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### Why in News

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The **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)** has launched a **revised version of the existing Swachhata-MoHUA App** to handle **queries specific to Covid-19**.

### Key Points

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- Swachhata-MoHUA is the **official platform for Swachh Bharat Mission** built in partnership with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- The app **enables a citizen to post a civic-related issue** (eg; a garbage dump, public toilets not cleaned, etc.) which is then forwarded to the city corporation concerned and thereafter assigned to the sanitary inspector of the particular ward.
- It serves as an **effective digital tool (e-governance)** enabling citizens to play an active role in the Swachhata of their cities and increase **accountability on the part of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)**.
- The **revised version includes Covid-19 related support requests** including fogging/sanitation, food, shelter and reporting violation of quarantine/lockdown, suspected cases of Infection.

### Swachh Bharat Mission

- To accelerate the efforts to achieve universal sanitation coverage and to put focus on sanitation, the Prime Minister of India **launched the Swachh Bharat Mission on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2014**.
- SBM is being **implemented by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and by the Ministry of Jal Shakti** for urban and rural areas respectively.

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