

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH BIHAR

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Established under the Central Universities Act, 2009 (Section 25 of 2009) as Central University of Bihar (CUB) and the name since changed by the Central Universities (Amendment) Act, 2014 to Central University of South Bihar (CUSB) is an institution of higher learning in the state of Bihar. With the motto, i.e. 'Collective Reasoning' the University has been conducting its academic and administrative activities from temporary premises in Patna and Gaya and looking forward to shifting to the permanent campus on a 300 acre plot of land at Panchanpur (near Gaya town).

As stated in Section 5 of the Act, the objective of the university shall be:

- "... to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit; to make special provision for integrated courses in humanities, social sciences, science and technology in its educational programmes; to take appropriate measures for promoting innovations in teaching-learning process and inter-disciplinary studies and research; to educate and train manpower for the development of the country; to establish linkages with industries for the promotion of science and technology; and to pay special attention to the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people, their intellectual, academic and cultural development." The university's academic programme started functioning at a rented building in the premises of Birla Institute of Technology, Patna (BIT) in 2009. The zeal and enthusiasm among the administration, faculty, staff and students helped the university to move ahead in the desired direction in the field of higher studies. The academic journey of (the) university began with the Centre for Development Studies (under the School of Social Sciences and Policy), and a (two) 2-year Master of Arts in Development Studies was launched in the academic year 2009-10 at the BIT campus. The university offers hostel facilities for boys and girls both in Patna and Gaya, in rented buildings. CUB has developed a library having 20,000 books (Patna and Gaya together) to support academic curricula, teaching and research in various science and social science subjects. The library subscribes to 100 journals and periodicals of repute from across the world, and more than 8,000 online journals. The library is equipped with modern amenities, such as online services, online catalogue and digitisation. Since its inception the university has been offering a very conducive academic environment, modest infrastructure support and innovative pedagogies to nurture the students, who have joined the university with the understanding that it provides unique courses and pedagogy. At the same time, the university has provided opportunities to faculty members by providing them ample logistic support. They are given financial support to participate in national and international seminars /conferences for presenting their latest research work as well as delivering talks. The role of university administration has remained instrumental in its success.