

## Sampling:

We follow multi-stage sampling technique, wherein the smallest unit of sample will be ‘panchayat’.

**1st Stage:** The study covers all four Macro Economic Regions of Uttar Pradesh: Eastern, Western, Central & Budelkhand.

**2nd Stage:** 4 districts from each economic region have been selected for drawing samples, aggregating a count of 16 districts (21.33 per cent of 75 districts in the state).

**Table 1:** Selection of Sample Districts from 4 Macroeconomic Regions of Uttar Pradesh.  
(Criterion: District Domestic Product, 2025)

Western (30)		Central (10)		Budelkhand (07)		Eastern (28)	
2 District with Low DDP	2 Districts High DDP	2 District with Low DDP	2 Districts High DDP	2 Districts with Low DDP	2 Districts with High DDP	2 Districts with Low DDP	High DDP
Auraiyya	Agra	Kanpur Dehat	Kanpur Nagar	<b>Chitrakoot*</b>	Banda	<b>Shravasti*</b>	Varanasi
Kasganj	Gautambudh Nagar	<b>Fatehpur*</b>	Lucknow	Lalitpur	Jhansi	<b>Balrampur*</b>	Prayagraj

**Note:** Figures in parentheses indicate the total number of districts in their respective macroeconomic regions of Uttar Pradesh.

\* Indicates aspirational district.

**3rd Stage:** 20 per cent of the total CD blocks in each sample district, specifically those with the largest number of panchayats, have been selected for sampling.

**Table 2:** Selection of No. of CD Blocks from 16 Districts for drawing Samples.

District	Total CD Blocks in District	Selection of Blocks from a District	
		20 % of Total CD Blocks of District	Sample Blocks (Rounded Off)
Gautambudha Nagar	3	0.60	1
Agra	15	3.00	3
Kasganj	7	1.40	2*
Auraiya	6	1.20	2*

Kanpur Nagar	10	2.00	3*
Kanpur Dehat	10	2.00	2
Lalitpur	6	1.20	1
Jhansi	8	1.60	2
Banda	8	1.60	2
Chitrakoot (Aspirational)	5	1.00	1
Fatehpur (Aspirational)	13	2.60	3
Lucknow	8	1.60	2
Shravasti (Aspirational)	5	1.00	1
Balrampur (Aspirational)	9	1.80	2
Varanasi	8	1.60	3*
Prayagraj	23	4.60	5
<b>16 Districts</b>	<b>144 Blocks</b>	<b>28.80</b>	<b>35</b>

*Note: \* One Extra Block from each of these districts are considered for sampling*

Data Source: Election Commission of UP, 2026.

**Table 3:** Sample CD Blocks with the largest Count of Panchayats from Each of the 16 Sample Districts.

<i>Districts</i>	<i>Count of Sample Blocks</i>	<i>Block Name</i>	<i>No. of GPs</i>
Gautambudha Nagar	1	Dadri	30
Agra	3	Fatehbad	70
		Shamsabad	59
		Fatehpur Sikri	56
Kasganj	2*	Kasganj	77
		Amanpur*	62
Auraiya	2*	Auriya	95
		Bhagyanagar*	73
Kanpur Nagar	3*	Ghatamppur	78
		Bhitargaon	77
		BILHAUR*	68
Kanpur Dehat	2	Rasulabad	91

		Maitha	74
Lalitpur	1	Jakhaura	85
Jhansi	2	Gursarai	72
		Moth	67
Banda	2	Naraini	83
		Mahuva	75
Chitrakoot	1	Karwi	92
Fatehpur	3	Bhitaura	81
		Hathgaon	75
		Khajuha	74
Lucknow	2	Baksi-ka-Talab	94
		Mohanlalganj	78
Shravasti	1	Gilaula	87
Balrampur	2	Balrampur	116
		Gaisri	110
Varanasi	3*	Arajiline	117
		Pindra	104
		Cholapur*	89
Prayagraj	5	Koraon	115
		Dhanupur	108
		Saidabad	93
		Bahria	87
		Pratappur	83
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35 Blocks</b>	<b>2895</b>
<i>Note: * Marked Districts are added in addition to selected 31 Blocks</i>			

Data Source: Election Commission of UP, 2026.

Table 4: District-wise Count of Total Gram Panchayats in Sample Districts.

<i>Districts</i>	<i>Total Blocks in District</i>	<i>Total GPs in District</i>	<i>No. of GPs to be Selected as Samples</i>	<i>Men-Led Panchayats as Samples (10% of total panchayats in 16 districts)</i>	<i>Women-led Panchayats as Samples (10% of total panchayats in 16 districts)</i>
1. Gautambudha Nagar	3	82	21.50% of total	50% of 2000	50% of 2000
2. Agra	15	690	Panchayats (9319 x	Panchayats = 1000	Panchayats = 1000
3. Kasganj	7	423	21.5) ÷ 100 =	Panchayats (i.e., ≈	Panchayats (i.e., ≈
4. Auraiya	6	477	2003.59	10.75% of total	10.75% of total
5. Kanpur Nagar	10	590	≈2000 Panchayats	panchayats in 16	panchayats in 16
6. Kanpur Dehat	10	618		districts)	districts)
7. Lalitpur	6	415			
8. Jhansi	8	496			
9. Banda	8	469			
10. Chitrakoot*	5	328			
11. Fatehpur*	13	816			
12. Lucknow	8	491			
13. Shravasti*	5	397			
14. Balrampur*	9	793			
15. Varanasi	8	694			
16. Prayagraj	23	1540			
<b>Total</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>9319</b>			

Data Source: Election Commission of UP, 2026.

Note: Names of panchayats will be identified within 10 days.

\* Indicates aspirational district.

- ❖ **Total sample panchayats for Quantitative Survey** =2000 (1000 Men-led + 1000 Women-led) Panchayats
- ❖ **Total sample panchayats for interview based Qualitative Survey**= 200 (100 Men-led + 100 Women-led) Panchayats
- 🚧 **Overall sample size for both (Quantitative and Qualitative) surveys:** 2000+200= 2200 Panchayats.