



# Swachh Survekshan 2022: Ghaziabad Got First Place in The State and 12th in The Country

## Why In News?

- In the Swachh Survekshan 2022 ranking released on October 1, 2022, Ghaziabad has secured the first position in the state and 12th in the country, leaving behind Lucknow, the capital of Uttar Pradesh among cities with a population of more than one million.

## Key Points

- This is Ghaziabad's best ranking till date. Earlier in the year 2021, Ghaziabad was ranked second in Uttar Pradesh and 18th in the country. Ghaziabad, with a population of more than 16 lakhs, has got a three-star rating and has been declared as ODF Plus.
- Ghaziabad is followed by Meerut, Prayagraj, Lucknow, Varanasi, Agra and Kanpur among cities with a population of more than 10 lakh.
- Only Ghaziabad and Meerut are included in the top 15 clean cities of the country in 75 districts of Uttar Pradesh. Ghaziabad is at number 12 and Meerut is at number 15. At the same time, Indore remained at number one.
- Similarly, in the city with a population of one lakh to 10 lakh, Noida is fifth in the country and number one in the state. Aligarh is second, Mathura third, Firozabad fourth and Gonda fifth. Apart from Noida, Aligarh and Mathura, no city has been able to make it to the top 100 in the cities with a category of one lakh to 10 lakh.
- Uttar Pradesh's position in the overall ranking has worsened compared to last year. UP was ranked sixth in the 2021 survey, while Uttar Pradesh has been ranked 10th in the 2022 survey .
- Among cities with less than one lakh population, Bijnor got the first position in the best Ganga city, while Varanasi got the second place among Ganga cities with a population of more than one lakh.
- Lucknow Cantonment Board has been selected in the Best City for Innovation and Best Practices.
- Principal Secretary Urban Development Amrit Abhijat said that the state has received a total of 13 awards this year. These include three municipal corporations, four municipal councils and three Nagar panchayats. These include Municipal Corporation Lucknow, Kanpur Nagar and Meerut.

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