Rural Housing (RH) / Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)

I. Objective / purpose

Grants under Indira Awaas Yojana is for construction/upgradation of dwelling units of members of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, freed bonded labours, minorities in the below poverty line category and other below poverty line non-Sc/ST rural households by providing them a lump sum financial assistance.

Vision

Ensure adequate and affordable housing for all and facilitate development of sustainable and inclusive habitats in rural areas by expanding Government support, promoting community participation, self help and public-private partnership within the framework of Panchayati Raj.

Mission

- To set up systems to facilitate and maintain a sustained growth of the housing stock to ensure adequate and affordable housing for all
- To create within the timeframe of the 12th Five Year Plan, adequate and affordable rural housing stock that would cater to the rural housing shortage to the extent of existing kutcha houses
- To provide homestead plots for the poorest and the vulnerable who do not have agricultural land or house sites
- To promote adequate flow of grant from Government to support housing for the poorest and the vulnerable
- To address the special needs of marginal and weaker sections of the society such as SCs/STs/Women etc
- To develop planned rural habitats with an assembly of basic services and livelihood infrastructure that provide for dignified living
- To develop, promote and transfer use of appropriate, environment-friendly, energy-efficient and disaster-resistant technology
- To develop required technical and managerial capacity of delivery agents including upgradation of construction skills
- To strengthen functioning of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and encourage partnership among civil society, public and private sectors

Brief history

The genesis of the **Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)** can be traced to the programmes of rural employment, which began in the early 1980s. Construction of houses was

one of the major activities under the National Rural Employment Programme (NREP), which began in 1980, and the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP), which began in 1983. There was, however, no uniform policy for rural housing in the States. As per announcement made by the Government of India in June 1985, a part of the RLEGP fund was earmarked for the construction of houses for SCs/STs and freed bonded labourers. As a result, Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) was launched during 1985-86 as a sub-scheme of RLEGP. IAY, thereafter, continued as a sub-scheme of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) since its launching in April, 1989. 6% of the total JRY funds were allocated for implementation of IAY. From the year 1993-94, the scope of IAY was extended to cover below the poverty line Non-Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes families in the rural areas. Simultaneously, the allocation of funds for implementing the scheme was raised from 6% to 10% of the total resources available under JRY at the national level, subject to the condition that the benefits to Non-Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes poor should not exceed 4% of the total JRY allocation. IAY was de-linked from JRY and made an independent scheme with effect from 1st January 1996.

Duties

Dealing with all issues related to Rural housing and all matters germane and incidental, in so far as it relates to rural areas.

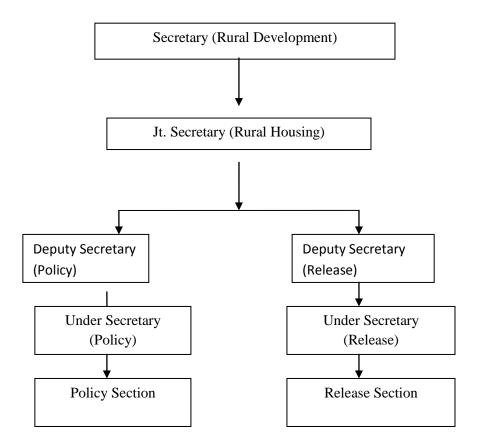
Main activities / functions

- Formulation of policy guidelines,
- Release of funds under IAY and Homestead Scheme
- Monitoring and evaluation

List of services being provided

- Allotment of Physical/Financial Target
- Allocation of funds
- Release of funds
- Monitoring and Review of implementation of the Scheme
- Organising training programmes for functionaries involved in the implementation of the Scheme

Organizational Structure Diagram at various levels namely State, directorate, region, district, block etc.



Expectation from the public for enhancing its effectiveness and efficiency

To provide feedback on the implementation of the Scheme and to highlight any irregularities

Arrangements and methods made for seeking public participation / contribution

Stakeholders are consulted through workshops, conferences and written communication and interaction during field visits by the officers of the Ministry.

