

**CHAPTER-12 | Grassroots Democracy – Part 3**  
**Local Government in Urban Areas**
**QUIZ-01**

1. What is the highest urban local body in a city with a population above 10 lakhs?

- A. Nagar Panchayat      B. Municipal Council  
C. Municipal Corporation    D. Ward Committee (C)

**Explanation:** A Municipal Corporation (Mahanagar Nigam) is the top body in cities with populations over 10 lakhs.

2. What are cities and towns divided into for local governance?

- A. Zones      B. Districts  
C. Wards      D. Colonies (C)

**Explanation:** Cities and towns are divided into wards, which are smaller administrative units with committees.

3. Which city has the oldest municipal corporation in India?

- A. Mumbai      B. Delhi  
C. Chennai      D. Kolkata (C)

**Explanation:** The Madras Corporation, now called Greater Chennai Corporation, was established in 1688, making it the oldest.

4. Which of the following is NOT a responsibility of urban local bodies?

- A. Water supply      B. Road maintenance  
C. Conducting national elections  
D. Garbage disposal (C)

**Explanation:** Conducting national elections is not a duty of urban local bodies; it's managed by the Election Commission.

5. What service is part of the Indore Municipal Corporation's CRM system?

- A. Metro rail planning  
B. Marriage certificates  
C. University admission  
D. Police recruitment (B)

**Explanation:** The CRM (Citizen Relationship Management) system of Indore provides services like marriage certificates.

6. What is the main purpose of decentralisation in urban governance?

- A. Reducing government employees  
B. Increasing taxes  
C. Giving more control to local communities  
D. Centralising power (C)

**Explanation:** Decentralisation ensures local communities have a direct say in decision-making.

7. What is the minimum population needed for a Municipal Council to be formed?

- A. 5,000      B. 1 lakh  
C. 10 lakh      D. 50,000 (B)

**Explanation:** A Municipal Council (Nagar Palika) governs areas with a population between 1 lakh and 10 lakh.

8. What is a key role of citizens in urban local governance?

- A. Voting only      B. Staying uninvolved  
C. Participating and reporting issues  
D. Collecting taxes (C)

**Explanation:** Citizens are expected to actively participate, report problems like leaks, and follow civic rules.

9. What service is NOT provided by Indore's Municipal Corporation?

- A. Fire services      B. Tree transportation  
C. Internet connection  
D. Grievance redressal (C)

**Explanation:** The Indore Municipal Corporation does not provide internet connection, though it handles many other civic services.

10. What term is used for urban areas with very small populations?

- A. District      B. Nagar Panchayat  
C. Ward      D. Corporation (B)

**Explanation:** Nagar Panchayat is the governing body for small towns and urban areas with lower populations.