



UZBEKISTAN SOCIAL STATE: STATE CONTROLLED SOCIAL PROTECTION AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

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Abstract

This prepared article describes the wide-scale work being carried out in the field of social protection and social assistance in our republic today, especially the National Agency for Social Protection under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, which was established as a proof that Uzbekistan declared itself a social state to the world, and its activities in accordance with international standards.

Also, not only social assistance, but also provision of education, upbringing, material and spiritual assistance and medical services to the population in need of social protection is envisaged.

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Introduction

In today's rapidly developing and complex environment, social protection policy is a priority. Providing material support and various social amenities to the population and protecting it is considered the most urgent issue.

Social policy is a component of the main strategic policy of every country, which serves the well-being of the people, peaceful and harmonious living of the people, a source of necessary livelihood for the population, especially pensioners, who are considered to be the socially disadvantaged part.

comprehensive support of the population in need of social security was recognized as an important direction, especially in the "Uzbekistan - 2030" strategy of New Uzbekistan. provision of appropriate social protection and social assistance was put into practice as an urgent issue.

In the provision of social protection and social assistance to the needy segments of the population by the state (initially), attention was paid first to the needs of single pensioners, persons separated from their breadwinners, and citizens with limited opportunities.

In the world experience, there are various legal methods and mechanisms of providing social assistance, which are reflected in concepts such as social assistance, material assistance, material support, social protection, social security, targeted assistance, social protection.

Effective organization of social protection should be considered an important strategic direction of every state in the current rapidly developing economy. As we mentioned above, an effective system of social protection is an important beacon for the peace and stability of the state and society.

It is known that the New Constitution of the Republic of Uzbekistan was adopted on April 30, 2023, and it includes state sovereignty, people's power, the constitution and the rule of law, the basic rights, freedoms and duties of a person and a citizen, civil, political rights, economic, social, cultural and



environmental rights, human and guarantees of the rights and freedoms of the citizen, obligations were determined. In particular, the individual's rights to education, labor issues, and social security are guaranteed by the constitution [1].

Also, at the ceremony dedicated to the 24th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan emphasized: "...now man, his life, freedom, honor, dignity and other inalienable rights and freedoms are considered sacred and are guaranteed by the state." [2].

Article 1 of the Constitution states that Uzbekistan is a sovereign, democratic, legal, social and secular state with a republican form of government. With the declaration of Uzbekistan as a social state, the state assumed the obligation to create conditions for every citizen to have a decent life [3].

This is the distribution of available resources based on the principles of social justice, preventing strong stratification in society, ensuring quality education and medicine for the most vulnerable, effective social protection programs, supporting citizens with disabilities, creating fair labor legislation and an attractive pension system. means that such obligations are legally established.

In simple words, it is understood that even the children of the poorest families have the opportunity to grow up healthy, get quality education and achieve well-being. Based on the fulfillment of these responsible tasks, we can see that the state has assumed three times more social obligations.

Provision of the population in need of social assistance by the state is the main legal basis of the state policy.

As a proof of our opinion, the issues of social protection and social assistance, which are provided to persons in need of social assistance in our republic by various ministerial agencies in various forms and methods without a single strategy, are being improved, adapted to international standards, and based on the introduction of digitized systems based on modern, innovative approaches, the underprivileged population Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated June 1, 2023 "On comprehensive measures to provide high-quality social services and assistance to the population and establish an effective control system" is organized with [4].

In terms of its activities, goals, functions and tasks, a body with capabilities comparable to the bodies responsible for social protection of the most developed countries of the world was established.

This Agency not only provides assistance to persons in need of social services, but also identifies persons in need of social services and assistance, provides social services and assistance, monitors the quality of services provided to persons in need of social protection by other ministerial agencies, engages in education and health care, as well as a number of important social issues. was determined.

The agency is responsible for making submissions to state organizations that have failed to fulfill the established state programs for social protection, to adopt universally binding normative legal documents within the scope of its authority to provide social protection and social assistance to the population, to collect the information necessary for social protection and social assistance to the population from the databases of ministries and agencies. to use in a timely manner, to request and receive the necessary statistical and analytical data from other organizations within the scope of their authority, to set the parameters for studying the population in need of social protection in higher education institutions on the basis of a state grant, to organize advisory councils and expert



commissions regarding their tasks, issues that require the necessary professional knowledge is a subject with the right to attract experts from state bodies or organizations, to conclude cooperation agreements with international organizations and other rights within the scope of its authority.

Based on the presidential decree, the activities of the following divisions of the Agency were also formed:

- the Medical and Social Expertise Inspectorate and its local divisions dealing with such important issues as determination of disability, their re-medical examination and rehabilitation;
- the National Center for Rehabilitation and Prosthetics, which provides rehabilitation services to disabled persons, and its regional units;
- women's rehabilitation and adaptation center and local departments of the republic;
- Republican rehabilitation center for helping victims of human trafficking;
- "Muruvat" and "Sakhavat" boarding houses;
- Republican boarding house for war and labor veterans;
- sanatoriums for pensioners;
- Paralympic endurance school;
- orphanages from the health care system;
- orphanages;
- family orphanages;
- sectors of work with minors;
- specialized schools for children with special educational needs, boarding schools, multidisciplinary specialized pre-school educational organizations and specialized educational institutions;
- special vocational schools for persons with disabilities;
- rehabilitation centers for persons who do not have a specific place of residence;
- Social insurance fund;
- Social inspection;
- the center for improving the skills of system employees;
- Institute for the development of social protection;
- District (in cities) Centers of Human Social Services.

As can be seen from the above, the Agency is the only social entity that provides all-round comprehensive services for people in need of social protection or assistance, including persons with disabilities, elderly citizens, victims of human trafficking, oppressed women, improvement of lifestyle, health, education and medicine.

This experience, which is rare in the countries of the world, provides the services of the body responsible for solving complex social issues on the basis of almost automated systems and programs, creating convenient opportunities for citizens.

It can be seen that Uzbekistan is a social state, as defined in our constitution, on the basis of the works that fully correspond to the requirements of the time. In the words of the President, people have the right to live well today, not in the future.



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