



# Waste Crisis in Gurugram

## Why in News?

A 2024 survey by **the Municipal Corporation of Gurugram (MCG)** identified around **100 illegal dumping spots in the city**, with **the Aravallis** along the Gurugram-Faridabad Road among the worst affected.

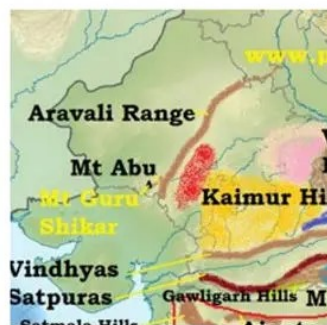
- Despite declaring a waste crisis in 2024, authorities have failed to appoint a dedicated waste collection agency since 2021.

## Key Points

- **About the Issue:**
  - Despite being discussed during **Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabha elections**, the issue of illegal dumping failed to gain significant attention.
  - With conditions worsening, residents are now demanding clear solutions from leaders.
  - Environmentalists criticized the lack of action, stating that Gurugram has turned into a massive concrete dumpyard.
  - Unchecked debris dumping is **clogging green belts**, empty spaces, and roads, leading to **severe waterlogging**.

## Aravali Mountain Range

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- The Aravallis, is the **oldest fold mountains on Earth**. Geological studies indicate that it is three billion years old.
- It spans over **800 km from Gujarat to Delhi** (through Rajasthan and Haryana).
- The **highest peak** in the Aravalli Range is **Guru Peak on Mount Abu**.
- **Influences Climate:**
  - The Aravallis have an impact upon the climate of northwest India and beyond.
  - During monsoons, the mountain range gently guides the monsoon clouds eastwards towards Shimla and Nainital, thus **helping nurture the sub-Himalayan rivers and feeding the north Indian plains**.
  - During the winter months, it **shields the fertile alluvial river valleys of the Indus**

and **Ganga** from the harsh **cold westerly winds** blowing in from **Central Asia**.

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