



Good Governance Index 2021

For Prelims: Good Governance Day, Good Governance Index.

For Mains: Significance of Good Governance, Initiatives for Good Governance in India.

Why in News

On the occasion of the [Good Governance Day \(25th December\)](#), the government released the **Good Governance Index 2021**.

- The index was prepared by the **Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG)**, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
- Earlier this year, India was ranked **49th in the [Chandler Good Government Index \(CGGI\)](#).**

Key Points

- **About:**
 - GGI is a **comprehensive and implementable framework** to assess the State of Governance across the States and UTs which enables ranking of States/Districts.
 - The objective of GGI is to **create a tool that can be used uniformly across the States** to assess the impact of various interventions taken up by the Central and State Governments including UTs.
 - Based on the GGI Framework, the **Index provides a comparative picture among the States** while developing a competitive spirit for improvement.
 - The GGI 2021 says that **20 States have improved their composite GGI scores** over the GGI 2019 index scores.
 - The GGI is envisaged as a **biannual exercise**.
- **Basis of the Ranking:**
 - It is based on **ten sectors and 58 indicators**. The sectors are
 - Agriculture and Allied Sectors
 - Commerce & Industries
 - Human Resource Development
 - Public Health
 - Public Infrastructure & Utilities
 - Economic Governance
 - Social Welfare & Development
 - Judicial & Public Security
 - Environment
 - Citizen-Centric Governance
- **Ranking of the States:** The Index categorises States and UTs into four categories, i.e.,
 - **Other States - Group A:**
 - **Gujarat has topped** the composite ranking in the Good Governance Index 2021 covering 10 sectors, followed by Maharashtra and Goa.
 - **Other States - Group B:**

- **Madhya Pradesh tops** the list followed by Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh.
- **North-East and Hill States:**
 - **Himachal Pradesh topped** the list followed by Mizoram and Uttarakhand.
- **Union Territories:**
 - **Delhi tops the composite rank** registering a 14% increase over the GGI 2019 indicators.
- **Other Initiatives for Good Governance:**
 - [National e-Governance Plan](#)
 - [Right to Information Act, 2005](#)
 - [Digital India](#)
 - [MyGov](#)

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