



# Banglar Bari Rural Housing Scheme

## Why in News?

The [Chief Minister of West Bengal](#) has announced that 12 lakh beneficiaries have received the second installment under the **Banglar Bari rural housing scheme**.

- The remaining 16 lakh beneficiaries under Phase 1 will receive funds in **December 2025**, while Phase 2 of the scheme is set to commence in **May 2026**.

## Key Points

- **About Banglar Bari Housing Scheme:**
  - The scheme, **launched on 25th June, 2015**, aims to **provide housing to the rural poor**, especially after the Centre halted funds under the [PM Awaas Yojana](#).
  - To avail of the benefits under the scheme, the beneficiaries must belong to the [Economically Weaker Sections \(EWS\)](#) category.
  - The housing mission is being executed through **four distinct verticals**, offering beneficiaries flexibility in choosing the most suitable option:
    - In-situ Slum rehabilitation of Slum Dwellers with the participation of private developers using land as a resource (**ISSR**)
    - Promotion of Affordable Housing for **weaker sections** through credit linked subsidy (**CLSS**)
    - Affordable Housing in Partnership with Public & Private sectors (**AHP**)
    - Subsidy for beneficiary-led individual house construction (**BLC**)
- **Chaa Sundari Extension Scheme:**
  - Workers are receiving free ration, water, electricity, and healthcare, land rights (pattas), and financial aid under the **Chaa Sundari Extension Scheme**.
    - The scheme was launched in 2020 by the government of West Bengal.
    - It aims to **provide pucca dwelling houses** to the **permanent tea garden workers of closed/sick tea gardens** who do not have pucca houses of their own by way of allotment through the construction of dwelling units on lands in the tea gardens.
  - The scheme currently benefits over 8,000 families in Jalpaiguri and 13,000 families in Alipurduar.

## Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (PMAY)

- **Launch:** To achieve the objective of **“Housing for All” by 2022**, the erstwhile rural housing scheme [Indira Awaas Yojana \(IAY\)](#) was restructured to Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) from 1st April 2016, as a [centrally sponsored scheme](#).
  - The **Union Cabinet approved** the proposal for implementation of the **PMAY-G** during **FY 2024-25 to 2028-29**.
- **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 the construction of dwelling units and upgradation of existing unserviceable kutcha houses by assisting in the form of a full

grant.

- **Nodal Ministry:** Ministry of Rural Development.
- **Status:** States/UTs have **sanctioned 2.85 crore houses to the beneficiaries** and 2.22 crore houses have been completed till March 2023.

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