



बिहार सरकार

## कार्यालय : प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, बिहार, पटना।

(जलवायु परिवर्तन संभाग)

तृतीय तल, अरण्य भवन, शहीद पीर अली खॉ मार्ग (साईडिंग रोड), शेखपुरा, पटना-800014

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### मोतिझील एवं सरोत्तर झील आर्द्रभूमि, मोतिहारी वन प्रमंडल के अधिसूचना प्रारूप प्रस्ताव पर सुझाव/आपत्ति प्राप्त किये जाने के संबंध में।

एतद् द्वारा सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि पर्यावरण (संरक्षण) अधिनियम, 1986 (1986 का 29) के अन्तर्गत आर्द्रभूमि (संरक्षण एवं प्रबंधन) नियम, 2017 की कंडिका (7) में निर्दिष्ट प्रावधान के शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुये राज्य अन्तर्गत अवस्थित मोतिझील एवं सरोत्तर झील आर्द्रभूमि, मोतिहारी वन प्रमंडल के अधिसूचना प्रारूप पर आपत्ति/सुझाव आमजनों से प्राप्त किया जाना है। इस निमित्त उक्त अधिसूचना प्रारूप प्रस्ताव पर सम्बद्ध एवं प्रभावित व्यक्ति सूचना प्रकाशित होने की तिथि से 60 दिनों के अन्दर लिखित रूप से सुझाव/आपत्ति ईमेल आई०डी०—[ccwlbihar@bihar.gov.in](mailto:ccwlbihar@bihar.gov.in) पर भेज सकते हैं। अधिसूचना प्रारूप पर 60 दिनों के अन्दर प्राप्त आक्षेप/सुझाव, यदि कोई हों, पर विचार करने के बाद प्राधिकरण द्वारा अनुमोदन प्रदान करने के पश्चात् बिहार सरकार के राजपत्र में उक्त आर्द्रभूमि को अधिसूचित किया जाएगा।

मोतिझील एवं सरोत्तर झील आर्द्रभूमि, मोतिहारी वन प्रमंडल का अधिसूचना प्रारूप विभागीय वेबसाईट <https://state.bihar.gov.in/forest/CitizenHome.html> एवं <https://bswa.bihar.gov.in/> पर उपलब्ध है।

(अभय कुमार)

अपर प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक,  
पर्यावरण, जलवायु परिवर्तन एवं आर्द्रभूमि,  
बिहार, पटना।

**GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR**  
Department of Environment, Forest and Climate change

Notification No.

Dated.....

The draft of the notification, which the Bihar State Wetland Authority (BSWA) proposes to issue in exercise of the powers conferred under rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017 read with Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), is hereby published for the information of the persons likely to be concerned or affected thereby; and notice is hereby given that the said draft notification shall be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette containing this notification are made available to the public;

Any person interested in making any objection or suggestion, on the proposals contained in the draft notification may forward the same in writing, for consideration of the Government of Bihar, within the period so specified to the Member Secretary, Bihar State Wetland Authority, at email address: ccfcc.bih@gmail.com.

**Draft Notification**  
**Notification No.**

1. Whereas, there exists a water body known as Sarotar Chaur measuring an area of 266.78 Acre., located in the Village-Sarotar, Kesariya, District-East Champaran in the State of Bihar, which is considered to be critically significant for its ecosystem services and biodiversity values for the local communities and society at large (hereinafter referred to as the "Sarotar Chaur"); which is more particularly described in the Schedule I herein.
2. And whereas, it is considered that for sustaining these values, the ecological character of wetland ecosystem needs to be maintained by regulating developmental activities within the wetland as well as within its zone of influence;
3. And whereas, in terms of sub-rule (1) of rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017, the Environment Department of Government of Bihar prepared a Brief Document for identifying the said as Sarotar Chaur wetland;
4. And whereas, based on the Brief Document Bihar State Wetland Authority (BSWA) in the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BSWA has recommended the Government of Bihar to notify the said Sarotar Chaur as wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
5. And whereas, the recommendation of the district Wetland Committee has been obtained to notify this area as a wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
6. Now therefore, the State of Bihar accepts the recommendation to declare the said wetland for being covered under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
7. The extent of the wetland and its zone of influence is described in Schedule I of this notification;
8. Activities prohibited within the wetland and its zone of influence is listed in Schedule II of this notification. Such prohibitions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 (a), (b) and (c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.
9. Activities regulated within the wetland and their zones of influence, i.e. permitted only with permission of State Government are listed in Schedule III of this notification. Request for permissions can be made to the Member Secretary, Bihar State Wetland Authority, C/o Department of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Aranya Bhawan, Shaheed Peer Ali

- 4 Khan Marg Patna, Bihar-800014 or at email-ccfcc.bih@gmail.com. Such regulations shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 a), b) and c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.
10. Activities permitted within the wetland and its zone of influence is listed in Schedule IV of this notification. Such permissions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 a), b) and c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.
11. The Bihar State Wetland Authority and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change shall monitor the enforcement of the provisions of this notification.

