

Swachh Survekshan Awards 2022

For Prelims: Swachh Survekshan 2022, Swachh Bharat Mission.

For Mains: Welfare Schemes, Growth and Development.

Why in News?

Recently, the President awarded **Indore** as the cleanest city for the sixth consecutive year as part of the Azadi@75 Swachh Survekshan 2022, hosted as part of the **Swachh Bharat Mission- Urban 2.0.**

Indore further emerged as India's first 7-star Garbage Free city, while Surat, Bhopal, Mysuru,
 Navi Mumbai, Vishakhapatnam, and Tirupati earned 5-star Garbage Free certifications.

What are Swachh Survekshan Awards?

- About: Swachh Survekshan has been conducted since 2016 and is the world's largest urban sanitation and cleanliness survey.
 - It has been instrumental in fostering a spirit of healthy competition among towns and cities to improve their service delivery to citizens and towards creating cleaner cities.
 - It is conducted under the ambit of the Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban),
- Goal: The primary goal of Swachh Survekshan is to encourage large-scale citizen participation
 and create awareness amongst all sections of society about the importance of working together
 toward making towns and cities better places to reside in.
- Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).

What are the Key Highlights of Swachh Survekshan Awards 2022?

- Cleanest City:
 - More than 1 lakh Population: Indore, the city of lakes and palaces, walked away with the Cleanest City title, while Surat was adjudged the second cleanest city, for the second time in a row, Navi Mumbai bagged the third spot.
 - Less than 1 lakh Population: Panchgani and Karad from Maharashtra bagged the first and third positions respectively, while Patan from Chhattisgarh bagged the second position.
- **Best Ganga Town: Haridwar** in Uttarakhand received the award for the best Ganga town in more than one lakh population cities.
- Fast Mover City Award: Shivamogga in Karnataka.
- Cleanest States:
 - States with More than 100 Urban Local Bodies: Madhya Pradesh emerged as the 'Cleanest State', Chattisgarh in second place and third in Maharashtra.
 - **States with less than 100 Urban Local Bodies: Tripura** emerged as the Cleanest State. Jharkhand and Uttarakhand received the second and third spots respectively.



What is Swachh Bharat Mission 2.0?

- SBM-U 2.0, announced in **Budget 2021-22**, is the continuation of SBM-U first phase.
- The government is trying to tap safe containment, transportation, disposal of faecal sludge, and septage from toilets. It will be implemented over five years from 2021 to 2026 with an outlay of Rs. 1.41 lakh crore.

Vision

- It focuses on source segregation of garbage, reduction in single-use plastic and air pollution, by effectively managing waste from construction and demolition activities and <u>bioremediation</u> of all <u>legacy dump sites</u>.
- Under this mission, all wastewater will be treated properly before it is discharged into water bodies, and the government is trying to make maximum reuse a priority.

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