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New program comprising 784 investment projects devised for Tashkent region

On June 3, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev chaired a meeting with the participation of activists of the Tashkent region, local and national level officials.



President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev has censured the economic situation in the province and the state of development in districts, outlined urgent tasks for the economic development in Tashkent region, for the creation of new enterprises and jobs.

At a meeting the President noted that a **new regional program for 2019-2020 was developed, consisting of 784 investment projects for a total of 39 trillion 833 billion soums (4.7 billion dollars)**. They include 15 major projects of national importance and 769 projects proposed by private businesses and investors.

The President gave instructions to restore activities of registered small businesses and to allocate them concessional loans under the program “Every family entrepreneur” to families wishing to start their own business. For these purposes, 350 billion soums are provided for this year, and additional funds will be assigned if necessary.

EU supports Uzbekistan in the Aral Sea region’s sustainable development

President of the European Council Donald Tusk, within the framework of his working visit to Uzbekistan, took part in **the presentation of the Multi-Partner Human Security Trust Fund for the Aral Sea Region** dedicated to elimination of problems related to the drying up of the Aral Sea.

President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, addressing the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly, drew the attention of its participants to many pressing issues of global importance, in particular, emphasized the particular danger of the Aral crisis for the population of not only Uzbekistan, but the entire region.

On November 27, 2018, a high-level event was held at the UN headquarters in New York on launching the United Nations Multi-Partner Human Security Trust Fund for the Aral Sea Region in Uzbekistan.

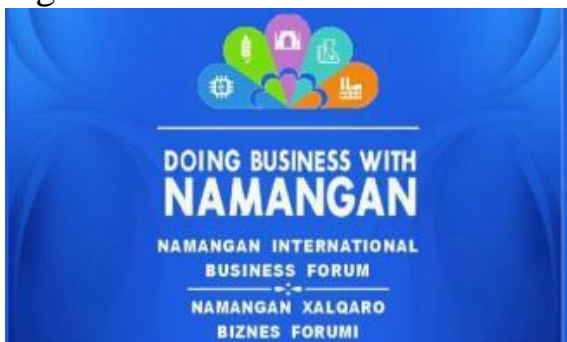


Presentation was held on the goals and objectives of this fund, its program and operational activities, as well as measures taken to establish and develop partnership in this context.

On April 1 this year, the Standard Agreement was signed between the Government of Norway and the office of this fund, according to which Norway became the first donor to contribute to the fund.

International investment forum was held in Namangan

June 5 and 6, 2019 the **International investment forum “Invest in Namangan”** and the exhibition of manufacturers held in the Namangan region of Uzbekistan.



The forum was opened by Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan Aziz Abdukhakimov. Also, the opening event was attended by the acting first Deputy Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for tourism development Ulugbek Kasimkhodjaev, who presented

touristic and investment potential of Namangan region.

The forum was attended by over 300 representatives of foreign companies from more than 40 countries, including India, Turkey, China, Russia, Germany, UAE, France and other countries. Also, representatives of the diplomatic corps accredited in Uzbekistan and correspondents of foreign media took part in the work of the events.

A package of investment agreements and contracts worth more than \$ 300 million were signed during the forum.

It worth to be noted that among the foreign partners are representatives of leading companies as Hyundai, Evergreen International, Bin Hamoodah Group, Phoenix Global DMCC, Ramada, Schneider Electrics, Daewoo Wool Textile, SUEZ, Deutsche Bank, SixClouds Pte, CTC Holding, Alles Saglik Group and others.

How much solar energy can Uzbekistan receive per year?

Uzbekistan can receive solar energy in the amount of more than 182 million tons of oil equivalent per year, deputy speaker of the

Legislative Chamber Boriy Alikhanov declared this at a meeting with journalists at the Agency of Information and Mass Communications.

“Uzbekistan has more than 320 days of sunshine a year. Assuming the possibility of obtaining energy from the Sun, then we have real conditions for using sunlight throughout almost the whole year. That is, we will be able to receive energy in the amount of more than 182 million tons of oil equivalent per year. This is almost three times the amount of energy consumed in the country at the moment. The Sun is the most optimal and efficient source of energy in Uzbekistan,” Alikhanov said.

In the recent years, Uzbekistan pays great attention to the development of energy. Special hopes are pinned just on “green” energy, primarily on solar, considering the large free areas and a significant number of clear days per year in this territory. Recently, the president signed a decree envisaging incentives for producers and consumers of renewable energy.

Thus, manufacturers of installations were exempted from paying all types of taxes for a period of five years from the date of their state registration, and consumers of “green” energy in residential premises were exempted from paying land tax and property tax for individuals for a period of three years, provided that they are completely disconnected from the existing energy networks.

The importance of modern trends in development of e-government

The Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan hosted an international workshop on “Current trends in development of e-government: integrated services, open data, e-participation and digital technologies”.

Specialists of the National Agency of Project Management under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Ministry of Development of Information Technologies and Communications, the Agency of Public Services under the Ministry of Justice, higher education institutions, researchers, professors and students, leading experts from France, Estonia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan were invited to the event organized by the Academy in cooperation with the Alliance of practitioners in delivering state services.



Special attention was paid on introduction of best innovative and practical solutions in e-government, discussion of emerging issues in study and application of international experience and effective use of innovative technologies in development of public services.

The Action plan of the Alliance for 2019 and research topics in

2019-2020 were considered at the workshop.

South Korean company to build golf clubs in two regions of Uzbekistan

On June 7, a meeting of representatives of the State Committee for Tourism Development and the Embassy of Uzbekistan in South Korea with the leadership of the investment company IRED was held in Seoul, the press service of the State Tourism Committee reports.

During the meeting, head of IRED noted that Uzbekistan has great potential for the development of all sectors of the economy and Asian countries are ready to cooperate with our country in various fields. In particular, the foreign side expressed its intention to invest in the energy and tourism industry of Uzbekistan.

At the meeting, representatives of IRED proposed projects for the construction of golf clubs in the Jizzakh and Tashkent regions.

Following the negotiations, a memorandum of understanding was signed between the parties. Conditions for creating a well-equipped recreation area along the Chirchik River with developed infrastructure (guest houses, a football field, a cinema, a restaurant, etc.) were agreed upon. The South Korean company plans to invest \$10 million.