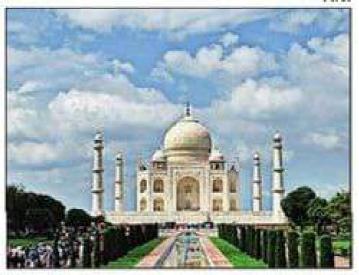
Agra and Firozabad among UP cities with cleanest air in country

Lucknow: In a significant achievement for the Yogi govt, several cities in Uttar Pradesh have secured top positions in the Swachh Vayu Survekshan (SVS) 2024, an annual survey conducted by the ministry of environment, forest and climate change to evaluate air quality improvement measures.

The exercise is conducted under the national clean air programme (NCAP).

Among the cities having population over more than 10 lakh (category 1) Agra has secured third position. Known for the Taj Mahal, the success that Agra has achieved could be attributed to interventions that have been made to bring down the pollution level. Regular plantation drives, strict en-



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forcement against motor vehicles violating pollution norms and other initiatives taken by the local civic body have played a crucial role in improving the city's ranking.

Firozabad, known for its glass industry, has topped in category 2 (cities having population between 3 lakh and 10 lakh). TNN

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