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Errata

Page 10, Paragraph 2, last line: The figure should read 1.6 million and not 6 million.

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Abstract:

This report is an appraisal of development and operations of housing co-operatives in Kenya. The study reviews and analyses the institutional as well as the socio-economic background within which Kenyan housing co-operatives are developing. Using three case study housing co-operatives and recorded data on groups which are registered or in the process of registering as housing co-operatives, the study identifies and discusses major problems and possible achievements of co-operatives in housing development. Various recommendations for improvement of co-operative housing development in the country are given. The report concludes that development of housing co-operatives in Kenya - and especially in urban Kenya must not only be looked at as a means of mobilizing local finance and labour for housing development, but also as an acceptable and legal means through which low-income groups can channel and meet their claims for land and housing finance.

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