Mechanism available for monitoring the services delivery and public grievance resolution

- Performance reviewed through Monthly Performance Reports & other reports received from district authorities/ State Govts.
- Performance reviewed in regular meetings with Secretaries, Project Directors, Nodal Officers & Coordinating Officers of the States

- Field visits by Senior Officers of the Ministry
- Third party field inspections carried out by National Level Monitors (NLMs)
- Through AWASSOFT, a web enabled online IAY Management Information System (MIS)

Grievance Redressal Mechanisms

CPGRAMS

The citizen can lodge grievance online through the link available at http://pgportal.gov.in.

AWAASSoft

Citizens can lodge their complaints in the website www.iay.nic.in in Awwassoft.

By post / submission at the Ministry's Facilitation Counter

Grievances can also be sent by post at the above noted address or submitted at the Facilitation Counter of the Ministry located at Krishi Bhawan .

II. Please provide details of the powers and duties of officers and employees

Work assigned among officers and staff in the Rural Housing Division may be seen at Annexure-II

Work assigned among officers and staff in the Rural Housing Division Work Assigned among Officers:-

SI. No.	Name and designation of Officers	Work Assigned	
1	Smt Vijaya Srivastava, Joint Secretary (SA)	Head of the Wing	
2	Shri B.C. Behera Dy. Secretary (RH-I)	Head of the Division	
3	Shri Satish Kalothra, Dy. Secretary (RH-II)	Head of the Division	
4	Shri S.R. Mehar, Under Secretary (RH)- Release	 All issues related to release of grants-in-aid under IAY Parliament Matter CAG Audit Para MPR/Monitoring and Awaasoft RTI applications, VIP references and Parliament Questions in respect of release/monitoring matters Implementation of 15 Point Programme for welfare of minorities Correspondence related to IAP districts 	
5	Smt. Sunita Dhavale, Under Secretary (RH)- Policy	1 3	
6.	Miss Kokila Jairam, Assistant Director	 Awaassoft/MPR/Monitoring of IAY. Matters relating to scrutiny of proposals for release of funds to Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha State Brief Notes on RH. Allocation of IAY funds to States/Districts. Policy issues relating to IAY. 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities. Any other work assigned by Senior officers from time to time. 	

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7	Smt. Usha Gangadharan Section Officer (RH-P)	 All matters related to Policy and scheme guidelines Examination of cases of requests made by various State vis-a vis the Schemes guidelines All matters relating to Inter-Ministerial correspondence on RH Examination of Cabinet Notes received from other Ministries Material for President /PM Speech Half Yearly Review by the Planning Commission Material for Finance Minister Budget Speech/References received from PMO, Rashtrapati Bhawan Examination of all Matters related to communication received from Administrative Reforms/Second Administrative Reforms Commission in its Report Materiel for Annual Report Results Framework Document Strategic Plan Complaints/NLM reports.
8.	Research Officer (RH) Policy Vacant	 Matters related to Parliament in respect of Policy VIP references Right to information Act, 2005 Preparation of material for Committee on Estimates Preparation of material for Weekly Senior Officers meeting All cases of CPGRAMS/grievance Website management Modification/updation of IAY Guidelines Success Stories under IAY Material for PRC Meetings including PPT Material for Project Directors' Conference Examination of All matters related to AARDO, SAARC and IC. Material for Project Directors' Conference Examination of All matters related to AARDO, SAARC and IC.
9.	Ms Rimjhim Das Economic Officer	 Matters relating to scrutiny of proposals for release of funds to Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Kerala, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttrakhand, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. Material for Monthly D.O/Summary/Returns. Budget Reconciliation of figures with PAO C&AG/Audit Paras Coordination -Any other work assigned by Senior Officers time to time
10.	Shri Vijay Atram,	 Matters relating to scrutiny of proposals for release of North East States and UTs.

Research Officer	Matter relating IAP/LWE districts	
	 All RTI matters relating RH (A/C) Section. 	
	 All matters relating to pending special packages, 	
	additional requirement and preparation of report on	
	pending UCs of RH Division.	
	All VIP references.Any other work assigned by	
	Senior Officers from time to time	

