

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM PANCHAYAT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (B) DEPARTMENT DISPUR::GUWAHATI-6

ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR OF ASSAM NOTIFICATION

No.E-393450/DFA/362386

Dated Dispur, 17-10-2023

Whereas, a number of discrepancies and irregularies in the allocation and construction of houses under the PMAY-G (Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Gramin) were found during the service period of Smti. Majushri Ghosh, Manikpur Development Block, Bongaigaon.

Whereas, it was found that the beneficiaries of PMAY-G already had Pucca Houses on the same property, which raises question on the necessity of providing additional housing under the PMAY-G.

Whereas, it was found that in many houses, marked as 'completed' in the AwaasSoft portal, were physically found to be incomplete during field enquiries, which includes missing doors and windows, indicating that the completeness of construction did not meet the program's requirements for marking completion on the AwaasSoft portal.

Whereas, instances were found where multiple members of the same family received separate PMAY-G houses, raising concerns about equitable resource distribution and if these families genuinely required multiple houses.

Whereas, Job card-related issues, such as incomplete or missing job cards, discrepancies in payments, and issues related to the issuance of job cards, were identified in certain cases. This suggests potential irregularities in the maintenance of job cards and the payment process.

Whereas, no completed houses are displayed the PMAY-G logo, which indicates non-compliance with programme requirements.

Whereas, some beneficiaries proceeded with construction beyond the plinth level, even though not all installments had been released. This indicates that timely inspections were not conducted even after several months had passed since the release of the first installment.

Whereas, despite apparent separations within families, it was noticed that multiple family members continued to share kitchens or live in close proximity in Pucca houses, suggesting irregularities in the scrutiny of family arrangements and eligibility.

Whereas, some beneficiaries raised concerns, including allegations of solicitation for money and the collection of personal information.

Whereas, the above facts highlights various serious issues and discrepancies in the implementation of the PMAY-G programme and reveals that the program's objectives of providing safe and adequate housing to eligible beneficiaries are not met effectively and transparently.

Whereas, considering the report of the Enquiry team, the Disciplinary Authority in Panchayat & Rural Development Department has held that Smti Majushri Ghosh, Block Development Officer, Manikpur Development Block, Bongaigaon be placed under suspension as per provision of Rule 6(1) of the Assam Service (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1964, pending drawal of departmental proceeding against her.

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Accordingly, pending drawal of departmental proceeding, the Governor of Assam is pleased to place Smti. Manjushri Ghosh, Block Development Officer, Manikpur Development Block, Bongaigaon under suspension as per provision of Rule 6(1) of the Assam Service (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1964 with immediate effect.

The Officer (under suspension) shall be allowed subsistence allowance as per rules.

The Officer (under suspension) shall not leave headquarter without prior permission of the competent authority.

Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Panchayat & Rural Development Department

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- 1. The Accountant General (A&E), Assam, Maidamgaon, Beltola, Guwahati 29.
- 2. The Commissioner, Panchayat and Rural Development, Assam, Juripar, Panjabari, Guwahati 37.
- 3. The District Commissioner, Bongaigaon for favour of information and necessary action..
- 4. The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Bongaigaon for favour of information and necessary action.
- 5. The Treasury Officer, Manikpur Sub-Treasury.
- 6. OSD to the Hon'ble Minister, P&RD, Assam, Dispur.
- 7. P.A. to Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, P&RD Deptt., Dispur.
- 8. Smti. Manjushri Ghosh, Block Development Officer (Under Suspension), Manikpur Development Block, Bongaigaon.
- 9. Departmental website.

By order etc.,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Panchayat and Rural Development Department