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Government Housing Crisis in Kuwait: Causes and Solutions

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Abstract

The government housing crisis in Kuwait is a matter of great public and governmental concern, given its influential relationship to the lives of about half of Kuwait's 1.3 million male and female citizens. This study aims to: 1) identify the size of the government housing crisis in Kuwait, 2) identify the factors that led to the accumulation of citizens' requests for government housing, and 3) monitor the reasons that led to the inability of government concerned agencies to meet the requests of government housing within the time limits set forth in the laws governing government housing in Kuwait, and 4) propose some possible solutions to address the government housing crisis in Kuwait. In this study, the inductive and deductive approaches were used to diagnose the different elements of this problem and the factors that aggravated it to the point of transferring it from the level of service to crisis level.

This study is concluded with ten possible solutions to solve the government housing crisis in Kuwait. Those solutions include : 1) redefine a clear concept of government housing care, 2) allocate the appropriate funds, 3) increase the area of land suitable for construction of new housing projects, 4) involve the private sector in solving the housing crisis, 5) increase coordination between government institutions related to housing, 6) adapt vertical construction as one possible solution to the housing crisis, and 7) reorganize the interior design of government housing to suit the requirements of vertical construction, 8) accelerate the implementation of idle or slow-moving housing projects, 9) reassess the actual housing needs and desires of Kuwaiti families, 10) re-plan the existing urban area.