Bridging the Gap between Housing Demand and Housing Supply in Nigerian Urban Centres: A Review of Government Intervention So Far

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Abstract:
Among the three basic necessities of man, housing plays an important role. It has an implication on the mental, psychological and social wellbeing of man. Review of many scholars work on housing revealed that both the public and private sectors have contributed in various ways for the purpose of meeting ever increasing housing demand in Nigerian urban cities. However, upon the involvement of these sectors, the problems of housing provision in meeting the housing demand remains the same. This calls for urgent attention and viable strategies. This study aims at exploring review and appraisal of extensive literatures through which the challenges associated with housing provision and demand as well as solutions proffered so far would be identified. This will therefore serve as the basis for further study on housing research for the purpose of bridging the gap in between the housing demand and housing provision in Nigeria urban cities.

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