



Abua Awas Scheme

Why in News?

Recently, the Jharkhand Chief Minister **directed for speeding up the process of construction of 2 lakh houses in the first phase** of the '[Abua Awas' scheme](#), and emphasized that action will be taken against officers who commit irregularities and negligence in this scheme.

Key Points

- The scheme was **launched by former CM Hemant Soren in November 2023** to provide houses to those who were deprived of benefits under the **PM Awas Yojana (PMAY)**.
- Under Abua Awas' scheme (launched in 2023), 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.

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)

- It is a government initiative that **aims to provide affordable houses to the urban poor keeping a target of building 2 crore** (20 million) houses by 2024.
- The two basic components of the scheme are:
- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U)** looks into the housing requisites of poor urban people. The urban poor has been categorised into three sectors, which depend upon the annual household income:
 - (i) Economically Weaker Section (EWS), (ii) Low-income Group (LIG) (iii) Middle Income Group (MIG). Additionally, the slum dwellers within the urban population can also apply to the scheme.
- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Rural (PMAY-R)** has been brought in to help economically weak families living in rural India become property owners. The residences in such rural areas will have all the required basic facilities such as electricity, clean water, a well-developed sewage system, a sanitation facility, etc.