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Apiculture in Bihar

- Bihar: - Dabur has been doing a beekeeping initiative with the help of Jeevika BRLPS (Bihar Rural Livelihood Promotion Society) in Bihar state.
- The main district under this program is Khagria & Muzaffarpur.
- Money, subsidy and other financial help is being provided by Jeevika BRLPS.

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- Under this Initiative, 3000 Bee hives were distributed to 300 rural families (10 hives to each family).
 - Dabur trained 640 villagers about Beekeeping.
 - People in this area are basically bee hunters.
 - So this initiative has helped in transforming these villagers from bee hunters to beekeepers.

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- Bees help in the pollination in flowers and pollination help in enhancing the quality & quantity of fruits or crops.
 - So beekeeping will help the rural people in both ways, honey & other product of bees will gave them money and also increases the production of crops and fruits.

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- Positive impact of this Initiative seen in near future: -
 - Provision of an additional high energy food source for Men, women and their families hence improved health status.
 - Due to proper pollination, productivity of the crop will increase.
 - Improved income of rural people through selling of bee products.
 - Reduce rural urban migration, unemployment.
 - The presence of bee hives lower the risk of deforestation

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- Hence helps in restoring biodiversity.
 - The benefits of Honey are innumerable as it not only helps in weight management but also in many other things as well.
 - For example, if you are suffering from cold and cough, mix some ginger and honey and consume the mixture daily.
 - The mixture will act as an antioxidant and will cure your illness naturally.