BUSINESS PLAN

TEXTILE CLUSTER AND EXPORT HUB IN THE 'IPAK YULI' FREE ECONOMIC ZONE, ANDIJAN



PROJECT BUSINESS PLAN "Textile Cluster and Export Hub"

Location: Free Economic Zone "Ipak Yuli", Andijan Region Country: Republic of Uzbekistan Format: Ready-made Garment Production + Export Logistics Prepared by: Project Initiative Group Date: 2025

INVESTOR ADDRESS

Esteemed Investors,

Amidst the dynamic evolution of Uzbekistan's economy, a clear strategic vision has been established — to transform the nation into a key industrial and export hub in Central Asia.

President Shavkat Mirziyoyev has repeatedly underscored that *"true progress is achieved where competitive industries emerge, new markets are penetrated, and the private sector becomes the driving force of economic development."*

In this context, the "Textile Cluster and Export Hub within the Ipak Yuli Free Economic Zone, Andijan" serves as a flagship initiative aligned with national priorities. It focuses on advanced cotton processing, the production of value-added garments, and targeted integration into international supply chains.

The project's location in the Ipak Yuli Free Economic Zone (FEZ) — which offers substantial tax and customs benefits — ensures a highly conducive environment for investment and operational efficiency. The cluster will encompass modern manufacturing infrastructure, integration with global logistics systems, and the creation of skilled employment in the region.

Uzbekistan today stands for:

- A stable and liberalised investment environment
- Ambitious structural and economic reforms
- Comprehensive support for export-oriented manufacturing
- A national focus on regional industrial development

In an era of global economic realignment, Uzbekistan is positioning itself as a reliable and growth-oriented partner, offering concrete opportunities for long-term capital appreciation.

We invite you to become part of this forward-looking trajectory. By investing in our project, you will not only gain access to one of the most promising textile markets in the region, but also contribute to the development of a sustainable and modern industrial ecosystem.

- Partnering with Uzbekistan today means investing in the future.
- Together, we foster an economy of knowledge, production and export.
- Welcome to Uzbekistan a country of opportunity and transformation.

With the highest regard,

The Project Team

Textile Cluster and Export Hub, Ipak Yuli FEZ, Andijan

"Project Summary: Textile Export Hub Andijan"

| Category | Status |
|--|--------------|
| Project Name: Textile Export Hub Andijan | \checkmark |
| Location: Free Economic Zone (FEZ) "Ipak Yuli", Andijan Region | \checkmark |
| Industry: Garment manufacturing + Export logistics | \checkmark |
| Business Format: Garment production workshop + logistics + private label | \checkmark |
| Total Area: 1.5–2 hectares (within FEZ Ipak Yuli) — as of 2025 | \checkmark |
| Investment Volume: \$2.5–5 million | \checkmark |
| Payback Period: 3.5 years | \checkmark |
| Jobs Created: 120–150 | \checkmark |
| Target Markets: Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Russia, UAE, Turkey | \checkmark |
| Legal Form: Private LLC (option for foreign investment) | \checkmark |
| Currency & Exchange Rate: USD (\$1 = 12,500 UZS, CB + forecasted devaluation, 2025) | \checkmark |
| Inflation Adjustment: Avg. inflation 8–10% (World Bank & Ministry of Economy forecast) | \checkmark |
| Projected Export Revenue (Y2): \$1.2 million | \checkmark |
| Projected Export Revenue (Y3): \$2.4–2.8 million | \checkmark |
| DSCR (Debt Coverage): 1.6–1.8 | \checkmark |
| IRR: 18–22% | \checkmark |
| ROI: 45–60% | \checkmark |
| Break-even Point: 28–32 months | \checkmark |
| Project Mission: To create a benchmark textile platform | \checkmark |
| Note: B2B production & expansion possible | |

Products & Services – Textile Export Hub Andijan

| Category | Details | Comment / Segment |
|--|---|-----------------------------|
| Product Line – Ready-to- Wear | T-shirts, hoodies, uniforms, casual wear | Main production category |
| Product Line – Contract (Private Label) | Custom design manufacturing | For external brand partners |
| Product Line – White Label | Own line of casual apparel | Export and domestic sales |
| Logistics & Packaging | Sorting, labelling, warehousing, export shipment | Value-added services |
| Year 1 Production | Up to 80,000 units/year | Start-up scale |
| Year 2 Production | Up to 150,000 units/year | Scale-up phase |
| Year 3+ Production | 200,000+ units/year | Target capacity |
| Main Price Segment | \$3–10 per unit (FOB) | Mid-range bulk contracts |
| Budget Segment Share | Up to 15% | Mass-market orders |
| Premium Contract Share | Up to 20% | Private label brands |
| Client – Local | Retail chains & distributors | Uzbekistan |
| Client – CIS Region | Wholesale buyers | Russia, Kazakhstan, etc. |

| Category | Details | Comment / Segment |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Client – Online | Wildberries, Ozon, Amazon, Noon | E-commerce |
| Client – Export | Importers & dropshippers | UAE, Turkey |
| Advantage | Local sourcing and cost-efficiency | Competitive pricing |
| Advantage | Flexible order volumes | From small batches to large runs |
| Advantage | Quick delivery | FEZ-based logistics chain |
| Advantage | lertified production | ISO 9001 / LEAN manufacturing standards |

