**City Factoids**

- **Key findings**
  - Top Indian City: Pune | Score: 5.1
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**Key reforms**

1. **City Council**
   - Implement an effective system to monitor, report and penalise Spatial Development Plan (SDP) violations (UPD)
   - Sharply focus on improving collection efficiencies, explore technology and outsourcing solutions to enable the same (UCR)

2. **State Governments**
   - Overhaul planning acts, mandate creation of three levels of SDPs with defined objectives and metrics and covering the planning Preparation, Implementation & Enforcement (PIE) (UPD)
   - Adopt open data standards, usher in radical transparency in finances and operations; systematically provide actionable data at a neighborhood level (TAP)

3. **Overhaul cadre and recruitment rules** to bring them up to modern, contemporary standards of HR management

4. **Government of India**
   - Overhaul municipal corporation acts to empower the mayor and ensure critical functions are meaningfully devolved, and mayors and councils have full powers over staffing and finances (ELPR)

**Own revenue proportion to total expenditure % and capex per capita – Kanpur v/s Mumbai**

- **In practice,** the municipal body in Kanpur handles only 7 functions as opposed to the 18 listed in the 74th Constitution Amendment Act (CAA).
- **The mayor of Kanpur** is directly elected by its citizens and has a 5 year term.
- **Voter turnout in last municipal elections** is 41.10% compared to 55.00% in state elections.

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