## **Suggestions for Information Technology in Bihar 2022-23**

(To be read with BCCI proposal MSME Service Sector)

- 1. Government to ensure that members from Local I.T fraternity be enrolled in the "Register of IT Professional" of Bihar under Do IT and benefits/preference be accorded to such members.
- 2. Turnover several times of tender value being one of the main criteria for selection procedure in Tenders further with irrelevant clauses as barrier, restrict even competent Bihar Entrepreneurs to compete.

Such deliberate practice in Government and Semi Government/funded organizations should be stopped and made punishable.

- 3. The Computer Science courses from Primary to Higher Education should be updated to ensure latest & future Technologies are aptly covered. The digital mode of education in collaboration with Institutes of Eminence will solve the immediate Technical Tutor requirement.
- 4. The Department of I T is working under Department of Industries for Policy framework and budgeting. The I.T Development in state is restricted to subsidizing BELTRON. We need an independent Department of I T, which design policies and focuses on analysis of the actual
  - a) Research & Development in the state,
  - b) Industry Institution tie-up,
  - c) Startup potential, handholding, encouragement& delivery, and
  - d) Definitely implementation of Policies framed in accordance.
- 5. The I.T Sector major revenue component is US/ Europe dependent, whereas, Bihar has no say here because of lack of market knowledge and marketing support to budding Entrepreneurs. Resource and encouragement from Government is urgently required in this area.
- **6.** Compare/Review/Amend the I.T policy of Bihar with the important I.T States of India (Karnataka, Maharashtra, Telangana, Orissa, etc) and in line with the I.T policies framework of Central government.
- 7. Special emphasize be given to encourage I.T, ITeS, BPO, KPO, IoT, Cyber security etc., sectors, which possess enormous job generating capability. Bihar has very large youth population having basic computer knowledge who can cater to such sectors manpower requirements.

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- 8. I.T sector has developed in India only because it has been kept out of the purview of bureaucratic hindrances. Self-certification in mandatory industry operation clearances, Technical Standardization Certifications of domicile units be encouraged with subsidies and incentives.
- **9.** Regarding Digital India the work is on in the Banking sector, 80,000 of 1, 29,000 Post offices are digitalized and after its successful implementation, banking shall reach to remotest corner of the country. Bihar has subsequently become a big potential market for several rural requirements and rural based economic development opportunities.
  - a) Tie-ups for Out of Incubation product and services
  - b) Skilled manpower with Infrastructure is humungous work and effort push required for a potential destination ... BIHAR,
- 10. I T Sector intervention is the only solution to achieve targets faster in Employment for Graduates, Food Security & Agriculture, Social Change for **Economic Growth of Bihar.**

An initial **additional** budgetary support of **Rs 200 cr** is required for FY 2022-23 with full time Secretary and **independent** Department of Information Technology.

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