

GRIHA AADHAR SCHEME

The objective of the scheme is to address the problem of spiraling prices and to provide support to the housewives/homemakers from middle, lower middle and poor section of the society, to maintain a reasonable standard of living for their families. Under this scheme a monthly disbursement of an amount of Rs. 1500/- will be provided every month directly at the hands of the housewives/homemakers to achieve the objective.

Approach:

Directorate of Women and Child Development, Form Available at Rs. 10/-

Eligibility and other conditions : -

Any married woman above the age of 18 years, who fulfills all of the following conditions, is eligible to apply:

- (i) She should be a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; and
- (ii) The gross income of the husband and wife, taken together should not exceed Rs.3, 00, 000/- per annum.

Note 1: The term 'married woman' includes a widow and a divorcee. In such cases the gross income of the beneficiary should not exceed 1, 50,000/- per annum.

Note 2: The term 'gross income', means the income receivable by the beneficiary as salary, any sort of remuneration, any sort of earnings from profession, agriculture or business or any other income from any other sources; before computing any other amount accounted towards statutory, essential and other deductions required to be done from the gross income.

Provided, that the beneficiary or the husband should not be in receipt of the benefit under the Dayanand Social Security Scheme (DSSS) of the Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa. However, a widow having a child living shall be eligible for benefit under this scheme, even though she is a beneficiary of the DSSS till the child attains 18 years of age.

Financial Assistance : -

The beneficiary under the scheme shall be paid an amount of Rs. 1,500/- per month, as financial assistance.

Application procedure : -

The eligible beneficiary shall apply to the Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji - Goa in the prescribed form (*Annexure - A*), complete in all respects with the self-certified copies of the following documents:

- (i) Aadhar Card,
- (ii) Marriage Certificate.
- (iii) Proof of present residential address (which may include a ration card; Election Photo Identity Card (EPIC), or any such document which establishes the present address);
- (iv) 15 years Residence Certificate.
- (v) Income Certificate issued by the Competent Authority, which may also include Salary Certificate / Income Certificate.
- (vi) Attested copy of savings bank account pass book (with IFSC and MICR details); and
- (vii) Birth certificate of the child along with life certificate (in case of widow who is DSSS beneficiary)

(a) The applications shall be scrutinized and sanction will be issued by the Director of Women and Child Development the Director of Women and Child Development shall establish facilitation centers in the taluka level offices for processing the application forms. A maximum number of upto 15000 applications shall be sanctioned in a calendar month.

(b) The financial assistance of Rs.1500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred only) shall be paid every month directly into the savings bank account of the eligible beneficiary by ECS facility subject to other conditions.

Other conditions : -

a) The beneficiary shall submit a life certificate every year only in that respective month in which she was sanctioned /started receiving the disbursement/monthly installment under the Griha Aadhar Scheme in the prescribed form at such place identified by the department for the purpose. (Annexure B). In case of a widow who is a DSSS beneficiary and having a child, the beneficiary shall also submit additionally a life certificate in respect of such child every year in that respective month in which she was sanctioned/started receiving the disbursement/monthly installment.

b) The beneficiary shall submit fresh Income Certificate after duration of three years if the gross annual income is less than Rs.2, 50,000/- In case the gross annual income exceeds Rs. 2,50,000/- the beneficiary should submit a fresh Income Certificate every year in the month of October. In the event, the beneficiary fails to file the Life Certificate as prescribed; the monthly financial assistance sanctioned shall be stopped forthwith. On receipt of the Life Certificate, and subject to the fulfillment of other conditions, prescribed from time to time, the monthly financial assistance shall be resumed prospectively from the next month from the date of receipt of the Life Certificate. In case the benefits under the scheme are availed by the beneficiary based on wrong/false information or declaration, an action to prosecute shall be initiated and person shall be debarred from getting the benefits under any other schemes of the Government.

As per the Life Certificate stated in this clauses shall be signed by any Gazetted officer or MLA or MP or Bank Officer/Manager of the Bank where the beneficiary holds her account and receives her benefits.

Further, in case of elected representatives, MLA/ MP they may also issue a common Life Certificate.