

Raman launches Atal Vihaar Yojana



Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Raman Singh inaugurating the Atal Vihaar Yojana along with PWD Minister Rajesh Munat and other dignitaries.

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CHIEF Minister Dr Raman Singh today performed 'Ground Breaking Ceremony' for the ambitious Atal Vihar Yojana that aims to provide affordable and quality housing to more than 1 lakh families from under-privileged backgrounds.

This is one of the biggest housing projects being undertaken by any State Government where the houses will be built in urban, semi-urban and rural areas and basic amenities like clean drinking water, electricity, school, health centers, parks and roads would be provided in addition to the houses.

This housing project will be completed in the next three years by the

Chhattisgarh Housing Board and 85 per cent of the houses would be reserved for lower and weaker income group families.

State Government would also be providing Rs 240 crore by way of grants to the selected beneficiaries of the housing project.

The grand function was presided over by the Housing and Environment Minister Rajesh Munat.

Chhattisgarh Housing Board Chairman Subhash Rao and Commissioner Sonmani Borah informed that governmental grants will also be provided to families of lower and weaker economic sections. The families earning less than Rs 1,20,000 annually would be considered low income where as those with yearly income less than Rs 60,000 would be

considered weak income group. The selected beneficiaries would be given grants of Rs 40,000 and Rs 80,000 for being from low and weak income groups respectively.

Among other eminent guests who were present on the occasion were Vice President of 20 Point Implementation Committee Khoobchand Parekh, President of Pathya Pustak Nigam Ashok Sharma, President of Corporation Leelaram Bhojwani, Mayor Naresh Dakliya, President of District panchayat Dinesh Gandhi, Parliamentary Secretary Komal Janghel, MLA Dukharam Sahu, Ramji Bharti, Ex MLA Vinod Khadekar, President of State Treasury Santosh Agrawal, President of District Co-operative Bank Shashikant Dwivedi and many others.