p>

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	<p>Term (From, To)/ Constituency:29-JUN-2020, 28-JUN-2026) Party: BJP Total Cases:1 Serious IPC:1 Other IPC:1 Cases (Cognizance taken) 1. IPC Sections - 171F, 188 , Other Details - FIR No. 35/14, Tarapur Police Station, Case No. GR 535/14, Court Name- A.C.J.M II, Tarapur Cases (Charges framed) -----No Cases----Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	
4	<p>Name:Sumit Kumar Singh District:Jamui Constituency:Chakai Party: IND Total Cases:1 Serious IPC:5 Other IPC:3 Cases (Pending) 1. IPC Sections - 406, 420, 467, 468, 471, 170, 120B, 34, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - District Court Munger , FIR No. - Kotwali Munger PS. Case No. 348/2019, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	<p>1 charge related to Personating a public servant (IPC Section-170) 1 charge related to Punishment for criminal breach of trust (IPC Section-406) 1 charge related to Cheating and dishonestly inducing delivery of property (IPC Section-420) 1 charge related to Forgery of valuable security, will, etc. (IPC Section-467) 1 charge related to Forgery for purpose of cheating (IPC Section-468) 1 charge related to Using as genuine a forged document or electronic record (IPC Section-471) 1 charge related to Punishment of criminal conspiracy (IPC Section-120B) 1 charge related to Acts done by several persons in furtherance of common intention (IPC Section-34)</p>
5	<p>Name:Prem Kumar District:Gaya Constituency:Gaya Town Party: BJP Total Cases:6 Serious IPC:4 Other IPC:14 Cases (Pending) 1. IPC Sections - 143, 148, 149, 171F, Other Details - Section 125 R. P. Act and Loudspeaker Act 1955, Case No. - , Court - ACJM Danapur Patna , FIR No. - Khagol PS Case No. 102/2019, Date 13.04.19, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p>	<p>1 charge related to Punishment for undue influence or personation at an election (IPC Section-171F) 1 charge related to Conspiracy to commit offences punishable by section 121 (IPC Section-121A) 1 charge related to Promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence, language, etc., and doing acts prejudicial to maintenance of harmony (IPC Section-153A) 1 charge related to Illegal payments in connection with an election (IPC Section-171H) 3 charges related to Punishment for Rioting (IPC Section-147) 1 charge related to Assault or criminal force to deter public servant from discharge of his duty (IPC Section-353) 1 charge related to Punishment for voluntarily causing hurt (IPC Section-323)</p>

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	<p>2. IPC Sections - 121A, 153A, 504, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - CJM Court Muzaffarpur , FIR No. - Muzaffarpur Nagar PS Case No. 342/2017, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>3. IPC Sections - 146, 147, 174, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - Railway Court Gaya , FIR No. - RPF PS Gaya 92/2014, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>4. IPC Sections - 109, 147, 153, 353, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - ACJM Sherghati Gaya , FIR No. - Barachatti PS Case No. 344/2013, Date 20.07.2013, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>5. IPC Sections - 171H, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - CJM Gaya Court Gaya , FIR No. - Kotwali PS Gaya G. O. Case No. 118/2010, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>6. IPC Sections - 147, 323, 337, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - CJM Court Gaya , FIR No. - Kotwali PS Gaya 303/1991, Date 07.12.1991, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	<p>1 charge related to Causing hurt by act endangering life or personal safety of others (IPC Section-337)</p> <p>1 charge related to Punishment for Being member of an unlawful assembly (IPC Section-143)</p> <p>1 charge related to Rioting, armed with deadly weapon (IPC Section-148)</p> <p>1 charge related to Every member of unlawful assembly guilty of offence committed in prosecution of common object (IPC Section-149)</p> <p>1 charge related to Intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of the peace (IPC Section-504)</p> <p>1 charge related to Rioting (IPC Section-146)</p> <p>1 charge related to Non-attendance in obedience to an order form public servant (IPC Section-174)</p> <p>1 charge related to Punishment of abetment if the act abetted is committed in consequence, and where no express provision is made for its punishment (IPC Section-109)</p> <p>1 charge related to Wantonly giving provocation with intent to cause riot-if rioting be committed-if not committed (IPC Section-153)</p>
6	<p>Name:Vijay Kumar Sinha District: Lakhisarai Constituency: Lakhisarai Party: BJP Total Cases:1 Serious IPC:0 Other IPC:1 Cases (Pending)</p> <p>1. IPC Sections - 171, Other Details - , Case No. - , Court - ACJM Cum Special Judge Lakhisarai , FIR No. - Lakhisarai PS Case No. 538/2010, Charges Framed - No , Appeal Filed - No</p> <p>Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----</p>	<p>1 charge related to Wearing grab or carrying token used by public servant with fraudulent intent (IPC Section-171)</p>

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