



2nd Phase AMRUT Mission

Why in News

Recently, the Prime Minister launched the second phase of [Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation](#) (AMRUT 2.0).

- The **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** (MoHUA) is the nodal ministry for the scheme.

Key Points

▪ About:

- It is the continuation of the [AMRUT mission](#) launched in June 2015 to ensure that every household has access to a tap with the assured supply of water and a sewerage connection.
- AMRUT 2.0 aims to provide 100% coverage of water supply to all households in around 4,700 ULBs (Urban Local Bodies).
- It also seeks to promote [Atmanirbhar Bharat](#) through encouraging Startups and Entrepreneurs ([Public Private Partnership](#)).

▪ Objectives:

- It will build upon the progress of AMRUT to address water needs, rejuvenate water bodies, better manage aquifers, reuse treated wastewater, thereby **promoting a circular economy** of water.
- It will provide 100% coverage of sewerage and septage in 500 AMRUT cities.
- Recycling and reuse of treated wastewater is expected to cater to 20% of total water needs of the cities and 40% of industrial demand. Under the Mission, fresh water bodies will be protected from getting polluted to make natural resources sustainable.
- **Pey Jal Survekshan** will be conducted in cities to ascertain equitable distribution of water, reuse of wastewater and mapping of water bodies.

▪ Performance of AMRUT Phase-I:

- 1.14 crore water tap connections have been provided taking total connections to 4.14 crore in AMRUT cities.
- Credit rating work has been completed in 470 cities. Of which, 164 cities have received [Investable Grade Rating \(IGR\)](#), including 36 cities with rating of A- or above.
- Rs 3,840 crore has been raised through [Municipal Bonds](#) by 10 ULBs. The **Online Building Permission System** has been implemented in 2,471 cities including 455 AMRUT cities.
- This reform has helped improve India's rank in [Ease of Doing Business](#) in construction permits to 27 in Doing Business Report (DBR) 2020 of World Bank from 181 in 2018.
- 89 lakh conventional streetlights have been replaced with **energy efficient LED lights**, leading to estimated energy savings of 195 crore units per annum & reduction in CO₂ emission by 15.6 lakh tons per annum.

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