Production Infrastructure – Textile Export Hub Andijan

| Category | Details | Supplier / Estimated Cost |
|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Production Area (m ²) | Total 3,000 m² on a 1.5–2 ha plot | Local contractor, \$150–\$200/m² construction |
| Sewing Workshop | 1,500 m² – 150+ machines, flowline Iayout | With steel structure and ventilation – \$300,000 |
| Cutting & Finishing Zone | 400 m ² – automated fabric spreading and cutting | Bullmer (Germany), Eastman (USA) – \$45,000/unit |
| Logistics & Packaging Area | 600 m² – sorting, labelling, packaging | Climate-controlled multifunctional zone – \$120,000 |
| Finished Goods Warehouse | 300 m ² – pallet racking for up to 100,000 units | Shelving systems, cold storage optional – \$80,000 |
| Utility & Office Spaces | 200 m² – offices, changing rooms, utility areas | Infrastructure and interior – \$50,000 |
| Sewing Equipment | 150–180 units: overlocks, flatbeds, coverstitch machines | Juki, Brother, Jack – \$800– \$1,100/unit; total \$150,000+ |
| Cutting & Laying Equipment | 2 automated cutting systems + spreader | Bullmer, FK Group – \$45,000– \$60,000/unit |
| Pressing & Ironing (VTO) | 20 units: irons, steamers, presses | Silter, Veit – \$700–\$1,200/unit; total ~\$25,000 |
| Packaging & Labelling Equipment | 3 packaging lines incl. label printing and barcoding | Avery Dennison, Zebra, Markem – \$10,000–\$15,000/set |
| Daily Production Capacity | Up to 700 units/day with 2-shift system | 2-shift industrial model – no supplier dependency |
| Annual Production Capacity | Up to 200,000 units/year at full capacity | Based on projected utilisation rates |
| Technology Standards | ISO 9001, ISO 14001, LEAN management, traceable QC | Certification cost: \$5,000-\$10,000 (one-time) |
| Infrastructure Requirements | Power, ventilation, fire safety, water; optional solar energy integration | National grid + solar panels (\$100/m² roof coverage) |

Key Financial Indicators (Aggressive but Realistic Scenario)

All figures in USD

| Parameter | Details | Notes |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Product Mix | 45% basic t-shirts (\$3.5–4.0), 35% hoodies (\$6.5–7.5), 20% tracksuits (\$10–12) | Based on forecasted product allocation |
| Average Sales Price | Blended unit price calculated based on product mix and export growth | Adjusted for premium contract share |
| Depreciation Method | Straight-line depreciation over 5 years | Applied to core assets (equipment & construction) |
| Initial CAPEX (Year 1) | \$2,000,000 | Construction, equipment, certification costs |
| Revenue Forecast – Year 2 | \$1,200,000 | First full-scale export year |
| Revenue Forecast – Year 3 | \$2,400,000 – \$2,800,000 | Includes premium contracts and volume growth |
| Operating Profit Margin | 22% – 30% | Estimated EBITDA based on scale- up and lean production |
| Break-even Point | 28–32 months | Target timeline for net positive operating income |
| IRR – Internal Rate of Return | 18% – 22% | Based on 3-year projection |
| ROI – Return on Investment | 45% - 60% | Accumulated over 3 years |
| DSCR – Debt Service Ratio | 1.6 - 1.8 | Ensures safe margin for bank loan coverage |

Capital Expenditures (CAPEX)

| Expense Item | Estimated Cost (USD) | Remarks |
|---|-------------------------|--|
| Construction of Production Facility | \$450,000 | 1,500 m² × \$300/m² |
| Equipment (sewing machines, pressing units) | \$1,200,000 | Includes 150–180 units |
| Cutting & Finishing Equipment | \$100,000 | Automated fabric spreading & cutting |
| Logistics & Warehouse Setup | 5200.000 | Packaging, labelling, storage infrastructure |
| ISO Certification | \$10,000 | One-time certification costs |
| Other Costs (Infrastructure, Utilities, etc.) | \$100,000 | Electricity, ventilation, fire safety, etc. |
| Total CAPEX | \$2,060,000 | |

