

The Contribution of Press in the Separation of Bihar from Bengal

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On 1st April, 1912, Bihar was declared a separate state or province. The journey was not smooth, rather the leaders initiating or demanding the separation of Bihar and Bengal had to overcome numerous hurdles but the contribution of the Press in the movement was unimaginable. It was the Press of the time, especially the newspapers who offered the English educated bourgeoisie class an opportunity to ponder upon the fundamental question “Partition or no Partition” through frequent intellectual tug of wars. It also provided a platform to the educated mass to debate on the rationale of partition. The paper explores the journey undertaken by the Press to reach the summit of the dream dreamt by the Biharis to put an end to the injustices suffered by them in various fields.