

City Investments to Innovate, Integrate and Sustain 2.0

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Why in News?

Recently, the Government has approved the 'City Investments to Innovate, Integrate and Sustain 2.0 (CITIIS 2.0)'.

What is CITIIS 2.0?

About:

- It is a part of the **Smart Cities Mission** and aims to promote integrated waste management and climate-oriented reform actions.
 - CITIIS will consider Smart City Projects in the following four themes:
 - Sustainable Mobility.
 - Public Open Spaces.
 - Urban E-governance and ICT.
 - Social and Organisational Innovation for Low-Income Settlements.
- The program will run for a period of four years, i.e., from 2023 till 2027.
- Objective:
 - The program envisages to support competitively selected projects promoting circular economy with focus on integrated waste management at the city level, climateoriented reform actions at the State level, and institutional strengthening and knowledge dissemination at the National level.
 - CITIIS 2.0 aims to leverage and scale up the learnings and successes of CITIIS 1.0.

CITIIS 1.0 was launched jointly in 2018 and consisted of three components:

- 12 city-level projects selected through a competitive process.
- Capacity-development activities in the State of Odisha.
- Promoting integrated urban management at the national level through activities undertaken by , <u>National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA)</u>, which was the Program Management Unit (PMU) for CITIIS 1.0.

Funding:

- The funding for CITIIS 2.0 would include a loan from AFD and KfW and a technical assistance grant from the EU.
- Components: CITIIS 2.0 has three major components:
 - Financial and technical support for **up to 18 Smart Cities** for projects promoting **circular economy** with focus on **Integrated Waste Management.**
 - Support to all States/Union Territories (UTs) for **Climate action.**
 - Interventions at National level to support scale-up across all cities and towns.
- Significance:
 - CITIIS 2.0 will supplement the climate actions of Government of India through its ongoing National programs (National Mission on Sustainable Habitat, <u>AMRUT 2.0</u>, <u>Swachh</u> <u>Bharat Mission 2.0</u> and Smart Cities Mission), as well as contributing positively to India's Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs) and <u>Conference of the</u> <u>Parties (COP26)</u> Commitments.

Smart Cities Mission (SCM)

- The Government launched the SCM with the aim of boosting economic growth and enhancing people's quality of life through local development and the use of technology to achieve smart results that benefit citizens.
 - Launched: 2015
 - Nature: Centrally Sponsored
 - Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs
 - Implemented through: A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) at city level
 - Mission Deadline: Extended to June 2023
 - Coverage: Developing 100 selected cities as Smart Cities

What Initiatives are Taken by Government of India's for Urban Development?

- Atal Mission for Urban Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).
- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U).
- Integrated Command and Control Centres (ICCCs).
- <u>Climate Smart Cities Assessment Framework 2.0.</u>
- TULIP-The Urban Learning Internship Program.

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