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"Role of ULBs in realising the goal of Viksit Bharat@2047"

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ABOUT THE THEME

India's ambitious journey towards becoming a developed nation by 2047 is dependant on the sustainable, resilient and futuristic development of our cities. ULBs play a critical role in the planning, development, and management of urban areas, ranging from ensuring efficient water supply, sanitation, drainage, and waste management systems, to regulating urban growth and preventing unplanned development. ULBs are also key vehicles for implementing social welfare programmes that cater to the needs of vulnerable and marginalised communities. As the foundational grassroots institutions of urban governance, ULBs are instrumental in driving reforms, strengthening service delivery, and shaping sustainable and inclusive cities. Realising the contribution of ULBs in defining India's urban future, the following sub – themes are identified under the broad theme:

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2. Monetisation and management of municipal assets
3. Water supply, sewerage, drainage and solid waste management
4. Innovative financing mechanisms like PPP, InvITs etc. for funding infrastuture projects including loan structuring
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