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Government sanctions Rs 260 crore for GIS mapping

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MUMBAI: The state cabinet on (Representative image) Tuesday sanctioned Rs

260 crore for

GIS

(Geographic Information System) mapping of all the C and D municipal

corporations

, councils and nagar panchayats in the state.

The mapping is being done to enable these urban local bodies to earn higher property tax. Currently the amount that is recovered is around Rs 2,000 crore. Once the exercise is completed, the revenue is expected to double.

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<u>Principal</u> secretary <u>Manisha Mhaiskar</u>, urban development department, said the decision to carry out GIS mapping was taken some time back by the committee headed by the chief secretary. "The tendering process for appointing the agency to carry out the exercise is underway but no budgetary account had been created to allow the government to spend for this project. Today the cabinet approved the planned expenditure," she said.