Work assigned among Staff in Rural Housing Division

SI. No.	Name and designation of Officers	Work Assigned	
1	Smt. Chandrakanta Assistant (RH)	 All matters related to Parliament Half Yearly Review by the Planning Commission. Material for Finance Minister Budget Speech Material for Cabinet Secretariat Parliament Assurances/Parliament Matters Rule 377/Special Mention in Lok Sabha/Rajy Sabha Matters raised during Zero Hour All matters related to Policy and Scheme guidelines. President / PM Speech And any other work allotted. 	
2.	Smt. Rajni Pushkarna, Assistant	 Releases to DRDAs under IAY to HP, J&K, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and UP. Analysis of proposal / ARs / UCs etc. Analysis of proposals of States / DRDAs for ACA for Special Packages (Natural Calamity 5%, Homestead, Naxal and Border Districts) under IAY. Preparing Status Note for Ministers/Higher Officer while visiting to different States/UTs. VIP references of the States concerned. Pending UCs CAG/Audit Paras. 	
3.	Ms. Apoorva Vajpayee Economic Investigator	 All application received under Right to Information Act, 2005. Material for PRC Meeting including PPT. Material for Project Director's Conference. Material for Bi-Monthly, Monthly Meetings Grievance Redressal (CPGRAMS) Examination of matter received from Administrative Reforms. Preparation of Cabinet Note, EFC etc. Miscellaneous information of NE States. Any other work alloted 	
4.	Bipin Samir Kerketta, UDC	 Releases to DRDAs under IAY to Bihar, MP, Orissa, and Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Analysis of Proposals / ARs / UCs etc. Analysis of proposals of States / DRDAs for ACA for Special Packages (Natural Calamity 5%, Homestead, PTG, Naxal and Kala-a-zar) under IAY. Preparing Status Note for Ministers/Higher Officer while visiting to different States/UTs. VIP References of the States concerned. 	

5.	Smt. Beena Kale, DEO	 Complaints of West, South and Central Zone Examination of NLM Reports of all States/UTs Release of funds and monitoring Schemes of RBCs HRD / HSMI training for RH Research / Evaluation studies on RH Examination of Area officers' Reports Standing Committee matters Strategic Plan Material related to Information Management Committee Material for all Conferences, Workshops, meetings organized by other Ministries/Departments related to Rural Housing. All matters related to innovative Stream for Rural Housing & Habitat Development
7.	Ms. Priyanka Jaiswal, Consultant Shri Virander Arora (Consultant)	 Releases to DRDAs under IAY to all UTs (A & N, Puducherry, Daman & Diu, Dadara Nagar Haveli, Lakshyadeep,), West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Uttarkhand, Jharkhand, Haryana, Goa, Gujarat, Kerala, Rajasthan and Punjab Analysis of Proposals / ARs / UCs etc. Analysis of Proposals of States / DRDAs for ACA for Special Packages (Natural Calamity 5%, Homestead, PTG and Naxal) under IAY. Preparing Status Note for Ministers/Higher Officer while visiting to different States/UTs. VIP References of the States concerned. Modification/updation of IAY Guidelines. Examination of cases of request made by various States vis-à-vis the Schemes Guidelines. Examination of Cabinet Notes received from other Ministries VIP references References received from PMO, Rashtrapati Bhawan. All matters related to Inter Ministerial /Departmental Correspondence on RH IEC related activities Any other work allotted
8.	Shri J.K Kashyap (Consultant)	 Examination of references received from IC Section Success Stories under IAY. Result Framework Document/ Annual Action Plan Multi Sectoral Development Plan Preparation of material for Committee on Estimates Issues to be raised in sessions/Petition Committee Matters. Complaints/ Representations relating to IAY (East and North Zone) and consolidation of the Complaints of all States/Uts.

		 Examination of all matters related to AARDO, SAARC and IC. Any other work allotted. 	
9.	Smt. Surjee Rawat, UDC	 Dairy & Dispatch work Sanction Order sent to DRDAs/PAO (RD) for release of funds. Generation of CPSMS sheet for sanction send to PAO (RD). Preparation of sets of release orders. Maintaining of Guard File for Sanction/Letters sand to DRDAs/States Officials. Any other work given time to time by the senior officers. 	
10.	Shri. Sant Lal, LDC	Movement of file from Section to Senior Officer & IFD. Photocopy of the sanction Orders. Filing work like page numbering etc.	

