GOOD GOVERNANCE





Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana (BPGY)

1. Background and Approach:

Housing is a fundamental human need. It is a basic requirement for the human survival as well as for a decent life. The existing IAY Scheme is not capable of providing houses to all deserving and genuinely poor people. To supplement the need of the people, especially, the deserving and genuinely poor people not covered under BPL catagory, this State Plan Scheme has been launched and called as **'Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana (BPGY)'**. This scheme was launched in the name of **'MO-KUDIA''** during 2008 and in the present name from date 20-10-2014 and is implemented in all the districts of the State.

2. Component of the Scheme:

New pucca house is constructed under the scheme for the deserving and genuinely poor people / families not included under IAY Scheme. A new house means a house constructed with a minimum built up area of at least 20sq. mtrs. A pucca house means that it should be able to withstand normal wear & tear due to usage and natural forces including climatic conditions. It should have roof of permanent materials.

Biju Pucca Ghar (Special) has provision of houses to the people / families affected due to natural / manmade calamities like fire, flood, cyclone, earth quake, elephant menace, communal violence, LWE violence, major law and order problems, etc.

2 Funding Pattern:

Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana is a State Plan scheme purely funded by the State Govt. This year annual budgetary outlay is Rs.330.1052 crores. Total budget allocation for a financial year is distributed between the two components i.e. for new construction and in case of houses affected due to natural/manmade calamities at the ratio of **90:10**. The **10%** of total allocation reserved for natural/manmade calamities is retained at the State Level and allocated to the districts on receipt of proposal from them. The beneficiary already availing IAY house is also eligible under Biju Pucca Ghar (Special) if her/his house is fully damaged/washed away.

3 Unit Cost:

The unit cost under Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana for new construction of dwelling house is Rs.70,000/for non-IAP districts and Rs.75,000/- for IAP districts. This can be revised by the State Government from Odisha Review-

time to time. On attaining a respective stage, the payments are made in installments of Rs.15000/-, Rs.45,000/- & Rs.10,000/- for Non IAP Districts, whereas in IAP districts the installments are Rs.15,000/-, Rs. 50,000 & Rs.10,000/-. The stages are: - **Stage 1** - On the date of issuance of Sanction Order/ Work Order. **Stage 2** - On Reaching the Lintel level. **Stage 3** – Only after the house including the sanitary latrine is constructed and the beneficiary starts living in the house.

4 Target Group:

- The genuinely poor families excluded in BPL survey.
- Poor women in distress condition like deserted/divorced, widows, transgender, freed bonded labours, liberated manual scavengers are also target group.
- Mentally challenged, physically challenged (over 40%), adult orphans of government registered institutions, victims of leprosy and AIDS, parents of children affected by AIDS,
- PVTG/PTG, extremely poor and vulnerable groups (EPVG),
- Victims of River/sea inundation.

5 Selection Procedure:

Selection of houses is made on need based manner taking Block as unit. Any beneficiary having a house allotted under IAY / Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana / IAY (FRA) / or house under Micro Projects of SC / ST Development Deptt. / any other Scheme is not eligible for Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana House. BDO of the concerned Block will make survey through his field functionaries taking SECC-2011 and Census-2011 as baseline data. In case of non-availability of SECC-2011 data and Census-2011 data, the BDO will make a field survey by the Block to all GPs coming under their jurisdiction. In turn the Gram Panchayats place the same before Palli Sabha / Grama Sabha for deliberation and listing out of beneficiaries. Proposals/recommendations received from Hon'ble MPs/MLAs is considered by the Grama Sabha/Palli Sabha. All such proposals/recommendations must be forwarded to the Gram Panchayat with the views of the Gram Sabha/Palli Sabha positively. The final list originating from Grama Sabha/Palli Sabha through procedure mentioned above is consolidated at Garama Panchayat level and is submitted to the Block. The BDO shall cause a pre-eligibility enquiry and thereafter approve the list. At this stage also, proposals/recommendations received from Hon'ble MPs/MLAs is duly considered after making pre-eligibility enquiry as per the guidelines of the scheme. Thereafter, it is published in the notice board of Grama Panchayat/Panchayat Samiti & website of DRDA for information of general public. This exercise of preparing annual wait list under "Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana (BPGY)" will start in the month of October for the next Financial year and is completed by the end of December.

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