

In the name of Allah, the Most Merciful and the Most Benevolent

Profile of Bihar Anjuman [Registered National NGO in India: RAHBAR (www.myrahbar.org)]

Striving towards educational and socio-economic empowerment of Muslims

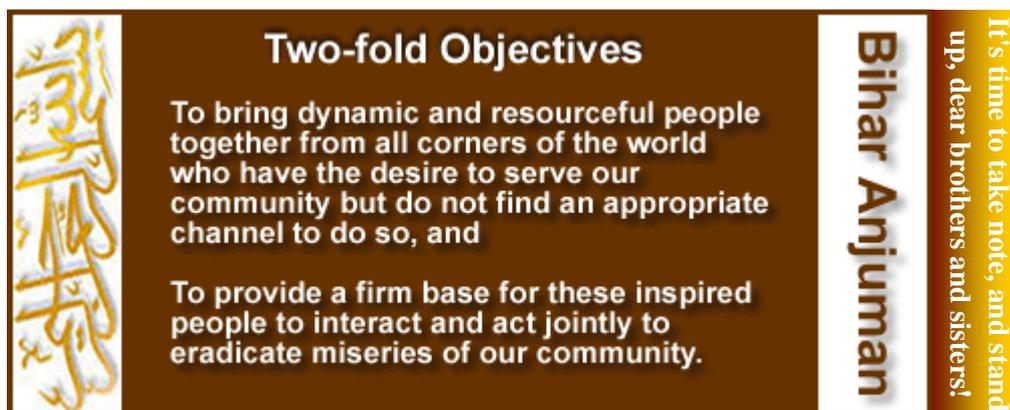
Bihar Anjuman (www.biharanjuman.org), a network of individuals and organization, started on 14-06-2004. The driving motto was to join hands-and-minds to freely pool talents and resources and act in a way which suits each one of them (work as individuals, groups, chapters, etc.) to maximize benefits to the society in general and to Muslims from Bihar and Jharkhand in particular. Bihar Anjuman can boast of bringing many active, kind, knowledgeable and resourceful people together, from all corners of the world, to interact and act jointly to educate, motivate, inspire and instill confidence; to remove disappointments, eradicate miseries, and help the needy.

"If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich."

- John Fitzgerald Kennedy, from his Inaugural speech, January 20, 1961.

MAIN OBJECTIVES (<http://objectives.biharanjuman.org>):

- To establish close contacts with other organizations and extend full support in promoting welfare activities inside & outside Bihar for people affected during calamities.
- To provide financial support for (a) marriage of economically weak Muslim girls, and (b) for education to economically weak Muslims.
- To help, assist and aid in the establishment of institutions, for promoting professional, vocational and technical education in Bihar.
- To form an employment cell for providing guidance to jobseekers.
- To grant aid & assistance to financially crippled Muslim orphans, widows and disabled persons.
- To set up information-cum-guidance center and maintain a data-bank of Educational Institutions.



Two-fold Objectives

To bring dynamic and resourceful people together from all corners of the world who have the desire to serve our community but do not find an appropriate channel to do so, and

To provide a firm base for these inspired people to interact and act jointly to eradicate miseries of our community.

Bihar Anjuman

It's time to take note, and stand up, dear brothers and sisters!

- To propagate Islamic values and participate actively in the reforms leading to betterment of the Islamic society; to organize religious, literary, social and cultural get-togethers.

Some examples of what one chapter of Anjuman could do:

(a) Annual Contributions to Imarat-e-Sharia: Following is the list of contributions sent to Imarat-e-Sharia, Bihar, Jharkand and Orissa for the two purposes enlisted in the Anjuman Charter, i.e., (a) marriage of girls, and (b) higher technical education of persons belonging to the economically weaker sections of our society. **Year 2000:** Dhs 1,750 (Rs. 22,000/=); **Year 2001:** Dhs 2,315; **Year 2002:** Dhs 1,150; **Year 2003:** Dhs 1,150; **2004:** Rs. 200,000 (as contribution for flood-affected areas, detailed below); **Year 2005:** Rs. 50,000; **Year 2006:** Rs. 50,000; **Year 2007:** Rs. 50,000 annual contribution + Rs. 1,70,000 as contribution for flood-affected areas; **Year 2008:** Rs. 75,000

annual + more than Rs. 10 lakhs as contribution for flood-affected areas; **Year 2009:** Rs. 50,000 as annual contribution.



