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Harvesting of Cotton in the Khatlon Region is Ongoing

The cotton harvesting process is currently underway in the Khatlon region, where farmers (project beneficiaries) have received high-quality seeds of three elite cotton varieties—Lima, Laser, and Ramses—this year, with support from the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan under the “Enhancing Agricultural Resilience” project.

With this assistance, farmers have successfully planted cotton across 2,170 hectares using the aforementioned varieties. These high-yielding varieties, imported from abroad, are resilient to climate changes, making them particularly suitable for vulnerable farms and seed production enterprises. As of now, the first phase of the harvest has been completed, while the second phase is in full swing.

This year, by following agronomic practices, farmers have been able to significantly increase their cotton yield, achieving between 17 to 20 quintals per hectare during the first phase of harvesting.

Beneficiaries of the project are focused on effectively utilizing the favorable autumn weather conditions to ensure a timely and loss-free completion of the harvest, with the goal of increasing the yield to 50-55 quintals per hectare.



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Seed Potato Harvest in the Rasht District

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” has provided vulnerable farms and seed production enterprises in the country (project beneficiaries) with high-quality certified elite seed potatoes of the “Evolution,” “Picasso,” and “Arizona” varieties as part of “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” in 2024.

Thanks to favorable weather conditions and the timely adherence to agrotechnical practices, the yield of agricultural crops, particularly potatoes, has been high across the regions of the country. Currently, the potato harvest is actively continuing in the mountainous areas.

On October 9, 2024, specialists in the field visited the farms “Abror,” “Parviz,” “Khost,” “Bakht,” and “Faiz” in the Rasht District. During their visit, it was observed that the potato yield has significantly increased compared to the previous

year, much to the satisfaction of the farmers.

Based on the results of the yield approbation (appraisal), specialists confirmed that this year's potato yield across the country is strong, contributing significantly to food security and the development of the seed sector.

During the working visit, specialists also provided farmers with practical recommendations on the timely and loss-free harvesting of potatoes, as well as on proper storage practices in warehouses.

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**Renovation and Restoration Work at the State Institution
“Plant Protection and Chemicalization” of the Ministry of
Agriculture**

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” as part of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” Project, is carrying out repair and reconstruction of several scientific and educational buildings of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences.

As part of the third component of the project, high-quality painting and major repairs of the interior of the State Institution “Plant Protection and Chemicalization” of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan were completed, covering a total area of 1,605 square meters, along with external repairs covering 1,454 square meters.

In addition, the previously worn-out roof of the laboratory

building and storage facilities, with a total area of 785 square meters, was fully renovated. The entrance and canopy, covering 51 square meters, were also reconstructed with high standards of quality.

The conference hall and employee offices, covering an area of 1,605 square meters, underwent major renovations featuring modern design solutions. During the renovation, doors, windows, floors, ceilings were replaced, and new chandeliers were installed.

All construction work was carried out in full compliance with the environmental and social standards of the World Bank, ensuring high quality and the use of modern technologies. The building has already been put into operation.

Currently, the renovation of the laboratory section is nearing completion. The management of the State Institution "Plant Protection and Chemicalization" expressed their deep gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan for its continuous support.



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Specific Procurement Notice

**Request for Bids
Goods**

(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Name of Project: Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project (SRASP)

Contract Title: "Procurement of 20 tons of pesticides for SUE "Expedition of Locust Control".

Grant No.: D8600-TJ

RFB Reference No.: SRASP/RFB/G/2024-12

1. The Government of Tajikistan has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project (SRASP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of 20 tons of pesticides for SUE "Expedition of Locust Control".

2. The State Institute "Agriculture Entrepreneurship

Development” Project Management Unit now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Procurement of 20 tons of pesticides for SUE “Expedition of Locust Control”.

3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” dated July 2016, revised September 2023 (“Procurement Regulations”) and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the State Institute “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Project Management Unit and inspect the bidding document during office hours from 8:00 AM to 17:00 PM at the address given below.

5. The full package of bidding document in Russian may be obtained by interested Bidders upon the submission of an official letter to the address below. The document will be sent by the AED PMU procurement email.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below by November 7, 2024 11:00 hrs. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders’ designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on November 7, 2024 11:10 hrs.

7. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a bank guarantee in the amount of TJS 60,000.00 (Sixty thousand) Tajik somoni.

8. The address(es) referred to above is (are):

For the purpose of inquiries and receipt of tender documents:

To: Satori D.A. PMU Director

Address: 17 Bokhtar street, I.Somoni district, Dushanbe city

Office / Floor: 12th Floor
City: Dushanbe
Country: Tajikistan
E-mail: procurement.srasp@gmail.com

For the purpose of Bid submission and opening of the Bids:

State Committee on Investment and State Property Management of
Republic of Tajikistan
Address: 27 Shohtemur street
Office / Floor: Office No. 9, 1st floor
City: Dushanbe
Country: Republic of Tajikistan
Box: No:1

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High-Quality Seeds as a Guarantee of Increased Yield

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” has ensured the timely distribution of high-quality onion seeds to vulnerable farms across the country. The distribution of wheat seeds is also approaching completion.

Farmers in the Khatlon region, who are the beneficiaries of the project, have expressed their gratitude for the continued support from the Government and have already commenced the sowing of grain crops (wheat). High-quality seeds are a guarantee of increased yields, and when agricultural techniques are properly followed, farmers can anticipate excellent harvests.