III. List of rules, regulations, instructions, manual and records, held by public authority or under its control or used by its employees for discharging functions as per the following format. This format has to be filled for each type of document

Name /Title of document	Indira Awaas Yojana Guidelines	
Type of document Choose one of the types given below (Rules, Regulations, Instructions, manual, Records, others)	Others	
Brief write-up on the document	The IAY guidelines contain all the information and instructions regarding implementation of the Scheme and its brief history since its inception.	
From where one can get a copy of rules, regulations, instructions, manual and records	The guidelines are available online at www.rural.nic.in. Hard Copies can be obtained from the Rural Housing Division, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.	
Fee charged by the department for a copy of rules, regulations, instructions, manual and records (if any)	Nil	

IV. Whether there is any provision to seek consultation / participation of public or its representatives for formulation of policies? If there is, please provide details of such policy in following format

S	Subject / Topic	Is it mandatory to	Arrangements for seeking
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No.		ensure public participation (yes/no)	public participation
1	Guidelines of IAY	No	All stakeholders including members of public are consulted before formulation of any policy.

V. Use the format given below to give the information about the official documents. Also mention the place where the documents are available e.g. at secretariat level, directorate level, others

(Please mention the level in place of writing "Others")

S. No.	Category of the document	Name of the document	Procedure to obtain the document	Held under custody of
1	Guidelines	Guidelines for Indira Awaas Yojana	Available on the website www.rural.nic.in	Rural Housing Division, Ministry of Rural Development

VI. Please provide information on Boards, Councils, Committees and other Bodies related to the public authority in the following format.

Name and address of the Affiliated Body	Not Applicable
Type of Affiliated Body (Board, Council,	-
Committees, Other Bodies)	
Brief introduction of the Affiliated Body	-
(Establishment Year, Objective/Main	
Activities)	
Role of Affiliated Body	-
(Advisory/Managing/Executive/Others)	
Structure and Member Composition	-
Head of the Body	-
Address and main office and its	-
Branches	
Frequency of Meetings	-
Can public participate in the meetings?	-
Are minutes of the meetings prepared?	-

VII. Please provide contact information about the Public Information Officers, Assistant Public Information Officers and Departmental Appellate Authority of the Public Authority.

Name Designation & Address of CPIO	Subject	Phone No. E-Mail Fax No.	Appellate Authority Name, Designation, Address, Phone No., E- Mail
Smt. Sunita Dhavale Under Secretary (RH) R.No.366-A Krishi Bhawan New Delhi	All policy matters related to Rural Housing and Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)	011-23381343	Shri Satish Kalothra, Deputy Secretary Room No. 254 (A), Krishi Bhawan New Delhi. Phone No. 011-23381300
Shri S.R Mehar Under Secretary (RH) Room no. 378, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi	All Budget and Release matters related to Rural Housing and Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)	011-23070978	Shri B.C Behera Deputy Secretary, Room No. 455, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi. 011-23097048

VIII. What is the procedure followed to take a decision for various matters

As per Manual of Office Procedure, Govt. of India

IX. What are the documented procedures / laid down procedures / Defined criteria/Rules to arrive at a particular decision matters? What are different levels through which a decision process moves?

As per Manual of Office Procedure, Govt. of India

X. What are the arrangements to communicate the decision to the public?

Decisions are communicated to the public through the Ministry's website, through advertisements in print and electronic media, leaflets / booklets etc

XI. Which are the offices at various levels whose opinions are sought for the process of decision making?

- Concerned Ministries/Departments of the Govt. of India
- State Rural Development of the State Govts/UTs and district level authorities

XII. Who is the final authority that vets the decision?

Minister for Rural Development

XIII. Please provide information separately in the following format for the important matters on which the decision is taken by the public authority.

S. No.		
1	Subject on which the decision is to be taken	Policy matters regarding IAY
2	Guidelines / Directions, if any	Amendment in the guidelines
	Process of Execution	Approval of Minister for Rural Development is sought and instructions are issued to the concerned authorities of the State Govts./UTs

XIV. Directory of officers and Employees

Given under chapter heading "Directory of Officers"

XV. The procedure followed in the decision making process in Rural Housing Division, including channels of submission

Sl	Type of Cases	Final Level	Channel of submission above
No.		of Disposal	the Section Level
I	Policy Matters	M(RD)	US(P)-Deputy Secretary -JS-
			AS-Secretary-M(RD)
II	Parliament Matter		
	1. Starred Question	M(RD)	US(R)/US(P)-Deputy

