



# Vocabulary

**Colloquial:** (of words and expressions) Informal and conversational, and more suitable for use in speech than in writing.

**Colonnade:** A row of columns separated from each other by an equal distance.

**Amalgamation:** The process in which separate organizations unite to form a larger organization or group.

**Epic:** (in this context) Extremely large.

**Smog:** A mixture of smoke, gases, and chemicals, especially in cities, that makes the atmosphere difficult to breathe and harmful for health.

**Commemorate:** To remember officially and give respect to a great person or event, especially by a public ceremony or by making a statue or special building.

# Introduction

Delhi, India's capital territory, is a massive metropolitan area in the country's north.

Although **colloquially** Delhi and New Delhi are used interchangeably to refer to the National Capital Territory(NCT) of Delhi, they are two distinct entities, with New Delhi forming a small part of NCT of Delhi.

According to the 2011 census, Delhi city's population was over 11 million, the second-highest in India after Mumbai.

According to legend, the city was named after Raja Dhilu, a king who reigned in the region in the 1st century BCE.

The people of Delhi are referred to as Delhiites or Dilliwalas.

Delhi is of great historical significance as an important commercial, transport, and cultural hub, as well as the political centre of India.