Operating Expenditures (OPEX)

| Indicator | Year 1 (USD) | Year 2 (USD) | Year 3 (USD) |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Operating Expenses (excl. payroll) | \$70,000 | \$120,000 | \$160,000 |
| Payroll Fund (Wages & Salaries) | \$110,228 | \$110,228 | \$110,228 |
| Total OPEX | \$180,228 | \$230,228 | \$270,228 |

Cash Flow Forecast

| Indicator | Year 1 (USD) | Year 2 (USD) | Year 3 (USD) |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Expected Revenue | \$400,000 | \$975,000 | \$1,650,000 |
| Operating Expenses (OPEX) | \$180,228 | \$230,228 | \$270,228 |
| Capital Expenditures (CAPEX) | \$2,000,000 | \$500,000 | _ |
| Depreciation (Annual) | \$40,000 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 |
| Net Profit (after tax) | \$46,500 | \$195,300 | \$409,200 |
| Net Cash Flow | (\$1,779,728) | (\$1,025,228) | \$1,279,200 |

Updated Operational Indicators

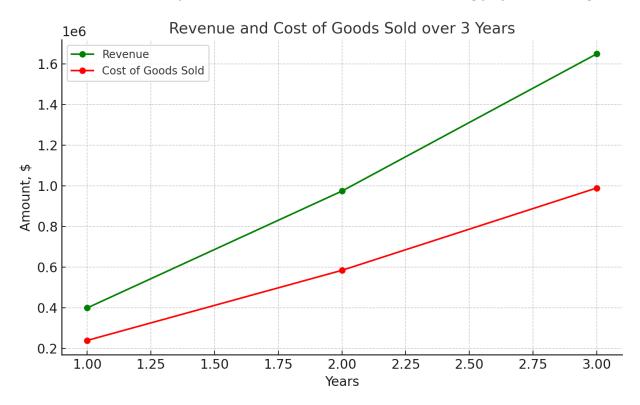
| Indicator | Year 1 (USD) | Year 2 (USD) | Year 3 (USD) |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Revenue | \$400,000 | \$975,000 | \$1,650,000 |
| Cost of Goods Sold (COGS) | \$240,000 | \$585,000 | \$990,000 |
| Gross Profit | \$160,000 | \$390,000 | \$660,000 |
| Operating Expenses | \$180,228 | \$230,228 | \$270,228 |
| EBITDA | \$90,000 | \$270,000 | \$500,000 |
| Depreciation | \$40,000 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 |
| EBIT | \$50,000 | \$210,000 | \$440,000 |
| Corporate Tax (7%) | \$3,500 | \$14,700 | \$30,800 |
| Net Profit | \$46,500 | \$195,300 | \$409,200 |

Profitability Metrics

| Indicator | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Net Profit Margin (%) | 11.6% | 20.0% | 24.8% |
| EBITDA Margin (%) | 22.5% | 27.7% | 30.3% |

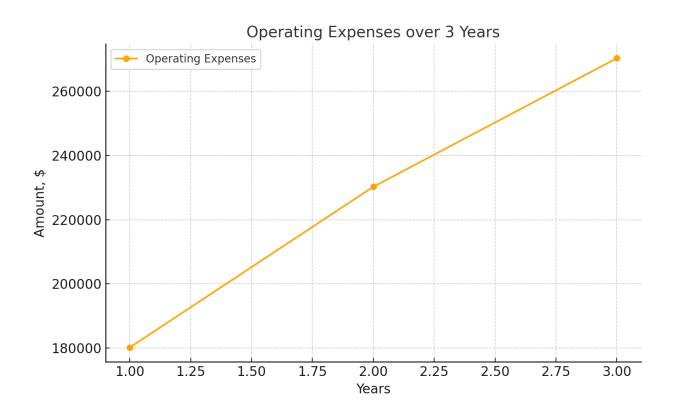
Taxes and Contributions

| Туре | Year 1 (USD) | Year 2 (USD) | Year 3 (USD) | Notes |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Corporate Income Tax (7%) | \$3,500 | \$16,100 | \$32,200 | Based on EBIT: 7% flat tax rate |
| Total Tax & Contributions | _ | _ | | UZS 372,855,000 ≈ \$29,828 @ \$1=12,500 UZS |



***** Tax burden includes corporate tax + social contributions, converted using projected exchange rate.





1. Revenue and Cost of Goods Sold over 3 Years

This chart illustrates the annual growth of revenue and cost of goods sold (COGS). While revenue demonstrates a steady upward trajectory, COGS also increases proportionally with the production volume, reflecting the scaling of operations.