			Secretary-JS-AS(RD)-
			Secretary-M(RD)
			, ,
	2. Unstarred Question	MOS	US(R)/US(P)-Deputy
			Secretary -JS-MOS.
	3.Assurance-Implementation	MOS	US(R)/US(P)-Deputy
			Secretary -JS-MOS.
	4. Material asked for by other	Director	US(P)/US(R)-Deputy
	Division		Secretary -JS.
	5. Material to Lok Sabha/Rajya	Joint	US(R)-Deputy Secretary-JS.
	Sabha Secretariat. For	Secretary	
	deciding admissibility of		
	Questions		
III	VIP References	M(RD)	US(R)-Deputy Secretary-JS-
			AS-Secretary-M(RD)
			US(P)-Deputy Secretary-JS-
			AS-Secretary-M(RD)
IV	Matters relating to Committee		
	1. Parliamentary Standing	Secretary	US (P)-Deputy Secretary -JS-
	Committee		Secretary.
			TIGOD (TIGOD)
	2. Performance Budget	Secretary	US(R)/US(P)—Deputy
			Secretary -JS-Secretary.
	3. Cabinet Note	Cabinet	US(R)/US(P)-Deputy
			Secretary-JS-Secretary-
			M(RD)-Cabinet
V	Guidelines		
	1.Formulation and	M(RD)	US(P)-Deputy Secretary-JS-
	modification of Guidelines on		Secretary-M(RD)
	the Schemes/Programmes		
	relating to Rural Housing		
	2. Clarification on Guidelines	JS	US(P)-Deputy Secretary -JS.
VI	Approval of Projects		
	1. Release of funds	Director	US(R)-Deputy Secretary-
			DS(Fin)
	2. Release of additional funds	M(RD)	US(R)-Deputy Secretary -JS-

	under IAY		AS&FA-Secretary-M(RD)
VII	Budgets		
	1. Budget Allocation from Planning Commission	Joint Secretary	US(R)-Deputy Secretary -JS.
	2. Reply to Audit Objections	JS	US(R)-Director-JS.
	3. Allocation of funds to States	JS	US(R)-Deputy Secretary -JS.

XVI. Please provide information about the details of the budget for different activities under different schemes in the given format

Head-wise details of funds projected for 2012-13

S.No	Name of the Scheme	Major	Sub Head	B.E. 2012-13		3
	Scheme	Head			(Rs. in lakhs)	
				Plan	Non-Plan	Total
1	2	3	4	5	5	7
1	Monitoring, Research and Evaluation	2216	03.105. 08.01.28	35.00	0.00	35.00
2	Information, Education and Communication	2216	03.105. 08.02.26	500.00	0.00	500.00
3.	Human Resource Development	2216	03.105. 08.03.50	200.00	0.00	200.00
4	Management Cell (OE)	2216	03.105. 08.04.13	50.00	0.00	50.00
5	Management Cell (OAE)	2216	03.105. 08.04.20	10.00	0.00	10.00
6.	Grants-in-aid	2216	03.789	368746.00	0.00	368746.00

	Provision for SC		01.01.35			
7	Grants-in-aid	2216	03.796	223958.00	0.00	223958.00
	Provision for ST		01.01.35			
8	Grants-in-aid	2216	03.105.	403016.00	0.00	403016.00
	Grants assets (Others)		08.05.35			
9	RBC/Innovative	2216	03.105.	20.00	0.00	20.00
			08.06.31			
10	National Mission for	2216	03.105.	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Rural Housing (DTE)		08.07.11			
11	National Mission for	2216	03.105.	5.00	0.00	5.00
	Rural Housing (PS)		08.07.28			
12	National Mission for	2216	03.105.	10.00	0.00	10.00
	Rural Housing (OC)		08.07.50			
13	Grants-in-aid	2552	789	22091.00	0.00	22091.00
	Provision for SC	(NEA)	21.01.35			
14	Grants-in-aid	2552	796	49705.00	0.00	49705.00
	Provision for ST	(NEA)	28.01.35			
15	Grants-in-aid	2552	497	39104.00	0.00	39104.00
	Grants assets (Others)	(NEA)	01.01.35			
	Total			1107500.00	0.00	1107500.00

