

A hand is shown holding a dark brown silhouette of a house with a chimney, a window with four panes, and a doorway. The house is set against a circular background of a warm sunset or sunrise, with a gradient from light yellow to orange. The entire scene is framed within a larger blue circular graphic on the left side of the slide.

# Topic 3

# Government Actors in Housing

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# Government Actors in Housing

Two ministries are directly involved in planning and governing housing:

- Ministry of Housing and Public Works (MoHPW)
- Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (MoLGRDC)

Ministry of Planning (MoP) is also related to housing to some extent



# Government Actors in Housing

MoHPW	MoLGRDC	MoP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Development Authority (RAJUK, CDA, KDA, RDA, CoxDA)</li><li>• Urban Development Directorate (UDD)</li><li>• Public Works Department (PWD)</li><li>• National Housing Authority (NHA)</li><li>• Housing and Building Research Institute (HBRI)</li><li>• Department of Architecture (DoA)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Local Government Engineering Department (LGED)</li><li>• City Corporation and Paurashava</li><li>• Water Supply and Sewerage Authority (WASA)</li><li>• Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE)</li><li>• Rural Development Authority (RDA)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Planning Commission</li></ul>

# Ministry of Housing and Public Works and Associated Agencies

- **Specific city development agencies** for Dhaka, Chattogram, Khulna, Rajshahi, Cox's Bazar, and Gazipur, namely **RAJUK, CDA, KDA, RDA, CoxDA, and GDA** mainly work for **land use planning, land development, and building plan approval** for residential areas.
- **Urban Development Directorate (UDD)** prepares land use and development plans for towns and cities **having no development authority**
  - UDD prepares development plans/ master plans for districts, upazilas, upazila centers, and newly formed city corporations.
  - UDD has also prepared a couple of (semi) regional plans.



# Ministry of Housing and Public Works and Associated Agencies

- The **Public Works Department** (PWD) and **National Housing Authority** (NHA) under this ministry play the lead role in **direct housing delivery** in Bangladesh
  - PWD constructs residential buildings and apartment blocks for **only government employees** (<https://ss.pwd.gov.bd/project/pwdproject>)
  - NHA develops plots and residential projects for **the homeless, poor, and disadvantaged people.**
- **The Housing and Building Research Institute (HBRI)** researches to develop modern **technology, building materials, and innovative construction techniques** for **low-cost, eco-friendly, energy-efficient, and disaster-resilient** buildings, etc.
- **The Department of Architecture** under this ministry is engaged in residential projects constructed by PWD, to accomplish the architectural design, mostly for high-level government officials.

# Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (MoLGRDC) and Associated Agencies

- Agencies associated with MoLGRDC mainly provide infrastructure, utilities, amenities, transport, etc.
- **The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED)** mainly provides **access roads, and drainage facilities** to housing projects.
  - They also provide 'Asrayan' projects for poor villagers and climate refugees.
  - In the last decade LGED has been involved in **land use plan** preparation of small and medium **paurashavas** (around 250 plans for paurashavas)
- **The Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE)** is entrusted with duties for ensuring **water supply and sanitation** of the people of the entire country except those living in the jurisdiction of **WASA**. For Dhaka, Narayanganj, Chattogram, and Khulna cities, the same duties are done by respective Water Supply and Sewerage Authorities (WASAs).

# Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (MoLGRDC) and Associated Agencies

- **All the paurashavas and city corporations** are mandatorily required to have plans. But none of them can prepare such plans. LGED and UDD mainly help paurashavas in this regard.
- These local government bodies are responsible for ancillary facilities for housing like waste management, parks, playgrounds, open space maintenance, street lighting, etc.
- **Rural Development Authority (RDA)** is entrusted with responsibilities for training, research for the development of rural areas, and construction.

## Ministry of Planning

- **The Planning Commission** under the Ministry of Planning (MoP) prepares Five-Year Plans and other national-level plans where housing as a sector gets due importance.



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