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ABSTRACT

In the midst of the pandemic's upheaval, we see that space design has become the most important. The pandemic has forced us to reconsider the offices and reimagine the entire space.

As we look forward to a post-pandemic future, many people are looking forward to returning to normalcy—to returning to work. But, as much as we want to get back, there will be challenges. People are accustomed to working from home and in a comfortable setting, but they are also exhausted by it. The new office will be a place where people WANT to come and work. A location that is as productive and encourages focus. The new office will emphasise collaboration and teamwork. During the pandemic, people faced numerous challenges in connecting to various team members online and lacked a social connection. The future office will be a place where people can come to collaborate, learn, and socialise.

The pandemic has pushed us into the future of the digital world. The 'metaverse' is the new focal point, and many offices are transitioning to a virtual office or a completely digital world. While there are concerns about whether or not the virtual office will work, a partially virtual office could be a great idea. With hybrid working becoming the new normal and companies encouraging employees to work remotely, new offices should be able to transition into this digital world.

The goal of this project is to connect the 'virtual' and 'real' worlds. A traditional office space that would be a flexible space that could be used in normal times as well as during a pandemic with social distancing norms This office space would be dedicated to a collaborative world where people could come and work together as a team, focusing on the "meet and connect" concept. People have lost touch with their coworkers as a result of the pandemic. The office will be yet another place for them to socialise and bond. In the past, office spaces were simply places where people went to get their work done. During the pandemic, people began to feel lonely and isolated. This sensation can be alleviated by allowing people to interact on a variety of levels within the campus.