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ONION HARVESTING IN THE KHATLON OBLAST BOKHTAR REGION

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" within the framework of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" annually provides quality certified seeds, both locally produced and from abroad, to vulnerable farms and seed growers in the country to increase crop yields, develop seed production and ensure food supply to the country.

This year, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development " within the framework of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project " provided quality onion seeds of Hazar, Seyhan and Albeni varieties from Turkey, which, according to the Republic of Tajikistan Ministry of Agriculture plan, were provided to 12809 vulnerable farms of the country.

The imported seeds are certified, zoned to the climatic conditions of Tajikistan and high-yielding.

Farmers of the country (project beneficiaries) effectively used autumn season favorable weather conditions and sowed onions in due time.

It should be noted that the institution provided 4,416 kg of quality onion seeds of Hazar and Seyhan varieties to 736 vulnerable farms in the towns and districts of Khatlon region under the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project".

Compliance with agrotechnical norms allowed the farmers in the region (project beneficiaries) to obtain high onion yields and start harvesting.

At present, onion harvesting in Panj, Jaihun, N. Khusrav, Shartuz, Kabadiyan and Dusti districts continues, and farmers

provide the crop for the domestic market and leave some for export as well.

The farmers expressed their gratitude to the continuous support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”.



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Meetings in the framework of the Mechanism for Complaints and Proposals Consideration at the regional level with the project

beneficiaries

The State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” within the framework of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” has established a mechanism for complaints and proposals consideration at the regional and national levels to ensure transparency of the project activities and relations with the beneficiaries.

In order to implement the Law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Appeals of Individuals and Legal Entities”, an official document on environmental and social issues, as well as to consider citizens’ appeals within the framework of this project, the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”, executive bodies of state authorities of towns and districts of the country have established commissions functioning in this direction with enthusiasm.

During the meetings, the experts on social and environmental issues of the institution and employees of the public organization “Umedbakhsh” raise the issues related to the transparency of the activities of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” and effectiveness of the mechanism for consideration of complaints and appeals.



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Support for scientific and educational institutions of the Ministry of Agriculture and Tajikistan Academy of Agricultural Sciences within the project framework

Over the years of independence, with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, various sectors of the country have gradually developed and achieved significant success.

The State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” within the framework of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” project constantly takes the necessary measures to improve the efficiency of specialists in this area.

Last week, within the framework of this project, the institution purchased and transferred a set of modern furniture for the assembly hall of the Tajik Agrarian University named after Sh. Shohtemur, as well as more than 30 units of modern office equipment, such as printers, desktop computers, laptops, tablets, photographic equipment and others

in various quantities to the Academy of Agricultural Sciences of Tajikistan and the State Institution “Plant Protection and Chemicalization of Agriculture”, which have been necessary for specialists in the field for many years.

New and modern equipment is of high quality, and specialists can troubleshoot during operation, increase the efficiency of their work and achieve good results.



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Outcomes of the World Bank Mission Visit to Sughd region

On the third day of the working visit, the World Bank Mission went to the seed-growing farm of Gaffor Alimatov.

This seed-growing farm has 85 hectares of arable land and is engaged in cultivation of various crops. This farm successfully works in the area of seed production, having received a series of high-quality seeds with a certificate of Elite category group from the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" within the framework of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector" project.

The World Bank Mission familiarised and highly appreciated the effective work of Gaffor Alimatov's seed-growing farm.

Then, the Mission held a working meeting with the Mayor of Istaravshan town Atam Mamurzoda in the hall of the Executive Body of the town State Authority.

During the meeting, the parties discussed the issues of repair and reconstruction of agricultural facilities, provision of project beneficiaries with high-quality certified seeds, strengthening of material and technical base of vulnerable and seed-growing farms, involvement of unused lands into agricultural turnover, construction of wells for irrigation of agricultural lands.

A meeting with the heads of vulnerable farms of Istaravshan town was held in the administration hall as well.

At the meeting, farm managers reported on the progress of field work and achievements, as well as made a lot of suggestions on further increasing crop yields, improving the situation with land reclamation, timely harvesting, packaging and export-orientation of agricultural products.

In the end, the project beneficiaries expressed their gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" and the World Bank Mission for their continued support to farmers.



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**CONTINUATION OF THE WORLD BANK MISSION WORKING VISIT TO THE
SUGHD REGION**

On the second day of its working trip, the delegation of the World Bank Mission visited the facilities of the state institution 'State Commission for Testing Agricultural Crops and Protection of Varieties in the B. Gafurov district and Kanibadam town.

Initially, they visited the State Variety Testing Station in the B. Gafurov district for the ceremonial opening of a well for water supply and irrigation, as well as inspected the variety testing plots in the area.

Then, the head of the World Bank Mission, Mr. Hazem Ibrahim Khambal, ceremoniously launched the irrigation system, and the first irrigation of the year using water from the well began.

It should be noted that the State Variety Testing Station in the B. Gafurov district has 26.63 hectares of agricultural land for conducting scientific research and testing agricultural crop varieties and experienced a lack of water

for irrigation for many years.

