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## From Uncertainty to Security

### How PMAY-G Transformed Nondo's Life!

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In the small village of 'Rotlang W' in Mizoram,' Nondo's family faced a constant battle for survival. As a daily wage laborer, Nondo worked tirelessly to feed his wife and five children. Yet, no amount of effort could change the harsh reality of their living conditions. Their dilapidated kutcha house, with its leaky roof and crumbling walls, offered little protection against the elements.

During the monsoons, water seeped through the roof, soaking their clothes and bedding. Winters were unbearably cold, with biting winds finding their way through the fragile structure. The family's health and peace of mind suffered with every cold night made us worry if our house would hold up.

Relief came in 2017 when Nondo's name appeared on the beneficiary list of the **Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana – Grameen (PMAY-G)**. The scheme, designed to provide pucca houses for vulnerable rural families, offered Nondo the opportunity to build a secure home. With financial assistance and support from local officials, construction of his house began.



Lunglei District, Mizoram

By the end of the year, the family moved into their new home. It was a simple and sturdy structure, built to withstand harsh weather and provide a safe haven for the family. **The new house brought a profound sense of security to Nondo's family.** No longer did they worry about rainwater flooding their home or chilly winds making their children sick. Their pucca house stood firm against the elements, offering warmth and stability. The newfound security also gave Nondo a sense of pride and belonging. For the first time, his family could welcome guests into their home without embarrassment or fear of judgment.

Nondo's story is a testament to the transformative power of **PMAY-G**, launched in 2016 by the Government of India to fulfil the vision of **"Housing for All."** The scheme focuses on providing pucca houses with essential amenities to rural families living in kutcha houses or without a home. The key features of PMAY-G include providing financial assistance for constructing houses with a minimum size of 25 square meters. The scheme prioritizes vulnerable groups such as houseless families, households without literate adults, and those reliant on casual labour for income. Special emphasis is placed on supporting marginalized communities, including Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and other disadvantaged sections of society.

Through such targeted measures, the program **ensures that the most deserving households, like Nondo's, benefit first.**

Today, Nondo and his family live with peace of mind, no longer burdened by the fear of homelessness or the harshness of nature. Their pucca house is more than a shelter; **it is a symbol of hope, resilience, and progress.**

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