Under the Swachh Survekshan 2025–26 awards, several Northeastern cities have received the recognition of their respective states' leading clean cities. These include Aizawl (Mizoram), Williamnagar (Meghalaya), Jairampur (Arunachal Pradesh), Longleng (Nagaland), Mangan (Sikkim), Khowai (Tripura) and Jiribam (Manipur).

The annual cleanliness assessment, conducted by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, recognises urban sanitation achievements and encourages cities and urban local bodies to sustain improvements in cleanliness and waste management.

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