

Positive News Bihar To Get Cheapest Drinking Water in World, Thanks to This Unique Initiative!

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Bihar, like many other states in India, has been affected severely due to groundwater contamination, and chemicals like arsenic have found their way into the state's drinking water supplies. While this is an extremely dangerous scenario, a recent solution is all set to herald a drinking water revolution in the state.

A new, innovative and cost-effective water project promises to lower the price of a litre of water to just 50 paise, reports the Times of India. The project, called 'Sulabh Jal', was launched on Saturday, by Sulabh International at Darbhanga.

Under the project's purview, contaminated pond water will be converted into safe drinking water.

Sulabh International is same organisation that introduced the concept of the 'Sulabh Shauchalaya' in the country, decades ago. According to a statement by the organisation, this project will provide the cheapest drinking water in the world.

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The project's foundation was laid by Bindeshwar Pathak, the founder of Sulabh International, at the Haribol Pond, on the premises of the Darbhanga Nagar Nigam.

The ambitious project will cost around Rs 20 lakh, and provide around 8,000 litres of potable water per day, at a nominal cost. The project will be self-sustainable, said Pathak, and local people and NGOs will maintain it. The project will generate employment, and require the active participation of the community, he added.

A successful pilot of this project was carried out in three districts of West Bengal- North 24 Parganas, Murshidabad and Nadia-by Sulabh and a French organisation. Pathak is optimistic and says this is the first time they have succeeded in producing pure drinking water at a very nominal cost-something that villagers across the country would directly benefit from.

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