The Battle of Neighborhoods -Coimbatore

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1. INTRODUCTION: BUSINESS PROBLEM

This project deals with the major venue categories in the neighborhoods of **Coimbatore**, **The Manchester of South India**. This project would specifically help business personal plan to start new Restaurants in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India.

The **Foursquare API** is used to access the venues in the neighborhoods. Since, it returns less venues in the neighborhoods. Then they are clustered based on their venues using Data Science Techniques. Here the **k-means clustering algorithm** is used to achieve the task. The optimal number of clusters can be obtained using silhouette score metrics.

Folium visualization library can be used to visualize the clusters superimposed on the map of Coimbatore city. These clusters can be analyzed to help small scale business owners select a suitable location for their need such as Hotels, Shopping Malls, Restaurants or even specifically Indian restaurants or Coffee shops.

The major Target Audience would be small-scale business owners and stake holders planning to start their business at a location in Coimbatore. This project would help them find the optimal location to open a restaurant in the surroundings that has less number or no restaurants.