Hon’ble Minister released ARHCs Knowledge Pack and launched Web portals of NAREDCO & CREDAI

Shri Hardeep S. Puri, Hon’ble Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) released an ARHCs Knowledge Pack (AKP) on July 31, 2020 through a webinar. Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, MoHUA presided over the proceedings of the event which was attended by senior officials of MoHUA, State/UT Governments and representatives of NAREDCO, CREDAI, FICCI, CII and ASSOCHAM connected through webinar.

Hon’ble Minister also launched a mobile application ‘CREDAI Awaas App’ and an e-Commerce Portal ‘NAREDCO - Housing For All’. These platforms will serve as gateway for home buyers from around the world to connect with developers and choose their dream homes from RERA registered projects. The event was widely covered by UMANG, PIB India, Digital India, and MyGov through their social media platforms and Live streaming.

ARHCs Knowledge Pack includes: Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) to be signed with States/UTs, Operational Guidelines of ARHCs, Model Request for Proposal (RFP) for selection of Concessionaire by States/UTs/ULBs under Model-1, Expression of Interest (EOI) for shortlisting of Entities under Model-2 and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

ARHCs Knowledge Pack has been devised to facilitate all stakeholders in implementing ARHCs. A continued cooperation in successful implementation of this Scheme will not only benefit urban migrants/poor in need but also accelerate entrepreneurship and investment in rental housing sector and give boost to the economy. The scheme will be a win-win for all.
Message from JS&MD (HFA)
Shri Amrit Abhijat

The journey of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) has been one of 'onwards and upwards' trajectory. Notwithstanding the various ways in which the current COVID-19 pandemic has had a restraining effect for the Governance ecosystems of the world, the importance the Government of India attaches to the vision of 'Housing for All' by 2022 is notable. Government is taking various steps to face the challenges and threats posed by the pandemic. Hon'ble Prime Minister has given a deterministic call for 'AatmaNirbhar Bharat' and laid the roadmap for making Self-Reliant India.

In July, Union Cabinet approved Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) as a sub scheme under PMAY (U) to provide ease of living to urban migrants/poor. Following this, towards ensuring that benefits of ARHCs percolate at the level of beneficiaries living under each and every Municipal body of the country, an ARHCs Knowledge Pack (AKP) was released on 31st July, 2020 by Shri Hardeep S. Puri, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).

Series of consultations with Central Ministries/ Departments, States/UTs and other Public/ Private stakeholders have gone into framing AKP with an objective to provide support to stakeholders in effectively implementing ARHCs. The AKP includes, Memorandum of Agreement to be signed with States/ UTs, Operational Guidelines, Model Request for Proposal for selection of Concessionaire by States/UTs/ULBs under Model-1 of ARHCs, Expression of Interest for shortlisting of Entities under Model-2 of ARHCs and Frequently Asked Questions.

We look forward to continued cooperation among all stakeholders for successful implementation of this Scheme. This will not only benefit urban migrants/poor in need but also induce entrepreneurship and investment in rental housing sector and give boost to the economy.

Central Sanctioning & Monitoring Committee (CSMC) Meeting

The 51st Meeting of the Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee (CSMC) was held under the chairmanship of Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, MoHUA on 7th August, 2020 in New Delhi. The Meeting was attended by of 19 senior official States/UTs through webinar.

Total 1589 proposals from participating States/UTs were approved for the construction of nearly 10.28 Lakh houses. The states/UTs also put in their proposals for revision of projects due to various issues. The total number of houses sanctioned so far is now 1.07 Crores as against the validated demand of 1.12 Crore.

CSMC evinced tremendous response from the States/UTs on Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs), a sub-scheme under PMAY (U) for Urban Migrants/Poor. It was further requested to sign Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) at the earliest to start the implementation of projects.
**Affordable Rental Housing Complexes – Town Hall Meeting**

On July 27, 2020, a Town Hall meeting was organised by MoHUA with various States/UTs. The meeting held through webinar was to familiarise States/UTs with the Operational Guidelines of Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs), a newly launched sub-scheme under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) to provide dignified living environment with necessary civic amenities close to workplaces at affordable rates for urban migrants/poor. Shri Durga Shanker Mishra, Secretary, MoHUA presided the Town Hall meeting and Shri Amrit Abhijat, Joint Secretary & Mission Director (Housing for All) gave a detailed presentation on the implementation models, benefits, expected outcomes and other such aspects of ARHCs.

**Creating value in each life-CLSS for MIG beneficiary**

Smt. Bhavana Rathod lived with her husband Shri Rahul and 18 months old son in a single bedroom flat at Hubli, Karnataka. Hubli being a major city of Karnataka, had a high cost of living and the family were paying a high rental for the small flat.

A dream house had been a far-off dream, largely due to financial constraints. However, the need of the house became emergent after birth of their son and the young couple started looking for their dream home. This push was furthered by the support of the Government of India, as CLSS for MIG under PMAY (U) scheme was launched around the same time.

Smt. Rathod’s family was eligible for interest subsidy under MIG-I category and they took a house loan from State Bank of India. The interest subsidy amounting to ₹ 2.35 lakh has helped them substantially in their finances especially with the increasing expenditure for their son.

The family has now moved into their own new house and Smt. Rathod says that she feels grateful to the Government of India, with whose support, her family has now been fortunate enough to have their own house in the city.

**Eid ul-Adha and Raksha Bandhan Celebration by PMAY(U) Beneficiaries**

PMAY-Urban is making dream of owning pucca house a reality for eligible families in urban areas across the country. Beneficiaries from various States/UTs celebrated Eid ul-Adha and Raksha Bandhan festivals with their family members at their own pucca house with all amenities like water, electricity and sanitation. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban is spreading joy and happiness across India by providing dignified living to its beneficiaries.
ARHCs Knowledge Pack in News

Open to 100% FDI in Affordable Rental Housing: Hardeep Puri

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Minister to hold a 2-day workshop for the government officials on the affordable rental housing scheme, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is open in the door to 100% FDI in the scheme. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said at the launch of the initiative that the move is in line with the government’s vision of making India a global hub for housing.”

The Indian Express

The Indian Express has launched an exclusive platform to attract residential properties.

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