2. 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;
- 3. 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 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.

GRIHA AADHAR SCHEME

In exercise of the powers conferred under clause 7 of Griha Aadhar Scheme notified vide Notification No. 2-280-SL-2012-DW&CD/4291 dated 01-10-2012 and published in the Official Gazette No. 27, Series I, dated 04-10-2012, the Government hereby further amends and publishes the said Scheme as under:-

Objective of the 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 as prescribed under the scheme will be provided every month directly at the hands of the housewives/homemakers to achieve the objective.

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (a) This scheme shall be called "Griha Aadhar Scheme".
- (b) This amended scheme shall replace the existing scheme and come into force with immediate effect.
- 2. Eligibility and other conditions.— Any married woman above the age of 18 years, who fulfils all of the following conditions is eligible to apply:
 - (a) She should be a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; and
 - (b) The gross income of the husband and wife, taken together should not exceed Rs. 3,00,000/- per annum.
 - (c) This scheme shall not be applicable to those married woman who or whose husband is employed in any of the following entities on regular basis (contract/daily wages are excluded)
 - (i) Government of Goa or its' Corporation or Autonomous organization funded by State Government.
 - (ii) Government of India or any other State Government or its Corporations/ Autonomous bodies.

- (iii) Scheduled Banks but excluding Co-operative banks (subject to actual income in case of Co-operative Banks).
- (d) The married woman or her husband shall not be in receipt of benefit under the Dayanand Social Security Scheme (DSSS) rolled out by Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa. Notwithstanding this proviso, widow with minor child who is in receipt of benefit under the Dayanand Social Security Scheme (DSSS) rolled out by Directorate of Social Welfare, Government of Goa shall be eligible for benefit under this scheme. On completion of 18 years of the child, she shall be entitled to receive the benefits of any one of the above schemes.

Note 1: The term 'married woman' includes a widow and a divorcee. In such cases also 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.

- 3. Financial Assistance.— The beneficiary under the scheme shall be paid an amount of Rs. 1,500/- per month, as financial assistance w.e.f. payment of September, 2016.
- 4. Application procedure.— (a) 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 issued by the competent authority. In case of non-availability of Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate of the child indicating the name of the beneficiary as the mother may be considered. All such cases shall be referred to the Committee constituted in terms of clause 6 (a) for decision. However, Marriage

Certificate shall be an essential document in case of beneficiaries who are getting married, on or after the date, this scheme comes into force. In such cases, alternate documents as indicated above shall not be accepted and no relaxation shall be granted. Such cases shall not be referred to the Committee and the application shall be rejected.

- (iii) Proof of present residential address (which may include Election Photo Identity Card (EPIC), or any such document which establishes the present address);
- (iv) 15 years Residence Certificate issued by Mamlatdar of the Taluka concerned. Provided that in case of a married women who is originally native from outside the State and has married to a person of Goan origin residing in Goa for at least 15 years provided they are settled in Goa for a period of one year, along with her birth certificate as a proof that she is native of outside Goa, birth certificate and 15 years Residence Certificate of her husband.
- (v) Income Certificate issued by the Competent authority (i.e. Secretary, Village Panchayat/Chief Officer, Municipal Council). Alongwith this applicant should submit a self-declaration in form duly certified and attested before a Gazetted Officer of the State Government, declaring therein that the annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 3,00,000/- and also that the applicant or her husband is not employed in any of the entities on regular basis as mentioned in Clause 2. (c). This self-declaration need not be notarized.
- (vi) Self attested copy of savings bank account pass book (with IFSC and MICR details). The bank account submitted should be preferably Aadhar linked for DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) purpose.
- (vii) Birth certificate of the child along with life certificate (in case of widow who is DSSS beneficiary).
- (b) 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 centres in the taluka level offices for processing the application forms.
- (c) From September, 2016, 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.
- (d) The total net quota of number of cases under the scheme that can be sanctioned is capped at 152000 Nos.
- 5. 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 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.
- 6. Power to remove difficulties.— (a) For the purpose of removal of any difficulties in the implementation of the Scheme, there shall be a four member committee consisting of the following:
 - (i) Secretary (Women and Child Development) as Chairperson;
 - (ii) One Social Worker to be appointed by the Government as Member;
 - (iii) Additional/Joint Secretary (Finance) as Member; and
 - (iv) Director of Women and Child Development as Member Secretary.
 - (b) The decision of the Committee shall be final and binding on all concerned.
- 7. Power to relax.— The Government shall have the power to amend, modify and cancel any part or whole of the scheme at any time.

This notification is issued with the approval of the Government vide U.O. No. 307/F dated 14-10-2020.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Umeshchandra Joshi, Director & ex officio Joint Secretary (Women & Child Development). Panaji, 14th October, 2020.

Price Rs. 50/- Serial No.

ANNEXURE - A

Application form for Financial Assistance under Griha Aadhar Scheme

To, The Director, Women and Child Development, Government of Goa, Panaji–Goa. Applicant's photo to be attested by any Gazetted Officer or MLA or MP.

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1.	Name of the applicant (in full)	:			
				(Surname)	(Name) (Middle Name)
2.	Date of Birth (age)	:			
3.	Residential address(in full) (Please attach proof)	:			
	House No.	:			
	Street/Road/Building name	:			