





KGID Green Growth:
The Path to
Sustainable Jobs

# WBG Joint Affordable Housing Program (J-AHoP)

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### VALUE PROPOSITION: WBG HAS A COMPREHENSIVE OFFERING ACROSS THE HOUSING VALUE CHAIN



### **URL (Urban, Resilience and Land)**

Develops programs to help client countries tackle affordable housing supply challenges

### FCI (Financial Competitiveness & Investment)

Works with governments and private sector to improve financial stability, access to finance and risk management

Access to land

City **Planning** and building regulations

Infrastructure and services

**Development** and Building **Materials** 

**Smart Incentives** 

Developer finance

**End-user** finance



**IFC Cities, Infrastructure,** and PPPs (Public, Private **Partnerships**)

Contractual arrangement between public and private entity through which construction, and/or financing risks are assumed by private entity.

**IFC MAS** (Manufacturing, Agriculture & Services)

**IFC CAE (Country Advisory & Economics**)

Works with national & local governments on targeted incentives

**IFC TRP** (Tourism, Retail & Properties)

Works with developers and Works with financial institutions building materials manufacturers to grow housing supply

**IFC FIG (Financial Institutions** Group)

and non-banking financial institutions to grow and deepen housing finance solutions

## **WB/IFC Climate Business**

### THE JOINT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM (J-AHOP)

### What is J-AHoP?

- J-AHoP is a coordination mechanism that creates a unique opportunity to collaborate and create synergies on housing activities to address both the housing supply and demand side.
- Through this joint housing program (J-AHoP), **WBG can work as "one" to further innovate and develop a more tailor-made offering**, develop distinct public & private sector global housing scalable solutions to achieve higher impact and SDGs.
- J-AHoP brings additional new resources needed to help strategically scale WBG efforts across the AH value chain with the goal to further grow the WBG housing portfolio.
- J-AHoP is a means to implement the WBG housing strategy by creating incentives for joint work (diagnostic, TA, investments), and to identify scalable solutions across sectors/regions, with the intent to help fundraise donor funds (blended finance).
- J-AHoP is governed by the **WBG Housing Steering Committee (HSC)** jointly chaired by Directors represented by IBRD (URL&FCI), and IFC (FIG, TRP and CBD).
- **Geographic focus:** 30% in IDA/FCS countries. J-AHoP is a global program but will focus initially on 3 priority countries; India, Kenya and the Philippines, with other countries being identified periodically by the Housing Steering Committee.

### What problem are we trying to solve for/What is the opportunity?

- Increasing demand for Housing: Gap keeps growing in EMDEs to adversely impact 1.6 billion people by 2025.
- **Green AH carries huge SDGs potential:** the theme was proposed as a joint WB-IFC GCP as this sector is effective to reach replicability, scalability, poverty alleviation, economic growth, job creation, PCF, and climate gains.
- Expertise & convening power in WBG, yet we remains operationally fragmented, not unlocking for increased impact.
- Significant level of WBG transactions (US\$7.5bn of financing over the last 5yrs) but there is significant need to scale up.
- J-AHoP is one of the means to achieve the approved WBG housing strategy.



### WHY & WHAT: J-AHOP TO ENHANCE COORDINATION AND SCALE UP

### **Issues**

Insufficient WBG operational coordination although critical across the overall value chain: both demand and supply sides, sequenced TA, IFC demonstration transactions, IBRD lending to support policy reforms. This cooperation does not happen spontaneously w/o incentives (i.e. J-CAP).

**Insufficient scaling up and replication**, need systematic mobilization of private capital (long-term local currency).

Lack of resources/funding (to finance intensive TA, and to tap into blended finance for IFC).

Feedback loop missing to get the biggest "Bang for our Buck"

### **Proposed Solutions**

J-AHoP proposed as a IBRD & IFC coordination enabling operational mechanism to:

- Create incentives for joint work (diagnostic, action plan, TA, transactions) and monitor the coordination
- Flag needs to ensure implementation/course correction
- Identify scalable affordable and green solutions across sectors/regions
- Fundraise (WBG pool of donor funding)

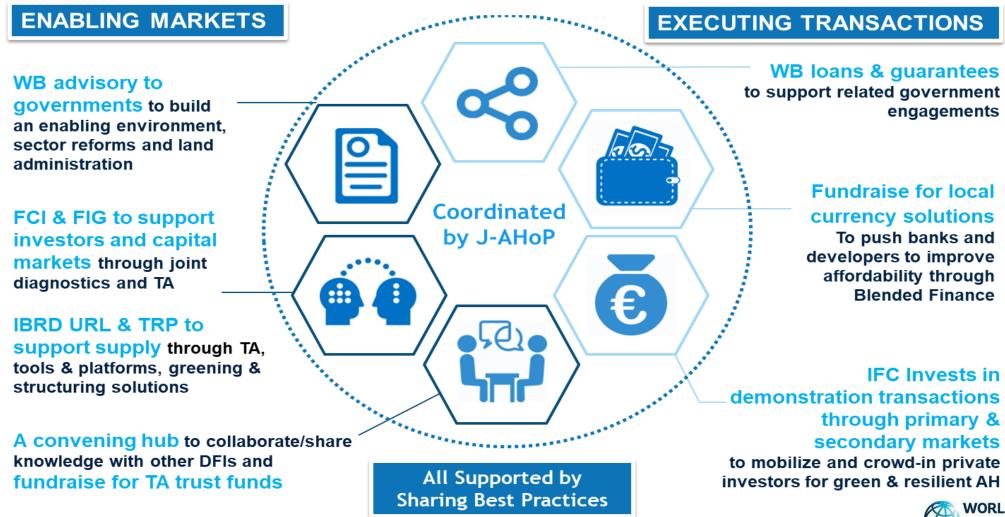
Concentrate on few priority countries to successfully test the cooperation model (for 12-18 months before further expansion) focusing on all aspects of the Housing value chain.