(b) Gujrat Earthquake:

A contribution of Dhs.1,800/=, from the bank account of Dubai chapter was handed over to the Dubai Indian Islamic Centre to strengthen their programme of rehabilitating the Gujrat Earthquake Victims. Dubai chapter also joined a campaign jointly launched by all the Dubai Associations working for Islamic causes. Dubai chapter further raised Dhs.4,500/= from various sectors and handed over to the central body formed for this purpose. Anjuman representatives participated actively in the Charity dinner arranged for the purpose, with Dr. Zakir Naik being the main speaker, and were able to raise more than Dhs.150,000/=. This surely helped us establish a strong rapport with other organizations. Our effort to help our needy brethren from another state was expected to yield results when, God forbid, misfortune strikes brethren in our own state.

(c) Floods in North Bihar: When the whole of North Bihar was struck by devastating floods in 2008, we could not have been a silent witness to the calamity. Members pooled up **more than 11 lakhs** Rupees to (a) help relief efforts by Imarat Shariah and (b) to manage our own camps under RAHBAR [7 tents for 20 days with arrangement for Iftar and Sehree (Suhoor) – lunch & dinner were not permitted by local administration]. During 2007 floods, brothers in this chapter had contributed Rs. 3.7 lakhs. During 2004 floods, these members pooled up Rs. 2 lakhs, to be spent through Imarat-e-Sharia, to reduce the sufferings and pains of the masses, in the affected area.

(d) Earthquake in Kashmir: As usual, this time too, Bihar Anjuman members of this chapter worked very hard in supplying 200 blankets through the Pakistani embassy. They also collected Dhs. 17,000 (Seventeen thousands) for sending to both sides (India as well as Pakistan) through Al Khidma for Pakistan, and through Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind for Indian part of Kashmir.

Online Forums of Bihar Anjuman: They serve as networking tools & integrator for chapters, and facilitate free discussions open to all Muslims from Bihar and Jharkhand. They share opinions, interact regularly to discuss feasible ideas, help each other in the pursuit of better living conditions. They help the next generation through better education and decent earning opportunities, etc.

Yahoo! Group [<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/biharanjuman>] is the largest online forum of people from Bihar or Jharkhand, with 7,300 members, alhamdulillah.

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=10000909102297>

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/biharanjuman>

Orkut: <http://www.orkut.com/Community.aspx?cmm=22993227>

There is no doubt in any mind that Muslims have to join hands to work for the development of the masses without which it may become impossible to compete with our counterparts in other communities. Our joint and concerted efforts may help us start winning the race once again.

RAHBAR-e-Banat School-cum-Madrasa: Comprehensive Holistic Education [Islamic + Contemporary] & Training to every female of Bihar and Jharkhand, by establishing one girl's

madarsa-cum-school in every district of the two states. First project got established in Rahimabad village of Samastipur district [<http://school.biharanjuman.org/>] - classes started on 1st December 2009, and in just 2 months the number of students soared to 100, alhamdulillah.

Coaching to stop drop-outs of school students: Phase-1 of this project was planned to have 7 centres, by April 2010 [<http://coaching.biharanjuman.org/>], to provide part-time coaching to grade 8th, 9th, and 10th students from poor financial background; all of them have been finalized.

Patna centre is operational since 4th Aug 2009 [<http://patna.biharanjuman.org/>], Samastipur centre since 16th Aug 2009 [<http://samastipur.biharanjuman.org/>], Darbhanga centre since 6th October [<http://darbhanga.biharanjuman.org/>], while Muzaffarpur [<http://muzaffarpur.biharanjuman.org/>], Aurangabad [<http://aurangabad.biharanjuman.org/>], Chakradharpur, Jharkhand [<http://chakradharpur.biharanjuman.org/>], and Gopalganj [<http://gopalganj.biharanjuman.org/>]

centres started in April-May 2010. The plan includes establishing one centre in each district of Bihar and Jharkhand, and to extend the coaching to grades 5th, 6th & 7th, in the 2nd phase. The last phase would include coaching the 11th and 12th students, insha-Allah. At Rs. 11,000 per month budget for each centre, the annual requirement for the 7 centres stands @ Rs. 9.24 lakhs. The program includes performance-based awards for the students [in the picture: monthly awards ceremonies @ Patna & Samastipur]. Free blankets, shawls, jackets, and footwear were also distributed to students of first batch. This project needs your support to reach every district – please write to myrahbar@gmail.com.



"Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned."

Latest News: 8th centre (1st centre of 2nd phase of 7 centres) started on 11th July 2010 in Jamshedpur (<http://jamshedpur.biharanjuman.org/>).

