

Lakshya Zero Dumpsite

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In news-Recently, as part of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0, the Chandigarh has pledged to achieve 'Lakshya Zero Dumpsites' within the Mission period and has **undertaken the challenge of remediating the 7.7 lakh (MT) of legacy waste lying across 8 acres of land as part of the Daddumajra dumpsite.**

Initiatives by Chandigarh-

- Over 2,500 **Community and Public Toilet** seats have been provided in the city.
- A 500-vehicle strong fleet is engaged in the city for **100% door-to-door collection of waste** and being tracked from the smart integrated command and control center.
- Promoting the practice of **segregation of waste with 99% wards segregating waste at source.**
- The city has been certified as **1-Star Garbage Free** in the recently concluded **Star Rating Assessment for Garbage Free Cities in 2021**, under the aegis of Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0.
- It was also recognized for its commitment to transform **'manhole to machine hole'** by winning the 'Best Performing UT' in Safai Mitra Suraksha Challenge 2021.
- Efforts are now underway to completely remediate the Daddumajra dumpsite and provide a healthier future to the residents of the city.
- The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has approved proposals worth Rs. 28.5 crores to remediate the dumpsite and help to become 5-Star Garbage Free in the coming period of time.
- **The 'Heritage City' of Chandigarh, founded in 1953 and planned by famous Swiss-French architect Le Corbusier,** stands out for its immaculate urban planning and design.
- The city is renowned for its open public spaces,

adequate green covers, and strict norms for residential and commercial zones that have preserved the sanctity of the city even today.

Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM)-

- SBM is a nation-wide campaign in India for the period 2014 to 2019 that aims to clean up the streets, roads and infrastructure of India's cities, towns, urban and rural areas.
- Run by the GoI, the mission aims to achieve an "open-defecation free" (ODF) India by 2 October 2019, the 150th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi by constructing 90 million toilets in rural India.

The mission has two thrusts:

- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan ("gramin" or 'rural'), which operates under the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation;
- Swachh Bharat Abhiyan ('urban'), which operates under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban (SBM-U)-

- Ministry: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)
- The Swachh Bharat Mission – Urban (SBM-U), launched on 2nd October 2014 aims at making urban India free from open defecation and achieving 100% scientific management of municipal solid waste in 4,041 statutory towns in the country.
- Phase 1 of the mission lasted till October 2019.
- SBM-U 2.0 is being implemented between 2020–21 and 2024-25 with a vision of achieving "Garbage Free" status for all cities.

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reading:

<https://journalsofindia.com/swachh-bharat-mission-urban-2-0-2/>