



10 years of Swachh Bharat Mission

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Recently, the [Swachh Bharat Mission \(SBM\)](#) marked its **10th anniversary on 2nd October 2024**.

▪ About:

- It was launched on **2nd October 2014** by the **Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**.
- It was also divided into [SBM-Gramin](#) for rural areas and [SBM-Urban](#) for urban centers.

▪ Aim:

- It aimed to make India [Open Defecation Free \(ODF\)](#) by constructing individual and community toilets, and to implement waste management systems in school and anganwadi toilets.
 - An area can be notified or **declared as ODF** if at any point of the day, not even a single person is found defecating in the open.

▪ Achievements:

- Under the mission, **10 crore toilets** were built, and almost **6 lakh villages** have been designated as [ODF](#) on 2nd October, 2019.
 - Upon completing **five years in 2021**, the government launched [SBM 2.0](#) focusing on creating garbage-free cities, managing faecal sludge, addressing plastic waste, and improving greywater management.
- Urban India has become **ODF**, with all 4,715 [Urban Local Bodies \(ULBs\)](#) completely ODF.

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