**Schedule I**

**Location and Extent of Wetland and its Zone of Influence Wetland**

The said Sarotar Chaur wetland is admeasuring an area of 266.78 acre, surveyed under the following Survey No.

Taluka/Village	Survey No. /Thana No.	Approximate Area in (acre)	Land Types	Land Possession
1	2	3	4	5
Sarotar	33	266.78	Galr Majarua Land	Bihar Govt.

**1.2. Boundary of area already designated under provisions of other Acts and Rules**

**1.2 (a) Area designated under Indian Forest Act, 1927; Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980; State Forest Act and amendments thereof.**

No area of the proposed wetland known as Sarotar Chaur wetland fall under the above mentioned Act.

**1.2 (b) Area designated under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and amendments thereof.**

No area of the proposed wetland known as Sarotar Chaur wetland fall under the above mentioned Act.

**1.3 Zone of Influence:**

The Zone of influence of the said Sarotar Chaur wetland is admeasuring 266.78 acre surveyed under the following Survey No.

Taluka/Village	Survey No. /Thana No.	Approximate Area in (acre)	Land Types	Land Possession
1	2	3	4	5
Sarotar	33	266.78	Galr Majarua Land	Bihar Govt.

The map of wetland boundary of the said Sarotar Chaur wetland with 25 meters buffer and the Zone of Influence is at Annexure I.

**1.4 For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Sarotar Chaur the same is located within Revenue village of Sarotar, Block-Kesariya, Dist-East Champaran, Bihar.**

**1.5 For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Sarotar Chaur the Zone of Influence is located within Revenue village Sarotar, Block-Kesariya, Dist-East Champaran, Bihar.**

**Schedule II**

**List of activities prohibited within wetland boundary**

1. Conversion for non-wetland uses including encroachment of any kind;
2. Setting up of any industry and expansion of existing industries; with the exception of modernization of existing industries which will not affect the ecological balance of the wetland under consideration;
3. Manufacture or/and handling or / and storage or/and disposal of construction and demolition waste covered under the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016;

hazardous substances covered under the Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemical Rules, 1989 or the Rules for Manufacture, Use, Import, Export and Storage of Hazardous Micro-organisms Genetically engineered organisms or cells, 1989 or the Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Trans boundary Movement) Rules, 2008; electronic waste covered under the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016;

4. Solid waste dumping;
5. Discharge of untreated wastes, chemical fertilizers, pesticides, effluents and any other chemicals effecting the ecological character of the wetland from industries, cities, towns, villages and other human settlements;
6. Any construction of a permanent nature except for boat jetties within fifty meters from the mean high flood level observed in the past ten years calculated from the date of commencement of these rules; and,
7. Poaching;
8. Extraction of soil, mud, rocks for commercial purpose.

[Any other activity other than mentioned above if taken up in the surrounding area that will have a direct or an indirect adverse effect on the ecological character of the wetland including water quality the same shall be prohibited.]

#### Schedule III

List of activities regulated within the boundary of wetland and its zone of influence and for which prior approval of [State Government/UT Administration/MoEFCC] is required to be obtained

Activity	Restrictions	
	Within the boundary of wetland	Within the zone of influence
Withdrawal of water	Restricted withdrawal beyond the quantities permitted by WRD.	Water is used for agriculture and horticulture purposes in existing traditional practices will continue. However, any new permissions shall be granted by WRD & BSWA.
Cultivation of crops	Regulated by Directorate of Agriculture, Bihar. Existing traditional practices of Paddy cultivation will be allowed (except the core area wherein the water is present throughout the year) during the dry season, as Pre-Existing Rights and Privileges. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	Existing traditional crop cultivation practices will be allowed. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.
Aquaculture	Regulated by Directorate of Fisheries, Bihar.	Regulated by Directorate of Fisheries, Bihar. Existing traditional practices may be permitted

Approval of the BSWA shall be obtained for any other activity proposed to be conducted other than those mentioned above which may adversely affect ecological character of wetland.

