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## Smart Prepaid Meter Installed in Bihar | Bihar | 16 Mar 2024

### Why in News?

Recently, the **North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (NBPDCCL)** reached the milestones of the fastest 10 lakh **Smart Prepaid Meter (SPM)** installation in Muzaffarpur and Motihari Circles.

### Key Points

- The 10 lakh SPMs in both Muzaffarpur and Motihari Circles were installed in a **record 14 months**.
- The NBPDCCL also accomplished the feat of **saturation of the first rural division** of Muzaffarpur Urban-2 Division.
  - This means that 100% of households in the Muzaffarpur Urban-2 Division are covered by the SPM.

### Prepaid Smart Meters

- These are the **new generation of energy meters** that are used to **record electricity consumption in real time**.
- As they are **connected to the internet, users and utilities** can easily **track and monitor electricity usage and get accurate bills**.
- Their remote meter reading capabilities completely **eliminate the need for manual inspection**, making them highly efficient and convenient.

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