

Prime Minister's Office

## PM addresses Centenary Celebrations of Patna University

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The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today addressed the Centenary Celebrations of Patna University. He said that he considers it his honour to visit Patna University and be among the students. "I bow to this land of Bihar. This University has nurtured students who have contributed greatly to the nation," the Prime Minister said.

The Prime Minister said that he had observed, that across States, the top levels of the civil services have people who have studied in Patna University. "In Delhi, I interact with so many officials, many of whom belong to Bihar," the Prime Minister said.

Shri Narendra Modi said that the commitment of Bihar Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar, towards the progress of the State is commendable. The Union Government attaches topmost importance to the development of eastern India, he added.

The Prime Minister said that Bihar is blessed with both 'Gyaan' and 'Ganga.' This land has a legacy that is unique, he added. He said that from conventional teaching, our universities need to move towards innovative learning.

The Prime Minister said that in the era of globalisation, we need to understand the changing trends across the world and the increased spirit of competitiveness. In that context, India has to make its place in the world, he added.

He urged the students to think about innovative solutions to the problems faced by people. He said that by applying what they learn, and through the Start-Up sector, there is a lot that they can do for society.

On the way back from Patna University to the airport, the Prime Minister, the Chief Minister of Bihar, and other dignitaries, visited the Bihar Museum, which showcases the rich culture and history of the State.

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