It is noteworthy that, this year, with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the institution has successfully provided more than 7,000 small, vulnerable farms

across the country with high-quality onion and wheat seeds



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Name of Project: Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project (SRASP)

Contract Title: Procurement of IT equipment, office furniture and 136 sets. of field bags with instruments for the Committee

of Food Security and SUE "Center for Digitalization and Professional Development of Agriculture Personnel".

Grant No.: D8600-TJ

RFB Reference No.: SRASP/RFB/G/2024-11

1. The Government of Tajikistan has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project (SRASP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Procurement of IT equipment, office furniture and 136 sets. of field bags with instruments for the Committee of Food Security and SUE "Center for Digitalization and Professional Development of Agriculture Personnel".

2. The State Institute "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" Project Management Unit now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for: Lot #1 – Procurement of IT equipment for Committee of Food Security, SUE "Center for Digitalization and Professional Development of Agriculture Personnel" and SI AED PMU staff, Lot 2 – Procurement of office furniture for Committee of Food Security and SUE "Center for Digitalization and Professional Development of Agriculture Personnel", Lot #3 – : Procurement of 136 sets. of field bags for seed analysis for Committee of Food Security.

3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

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5. The full package of bidding document in Russian may be obtained by interested Bidders upon the submission of an official letter to the address below. The document will be

sent by the AED PMU procurement email.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below by **November 7, 2024 10:30 hrs.** Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **November 7, 2024 10:40 hrs.**

7. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a bank guarantee in the amount of Lot 1 – TJS 40,000.00 (Forty thousand) Tajik somoni, Lot 2 – TJS 25,000.00 (Twenty-five thousand) Tajik somoni and Lot 3 – TJS 10,000 (Ten thousand) Tajik somoni.

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CONSULTATIVE SEMINAR "FIELD DAY" DEDICATED TO THE PRESENTATION OF A RICE HARVESTER COMBINE

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" as part of Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project, aimed at strengthening the material and technical base and facilitating the work of farmers, imported a rice harvester combine from the company "FMWORLD" this year, along with other modern agricultural machinery.

This combine is one of the most advanced machines of the modern era, capable of performing multiple tasks in a single operation. It is designed for harvesting grain crops, particularly rice and wheat. The machine has a working width of 2 meters, weighs 3.5 tons, has a power output of 88 to 90 horsepower, and a grain tank capacity of 850 kg to 950 kg for rice, and from 1 to 1.2 tons for wheat. The combine is intended to meet the needs of the country's farming enterprises.

At the same time, the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, together with the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development," organized a consultative seminar "Field Day" on October 5, 2024, dedicated to the presentation of the rice harvester combine at the "Samir" farm in Tursunzade.

The seminar was attended by rice growers and machine operators from various regions of the country, who observed the combine's operation and gave it high praise for its efficiency.

During the seminar, Deputy Minister of Agriculture Zevarshoi Zevarsho and the company's engineer provided detailed explanations on the proper and long-term operation of the equipment, as well as its safe use during work, offering valuable recommendations to the attendees.

This initiative is being carried out by industry specialists

in preparation for the upcoming rice harvest at farming enterprises across the republic.

As of October 6, 2024, according to the plan, specialists are currently at the “Shamshod – 05” farm in the Farkhor district, where they are demonstrating the combine’s functionality to local rice growers.

Farmers expressed their gratitude for the ongoing support from the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, which continues to inspire them in their work.

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**Celebration of State Language Day at the State Institution
“Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”**

On October 4, 2024, a solemn gathering was held in the central hall of the institution to celebrate State Language Day of the Republic of Tajikistan.

The event was opened by representatives of the institution’s

leadership, who warmly congratulated all attendees on State Language Day. In their speeches, they highlighted the achievements of independent Tajikistan and the importance of preserving its cultural values. The representatives remarked:

“We are all well aware from the history of civilization of the great efforts and sacrifices made by our enlightened ancestors to preserve our nation and its cultural values, particularly to ensure that our beautiful and noble Tajik language would continue to thrive and endure.

The celebration of Language Day is one of the significant traditions of independent Tajikistan, which, along with other ancient national customs, is observed annually. Our national independence has not only safeguarded the purity of the Tajik language but also provided the conditions for its development, refinement, and elevation of its status.

It is especially important to acknowledge the exceptional contribution of the Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, the esteemed President of the country, Emomali Rahmon, in preserving the state language in its original purity. In his meetings and assemblies, the Head of State consistently speaks with great care and responsibility about the importance of maintaining the purity of the language and the high standards of speech culture, offering valuable guidance and recommendations”.

Following this, several employees of the institution gave speeches on topics such as “Language – The Foundation of a Nation” and “Preserving the Purity and Nobility of the Tajik Language”.

A documentary film was also presented, narrating the history of the Tajik language’s development and preservation through challenging periods.

At the close of the event, all employees and guests were once again congratulated on this important occasion. They were

wished good health, success, and prosperity. It was emphasized that each of us must carefully protect our national treasure – our native language, which is a symbol of our history, a source of pride, and the foundation of our nation's unity. We must safeguard it with honor, take pride in this heritage, and remain vigilant guardians of our great language – the language of the ancient civilization of Tajikistan.