#### Schedule IV

List of activities permitted within the boundary of wetland and its zone of influence

Activity	Levels and types not requiring permission	
	Within the boundary of wetland	Within the zone of influence
Religious practices	Existing religious practices will be allowed. Any activity that will adversely affect the	Permitted. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological

	ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	character of the wetland will not be allowed.
Withdrawal of water of domestic use	In case of water deficit and unavailability of drinking water, it is pumped and supplied to the village people for domestic drinking purpose. This will be managed and regulated by PHED.	Ongoing Traditional use Permitted. Any new permissions will be granted only if approved by PHED and BSWA.
Plantation of trees	Prohibited.	Permitted.
Deciding best possible wise use of wetland without affecting of impacting its ecological character and services offered presently	Permitted.	Permitted.

Approval of the BSWA shall be taken for any other activity to be conducted other than those mentioned above.

The above draft notification of Sarotar Chaur for notifying it as wetland is being approved in the meeting of district Wetland Committee, Motihari held on 09.09.2024

जिला मत्स्य पदाधिकारी,  
मोतिहारी।

जिला कृषि पदाधिकारी,  
मोतिहारी।

जिला पंचायती राज पदाधिकारी,  
मोतिहारी।

जिला योजना पदाधिकारी,  
मोतिहारी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
जल संसाधन, मोतिहारी।  
तिरहुत नहर प्रमण्डल

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
बाढ़ नियंत्रण, मोतिहारी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
लघु जल संसाधन, मोतिहारी।

क्षेत्रीय पदाधिकारी,  
बिहार राज्य प्रदूषण नियंत्रण पर्वद,  
पटना।

अपर-जिला पदाधिकारी,  
(जिला राजस्व शाखा) मोतिहारी।

उप-समाहर्ता  
जिला भूमि अधिग्रहण शाखा, मोतिहारी।

नगर आयुक्त,  
नगर निगम, मोतिहारी।

वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी,  
सह-संरक्षक सचिव,  
जिला स्तरीय आर्द्रभूमि समिति,  
मोतिहारी वन प्रमण्डल, मोतिहारी।

जिला पदाधिकारी,  
सह-अध्यक्ष,  
जिला स्तरीय आर्द्रभूमि समिति,  
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**GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR**  
Department of Environment, Forest and Climate change

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**Draft Notification**  
Notification No. ....

1. Whereas, there exists a water body known as Motijheel measuring an area of 246.47 Acre., located in the Village-Belwanva, Motihari, District-East Champaran in the State of Bihar, which is considered to be critically significant for its ecosystem services and biodiversity values for the local communities and society at large (hereinafter referred to as the "Motijheel"); which is more particularly described in the Schedule I herein.
2. And whereas, it is considered that for sustaining these values, the ecological character of wetland ecosystem needs to be maintained by regulating developmental activities within the wetland as well as within its zone of influence;
3. And whereas, in terms of sub-rule (1) of rule 7 of the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017, the Environment Department of Government of Bihar prepared a Brief Document for identifying the said as Motijheel wetland;
4. And whereas, based on the Brief Document Bihar State Wetland Authority (BSWA) in the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the BSWA has recommended the Government of Bihar to notify the said Motijheel as wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
5. And whereas, the recommendation of the district Wetland Committee has been obtained to notify this area as a wetland under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
6. Now therefore, the State of Bihar accepts the recommendation to declare the said wetland for being covered under the provisions of Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017.
7. The extent of the wetland and its zone of influence is described in Schedule I of this notification;
8. Activities prohibited within the wetland and its zone of influence is listed in Schedule II of this notification. Such prohibitions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 (a), (b) and (c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.
9. Activities regulated within the wetland and their zones of influence, i.e. permitted only with permission of State Government are listed in Schedule III of this notification. Request for permissions can be made to the Member Secretary, Bihar State Wetland Authority, C/o Department of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Aranya Bhawan, Shaheed Peer Ali Khan Marg Patna, Bihar-800014 or at email-[ccfcc.bih@gmail.com](mailto:ccfcc.bih@gmail.com). Such regulations shall not

apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 a), b) and c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.

10. Activities permitted within the wetland and its zone of influence is listed in Schedule IV of this notification. Such permissions shall not apply for areas designated under other Acts and Rules, and listed at para 1.2 a), b) and c) of Schedule I. Relevant provisions of respective Acts and Rules shall apply in such areas.
11. The Bihar State Wetland Authority and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and climate Change shall monitor the enforcement of the provisions of this notification.

