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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

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To,

The Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary/Secretary
Department of Rural Development (dealing with PMAY-G), All States / UTs

Subject: Unwilling beneficiaries of PMAY-G – Comments on the procedure to be adopted – Reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Joint Secretary (Rural Housing) D.O. Letter bearing No. J-11060/07/2017-RH(M&T)-Part-4 dated 18th January, 2019 regarding examining cases relating to unwilling beneficiaries who are not willing to construct the PMAY-G house and suggest documents and process to be adopted for removal of such beneficiaries from the PWL.

2. In this connection, it is stated that comments / suggestions have been received from different States / UTs with regard to the process to be adopted and documents that are required. As per the comments received, States/UTs have identified the following reasons of unwilling beneficiaries:

- i. Single persons women/Men above 65 years
- ii. Financially poor
- iii. In-sufficient unit cost
- iv. Permanent migration
- v. Beneficiary not-traceable
- vi. Not willing to construct house at present
- vii. Site dispute/Joint property/Court cases.
- viii. Beneficiary living in sensitive areas and unable to construct the house.
- ix. Beneficiary not interested in construction of the house.
- x. Beneficiary expired and having no family members
- xi. Residing reserve Forest

3. The comments / suggestions received have been examined in the Ministry and the following has evolved:

- a. With the objective of "Housing for All", PMAY-G aims to provide houses to all eligible households who are houseless and living in kutcha and dilapidated house. The beneficiaries are identified from SECC 2011 based on housing deprivation parameters and belong to the most vulnerable strata of the society viz., Destitute / living on alms, PTGs, Legally released bonded labourer, manual scavenger and households without shelter who are automatically included into the list of eligible beneficiaries. Getting assistance for construction of the house is a dream comes true for such households.

- b. Since the assistance is given to households who are deprived of housing, the concept of a beneficiary unwilling to construct a house should not arise. The Framework for Implementation provides in case the beneficiary is old or infirm or a person with disability and therefore not in a position to get the house constructed on his / her own, such houses shall be taken up as a part of the mason training programme. In case there are still some beneficiaries left out, the State / UT Government shall ensure that such beneficiaries are assisted through the GPs or a ground level programme functionary to get their house constructed.
- c. The reasons at Sl.No. i to iii viz., single persons women/men above 65 years, financially poor and in-sufficient unit cost, should not be considered for deletion of the name from the PWL. They should be sensitized and proper handholding needs to be provided by the ground level officials for construction of the house. Further, construction of houses of such households may also be taken up as a part of Rural Mason Training programme.
- d. In respect of reasons at Sl.No. (iv) to (vii) viz., permanent migration, beneficiary not traceable, not willing to construct house at present, and site dispute/joint property/court cases should not be considered for deletion of the name from the PWL as they might come back again at a later time for claiming assistance under PMAY-G as they were in the PWL. In respect of these reasons, the State Government may identify the Gram Panchayats where such cases exist and organise the Gram Sabha of the respective Gram Panchayat for re-verification of the PWL prepared. The Gram Sabha during the meeting may review such cases and re-prioritize such households and place them at the end of the PWL. So that allotment of houses to such beneficiaries can be made at a later date. Gram Sabha resolution re-prioritising the PWL needs to be uploaded on AwaasSoft and the priority in the PWL may be changed accordingly.
- e. In respect of reason at Sl.No. (viii) viz., beneficiary living in sensitive areas and unable to construct the house, such cases should not be considered for deletion of the name from the PWL. The State /UT should provide requisite support and ensure that such households construct the houses under PMAY-G.
- f. In respect of reason at Sl.No. (ix) viz., beneficiary not interested in construction of the house – The exact reason for not showing interest should be ascertained from the beneficiary before taking a decision.
- g. In respect of reason at Sl.No. (x) viz., beneficiary expired and having no family members, the matter is being dealt separately and instructions is being issued separately.
- h. In respect of reason at Sl.No. (xi) viz., beneficiary residing in reserve forest, two scenarios evolve in such cases viz.,

(a) Beneficiary not allotted land and as he cannot construct PMAY-G house on forest land hence unwilling to construct a house and

(b) Beneficiary allotted alternative land and he does not want to shift to the new place and hence does not want to construct the house.

i. In respect of the first scenario, the name of such beneficiaries cannot be deleted from the PWL.

ii. In the second scenario, the beneficiary can be deleted from the PWL. The following procedure needs to be adopted for deletion:

4. The following documents need to be obtained:

- a. Document allotting land to the beneficiary
- b. A declaration from the beneficiary and his family members that he does not want to construct the house in the land allotted to him
- c. Gram Sabha resolution indicating that the household is residing in forest land and is not willing to construct the house in the alternative land allotted to him.

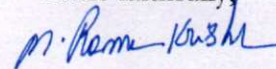
5.1. Process that would be incorporated in AwaasSoft for deletion is as follows:

- a. The process of deletion of the name should initiate at the Block level.
- b. The official at the block level while initiating the process, upload the documents mentioned above in AwaasSoft and propose for deletion of name of the households from the PWL.
- c. The proposal initiated at the block level need to be recommended at the District level using their login ID and approved at the **State Level (through an OTP)** and the name of the beneficiary would be deleted from the PWL.

5.2 The above process can be adopted for deletion of landless beneficiary who had been allotted land and he does not want to shift to the new place and hence does not want to construct the house.

6. Since States / UTs are the implementing agencies of the scheme of PMAY-G at the ground level, it is requested that the comments / suggestions on the above process evolved with regard to dealing with unwilling beneficiaries may be furnished by 15th September, 2019 so that necessary action for implementing the same can be taken by Ministry of Rural Development in this regard.

Yours faithfully,



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