

Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana - Gramin

Why in News

Recently, Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana – Gramin (PMAY-G) **has completed 5 years** on 20th November, 2021.

- Earlier, it was reported that due to adverse impact of **Covid-19**, only 5.4% of the sanctioned houses under the PMAY-G, have reached completion for the year 2020-2021.
- The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs implements the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana <u>Urban.</u>

Key Points

- Launch: To achieve the objective of "Housing for All" by 2022, the erstwhile rural housing scheme Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) was restructured to PMAY-G w.e.f 1st April, 2016.
- Ministry Involved: Ministry of Rural development.
- Aim: To provide a pucca house with basic amenities to all rural families, who are homeless
 or living in kutcha or dilapidated houses by the end of March 2022.
 - To help rural people Below the Poverty Line (BPL) in construction of dwelling units and upgradation of existing unserviceable kutcha houses by providing assistance in the form of a full grant.
- Beneficiaries: People belonging to SCs/STs, freed bonded labourers and non-SC/ST categories, widows or next-of-kin of defence personnel killed in action, ex servicemen and retired members of the paramilitary forces, disabled persons and minorities.
- Selection of Beneficiaries: Through a three stage validation <u>Socio Economic Caste Census</u> 2011, <u>Gram Sabha</u>, and <u>geo-tagging</u>.
- **Cost Sharing:** The cost of unit assistance is shared between Central and State Governments in the ratio 60:40 in plain areas and 90:10 for North Eastern and hilly states.
- Features:
 - The minimum size of the house has been increased to 25 sq.mt (from 20sq.mt) with a hygienic cooking space.
 - The unit assistance has been increased from Rs. 70,000 to Rs. 1.20 lakh in plain and from Rs. 75,000 to Rs. 1.30 lakh in hilly states.
 - The assistance for construction of toilets shall be leveraged through convergence with <u>Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G)</u>, <u>MGNREGS</u> or any other dedicated source of funding.
 - Convergence for piped drinking water, electricity connection, LPG gas connection etc. different Government programmers are also to be attempted.

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