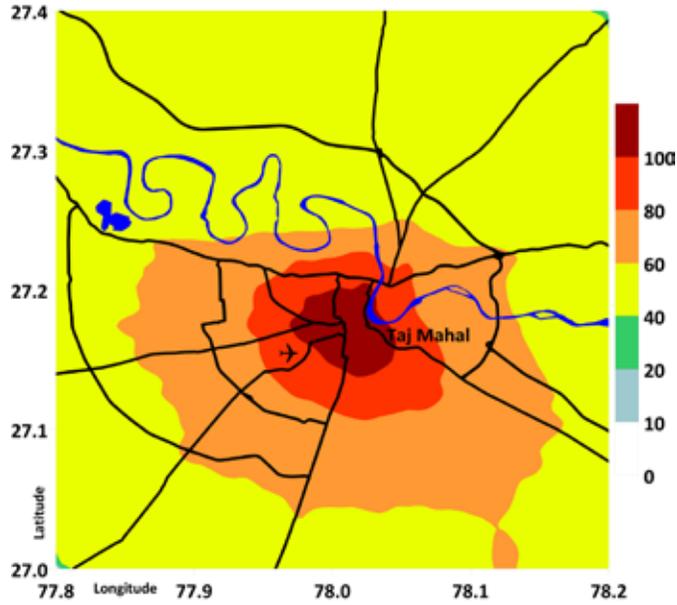


## Modeled annual average PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration (2015) µg/m<sup>3</sup>



For urban Agra, average PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration was  $89.0 \pm 12.2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . This is more than 2 times the national standard (40) and more than 8 times the WHO guideline (10).

### Air monitoring infrastructure

Agra has 1 Continuous Air Monitoring Station (CAMS) reporting data for all the criteria pollutants and 6 manual stations reporting data on PM<sub>10</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and NO<sub>2</sub>. There should be at least 23 CAMS in the city for efficient reporting.

### Annual averages from the national ambient monitoring program (2011-2015) µg/m<sup>3</sup>

PM <sub>10</sub>	NO <sub>2</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>
362.2 ± 193.1	43.9 ± 22.1	9.3 ± 5.4

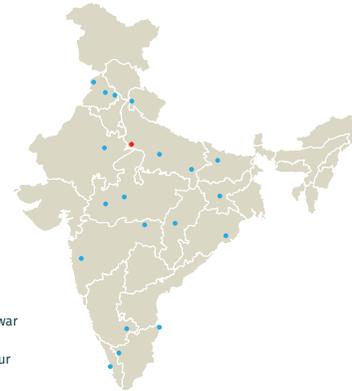
### Trend in PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations, based on satellite observations and global model simulations (1998-2014) µg/m<sup>3</sup>



## The Air Pollution Knowledge Assessment (APnA) City Program

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Designing an effective Air Quality Management (AQM) plan for a city requires robust data on levels of pollution, affected areas, source contributors, peaking trends and possible control mechanisms.

The Air Pollution Knowledge Assessment (APnA) City Program seeks to make this database available and also serve as a starting point for understanding air pollution.

The program, implemented by Urban Emissions and facilitated by Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, seeks to create a comprehensive, city-specific information pool by pulling together data from disparate sources, surveys, mapping and atmospheric modeling.

