

MASENO UNIVERSITY SIGNS MOU WITH PV Tech EPZ IN COLLABORATION WITH PV Tech TO PROMOTE DEMONSTRATION AND INSTALLATION OF OUTDOOR (SOLAR) LIGHTING AND DEVELOPMENT OF ON AND/OR OFF GRID SOLAR (ENERGY) POWER PLANT

Maseno University has partnered with PV Tech EPZ East Africa LTD (“PV Tech EPZ) in collaboration PV Tech to jointly agree on promotion of demonstration and installation of outdoor (solar) lighting and development of on and/or off grid solar (energy) power plant.

A preliminary draft of Memorandum of Understanding on the proposal of the establishment of the project was recently submitted to the University and the PV Tech EPZ East Africa LTD Officials for signing at the Vice Chancellor’s Boardroom.

Present at the signing ceremony were Pof. Dominic Makawiti, Vice Chancellor, Prof Collins Ouma, Director Research, Publications and Innovations, Prof Andrew Oduor, Chairman Physics Department, Dr. Kowenje, Coordinator Centre for Research in New and Renewable Energies (CRNRE), Philip Guya, Research Assistant and Ms. Elizabeth Ayoo, Legal Officer of Maseno University and Mr. Ambrose Anguka, SVP& Managing Director and Duke Rading, Public Relations Director and Consultant PV Tech EPZ East Africa.

The draft stipulates the agreed shared interests and objectives of the partnership with respect to making Maseno University energy infrastructure sustainable and efficient through specific agreement that shall be Annexure to this MOU under Article 3. Other areas of collaboration in the signed draft under Article 4 include Capacity Building, Staff and Student Exchange, Research, Community Development and Institution Capacity Building

While perusing the draft before signing Vice Chancellor, Prof. Domnic Makawiti applauded the CRNRE Team for coming up with a good gesture like this for it will not only serve the students but also the community in general. The Managing Director & SVP PV Tech EPZ also added that the project was not only to light the dark areas in Maseno University but also with the same permission they would have street lighting from Maseno to Kisumu which is PV Tech main line of Business; that is Consulting and Integration (Solar Street Lighting, Off-Grid CAPTIVE Systems including Rural Electrification; Rooftop or Ground Mounted)

The Draft also objected another draft of Post MOU Milestones which included (but not limited) #1Commisioning of Outdoor Lighting Demo, #2Maseno, Siriba & Kisumu University Outdoor Lighting and #3Energy Independence for MASENO University Campuses, bearing in mind that actualization of item #1 above is contingent on successful execution of proposals #2&3 respectively. Item #1 will remain to be PV Tech (EPZ) East Africa properties and are subject to decommissioning with notice upon Universities failure to fulfill the deliverables as will be outlined on the proposal.

The legal officer, Ms Elizabeth Ayoo also requested the PV Tech EPZ officials to come up with a drafted post MOU milestone that would also include when the university will be accustomed to the project and the cost as well. This led to the agreement that the committee will sit and agree on this before the actual submission of a proposal by end of September to Maseno University for review and execution. This was in accordance to actualization of the project is contingent on execution of the proposal by both parties and availability of funding.









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