🔀 2. EBITDA and Net Profit over 3 Years

The graph shows the progression of EBITDA and net profit over a three-year period. Both metrics increase in line with production output and revenue growth, indicating improving operational efficiency and profitability as the project scales.

3. Operating Expenses over 3 Years

This chart reflects the dynamics of total operating expenses, including salaries, logistics, utilities, and marketing. As expected, expenses grow alongside business expansion and capacity utilisation, while remaining within sustainable margins.

Sources of Financing

Target Investment Volume: \$2.5–5 million

| Source of Financing | Estimated Amount (USD) | Share (%) | Comment | Details |
|---|------------------------------|--------------|---|--|
| Founder's Equity Contribution | \$500,000 – \$1,000,000 | 20– 25% | Minimum equity required for project validation | Critical for securing bank loans and demonstrating commitment. May come from savings or existing business assets. |
| Private Investment (Equity / Angel) | \$1,500,000 - \$2,000,000 | 40% | Includes local and foreign angel/venture funds | May involve SAFE agreements or equity participation. Potential for industry-aligned investors. |
| Bank Loans | \$1,000,000 – \$1,500,000 | 25– 30% | | Loans backed by equipment or revenue. Interest rate subsidies possible via government support. Likely banks: Asaka Bank, Agrobank, Ipoteka Bank, UzEximBank. |
| Government Support & Subsidies | Up to \$500,000 | Up to 20% | Grants, co- financing, tax incentives | Includes subsidies for CAPEX, certification, export promotion, and infrastructure connection. Offered via Ministry of Economy, UzTrade, Export Agency. |

Note (Investment Attractiveness)

The presence of co-financing from the project initiator, combined with a well-developed financial model, significantly increases the chances of loan approval and attracting external investors. The project may also qualify for priority status within the Free Economic Zone (FEZ), opening up access to additional funding channels and government support.

Investment Structure: \$2.5-5 million

- 1. Founder's equity contribution: \$0.5–1.0 million (20–25%)
- 2. Private investment (domestic & international): \$1.5-2.0 million (35-40%)
- 3. Bank loans from Uzbek financial institutions: \$1.0-1.5 million (25-30%)
- 4. State support & grant programs: Up to \$500,000 (grants, subsidies, preferential loans)

Potential Funding Channels:

- Commercial Banks: Asaka Bank, Ipoteka Bank, Agrobank, others
- International Institutions: IFC, EBRD, ADB
- National & Regional SME Development Funds
- Support programs: Ministry of Economy, UzTrade, IT Park

Financial Instruments & Support Mechanisms:

• Equipment leasing (e.g., UzAutoLease, Orient Leasing)

- Preferential loans at 14–16% interest, up to 5 years
- Government subsidies covering up to 20% of CAPEX
- Grants and incentives for certification, export promotion, and logistics

Management & Key Personnel

| Position | Responsibilities | Candidate / Profile |
|------------------------|--|---|
| IFOUNDER / INVESTOR | Strategic leadership, decision-making, investor relations, external partnerships | Business owner or lead investor |
| | | Experienced textile industry manager |
| III ogistics ivianager | | Specialist with international shipping & customs expertise |
| | | Consultant with background in finance and SME advisory |
| - | | Experienced in international trade & textile brand promotion |

Social and Environmental Impact – Textile Export Hub Andijan

| Impact Area | Description | Justification |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Job Creation | 120+ jobs to be created in Andijan, with potential to grow as the project scales | Reduces unemployment, especially in rural areas; helps mitigate urban migration |
| Workplace Quality | Stable employment with training, skill development, and compliance with labour standards | Increases productivity and contributes to sustainable human capital development |
| Support to Local Suppliers | Procurement from local farmers and cotton producers, especially those supplying eco-materials | Strengthens rural economies and builds inclusive value chains |
| Eco-Friendly Materials | Use of certified organic cotton and natural fibres | Reduces chemical usage, lowers soil/water pollution, and supports biodiversity |
| Sustainable Technologies | Implementation of energy- and water- saving equipment, closed-loop systems, solar integration | Minimises resource consumption and emissions; aligns with global green industry standards |
| Waste Reduction & Recycling | Recycling and reuse of textile waste and packaging materials | Cuts landfill use, protects ecosystems, and lowers environmental impact |

Conclusion

Textile Export Hub Andijan represents not only a commercially viable venture but also a socially responsible and environmentally conscious project. The integration of clean technologies and support for local supply chains will build a sustainable and inclusive business model. This approach ensures job creation, community development, and a reduced ecological footprint, increasing the long-term value of the project from both economic and ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) perspectives.