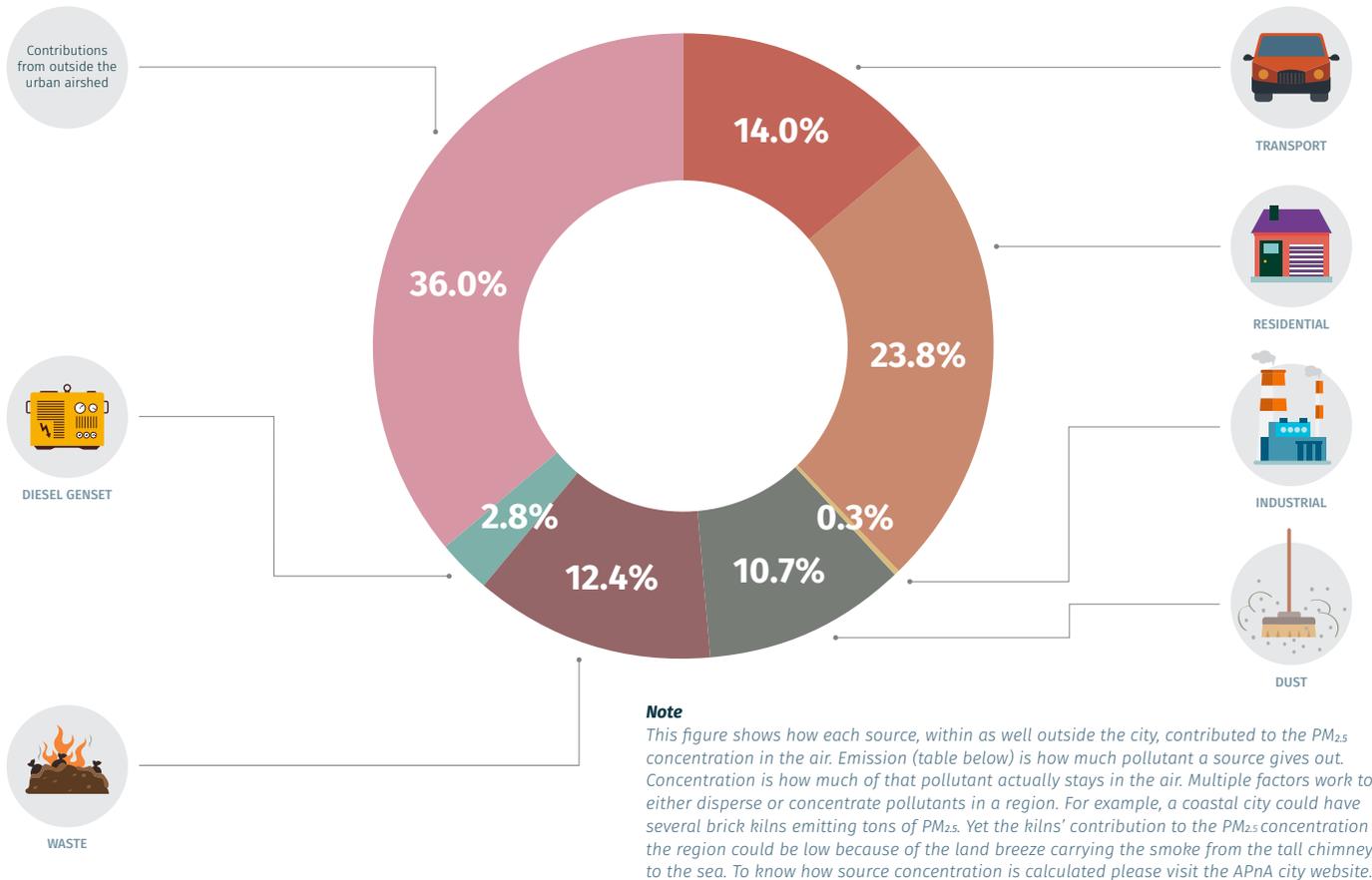
Policy options based on this information, and their implementation, would be the effective next steps in improving the air quality of our cities.

# Agra

The City of Taj is also a city with PM<sub>2.5</sub> that's twice the national standard.

For detailed information on Agra Air Quality, visit [www.urbanemissions.info/india-apna](http://www.urbanemissions.info/india-apna)

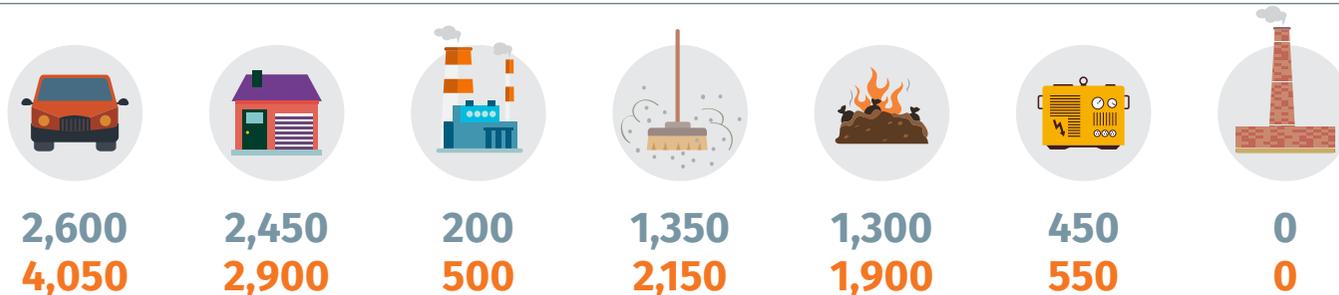
## PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration : source-wise percentage share in 2015



## Findings & Recommendations

- The city has an estimated 36% of the ambient annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> pollution (in 2015) originating outside the urban airshed, which strongly suggests that air pollution control policies in the Indo-Gangetic plain need a regional outlook.
- The city needs to aggressively promote public and non-motorized transport as part of the city's urban development plan, along with the improvement of the road infrastructure to reduce on-road dust re-suspension.
- By 2030, the share of emissions from residential cooking and lighting is expected to decrease with a greater share of LPG, residential electrification, and increasing urbanization. However, biomass and coal burning to provide warmth in the winter will still be an issue.
- By 2030, the vehicle exhaust emissions are expected to remain constant, if and only if, Bharat 6 fuel standards are introduced nationally in 2020, as recommended by the Auto Fuel Policy.
- Most of the small and the medium industries in Agra have been relocated; the remaining need an energy efficiency management plan to address the emissions from coal, heavy fuel oil and gas combustion, or shift towards using electricity.

## PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions : source-wise share in tons in 2015 and 2030 (projected)



Total emissions in 2015 = 8,350 tons    Total emissions in 2030 = 12,050 tons

- Open waste burning is dispersed across the city and requires stricter regulations for addressing the issue, as the city generates ever more garbage, with limited capacity to sort and dispose it.