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Erosion of values and corruption in administration

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Abstract : *The fabric of society is held together by the standards of morality which we maintain and practice. Values are our personal set of beliefs about what is important, unimportant, right, wrong, good and bad. Values are kind of map in our minds of how things are or should be. Nowadays, the changing perception of life and society due to rapid industrialization and growing materialism is resulting in value erosion. This process of continuous value erosion is hampering every sphere of individual's life and our administration, which is a basic requirement for peace and development of any society, is greatly affected by the*

problem of corruption having value erosion as its root cause. So, this project was undertaken to find out that how much the people of Patna are aware about this problem.

The decreasing faith in values and the lack of societal norms among the administrators is leading to administrative inefficiency and corruption. Corruption in administration basically means the misuse of power by governmental officials for certain illegitimate private gains. On analyzing the situation during the course of research over this subject, we found that the main reason for rampant corruption in administration is absence of strict enforcement of accountability on the part of the administrators and it was seen that their personal values have an immense impact on their way of functioning.

Key words:– *Accountability, Corruption, Transparency, Monopoly, Efficiency.*