IAY -ALLOCATION AND TARGETS FOR THE YEAR 2013-14 (STATE-WISE)

IAY -ALLOCATION AND TARGETS FOR THE YEAR 2013-14 (DISTRICT-WISE)

XVII. The manner of Execution of Subsidy Programmes. Please provide the information as per the following format

S. No.	Items	
1	Name of the Programme/Scheme	Indira Awaas Yojana
2	Duration of the Programme/Scheme	It is an ongoing Scheme
3	Objective of the Programme	To primarily help in construction/upgradation of dwelling units of members of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, freed bonded labours, minorities in the below poverty line category and other below poverty line non- Sc/ST rural households by providing them a lump sum financial assistance
4	Physical and financial targets of the programme (for the last year)	During the year 2012-13, Rs. 10513.20 crore was allocated for construction of 30.97 lakh houses. The State-wise physical and financial statement is at Annexure III
5	Eligibility of beneficiary	Below poverty line households living in the rural areas, belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled tribes, freed bonded labourers, minorities in the BPL category and non SC/ST BPL rural households and registered in BPL List 2002, widows and next of kin to defence personnel/ paramilitary forces killed in action residing in rural areas (irrespective of their income criteria), ex-servicemen and retired members of paramilitary forces fulfilling the other conditions.
6	Pre – requisites for the benefit	Should belong to rural BPL household and the name should exist in the BPL List 2002
7	Procedure to avail the benefits of the programme	The beneficiaries are selected from the Permanent IAY Waitlists prepared on the basis of BPL lists in order of seniority in the list. The Gram Panchayats draws out the shelterless families from the BPL List strictly in the order of ranking in the list. A separate list of SC/ST families in the order of their ranks is derived from the larger IAY list so that the process of allotment of 60% of houses under the scheme is facilitated. The lists are are approved by the Gram Sabha. Selection by the Gram Sabha is final. No approval by a higher body is required. The Permanent IAY Waitlists prepared are displayed at a prominent place either in the Gram Panchayat office or any other suitable place in the village.
8	Criteria for deciding eligibility	Seniority in the Permanent IAY waitlist / BPL List 2002
9	Detail of the benefits given in the programme (also mention the amount of subsidy or other help given)	A financial assistance of 70,000/- in plain areas and 75,000/- in hilly & difficult areas is provided for construction of a dwelling unit 15,000/- is provided for upgradation of an unserviceable kutcha house. 12,500/- is provided under the credit and subsidy scheme.
10	Procedure for the distribution of the subsidy	The amount of grant is transferred directly by the DRDAs in the beneficiaries bank account in instalments at various level of construction of the

		house.
11	Where to apply or whom to contact in the office for applying	Not applicable as the beneficiaries are selected by the Gram Sabha from the permanent IAY waitlist prepared on the basis of BPL List -2002.
12	Application fee (where applicable)	Not Applicable
13	Application format (where applicable. If the application is made on plain paper please mention it along with what the applicant should mention in the application)	Not Applicable
14	List of attachments (certificates/documents)	Not Applicable
15	Format of attachements	Not Applicable
16	Where to contact in case of process related complaints	The Secretary, Rural Development Departments of the concerned States/ District Rural development Authority.
17	Details of available fund (At various levels like District level, Block level etc.)	Is available in the Ministry's website www.rural.nic.in

XVIII. Particulars of Recipients of concessions, permits or authorization granted by it. Please provide the information as per the following format.

Not Applicable

S.	Items	Remarks
No		
1	Name of the programme	Not Applicable
2	Type (Concession/Permits/ Authorization)	-
3	Objective	-
4	Targets set (for the last year)	-
5	Eligibility	-
6	Criteria for the eligibility	-
7	Pre – requisites	-
8	Procedure to avail the benefits	-
9	Time limit for the Concession/Permits /	-
	Authorization	
10	Application Fee (Where applicable)	-
11	Application format (where applicable)	-
12	List of attachments (certificates/documents)	-
13	Format of attachments	-

XIX. Please provide the details of the Norms/Standards set by the Department for execution of various activities / programmes.