This year, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" within the framework of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector" project drilled a well with a capacity of 25 liters per second using modern technology for irrigating the station lands.

It should be noted that as part of the project, to strengthen the material and technical base and develop the seed production sector, the SRASP PMU provided an MTZ-82 tractor with attached equipment and high-quality certified seeds of Elite category for 10 hectares (5 hectares of cotton seeds and 5 hectares of wheat).

Subsequently, the World Bank Mission visited the variety testing station in Kanibadam town and highly praised the work of the specialists. The state variety testing station in Kanibadam town has 24 hectares of irrigated land, and its activities are aimed at testing new, climate-resistant and high-yielding varieties of crops, as well as developing seed production.

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the SRASP PMU completed a full external and internal renovation and painting of the warehouse intended for storing various seeds of agricultural crops and scientific materials, covering an area of 217 square meters, and put it into operation as part of the first component of the project "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector".

The old and dilapidated roof of the warehouse was fully and qualitatively repaired, with the repair area of 174 square meters.

Alongside the major renovation of the warehouse, a concrete wall 58 meters long and 3 meters high was built around the area of the station unprotected for many years; it was painted and covered with a roof, and gates were installed at the

entrance. A toilet was also built and put into operation.

Additionally, within the project framework, another MTZ-80 tractor, cotton-cleaning equipment and high-quality Elite category seeds (for wheat and cotton) were provided.

Next, the World Bank Mission inspected the agricultural equipment of the OJSC named after Enajon Boymatova. It should be noted that the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" provided the OJSC named after E. Boymatova with an MTZ-80 tractor and other agricultural machinery (precision seeder, inter-row cultivators, and plowing equipment), which made the labor easier for the farmers.

The farmers and specialists expressed their gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" and the World Bank delegation for their continuous support.

In the end, the World Bank Mission thanked the farmers (project beneficiaries) for their warm welcome.



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Visit of the World Bank Mission to Sughd Region

The agricultural sector development is considered one of the priority areas of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, which constantly takes necessary measures to ensure food security of the country population, which is one of the strategic national goals.

From May 5 to 7, 2025, within the framework of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” project, the World Bank Mission held meetings with executive bodies of the towns, districts, regions, with officials and beneficiaries in Sughd region to support the project implementation process.

On May 5, within the framework of its working visit to Sughd Region, the World Bank Mission held a working meeting with Anvar Yakubi, Deputy Chairman of the Region on Economy.

During the meeting, the Deputy Chairman of the region expressed his views on repair and reconstruction of agricultural facilities, provision of project beneficiaries

with quality and certified seeds of agricultural crops, strengthening the material and technical base of needy and seed farms, drilling wells for irrigation of agricultural land, construction of agrologistic center in the free economic zone of the region.

It was also noted that about 85 percent of agricultural land in the region have pump irrigation, some of the pumps are currently in need of major repairs. Also, in order to implement the orders and instructions of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, in particular the Founder of Peace and National Unity, the Leader of the Nation, the President of the country respected Emomali Rahmon, regarding the introduction of unused lands into agricultural turnover, the specialists in this field have developed new plans for their irrigation and presented them to the World Bank Mission. The issues related to increasing crop yields, their processing within the country, as well as the establishment of an agrologistic center in the free economic zone of the region were among the key issues discussed during the meeting.

In the course of the meeting, one of the key issues considered was the increase of crop yields, their processing within the country, as well as the establishment of an agrologistic center in the free economic zone of the region at the initial stage.

During the meeting, gratitude was expressed to the representatives of the World Bank and the head of the State Institution "Development of Entrepreneurship in Agriculture" for the continuous cooperation in the development of the agricultural sector.

In conclusion, the World Bank Mission expressed its gratitude for warm welcome to the Executive Body of the State Administration of Sughd Region.



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MICRONUTRIENTS AND VITAMINS EFFICIENCY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN



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Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids
Small Works
(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Name of Project: Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project

Contract Title: Construction of building of Republican laboratory for quality inspection of agriculture products in Dushanbe

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: IDA-D8600-TJ

RFB Reference No.: SRASP/RFB/CW/2025-02

1. The Republic of Tajikistan has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project”, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Construction of building of Republican laboratory for quality inspection of agriculture products in Dushanbe.

2. The State Institute “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Project Management Unit (AED PMU) now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Construction of building of Republican laboratory for quality inspection of agriculture products in Dushanbe.

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” July 2016, revised September 2023 Edition (“Procurement Regulations”), and is open to all Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from AED PMU and inspect the bidding document during office hours 08:00 to 17:00 at the address given below.

5. The bidding document in Russian language may be purchased by interested eligible Bidders upon the submission of a

written application to the address below.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **May 30, 2025 15:00**. 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 **May 30, 2025 15:10**.

7. All Bids must be accompanied by a **"Bid Security" of: TJS 330 000.00 (three hundred and thirty thousand) Tajik Somoni**.

8. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.

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

For the purpose of inquiries and receipt of tender documents:

To: AED PMU Procurement Department

Address: Bokhtar street 17

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 9, 1st Floor

City: Dushanbe

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Box: No:2