

Houses for Poor in Jharkhand by 2027

Why in News?

Recently, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren announced that the **state government would provide 20 lakh houses to the poor** in the state **by 2027**, in an event at Torpa in Khunti district.

Key Points

- These houses were provided under a state government-sponsored housing scheme, 'Abua Awas Yojana' (AAY).
 - The state government has launched the 'Abua Awas Yojana' (My House) and sought applications for the scheme during the 'Apki Yojana, Apki Sarkar, Apke Dwar' campaign.
 - The scheme was a **first-of-its-kind initiative** after the formation of Jharkhand in 2000.
- During the programme, the CM also distributed approval letters and the first installment for the housing scheme to more than 8,000 beneficiaries from Khunti and Simdega.

Apki Yojana, Apki Sarkar, Apke Dwar campaign

- Under this program, camps will be organized in 4,351 panchayats and 50 wards of the state. In these camps, the needy people who were till now deprived of the schemes will be covered with public welfare schemes.
- In the camps organized at <u>Panchayat</u> and Ward level, benefits of new schemes like Abu Awas Yojana, Birsa Irrigation Well Scheme, matters related to community and individual forest lease, Guruji Student Credit Card Scheme will be given.

Abua Awas Yojana (AAY)

- Under this scheme, the state government will provide housing to the needy people from its own fund by spending more than Rs 15,000 crore in the next two years.
- Three room houses will be provided to the poor, deprived, labourers, farmers, tribals, backward and Dalits.

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