

CHAPTER 3

CLASSIFICATION OF PRISONS

Control of prisons

5. All prisons and correctional services in the state of Bihar shall be under the control of Home (Prisons and Correctional) Department, Government of Bihar.

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6. Under section 59 of the Prisons Act, 1894, different prisons in the state shall be classified as follows:
- i. Central prisons for the confinement of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for periods exceeding five years and other categories of prisoners.
 - ii. District prisons at district headquarters for confinement of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for periods between one to five years and prisoners who are facing trial in courts
 - iii. Subsidiary prisons for confinement of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment upto one year and prisoners who are facing trial in courts
 - iv. Open prisons for well-behaved convicts in accordance with the open jail rules. 2008
 - v. Female prisons for female prisoners

Note 1: Central prisons shall also function as District prisons for the districts where they are located.

Note 2: Every Central and district prisons shall have a high security ward/enclosure for housing dangerous, violent, escapees, riotous prisoners; for terrorists, professional criminals and recidivists.

Note 3: Capacity of various prisons will be decided by the Inspector General, Prisons and Correctional Services and notified from time to time.

7. The following prisons and such other prisons as Government may from time to time declare, shall be central prison, district prison, sub-divisional prison, open prison and female prison:

Category of prison	Name of prisons		
Central Prison	1. Bhagalpur 2. Beur, Patna 3. Gaya	4. Muzaffarpur 5. Motihari 6. Purnea	7. Buxar 8. Special Central Prison, Bhagalpur
District Prison	1. Aurangabad 2. Arra 3. Araria 4. Banka 5. Bethia 6. Begusarai 7. Bhabhua 8. Biharsharif 9. Chhapra 10. Gopalganj	11. Hajipur 12. Jamui 13. Jehanabad 14. Katihar 15. Khagaria 16. Kishanganj 17. Lakhisarai 18. Madhepura 19. Madhubani 20. Munger	21. Nawada 22. Phulwarisharif 23. Sheikhpura 24. Supaul 25. Siwan 26. Sitamarhi 27. Smastipur 28. Saharsa 29. Sasaram 30. Darbhanga 31. Sheohar
Sub-divisional Prison	1. Bagaha 2. Barh 3. Benipur 4. Bikramganj 5. Buxar 6. Dalsinghsarai	7. Danapur 8. Daudnagar 9. Hilsa 10. Jhanjharpur 11. Masaudhi	12. Navgachia 13. Patna city 14. Rosera 15. Sherghati 16. Virpur
Open Prison	1. Buxar		
Female Prison	1. Bhagalpur		