ABSTRACT

This paper deals with Pre-fabricated Construction in housing in Trinidad and Tobago as an answer to the acute housing shortages plaguing this nation. An attempt is made to identify the factors leading to the dilemma in which this country finds itself. In addition, information is provided on current local housing developments in an attempt to shed light on indigenous housing construction practices.

The paper emphasizes the need to analyse and evaluate housing systems compatible with local considerations, namely, labour, material, and construction techniques and methods, even if it means importing a developed system and adapting and modifying it to meet local considerations. In this light a proposed system is described.