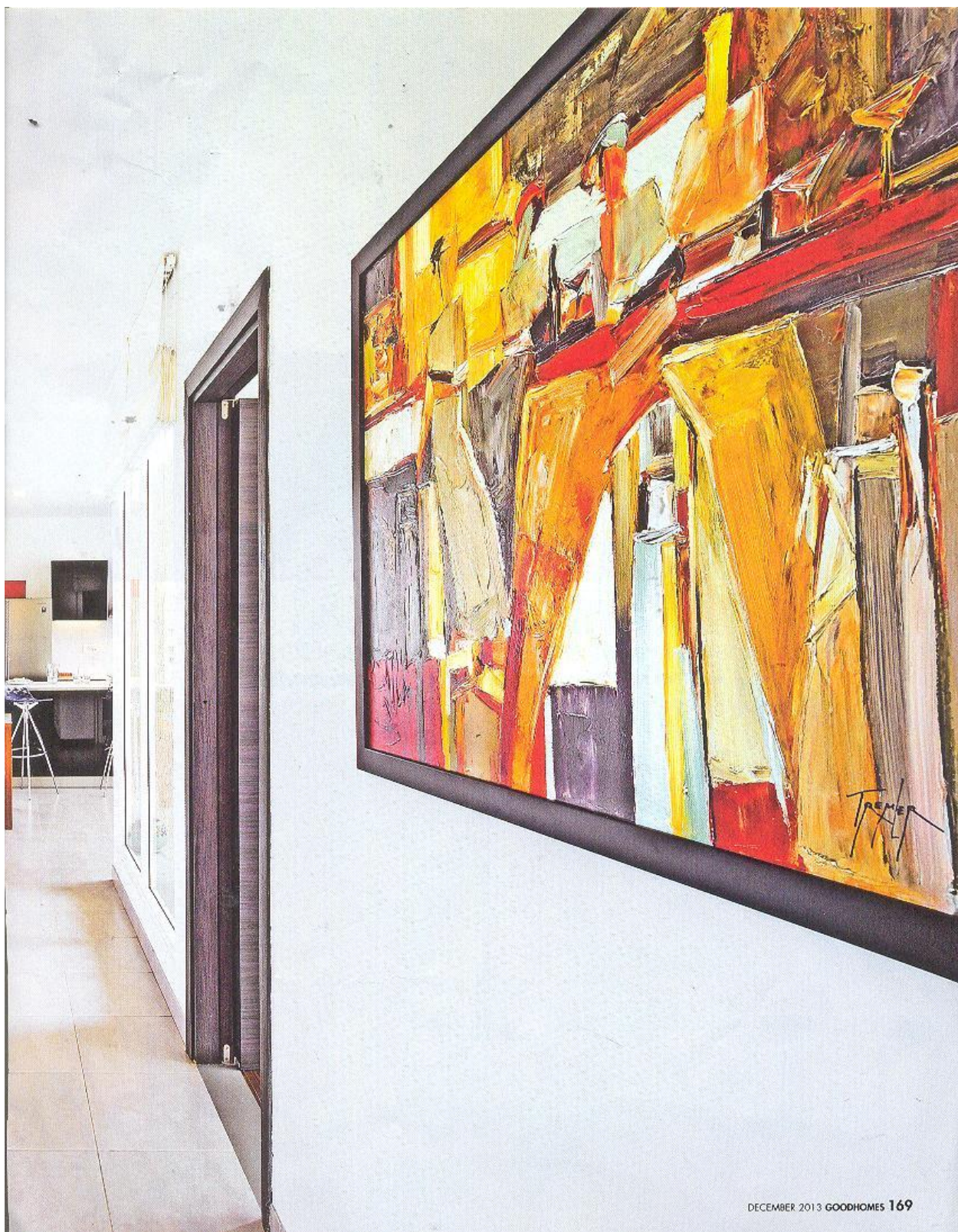


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Stark and cutting-edge contemporary —
Bhartiya City, Bengaluru, fits the bill of
a modern-day Paradise to the 'T'

