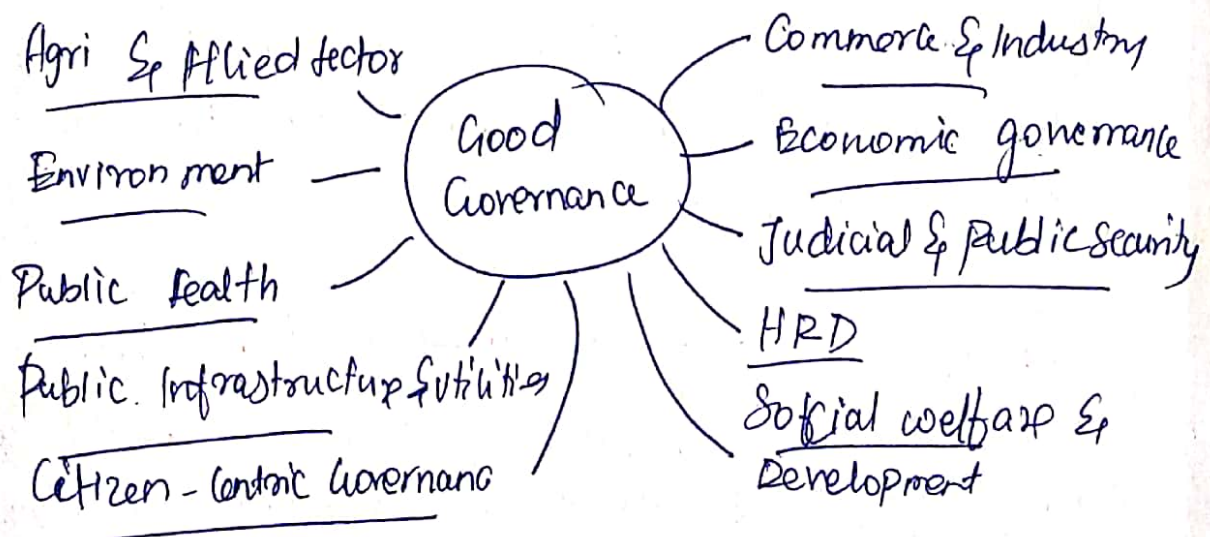


Good Governance Index is a tool that will help in assessing the status of governance & the impact of interventions undertaken by both UTs & State Governments.
Elucidate

Union Government is taking measures to promote competitive federalism among states. Recently Ministry of Personnel, Public Emergencies, and Pensions had published 'Good Governance Index (GGI)' on that line.

Measure of Good Governance

Good Governance can be referred to effective & efficient process of decision making to improve the lives of the citizens. GGI has 10-key indicators and 50 sub-key indicators :-



- GGI has divided the states into 3-categories
 - Big States
 - Himalayan & Hilly States
 - Union territories

- On the overall ranking, Tamil Nadu secured 1st and it also got 1st in 'Public Infrastructure' & 'Judicial security'
- Similarly M.P. topped in 'Agri & Allied Sectors' and West Bengal topped in 'Environment'

Impact of GI

The objective is being to provide dispensable data to States & UTs on various Governance Parameters

- Shame & compete with other better ranked States across various indicators
- Will improve the overall development of the Society including Inclusivity, health etc.
- Union Govt & Financial Commission may use this Index for financial allocation for States in future.

Apart from some key indicators left out (Agri - farmers income) & some disproportionate weightage given (Commerce & Industry - Ease of doing Business (90%)) GI and similar initiative will only improve the lives of common, poor & disadvantaged in the country.