The 38th meeting of Central Sanctioning & Monitoring Committee (CSMC) was held on 26th September 2018 which was chaired by Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. CSMC considered and accepted a total of 1,294 projects from 11 States under ISSR, AHP and BLC (New & Enhancement) verticals of PMAY (U). It involved projects for construction of 6.28 lakh houses with a total investment of Rs 26,157.5 cr which includes central assistance of Rs 9,433.6 cr. The States/UTs that participated in the CSMC meeting were Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Odisha, Tamilnadu, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh. Uttar Pradesh came with the largest share of project proposals of 2.34 lakh houses.

Considering the extraordinary situation due to heavy flood in Kerala, the Ministry has decided to release Rs. 486.87 Cr for first and second instalments together by relaxing norm in the sanctioned projects under PMAY (U). The Ministry has further advised the Government of Kerala that they may submit project proposals as soon as possible for construction of houses under PMAY (U). These would include flood affected persons/ households who are eligible under PMAY (U).
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**Bhimrao Atmaj Ramkrishna, Chhattisgarh**

Sh. Bhimrao, a rickshaw puller, suffering from leprosy was living in a kutcha house in Asha Nagar Colony in Rajnand Gaon ULB, Chhattisgarh. He wanted to live in a pucca house but due to his disease and financial limitations, he was unable to fulfil his dream. Today, he expresses his gratitude to the State and Centre, as through PMAY (U), he is able to live in his own pucca house.

**Basant Bai, Chhattisgarh**

Smt. Basant Bai is very poor and earns her living by feeding cattles. She could barely earn a meal and was living in a kutcha house. She never thought of living in a pucca house. Today, she is witnessing her kutcha house transforming into a pucca house. She expresses her gratitude to Governments for this transformation in her life which she describes as miraculous.

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