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. 1200/- (upto 31/08/2016) and Rs. 1500/- (w.e.f. 01/09/2016) 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. 50/-

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, oo, ooo/- 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 Rs. 3,00,000/- 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 application shall be enclosed with the following documents:

- 1. Self attested copy of Marriage certificate issued by the competent authority;
- 2. Self attested copy of 15 years Residence Certificate issued by Taluka Mamlatdar;
- Proof of present residential address (includes Election Photo Identity Card –EPIC or any such document which establishes the present address.);
- 4. Attested copy of Birth certificate alongwith one year residence certificate of the applicant and Birth certificate alongwith 15 years Residence certificate of her husband (in case of applicant who is originally native from outside the State and has married to a person of Goan origin)
- 5. Attested copy of Aadhar card;
- 6. Income Certificate issued by the Competent authority (i.e. Secretary, Village Panchayat/ Chief Officer, Municipal Council);
- 7. Attested copy of savings bank account pass book with IFSC & MICR details (The bank account submitted should be preferably Aadhar linked for DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) purpose.), and;
- 8. Birth certificate of the child along with life certificates as in Annexure B (in case of widow who is a 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 ABPS (Aadhar Bridge Payment System)/ ACH (Automated Credit House)/ NEFT (National Electronic Fund Transfer) subject to other conditions.

Other conditions : -

- (a) The beneficiary shall submit a life certificate alongwith an income certificate issued by the **Competent authority** (i.e. Secretary, **Village Panchayat/ Chief Officer, Municipal Council**) every year, only in that respective month in which she was sanctioned the benefits 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 the benefits under the Griha Aadhar Scheme the Griha Aadhar Scheme. The period/month of submission prescribed herein above will be extended upto a maximum of one month.
- (b) The Life Certificate stated in this clause shall be signed by any Gazetted Officer or MLA or MP in the Format at Annexure-B.
- (c) In the event, the beneficiary fails to file the Life Certificate alongwith Income Certificate as prescribed; the monthly financial assistance

sanctioned shall be stopped forthwith. On receipt of the Life Certificate and Income 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 and Income Certificate.

- (d) In case of non-withdrawal of financial assistance received by the beneficiary under the scheme for a continuous period of 6 months and above, then the accumulated amount shall be reversed in the form of Demand Draft in favour of Director, Directorate of Women & Child Development by the concerned bank.
- (e) 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.