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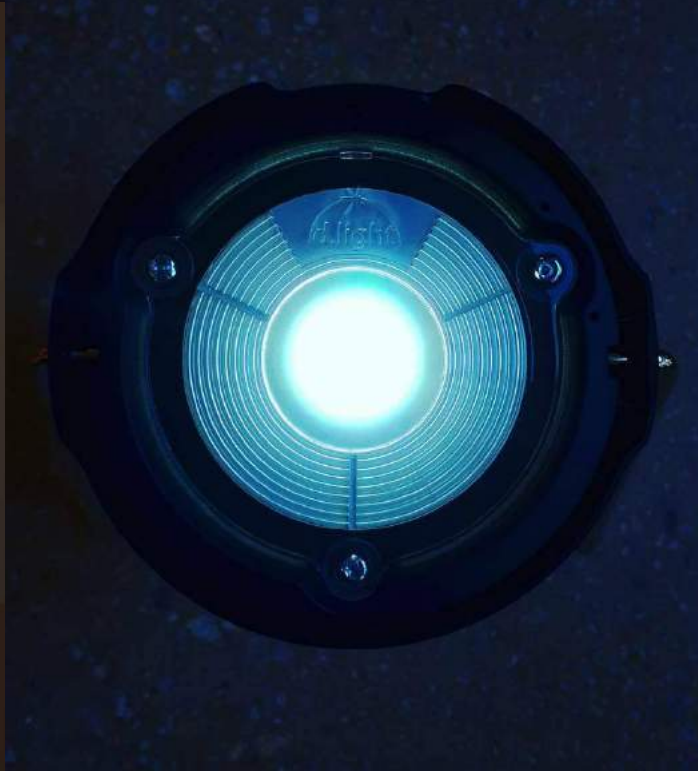




## WE WORK IN TWO AREAS:

I. Civic Education:  
launching Extracurricular  
Resource Centers  
(ERCs) pioneering civic  
engagement and gender  
empowerment through  
extracurricular activities.

II. Renewable Energy:  
tackling Tajikistan's  
endemic energy crisis  
through research on solar  
and wind power.





# EXTRACURRICULAR RESOURCE CENTER (ERC) IN KHUJAND

On July 21st 2017, we officially launched our first ERC - an English language after-school platform for civic engagement - in northern city of Khujand. The opening was attended by His Excellency Ambassador Hugh Philpott of the United Kingdom, representatives of academia, civil society, and student leaders.

The center hosts 5 activism courses on gender equality, critical thinking, debate, media freedom, and innovation for local young leaders. Students are provided with free services and resources as part of a curriculum that combines theoretical learning with practical activism.







## HERSTORY:

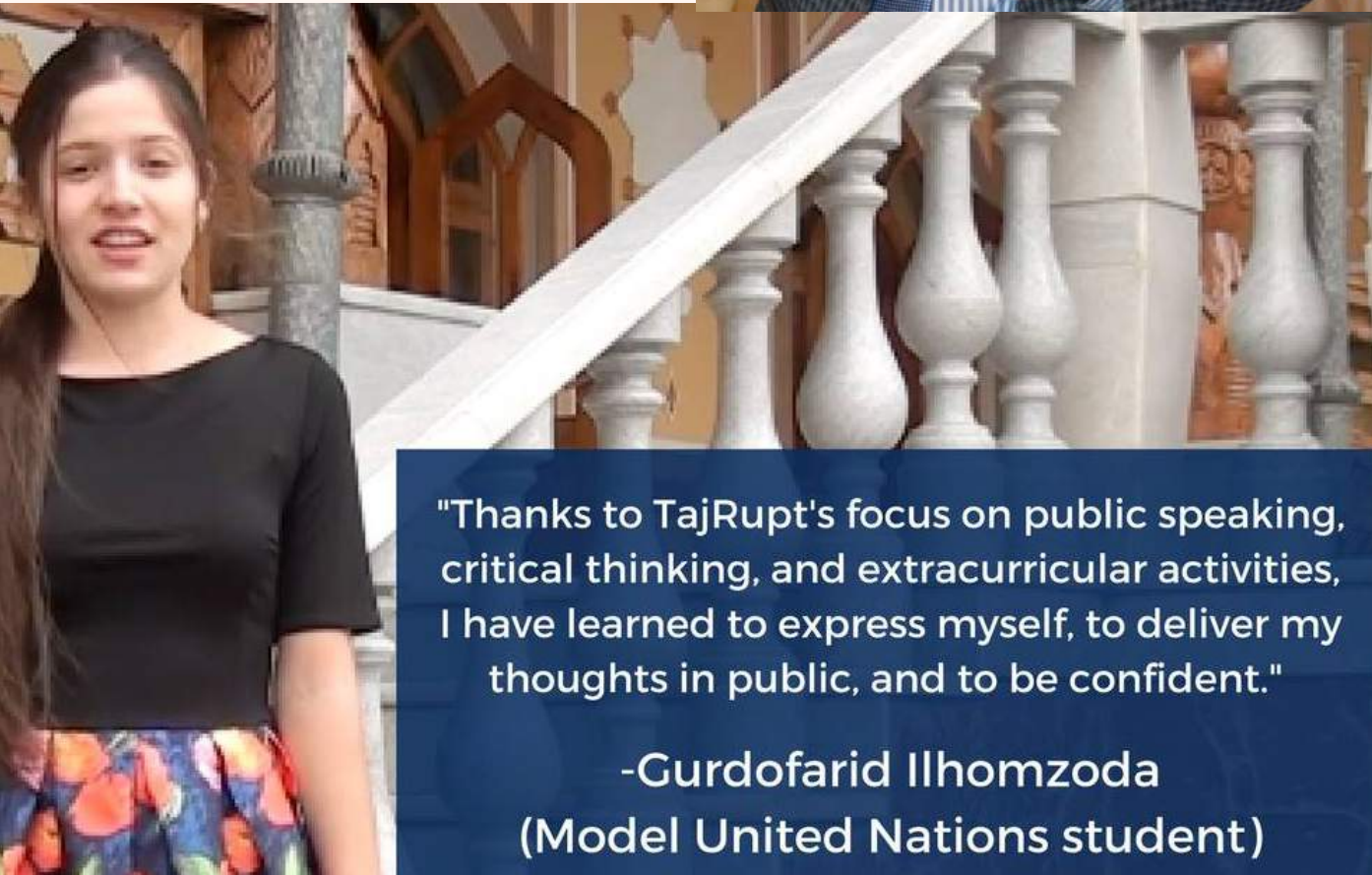
promoting gender  
equality through  
female empowerment.





