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BSEB holds workshop on new answer sheet format

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PATNA: The district programme officers (DPOs) and the master trainers attended a daylong workshop conducted by the Bihar School Examination Board at Gyan Bhawan on Monday. BSEB chairman Anand Kishor told them about the changes made on the front page of answer sheets of Class X and XII board exams from 2019. "Students of classes X and XII will not have to write their names, roll numbers, registration numbers, year of examination and subject code on the answer sheets from 2019 onwards as these will already be printed on the answer sheets. The step has been taken in a bid to help examinees save time and minimize the mistakes," he said. He also directed the DPOs and master trainers to conduct the workshop in their respective districts on January 4 and 5 about the changes in the answer sheets. He also

talked about the change in question pattern and said higher-order thinking skills (HOTS) objective-type questions would be reduced, so that students could score better in the board exams.

Carol competition: The Students of geography and sociology departments won the carol singing competition in English and Hindi respectively at Patna Women's College on Monday. Fifteen groups participated in the competition. The students of psychology department and Communicative English and Media Studies bagged the second and third prizes respectively in English while All India Christian University Federation group and the students of geography department got second and third prizes respectively in Hindi.



IIT-P hosts conference: The speakers concentrated on the experimental challenges in the field of quantum optics on the second day of three-day international conference on quantum and atom optics organized by the Indian Institute of Technology Patna (IIT-P) on its campus on Monday. G S Agarwal from Agricultural and Mechanical University, Texas, US, chaired the three plenary lectures. D Goswami from IIT Kanpur discussed his work on femtosecond lasers. Luca Salasnich from University of Padova (Italy), Barry Garraway from University of Sussex (UK) and Prasanta K Panigrahi from IISER (Kolkata) also delivered talks on different topics.

Counselling at PPU: Pataliputra University (PPU) started a counselling session for the shortlisted candidates seeking admission in the postgraduate (PG) department of the university on Monday. Altogether 3,317 candidates have been asked to attend the counselling session for taking admission in 14 different subjects of science, arts and commerce streams. Sources said the sessions will continue till December 19. The university will hold an induction meet for the new PG students on December 20.

Academic leadership programme at CUSB: Four-day academic leadership training programme at Central University of South Bihar concluded on its campus on Monday. PR Agrawal, former VC of Purvanchal University Jaunpur, shared his experiences and discussed how an academic leader should take decisions to keep in mind the interest of students. In the second session, Vinita Sahay, director of IIM Bodh Gaya, addressed the participants. "Being academic leaders, our duty is to create more and more seats for the youths to groom them in our institutions for their better future," she said.