

GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT-B

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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP)

For the implementation of the  
“*Mukhya Mantri Vidhwa Evam Ekal Nari Awas Yojna-2023*”.

The Government of Himachal Pradesh, Department of Social Justice & Empowerment is one of the important department, which caters to welfare and need of the most un-privileged / marginalized sections of the societies in the State viz. old aged, Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities, Specially abled (*Divyanjan*), drug addicts, women, children and transgender etc.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister in his maiden Budget Speech of 2023-24 has shown his commitment to the welfare of the most needy and un-privileged section of the society viz *vidhwa* and *Ekal Naris* of the State by announcing a new scheme namely “*Mukhya Mantri Vidhwa Evam Ekal Nari Awas Yojna*” in which all the eligible widows and *Ekal Naris* will be provided a sum of Rs. 1.50 Lakhs for the construction of the their dwelling house. The Hon'ble CMM has approved the scheme 'in-principal' with 3 lakhs income limit and age of *Ekal Naris* as 40 years only.

For the effective implementation of the said scheme, following SOP shall be followed :-

1. The interested applicant (s) shall submit the application to/in the office of the Chief Minister, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The application (s) so received in the office of the Chief Minister will be scrutinized and thereafter, it will be forwarded to the respective Deputy Commissioner (s) of the Districts.
3. It is the responsibility of the respective Deputy Commissioner (s) of the Districts or Additional Deputy Commissioner, Spiti / Resident Commissioner, Pangti and Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bharmaur to scrutinized the

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application (s) further through the office of the respective District Welfare Officers or Tehsil Welfare Officers of the Sub-Divisions of Spiti, Pangi, Bharmaur as per the provisions of the scheme and further subject to the condition (s) that:-

- a. *Income limit for availing the benefit under the scheme shall be Rs. 3.00 lakhs rupees per annum.*
  - b. *In case if age relaxation is required then Chief Minister will be empowered to relax the age.*
  - c. *If Govt. has provided the land to the applicant to construct the house then after her death it will be Govt. property.*
  - d. *If the house is constructed by the applicant on her own land then she cannot sale the house till 25 years.*
4. After due completion of the all the formalities, which are mandatorily required as per the provisions of the scheme, respective Deputy Commissioner (s) of the Districts, Resident Commissioner, Pangi, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Spiti and Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bharmaur, as the case may be, will recommend the case to the office of the Chief Minister, Himachal Pradesh.
  5. In case, applicant (s) has been found ineligible to get benefit under the scheme, same may also be communicated to the office of the Chief Minister for information.
  6. After receipt of the duly recommended application (s)/case (s) in the office of the Chief Minister, same will be scrutinized further and proposal / case, subject to the availability of the budget under the relevant head, will be submitted to the Hon'ble Chief Minister for the final approval by the Chief Minister's office.

7. After the approval of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, sanction is conveyed to Director, Empowerment of SCs, OBCs, Minorities and Specially Abled, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-9 for disbursement of the sanctioned amount to the concerned applicant under intimation to the office of the Chief Minister and applicant.
8. The Director, Empowerment of SCs, OBCs, Minorities and Specially Abled, Himachal Pradesh will be responsible for keeping records of the all such transactions.

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