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MJ Developers is a real estate developer based out of Dubai, UAE with experience of over 15 years in the real estate industry. We have committed ourselves to 4 projects in the central Asian country of Uzbekistan building over 4 million square meters of real estate space over 210 + hectares. The 4 projects are spread over 3 cities of Uzbekistan out of which one by the name of, "Minerva City (MC)," is in the capital city of Tashkent with main focus on education and innovation.

Uzbekistan is the third-largest country by population (34 million in February 2020) and fifth-largest by landmass among CIS countries, and accounts for over half of Central Asia's total population. With an adult literacy rate of 99.6%, over 700,000 applicants applied for admission for higher education in 2019-2020 academic year and only 15% were enrolled to the local and international Universities in Uzbekistan. These numbers are evident of the talent pool available in Uzbekistan and need for quality academic institutions in the country.

In April 2019, the honourable President of Uzbekistan approved the Concept of Development of Public Education System until 2030. Besides improving the education infrastructure and methodology, the Concept sets an ambitious goal for the country to enter the group of 30 leading countries of the world by 2030. The Government of Uzbekistan spends a large share of its resources on development of the education system and infrastructure of the country and considerably more than other countries in the region and elsewhere with similar income level.

MC is spread over 93 hectares with a plan to build over 1.5 million square meters of space. We intend to build a hi-tech state of the art university covering all types of courses in English and the local languages (Russian & Uzbek) along with kindergarten & K12 schools and a medical & research college. The entire project is to be built in an environmental friendly manner with over 60% of areas left open and green providing a conducive environment for learning and residing within city and on campus.

MC plans to offer all types of courses including engineering & IT, business management, liberal arts, law, medicine, agriculture, etc. With the academic



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industry in the country on the growth trajectory, MC is looking to collaborate with renowned international institutions to be able to offer the Uzbek students the highest quality of education in their home country. Our aim would be to have exchange programmes by way of which Uzbek students can experience education in an international campus and vice versa.

Minerva University will have a vibrant campus with state of art facilities for its workers, faculty and students. The facilities will include staff housing, hostels, hospital, hotels student centre, markets, business arcade, innovation hub, open air theatres, auditoriums, herbal parks, gardens, indoor and outdoor stadiums. The ultimate aim is to enable Uzbekistan to become a provider of global education and become leader in the transnational knowledge economy based on open innovation.

MC is working in close coordination with the local and national government in making this dream project a reality. MC plans to develop centres of excellence in the country to take the vision forward of the government to have the country's name amongst the world leaders in education and other sectors. The Government of Uzbekistan has put the country in the direction of exponential growth focusing developments in the key industries like education, infrastructure, housing, etc. The recent reforms have encouraged foreign investments and the country has witnessed an influx of foreign investors in the recent past. Given the vision and support of the government that it provides towards the enhancement of the education system, MC believes with the right collaboration, it will be able to bring a very positive change in the education system of the country and provide quality education to the students of Uzbekistan and neigh bouring countries.

As seen in the developed countries, higher education institutions managed by professional organizations play a pivotal role in the creation of knowledge hub which ultimately lead to an increase in skills and quality of education in the globalizing world, it will have to formulate national policies to encourage the private & government sector to develop & invest in education. We strongly feel that through Minerva City we can work closely with the Uzbekistan government, local communities and society as a whole to make a significant contribution in scripting a new chapter in the nation's growth.