

'Unfazed' Nitish lays foundation of international museum

WORLD CLASS Interiors, quality to match global standards

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PATNA: Unfazed by intense political activities after the serial blasts at Bodh Gaya, chief minister Nitish Kumar on Tuesday launched the construction of an ambitious international museum project to protect Bihar's cultural heritage and display artefacts to attract historians, archaeologists, connoisseurs of art and those having interest in history.

"Today, my dream of having an international standard museum in Patna is being fulfilled. Christened as Bihar Museum, it will house the state's treasure of art and artefacts and remain a testimony to human creativity drawn from interaction between cultures and peoples," Kumar said.

Laying the foundation stone of the ₹530-crore international museum coming up in the heart of the state capital on Bailey Road, Kumar said the state government had taken utmost care to ensure that its quality interi-



■ Chief minister Nitish Kumar at the foundation-laying function of Bihar Museum in Patna on Tuesday.

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"Bihar's history is not only the history of India but the account of evolution of human civilisation. So we decided to build a museum

of architecture and splendour. It'll be one of the most visually delightful structures and compete with the best in the country and abroad," he said.