S. No.	Item of work	Prescribed norms
1	Allocation of funds and fixationof physical /Financial Targets	Within one week of budgetary allocation
2	Release of 1st installment of funds (1st tranche)	By 2nd week of April
3	Release of 2nd installment	Within One month/30 days of proposal received
4	Release of funds on receipt of proposal for funds under Homestead scheme	Within One month/30 days of proposal received
5	Release of funds for houses damaged due to natural calamities	Within One month/30 days of proposal received
6	Release of State share to DRDAs by the State Govt.	Within one months/30 days of release of Central share

XX. Please provide the details of the information related to the various schemes which are available in the electronic format

All information about the scheme is available on the Ministry's website

XXI. Means, methods or facilitation available to the public which are adopted by the department for dissemination of information.

Awareness generation through intensive IEC activities using electronic media, print, press advertisements, workshops, outdoor through DAVP and interpersonal communication through DFP and S&DD have been taken up.

XXII. Frequently Asked Questions and their answers

Question.1 What is the aim of the Indira Awass Yojana (IAY)?

Reply Aim of Indira Awass Yojana is to provide financial assistance to the rural poor living Below the Poverty Line (BPL) for construction of house.

Question.2 Who are eligible to get assistance under IAY?

Reply BPL rural households of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, non-Scheduled Castes & non-Scheduled Tribes, Ex-servicemen of the armed & paramilitary forces killed in action, physically and mentally challenged persons, freed bonded labourers & Minorities are eligible to get assistance under Indira Awass Yojana.

Question.3 Who will provide the assistance?

Reply Funding of IAY is shared between the Centre & State Government in the ratio of 75:25 and for North Eastern States this ratio is 90:10. In the case of UTs, entire funds of IAY are provided by the Centre. The Central share is released by Ministry of Rural Development, Govt.of India and the State share is released by Nodal Dept. of the State implementing the scheme. Releases are made to beneficiaries through districts for onward release to beneficiaries.

Question.4 How much of financial assistance is given?

Reply The financial assistance provided for new construction in the form of grant is 70,000/- per unit for the plain areas & 75,000/- for the hilly/difficult areas (w.e.f 1.4.2013). The assistance for up-gradation of unserviceable kutcha house to pucca/semi pucca house is 15,000/-. The assistance for credit-cum-subsidy scheme is 12,500/- per unit. Maximum of 20% of IAY allocation can be utilized for up-gradation or/& credit-cum-subsidy scheme. Further, an IAY beneficiary can avail top up loan upto 20,000/- under the Differential Rate of Interest (DRI Scheme) from any Nationalized Bank at an interest rate of 4% per annum.

Question.5 How many IAY houses are allotted in each year to a particular State/District/Gram Panchayats?

Reply Since reduction of shelterlessness is the primary objective, 75% weightage is given to housing shortage and 25% to the poverty ratios prescribed by Planning Commission for State level allocation. For district level allocation, 75% weightage is given again to housing shortage and 25% to SC/ST population of the concerned districts. On the basis of allocations made & targets fixed, District Panchayat/Zilla Panchayat/District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs) decides the number of houses to be constructed/upgraded Panchayat-wise under IAY, during a particular financial year through a participatory approach.

Q.6 What is the selection procedure?

Reply Selection of beneficiaries is done at Gram Panchayat level based on the permanent IAY waitlists wherever these have been prepared or from the BPL list 2002 with the poorest being selected on priority.

Question.7 What are the provisions for weaker sections, minorities & person with disabilities under the IAY?

Reply 60% of the benefits of the Scheme are meant for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. Besides 3% of the houses are to be reserved for physically and mentally challenged persons amongst the rural BPL families. Funds are also earmarked for coverage of minorities. From the waitlist, the poorest families have to be given priority.

Question.8 How do women get benefit under IAY?

Reply Allotment of dwelling units is done in the name of the female member of the beneficiary household. Alternatively, it is allotted in the name of both husband and wife. Only when there is no female member in the family, the house is allotted in the name of male member.

Question.9 Who will construct the houses?

Reply House is to be constructed by the beneficiary as per his preference. Engagement of contractors is prohibited and construction of an IAY house is the sole responsibility of the beneficiary. Only in IAP districts, the District authorities can engage themselves if the beneficiary so desires.

Question.10 Will the beneficiaries get any information about construction technology or procurement of raw material?

Reply Under the guidelines, Zilla Parishads /DRDAs are required to disseminate information in respect of environment friendly/innovative/disaster resistant technologies which are both low cost, easily available.

