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## IAS trainees visit NIPER-Hajipur

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Patna: As part of its winter study tour, a team of 10 IAS trainees from the 2025 batch visited the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER)-Hajipur on Monday for an in-depth understanding of the pharmaceutical sector and its critical role in public policy, governance and strategic national development.

NPER's registrar Abhishek Sahu welcomed the team members and the institute's dean P Ramalingam introduced the functioning of the institution. A series of presentations were made by the heads of different departments, highlighting how pharmaceuticals serve as an important tool for public health concerns, regulatory governance and socio-economic development. A session was held on the 'Role of administrative authorities in the strategic development of the pharmaceutical sector, underscoring the importance of policy support, regulation and inter-sectoral coordination.

The trainees later visited the different laboratories at NIPER-Hajipur and interacted with postgraduate and PhD scholars, gaining first-hand exposure to research, innovation, and capacity building in pharmaceutical sciences. The programme was successfully conducted under the guidance and leadership of NIPER director K Ruckmani.