

Uttarakhand Govt to Build Homes Under PMAY Scheme

Why in News?

Recently, in a significant move to address housing needs, the **Uttarakhand government** has announced the construction of **16,000 affordable homes** for **low-income families** under the **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)**.

Key Points

About the Project:

- The project is being spearheaded by the <u>Uttarakhand Housing Development Council</u> (<u>UHDC</u>) and the <u>Mussoorie Dehradun Development Authority (MDDA</u>).
 - These bodies are working in collaboration with private investors to ensure the timely and efficient construction of these homes.
- The initiative includes 15 projects led by private investors, accounting for 12,856 homes, while various development authorities are constructing an additional 3,104 units. The target is to complete all projects by March 2025.

About PMAY:

- This initiative aims to provide 'pucca' houses to homeless families, aligning with the broader goal of 'Antyodaya', uplifting the poorest of the poor.
- The scheme is designed for homeless families with an annual income of less than Rs. 3 lakh.
 - Eligible families must have been residents of Uttarakhand since before June 15,
 2015.
- The construction of these affordable homes is **expected to significantly improve the living conditions of low-income families** in Uttarakhand.

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