Question.11 What are the other Schemes with which IAY has been converged with?

Reply IAY Scheme has been converged with Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY), Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC), Janshree and Aam Aadmi Bima Yojana and Differential Rate of Interest (DRI) Scheme and MGNREGA.

Question.12 Does Indira Awass Yojana provide only for construction of house or does it provide electricity connections as well?

Reply Indira Awass Yojana mainly provides for construction of house on 20 sq. meter area. However, there is provision for dovetailing of the scheme with Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyut Yojana (RGGVY) to provide electricity to IAY beneficiaries.

Question.13 Is the "Sanitation" and "Smokeless chulha" integrated into the Rural Housing?

Reply It is required that the beneficiary will take up "Sanitary Latrine and Smokeless Chulla" as part of the house construction. This is part of the convergence exercise as indicated in Q.11.

Question.14 Is there any provision under IAY to help acquire plots for construction of houses?

Reply As part of Indira Awaas Yojana, a scheme to provide homestead sites to the landless rural BPL households has been launched in August, 2009. Under this scheme a homestead site of 100-250 sq.mt. is provided to those rural BPL households who have neither land nor a housesite. For this purpose, 20,000/-per beneficiary is provided which will be shared by the Centre and the States in the ratio of 50:50.

Question. 15 Where can one get information on the Indira Awass Yojana?

Reply The information may be obtained from Ministry of Rural Development, State Government and DRDAs/Gram Panchayat. Information is also available in the website of Ministry of Rural Development at www.rural.nic.in.

Question.16 How the IAY Scheme Monitored?

Reply The Indira Awaas Yojana is being continuously reviewed through Monthly and Annual Reports received from the States/UTs. Area Officers visit the allotted States/UTs from time to time and inspect the actual implementation of the programme in the field. They also participate in the State Level Coordination Committee Meetings providing thereby, a source of effective link between the policy makers, i.e., Government of India and the implementing agencies (States/UT Governments). The programme is also reviewed at the meetings with the State Secretaries of Rural Development and with the Project Directors of DRDAs in the workshops held every year.

From April 2006 onwards, an online monitoring mechanism has been put in place to enable DRDAs to upload their monthly progress reports into the website of the Ministry. A transaction based MIS has been launched on 16.7.2010 which will capture the progress in construction of IAY houses and funds disbursed to beneficiaries.

Question.17 What is AWAASSoft?

Reply From April 2007 onwards, an online monitoring mechanism has been put in place to enable DRDAs to upload their monthly progress reports into the website of the Ministry. The Ministry has also launched a web-based local

language enabled MIS programme to capture beneficiary-wise data to monitor the scheme. The Rural Housing Division has launched IAY Management Information System (IAY-MIS) software 'AWAASSoft'. AWAASSoft is a local language enabled workflow based transaction level Management Information System to facilitate egovernance in the System. The MIS will be accessible not only to all the sta not only to all the stake holders including beneficiaries but also citizens at large.

XXII. Related to seeking information with relation to training imparted to public by Public Authority

S.No.	Items	Remarks
1	Name of training programme with brief	Not Applicable
	description	PP
2	Time period for training programme/Scheme	-
3	Objective of training	-
4	Physical and Financial targets (Last year)	-
5	Eligibility for training	-
6	Pre – requisite for training (if any)	-
7	Description of help (Mention the amount of	-
	Financial help, if any)	
8	Procedure of giving help	-
9	Contact information for applying	-
10	Application fee (where applicable)	-
11	Other fees (where applicable	-
12	Application form (Incase the application is made	-
	on plain paper please mention the details which the	
	applicant has to provide)	
13	List of enclosures / documents	-
14	Format of enclosures / documents	-
15	Procedure of application	-
16	Process followed in the Public Authority after	-
	the	
	receipt of application	
17	Normal time taken for issuance of certificate	-
18	Validity period of certificate (If applicable)	-
19	Process of renewal (if any)	-
20	Selection procedure	-
21	Time table of training programme (in case available)	-
22	Process to inform the trainee about the training procedure	-
23	Arrangement made by the public authority for creating public awareness about the training programme	-
24	List of beneficiary of the training programme at various levels like district level, block level	-
	etc.	