Sponsor-a-Teacher Project [<http://teacher.biharanjuman.org/>]: Sponsoring one teacher is like sponsoring more than 100 students. Two schools were initially supported with 7 quality teachers (4 males and 3 females) selected through a rigorous process (monthly salaries: Rs. 4,000 to Rs. 7,000): (a) Madarsa Jamia Madania campus, Sabalpur, Patna – over 1,000 students (700 students residential), (b) National Urdu Girls School, Munger – 300 girl students. They joined with effect from Aug 2007, 3 teachers in each institution, to start with. This number was to increase to 6 in each institution, as more sponsorship came in. Due to non-compliance from these institutions, we relocated the teachers to Najmi High School, Haroon Nagar, Patna w.e.f. 01-08-2008.

RAHBAR Job Information Centre launched in Patna, on 8th August, 2007: Imarat Shariah handed over one room with a computer, printer and internet connectivity along with a part-time staff, to BA's Patna chapter. Located in their ITI, acting as NRI-cum-placement cell for Imarat-e-Sharia to be managed by BA, this is serving as a connecting point between the employers in India & abroad, the pass-outs from Imarat's ITIs and the unemployed youth of Bihar. Many walk-in interviews have been arranged and many of our brothers got employed already.

Other Projects sponsored: (1) **BANEE Career Centre** (BCC), Delhi (2) **BASIL** - Bihar Anjuman's Sources of Infinite Learning, an Islamic library, (3) **Women's Polytechnics** in a slum area (Kurji) and Samanpura of Patna, managed by **BAJEE** [www.bajee.org - Bihar Anjuman's Jewels for Educational & Economic Empowerment - the women's wing of Bihar Anjuman], and Bherokhra village of Samastipur district, (4) **Coaching and Career Guidance Centre** in Aligarh, managed by RAHBAR-Aligarh. It has successfully managed batches in 2007 and 2008; (5) **Eye**

Camps Project led by Dr. Moiz Shams of Makkah Mokarramah, in Sabalpur, Patna, Gayaand growing. (6) **BANEE Scholarship** scheme currently has **78 beneficiaries**, (7) **SABA** (www.sabaonline.org: **Shadi Assistance by Bihar Anjuman**) facilitates match-making and provides guidance on Islamic marriage, (8) **Islamic teachings to all, with emphasis on the younger generation** (<http://quran.biharanjuman.org/>): has numerous free online books, presentations, audios and videos in Urdu and English.

Anti Dowry Movement Committee: Members, mostly young, residing in different parts of the globe are striving against this social anathema & contributing their bit to eradicate it. Please come forward to be a volunteer in this important cause and save our society from the curse of dowry and resulting miseries.

BA Chapters

Local chapters: (1) Aligarh, (2) Bangalore, (3) California, (4) Chennai, (4) Chicago, (5) Dammam/ Al-Khobar, (6) Delhi (7) Doha, Qatar, (8) Hufoof, (9) Hyderabad, (10) Jeddah, (11) Jubail, (12) Kolkata, (13) Makkah Mokarrama, (14) MIT-Muzaffarpur, (15) Muscat, (16) Patna, (17) Ranchi, (18) Riyadh (19) Toront; and growing. You can initiate a chapter in your city/ country/ region. Local chapters are the lifeline of BA; they act as a medium of coordination and information sharing between local residents and those in other chapters. Local city or the country representatives facilitate this interaction at their respective levels. Interaction among teachers & students help current students get professional advice, especially from NRI alumni of various universities who are well-placed and would wish to help others. Further, they are the HANDS that tap talents which can be useful for long term activities vis-à-vis **Bihar Anjuman Educational Empowerment (BANEE) Scheme** info dissemination, selection of beneficiaries for scholarship, etc.

Vacancies Circulation: Worldwide vacancies are circulated regularly by members, in the **Yahoo!Group** (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/biharanjuman>), thus benefiting hundreds of job-aspirants every month. The **Yahoo!Group** website has numerous useful files that help in job hunting, aptitude and technical tests conducted by most Indian companies, etc. Papers, articles related to career development time & stress management, etc. are regularly circulated by experienced and knowledgeable members, in the **Yahoo!Group**.



BaKhabar (Bihar Anjuman's monthly e-magazine): BaKhabar lets us remain bakhabar (alert and updated) on current issues affecting the Muslims of the world and provides an excellent platform for members to hone their writing skills and inspire the community into action. It is available in printable version and separate web edition at <http://bakhabar.biharanjuman.org/>.

Why we must rush to do our bit? Whatever has been done (or is being done), as described above, is just a beginning, and there is a lot to do within the limited time that has been allotted to us by Allah. Who can guarantee that he or she would live tomorrow? Therefore, we have to try our best to do whatever we can, **today**. We just can't postpone things for the morrow. Here, in Bihar Anjuman, every one has a fair chance of proving that he or she has some love for his or her fellow Muslims and is ready to obey Allah's commandments and Rasool's advices, in this respect. Just talking about it in forums and in tea-shops, or on stages, are not enough.

Better Light a Candle than Curse the Darkness