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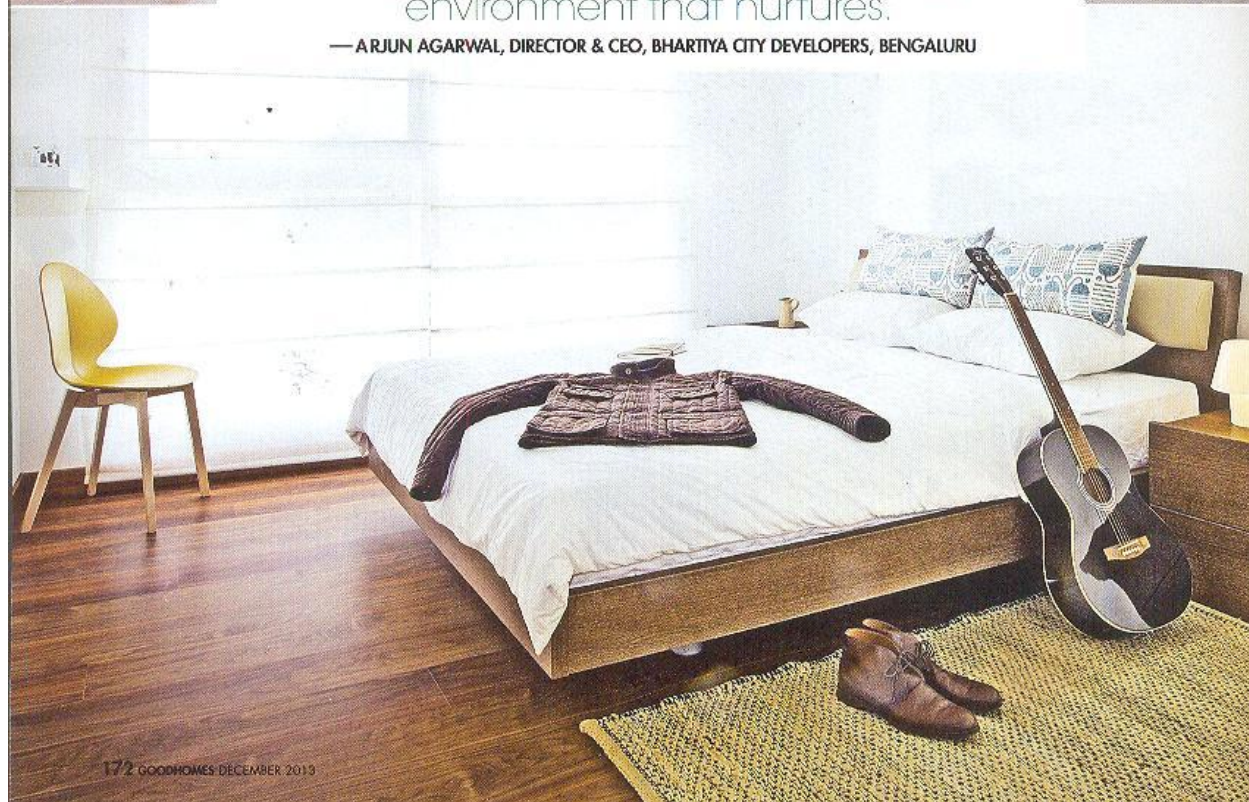






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It's impossible to not get caught in the magical spell that the city of Joy — Bhartiya City, Bengaluru — weaves around your senses. It has taken a whopping six architect teams, over six years to design this city. With every detail obsessed over, down to the curbstones, there is nothing here that was left to chance.

I enter the Nikoo home and I love what I see. So, whether it's that fine attention to detail, the luxurious surface finishes, the overall look and feel, I am bowled over! I learn that all the furniture has been hand-crafted in Italy; that street-lights multitask as surveillance cameras and Wi-Fi ports. Brilliant!

Taking me through the project, Arjun Agarwal, Director & CEO, Bhartiya City Developers, says, "This is a city. But more than that, it's an environment that nurtures. Children here can be children, climbing trees and chasing butterflies on their way to school. Neighbours here aren't strangers. People headed to work don't need to account for jams on the way. And the Nikoo home you live in, compares to the very best on earth. From a studio-suite to a penthouse, every house has a standardised Italian kitchen, an outdoor deck that seats at least four and provides access to all the public spaces like link gardens and the clubhouse."

Creating an address in Bengaluru's cutting-edge property market, the integrated city spanning 125 acres near Hebbal has been envisioned as the largest development of its kind within any metro limits in India. Plus, it has won the MIPIM Asia Awards in its Best Future Mega Project category in the Asia Pacific Region — the first Indian developer to receive this prestigious international recognition.

About creating an address to be reckoned with in Bengaluru, the dynamic CEO says, "The social thread of this city is very strong. The lifestyle that we promise here is one that caters to the sensibilities of the local and the international populace."

Designed by Studio Crec, the mock-up apartment is fitted with state-of-the-art equipment and accessories. I particularly fall in love with the concept of creating space within space in the apartment. Dollops of sunlight stream in through French windows and lend airiness and lightness to the space. It's peaceful. Almost like a feeling of absolute zen. Overlooking lush greenery, the apartment offers corners and niches that you could disappear into and unwind in from time to time. At the same time, there is a sense of openness and infinite space.

I realise that I'm standing in the midst of cutting-edge contemporary design and pure luxury, and honestly, who wouldn't love coming home to a space like this? And did I mention that the architectural detailing is just as mind-boggling? No wonder then that the space is being touted as the hottest residential destination in the Garden City. [Go](#)



THE VISIONARY

Arjun Agarwal is the Founding Director of Bhartiya Projects and Director & CEO, Bhartiya City Developers. He has over 10 years of professional experience in Indian infrastructure and real estate, having set up BULLDco, the infrastructure and real estate business of the Bhartiya Group, which has to date acquired assets with an estimated combined GDV of over US\$7 billion.