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Chapter – 12 | Grassroots Democracy — Part 3 :Local Government in Urban Areas

QUIZ PART–02

1. Which urban local body governs cities with a population above 10 lakhs?
   A. Nagar Panchayat
   B. Municipal Council
   C. Municipal Corporation
   D. District Administration   (C)
   Explanation: Municipal Corporations, also known as Mahanagar Nigams, govern large cities with populations exceeding 10 lakhs.

2. What is the current name of the Madras Corporation?
   A. Tamil Nadu Nagar Panchayat
   B. Chennai City Council
   C. Greater Chennai Corporation
   D. Madurai Municipal Corporation   (C)
   Explanation: The Madras Corporation is now known as the Greater Chennai Corporation.

3. When was the Madras Corporation established?
   A. 1857
   B. 1688
   C. 1792
   D. 1947   (B)
   Explanation: The Madras Corporation was established on 29 September 1688, making it the oldest municipal institution in India.

4. Which city has been declared the cleanest in India for seven consecutive years?
   A. Mumbai
   B. Jaipur
   C. Indore
   D. Bhopal   (C)
   Explanation: Indore, in Madhya Pradesh, has held the title of cleanest city under the Swachh Survekshan scheme for seven years in a row.

5. Under which act did Madras Corporation get the power to levy municipal taxes?
   A. Government of India Act, 1935
   B. East India Company Act, 1765
   C. Charter Act of 1813
   D. Parliamentary Act of 1792   (D)
   Explanation: The Parliamentary Act of 1792 gave the Madras Corporation the authority to impose municipal taxes.

6. What is a key responsibility of Municipal Corporations?
   A. Managing military services
   B. Collecting only income tax
   C. Providing local urban services
   D. Organizing national elections   (C)
   Explanation: Municipal Corporations handle local urban governance and services like sanitation, licensing, and civic amenities.

7. What is the governing body for a town with a population between 1 to 10 lakhs?
   A. Nagar Panchayat
   B. Municipal Corporation
   C. Municipal Council
   D. District Council   (C)
   Explanation: Municipal Councils, or Nagar Palikas, govern towns with populations between 1 and 10 lakhs.

8. What does the CRM system under Indore Municipal Corporation handle?
   A. Court cases
   B. School inspections
   C. Grievances and various service requests
   D. Export licensing   (C)
   Explanation: CRM (Citizen Relationship Management) includes services like marriage certificates, grievances, and emergency services.

9. Which of these is not a service provided by Indore Municipal Corporation's CRM?
   A. Septic tanker
   B. Ambulance
   C. Defense recruitment
   D. Mobile toilet   (C)
   Explanation: Defense recruitment is not a municipal service; the rest are CRM-based public service facilities.

10. Who emphasized the importance of forming local bodies in the Constituent Assembly?
    A. B.R. Ambedkar
    B. Rustom K. Sidhwa
    C. Jawaharlal Nehru
    D. Dr. Rajendra Prasad   (B)
    Explanation: Rustom K. Sidhwa advocated for local bodies to help citizens understand governance and their rights during the Constituent Assembly debates.