#### Schedule I

##### Location and Extent of Wetland and its Zone of Influence Wetland

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Belwanva	167	246.47	Gair Majorua Land	Bihar Govt.

##### 1.2. Boundary of area already designated under provisions of other Acts and Rules

1.2 (a) Area designated under Indian Forest Act, 1927; Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980; State Forest Act and amendments there of.

No area of the proposed wetland known as Motijheel wetland fall under the above mentioned Act.

1.2 (b) Area designated under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and amendments there of.

No area of the proposed wetland known as Motijheel wetland fall under the above mentioned Act.

##### 1.3 Zone of influence:

The Zone of influence of the said Motijheel wetland is admeasuring 246.47 acre surveyed under the following Survey No.

Taluka/Village	Survey No. /Thana No.	Approximate Area in (acre)	Land Types	Land Possession
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Belwanva	167	246.47	Gair Majorua Land	Bihar Govt.

The map of wetland boundary of the said Motijheel wetland with 5 meters buffer and the Zone of Influence is at Annexure I.

1.4 For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Motijheel the same is located within Revenue village of Belwanva, Block-Motihar, Dist-East Champaran, Bihar.

1.5 For the purpose of this wetland known as the said Motijheel the Zone of Influence is located within Revenue village Belwanva, Block-Motihar, Dist-East Champaran, Bihar.

#### Schedule II

##### List of activities prohibited within wetland boundary

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- Chemical Rules, 1989 or the Rules for Manufacture, Use, Import, Export and Storage of Hazardous Micro-organisms Genetically engineered organisms or cells, 1989 or the Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Trans boundary Movement) Rules, 2008; electronic waste covered under the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016;
4. Solid waste dumping;
  5. Discharge of untreated wastes, chemical fertilizers, pesticides, effluents and any other chemicals effecting the ecological character of the wetland from industries, cities, towns, villages and other human settlements;
  6. Any construction of a permanent nature except for boat jetties within fifty meters from the mean high flood level observed in the past ten years calculated from the date of commencement of these rules; and,
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  8. Extraction of soil, mud, rocks for commercial purpose.
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Aquaculture.	Regulated by Directorate of Fisheries, Bihar.	Regulated by Directorate of Fisheries, Bihar. Existing traditional practices may be permitted.

Approval of the BSWA shall be obtained for any other activity proposed to be conducted other than those mentioned above which may adversely affect ecological character of wetland.

**Schedule IV**

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Activity	Levels and types not requiring permission	
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Religious practices	Existing religious practices will be allowed. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.	Permitted. Any activity that will adversely affect the ecological character of the wetland will not be allowed.

Withdrawal of water of domestic use	In case of water deficit and unavailability of drinking water, it is pumped and supplied to the village people for domestic drinking purpose. This will be managed and regulated by PHED	Ongoing Traditional use Permitted. Any new permissions will be granted only if approved by PHED and BSWA.
Plantation of trees	Prohibited.	Permitted.
Deciding best possible wise use of wetland without affecting of impacting its ecological character and services offered presently	Permitted.	Permitted.

Approval of the BSWA shall be taken for any other activity to be conducted other than those mentioned above.

The above-draft notification of Motihari for notifying it as wetland is being approved in the meeting of district Wetland Committee, Motihari held on 19.07.2023

जिला मत्स्य पदाधिकारी,  
मोतिहारी।

जिला कृषि पदाधिकारी,  
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मोतिहारी।

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मोतिहारी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
जल संसाधन, मोतिहारी।  
(विशुद्ध नहर प्रमंडल)

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
बाढ़ नियंत्रण, मोतिहारी।

कार्यपालक अभियंता,  
लघु जल संसाधन, मोतिहारी।

क्षेत्रीय पदाधिकारी,  
बिहार राज्य प्रदूषण नियंत्रण पर्वद,  
प्रटना।

अपर जिला पदाधिकारी,  
(जिला राजस्व शाखा) मोतिहारी।

उप-समाहर्ता  
जिला भूमि अधिग्रहण शाखा, मोतिहारी।

नगर आयुक्त,  
नगर निगम, मोतिहारी।

वन प्रमंडल पदाधिकारी,  
सह-सदस्य सचिव,  
जिला स्तरीय आर्द्रभूमि समिति,  
मोतिहारी वन प्रमंडल, मोतिहारी।

जिला पदाधिकारी,  
सह-अध्यक्ष,  
जिला स्तरीय आर्द्रभूमि समिति,  
मोतिहारी।