

State of India's Environment 2020: In Figures



An annual statement on the state of environment and developments

This is an **annual statement** on developments of the year **through numbers**

Topical: Data generated during the year has been collated, processed and presented as a package

So that it,

- Reflects the current happenings
- That are most relevant to people
- May help prepare us better by showing trends



Finding right and relevant and recent numbers

Important sources of government data used in the report

Where: Websites of ministries and autonomous organisations,
Census reports

Focus: Dashboards, Parliamentary Reports, CAG audit reports,
Annual Reports, Official reports presented in the courts

- For example,
- • MGNREGA dashboard
- • Dashboards on the Jal Shakti Ministry's website
- • NITI Aayog dashboard on SDGs
- • CPCB data : Air, Water, Waste



SoE In Figures: 2020: 5th in the series

This annual book is 5th the series. The first was published in 2016

Provides data at 3 levels:

- Global vs National
- State
- District

Global vs National: For example,

Global economic risks and SDGs: India's position has slipped (comparison with South Asian countries)



State and district level insights

State level

- **State of States (Governance):** shows very clearly that Agriculture and Water are top 2 issues where each state needs to focus...Even the top performing states like --- Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra
- **Agriculture :** 4 new states where farmers suicides have been reported; states where they are on the rise ... (Will make us ponder on “WHY”)
- **Livestock:** states where stray cattle have been found for the first time.... makes you think about (WHY)
- **Unemployment:** reflects the crisis... (national and state). Crisis that existed, but has aggravated further and worse yet to come (ref: chapter on pandemic)
- Similarly State of affairs on other issues: Forests; Water; Waste are presented through numbers

District level

- **Forests:** reflects the state of forest cover at district level; e.g which district has lost the maximum forest cover; **important insights** on the **north-eastern region**
- Similarly other chapters with district level numbers are: water; migration

For journalists: at least 500 important stories are there in the book.

