



Bihar Sports University Bill, 2021

Why in News

- On July 27, 2021, the Bihar Legislative Assembly unanimously passed the **Bihar Sports University Bill, 2021**.

Key Points

- The Bihar government's **Art-Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Dr. Alok Ranjan Jha** introduced this bill in the Legislative Assembly.
- The **Headquarters of the Sports University** to be established will be in **Rajgir (Nalanda)**. Apart from this, the Sports Academy being constructed in Rajgir will also come under this university.
- With the passage of this bill, **Bihar became the sixth state in the country**, where a sports university is being established.
- Before Bihar, such sports universities were **established in Gujarat, Punjab, Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan**.
- A **minimum of one-third** of the seats would be **reserved for women in this university**.

Benefits

- This will enable Bihar to develop into a **'Sporting Power' state**.
- The players of Bihar will get a better environment and basic sports infrastructure. It is noteworthy that due to lack of basic facilities related to sports, many talented **players of Bihar used to play for other states**.
- With proper training, players of various sports of Bihar state will get better facilities for **preparation of Olympics and other international games**.
- The **reservation of seats** will **encourage more women** towards sports and thus, their number would increase in the field of sports.