

Government To Announce Locations For Eight New Cities, To Ease Population Pressure And Foster Economic Growth

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The Mumbai skyline. (Wikimedia Commons)

Snapshot

- *The 15th Finance Commission has set aside Rs 8,000 crore for a performance-based challenge fund for the incubation of eight new cities, with Rs 1,000 crore available for each proposed new city.*

Gurgaon (Haryana), Jabalpur Extension (Madhya Pradesh), Ayodhya (Uttar Pradesh), GIFT City Expansion (Gujarat), Nagaki Global City (Nagaland), New MOPA Ayush City (Goa), and Bantala Greenfield City (West Bengal) are among the suggestions received for new cities or expansions of existing ones.

Plans for eight new cities to ease population pressure on existing urban centres are being considered, stated a senior official in Indore on 18 May.

M B Singh, the director of the G20 unit of the Union Housing and Urban Affairs Department, revealed that the 15th Finance Commission recommended the development of new cities in one of its reports.