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## **MoU between Bihar Education Department and Akshaya Patra Foundation | Bihar | 09 Dec 2021**

### **Why in News**

- On December 8, 2021, an agreement was signed between the Education Department of Bihar and the Akshaya Patra Foundation of Bangalore for mid-day meals to the children of Patna, Danapur and Phulwari Sharif under the Pradhan Mantri Poshan Yojana.

### **Key Points**

- The agreement was signed by the department at the Madan Mohan Jha Memorial Auditorium, located in the Education Department, by the District Program Officer (Mid-day Meal) of Patna District and Swami Anantveer Das, Vice President of the Foundation on behalf of Akshaya Patra Foundation, Bangalore.
- It is worth noting that Akshaya Patra Foundation is a non-governmental organization in India, headquartered in Bangalore. The Akshayapatra Foundation started the mid-day meal program in June 2000 by serving 1,500 children mid-day meals in five government schools in Bengaluru (Karnataka).
- This organization strives to eliminate classroom hunger by implementing the Mid-Day Meal Scheme in government schools and government aided schools. Also Akshaya Patra Foundation aims to combat malnutrition and support the right to education of socio-economically disadvantaged children.