



Centre Approves Proposal to Provide Houses Under PMGAY

Why in News?

The Chhattisgarh government announced that the **Centre has approved its proposal to provide 15,000 houses** under the [Pradhan Mantri Gramin Awas Yojana](#). These houses will be allocated to surrendered [Naxalites](#) and individuals affected by Naxal violence as part of the welfare initiative.

- It is emphasized that the scheme aims to **include families excluded from the Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011 and Awas Plus 2018 lists.**

Key Points

- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G)**
 - About:
 - **Launched in 2016**, the PMAY-G aims to **provide housing for the poorest segments** of society.
 - The selection of beneficiaries involves a thorough **three-stage validation process**, including the [Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011](#), [Gram Sabha approvals](#), and [geo-tagging](#), ensuring that aid reaches the most deserving individuals.
- **Under PMAY-G Beneficiaries Receive:**
 - **Financial Assistance:** Rs 1.20 lakh in plain areas and Rs 1.30 lakh in hilly states, including northeastern states and union territories.
 - **Additional Support for Toilets:** Rs 12,000 for constructing toilets through convergence with schemes like [Swachh Bharat Mission - Gramin \(SBM-G\)](#) or [Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme \(MGNREGS\)](#) or any other dedicated source of funding.
 - **Employment Support:** Mandatory provision of 90/95 person-days of unskilled wage employment for beneficiaries through [Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act \(MGNREGA\)](#) for house construction.
 - **Basic Amenities:** Access to water, [Liquefied petroleum gas \(LPG\)](#), and electricity connections through convergence with relevant schemes.

Naxalism

- It **originated as rebellion against local landlords** who bashed a peasant over a land dispute.
 - The rebellion was **initiated in 1967**, with an objective of rightful redistribution of the land to working peasants under the leadership of **Kanu Sanyal and Jagan Santhal**.
- **Started in West Bengal**, the movement has spread across Eastern India; in less developed areas of states such as **Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Andhra Pradesh**.
- It is considered that Naxals support Maoist political sentiments and ideology.
 - **Maoism** is a form of communism developed by **Mao Tse Tung**.
 - It is a **doctrine to capture State power** through a combination of armed insurgency, mass mobilization and strategic alliances.

LEFT WING EXTREMISM

ABOUT

- **Originated:** 1967 uprising in Naxalbari, West Bengal
- **Aim:** Societal and political change through revolutionary methods

IDEOLOGY

- Overthrow central government through armed revolution (Violence and guerilla warfare)
- Establishment of a communist state based on Maoist principles

FACTORS RESPONSIBLE

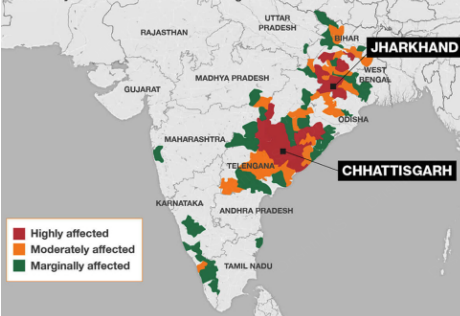
- **Massive displacement of tribal population;** Due to development projects, mining operations
- **Tribal dissatisfaction;** Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 prohibits tribes from harvesting forest resources
- **Poverty and lack of sustainable means;** Driving factors for joining Naxalite movement
- **Lack of effective governance;** Insufficient technical intelligence against Naxalism

STATES AFFECTED BY LWE

- **Red Corridor:** Experiences severe Naxalism–Maoist insurgency
- Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala

A map of India's Maoist conflict

A crackdown on Maoist rebels has led to a rise in the number of casualties in the country's tribal areas. Here are the regions that are most affected.



GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES TO CURB LWE

- National Policy and Action Plan to address Left Wing Extremism 2015
- **SAMADHAN Doctrine**
 - Ⓢ- Smart Leadership
 - Ⓐ- Aggressive Strategy
 - Ⓜ- Motivation and Training
 - Ⓐ- Actionable Intelligence
 - Ⓣ- Dashboard Based KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) and KRAs (Key Result Areas)
 - Ⓜ- Harnessing Technology
 - Ⓐ- Action plan for each Theatre
 - Ⓝ- No access to Financing
- **Special Central Assistance (SCA)** in Public Infrastructure and Services
- **Operation Green Hunt**
- **Greyhounds** (Elite commando force in Andhra Pradesh)
- **Bastariya Battalion** (local recruits in Chhattisgarh who know the language and terrain that could generate intelligence and conduct operations)

Countering Naxalism - Bandyopadhyay Committee (2006)

- Highlighted the lack of governance, economic, socio-political and cultural discrimination against the tribals
- Recommended tribal-friendly land acquisition and rehabilitation



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