# MODEL UNITED NATIONS:

installing critical  
thinking through  
debate and dialogue.



"Thanks to TajRupt's focus on public speaking, critical thinking, and extracurricular activities, I have learned to express myself, to deliver my thoughts in public, and to be confident."

-Gurdofarid Ilhomzoda  
(Model United Nations student)



## Political Ideologies



*Farahnoz Zikriyoeva:*

I believe that liberalism, with its bases such as guarantee and support of the individual rights and freedom of every citizen of the country, is an essential and fundamental component of a democratic

*Maqsud Qalandarov:*

Conservatism is the better option because it provides little government regulation on people's lives. Limited government intervention is preferable because it allows people to exercise their rights and freedoms. Take

## STATE OF AFFAIRS:

introducing media freedom from a youth perspective.



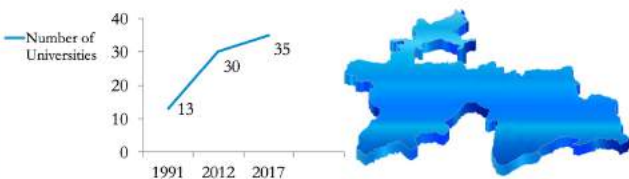


# INNOVATION INCUBATOR:

reforming Tajikistan's  
system of higher  
education.



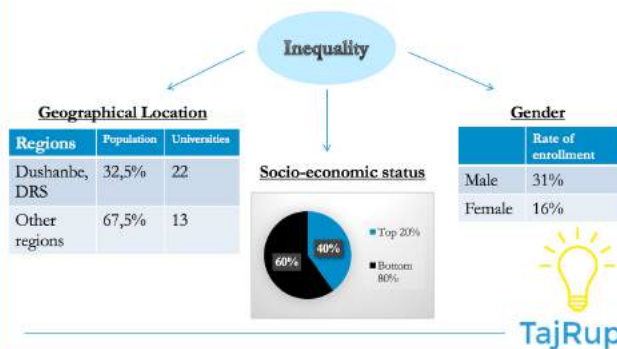
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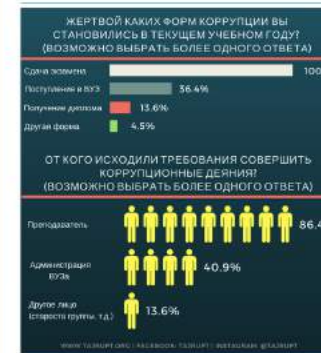
- Current number of universities: 35
- 130 specialties
- Total rate of tertiary enrollment: 26,4%
- Rate of employment with a university degree: 81%



## Problem Identification



## Analysis: Corruption Survey (cont.)



– Most prevalent forms of corruption:

- Exams
- Admissions
- Diploma

– Most frequent bribe-seekers:

- Teaching staff
- Administration







ENGLISH  
LANGUAGE:  
preparing talented  
students to engage in  
ERC activities in  
English language.





# Renewable Energy Initiative

In October 2017, we launched a research partnership on renewable energy sustainability with the Mining Metallurgical Institute of Tajikistan (MMIT). As part of Phase I, MMIT researchers conducted successful month-long experiments testing the efficiency of d.light S2 solar lamps in providing electricity access to students in rural areas. As part of Phase II, researchers are working on installation of wind turbines on these lamps to enhance their durability through combination of solar and wind power, extending their functioning from 4 to 12 hours per day.





# Future

# Plans:

-ERC expansion through digitalization and virtual classroom building.

-Increasing energy access through solar lamp distribution in rural areas.

