

# BHOPAL



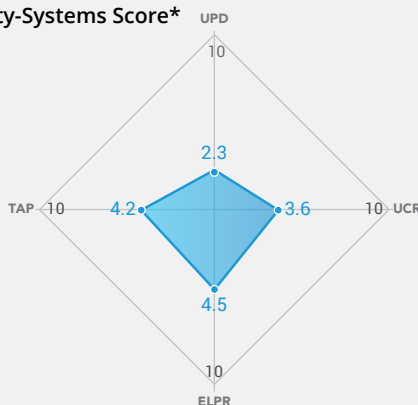
JANAAGRAHA CENTRE FOR CITIZENSHIP & DEMOCRACY

SCORE **3.7 / 10**  
RANK **15 / 23**

No change from 2016

**TOP INDIAN CITY**  
Pune | Score: 5.1

City-Systems Score\*

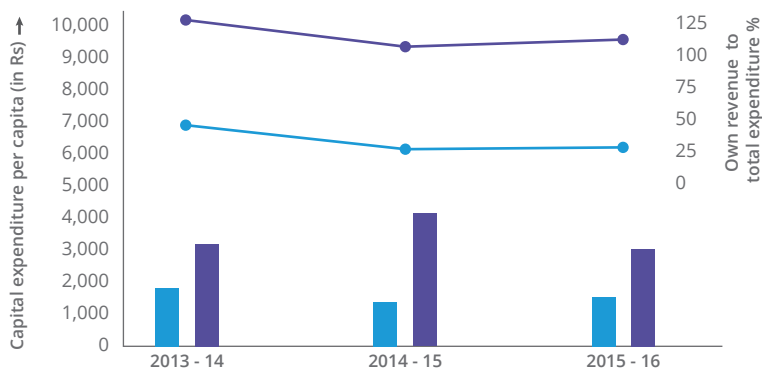


## KEY FINDINGS

- Absence of a metropolitan planning committee
- Lack of city resilience strategy and a land titling law
- Not undertaken AMRUT reforms on providing internship opportunity and publishing demand collection book
- Lack of autonomy for Bhopal Municipal Corporation in budget approval process

## CITY FACTOIDS

Own revenue proportion to total expenditure % and capex per capita - Bhopal v/s Mumbai \*\*



In practice, the municipal body in Bhopal handles only **9 functions** as opposed to the 18 listed in the 74th Constitution Amendment Act (CAA).

The mayor of Bhopal is **directly elected** by its citizens and has a **5 year term**.

Voter turnout in last municipal elections is **56.70%** compared to **63.90%** in state elections.

## KEY REFORMS

### 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*)
- Create a **medium-term workforce plan** and an **annual workforce plan**, aligned to medium-term fiscal plan and annual budgets (*UCR*)
- Adopt **open data standards, usher in radical transparency in finances and operations**; systematically provide actionable data at a neighborhood level (*TAP*)

### 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*)
- Enact **Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act** legislation, mandate **audit of annual accounts by CAs** by 31 July each year (*UCR*)
- Overhaul municipal corporation acts to empower the **empower the mayor and ensure critical functions are meaningfully devolved, and mayors and councils have full powers over staffing and finances** (*ELPR*)
- Enact **community participation law and public disclosure law**. Notify rules and implement them in spirit (*TAP*)

### Government of India

- Lead the effort on a **metropolitan governance paradigm**, evolve consensus with state governments (*ELPR*)

\*UPD: Urban Planning & Design, UCR: Urban Capacities & Resources, ELPR: Empowered & Legitimate Political Representation and TAP: Transparency, Accountability & Participation are the four components of the 'City-Systems' framework used for ASICS evaluation

\*\*Mumbai has been chosen as the benchmark city since it has the highest capex per capita