Note: each unit remains autonomous and accountable for its respective contributions and may work in other countries.



# J-AHOP APPROACH: WBG TEAMS TO HAVE A COORDINATED APPROACH LINKING ADVISORY & INVESTMENT INTERVENTIONS

J-AHoP Approach: Well defined set of interventions combining advisory/ knowledge programs and private investments to address housing gaps



# WHERE: WBG HOUSING PRIORITY COUNTRIES TO IDENTIFY BIGGEST OPPORTUNITIES TO SCALE AND REPLICATE

**India** and **Kenya** are the initial two priority countries where IBRD & IFC are collaborating. Cote d'Ivoire was added in June 2025 as the 3<sup>rd</sup> priority country. Mobilized J-AHoP funds will expand the joint work **to more countries** to be selected by the HSC in coordination with regional priorities from below list.

#### **Countries selection criteria:**

- 1. Assessing market demand and addressing significant housing finance needs for increased impact.
- 2. Reviewing existing & planned engagements, prioritization & sequencing.
- 3. Existing or overlapping engagements across WBG where further collaboration to move the needle.
- 4. Replicability and opportunity to achieve scale and where the enabling environment is favorable.

# WBG priority countries:

- 1. India
- 2. Kenya
- 3. Cote d'Ivoire

**URL Pakistan Angola** Bangladesh **FCI** FIG South Af **Egypt Mexico** Peru **TRP** Peru

Housing priority countries is not the entire universe. The WBG continues to be active in housing globally, the HSC will keep updating the list of countries periodically with high potential for scalability.

Beyond the 2 priority countries, each entity (FIG, TRP, FCI & URL) has additional countries of focus. Those in orange represent priority countries that have an overlap, while those in blue have no overlap (i.e. Egypt FCI, Angola & Pakistan URL, Mexicolar (IFC). The priority country list is dynamic, and some countries should move between categories, added or removed (depending on market conditions and donor funding).



### J-AHoP LESSONS LEARNED & EXPECTED OUTCOMES

What began as an intended collaboration and knowledge-sharing mechanism for housing evolved into a catalyst or precursor for change across the WBG, which is aligned with the reforms now underway.

#### **Lessons Learned to date**

- 1. Collaboration is essential to working across sectors to capitalize on extensive expertise and improve coordination to scale impact in the housing sector.
- 2. Focused approach & alignment: Concentrating on few priority countries to test the cooperation model and establishing a shared understanding of stakeholders' goals ensures alignment and efficient resource allocation.
- 3. Country-specific joint missions with regional teams to think collectively about the most pertinent issues facing the housing sector to develop tailor-made supply / demand solutions in each priority country.
- 4. Country level partnerships in housing priority countries with national stakeholders and & Government Readiness to implement structural changes are crucial for overcoming housing challenges.

### **Expected Outcomes**

- **1. Housing infrastructure**: Implement a Housing infrastructure delivery framework in Kenya
- 2. Developer Financing and Capacity: Support the creation of strategic supply side Fund in India and providing advisory to build developers capacity in Kenya & Cote d'Ivoire.
- 3. Sustainability Integration: incorporate Green & resilient hosing measures in India's Gov. policy and create Green Building Market Readiness for increased investment in green affordable housing in Kenya.
- 4. Identify scalable/replicable innovative solutions: Consider affordable housing financing solutions beyond Mortgages (e.g. Pilot Rent-to-Own Model in Kenya and Cote d'Ivoire.



### J-AHoP LEVERAGING IFC'S GREEN BUILDING SOLUTIONS



IFC's Green Building certification system, Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiency (EDGE) software and certification system is uniquely designed for emerging markets to identify cost-effective options for designing green.

- IFC has to date committed >US\$20 billion in green building investment
- To date, EDGE has certified more than 126m m2 of buildings. EDGE is offered in more than 122 countries
- >2.8m tonnes of CO2 reduced every year From the EDGE buildings

Free software, achievable standards and verified green label. Provides instantaneous feedback on green options.

### **EDGE Focuses on Three Categories of Resource Efficiency**



#### There are three Levels of EDGE Certification

**LEVEL 1: EDGE Certified** - **20%** or more savings in energy, water, and embodied energy in materials.

**LEVEL 2: EDGE Advanced** – EDGE certified with **40%** or more on-site energy savings.

LEVEL 3: Zero Carbon – EDGE Advanced with 100% renewables or purchased carbon offsets.



**THANK YOU** 

Q&A

