ABSTRACT
This paper examines the current set up of the Project Implementation Department (PID) of the National Cooperative Housing Union (NACHU) both in structure and capacity. NACHU is a national organisation registered in 1979 under the Co-operative Societies Act Cap 40, which then became operational in 1983 and its main responsibility was to address and coordinate shelter issues in the cooperative movement in Kenya. This paper is based on a study which was conducted in 2013 with subsequent follow up reviews of the performance of the existing structure. The main objective was to review the current set up of the project implementation department both in Structure and Capacity and recommend appropriate strategies that should be put in place to cater for the expected additional workload so as to manage up-scaling in its operations and delivery. The paper discusses the projects undertaken and delivered so far and the challenges facing the current implementation structure. It analyses some of the projects NACHU has implemented and the technical structures approach applied since 2011 to date and the challenges encountered during the process of implementation. The paper ends with recommendations to be undertaken by NACHU for the PID to be able to upscale the current production of 100 units per year to the proposed 1000 housing units per year.

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