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Start of well drilling in the State Institution “State Commission for testing of types of agriculture crops and protection of varieties” in Sughd region

One of the priorities of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan is the sustainable development of various sectors of the country, in connection with which there is great interest in the implementation of these plans.

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, under the implementation of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” drilling of wells for irrigation of agricultural lands of the State Institution “State Commission for testing of types of agriculture crops and protection of varieties” in B. Gafurov district of Sughd region has been successfully carried out by the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” since January of the current year.

On 14 January 2025, a public meeting on planning and implementation of well drilling works was held in this institution by specialists of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” with the participation of institution specialists and workers involved in well drilling works and irrigation works of the institution’s agricultural lands.

At the meeting specialists of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” in Sughd region provided information on the implementation of the environmental management plan, taking into account the opinions and proposals of stakeholders, the results of the environmental impact assessment, in accordance with the requirements of the World Bank’s social and environmental standards, compliance with sanitary and hygienic norms, safety equipment and compliance with the current legislation requirements of the Republic of Tajikistan, as well as

detailed information was provided on the mechanism for dealing with complaints and requests.



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Distribution of agricultural machinery and equipment to the country's vulnerable farms

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" under the implementation of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" this year procured small size tractors with trailers and walk-behind tractors with equipment and provided to country's vulnerable farms.

The Institution with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan continuously implements this initiative and constantly takes measures to facilitate the work of

farmers and agricultural development.

In the previous stages, large-size and highly productive equipment (various tractors) with trailers and instruments, automobiles, and other large vehicles for agriculture and fieldwork were distributed to Scientific and Educational Institutions and Institutions of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences, country's vulnerable and seed farms.

In the next stage, it is planned to distribute equipment such as 150 small tractors, 150 small trailers, 250 walk-behind tractors with trailers, soil crumbles (milling machine), potato planters, and potato diggers, to the country's vulnerable farms.

Currently, the distribution across the country is continuing at a fast pace, the experts are making all efforts to finalize the distribution in the coming days so that the project beneficiaries can start fieldwork using the new technologies.

Currently, farmers (project beneficiaries) are pleased with the continuous support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and intend to increase crop yields and contribute with their hard work to ensure the country's food security.



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**The performance results of the Public Organization “Avesto”
in the frame of project**

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” in the frame of sub-component 3.4 (nutrition improvement) of “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” for health promotion and improvement of population health, especially mothers and children, vitamins and micronutrients were imported into the country last year.

The State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” in cooperation with the Ministry of Health and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Tajikistan to this date carried out a number of activities and currently, the distribution of medicine (vitamins and micronutrients) is actively proceeding throughout the country, as well as explanatory work is carried out by the Public Organization “Avesto”.

Therefore, on January 9 of this year, a working meeting was held at the State Institution on the results of the Public Organization "Avesto" activity for 2024.

The staff of the Public Organization "Avesto" and the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" participated in the working meeting.

On the first issue of the agenda, the head of the Public Organization "Avesto" Abdulloeva Firusa Ganievna made comprehensive remarks on the import and distribution of vitamins and micronutrients throughout the country, development and publication of information materials, advertising activities through mass media, as well as holding round tables and consultative seminars among the population.

Then presentations on this issue were made by some participants.

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Monitoring of seed storage facilities in the Sugd region

Every year with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" in the frame of "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" provides farmers (project beneficiaries) with high-quality, high-yielding seeds and suitable for climatic conditions prior to sowing crops in order to store in farm storages and sow seeds on time.

This week, the institution's specialists visited and checked the conditions of the storage facilities of the commercial cooperatives "Chorkuh", "Ovchi Gonchi", of the project beneficiary's farms "Ravshanbek", "Dodoev" and "Khodjaho" in the Sugd region. In the farm storage part, the seed provided by the project and produced by the farms is stored at a

moderate temperature, separately, in a dry place, on boards.

Gratefully, most farm managers properly store their crop seeds and prepare them for sowing. They know that improper seed storage reduces yields and even leads to losses.

For those farms that did not observe the simplest rules of seed storage, the field's specialists gave useful recommendations and suggestions on proper storage methods.



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Repair and reconstruction work at the Sumbula Testing Farm of the Institute of Horticulture and Vegetable Growing of the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences

Testing farm Sumbula of the Institute of Horticulture and Vegetable Growing of the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences has been productive since 1978 and contributes to the development of agricultural scientists' research activities.

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Testing Farm, which needed major renovation, was completely repaired and reconstructed, and put into operation by the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" in the frame of "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project".

State Institution in the frame of first component of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" completely repaired the exterior and interior of the 638.79 square meters building with high modern quality, which provided good working conditions for staff.

Also, the Testing Farm's building roof and its storage area, which had been old and wrecked for many years, with an area of 328.79 square meters completely renovated with good quality. The front entrance, conference room, 6 staff offices, rest room, lunch room, and corridors which required major renovation of the 1443.66 square meters completely repaired with a modern design by replacing doors and windows, floors, ceilings (roof) and chandeliers.

The construction works were carried out in accordance with the requirements of social and environmental standards of the World Bank with high and modern quality, and the building was put into operation.

Management of the Sumbula Testing Farm of the Institute of Horticulture and Vegetable Growing of the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences expressed their gratitude and satisfaction for the continuous support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan.



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Status of wheat sowing in country's seed and vulnerable farms

Every year, with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" under the implementation of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" provides to the country's seed and vulnerable farms high-quality certified seeds to increase crop yields, seed production and ensure the country's food security.

Last year in the frame of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" 500 tons of high-quality wheat seeds of Timiryazevka-150 and Alekseich varieties were imported from abroad by State Institution. According to the list of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Institution provided seeds to 115 country's seed farms for the 2024 autumn sowing and the 2025 harvest.

Imported seeds are of the elite group, are certified, high-yielding, and suitable for the climatic conditions of Tajikistan.

Also, last year for the 2024 autumn sowing, 1100 tons of wheat seeds of Alekseich, Timiryazevka-150 and Grom varieties were provided to 5055 vulnerable farms of the country. Seeds of these varieties are of the first reproductive group and are intended for reproduction, obtained from seed farms of the country.

Farmers of the country (project beneficiaries), effectively used favorable autumn weather and the wheat autumn sowing was completed on time at the specified dates.

At present, during the monitoring, the field's specialists noted that the condition of its growth in the fields is really favorable, and if agricultural practices are followed, farmers can obtain the desired harvest.

The beneficiaries of the project believe that the yield of this crop will increase many times compared to the last year and thus will contribute to the supply of domestic markets.

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**Congratulations from the Director of the State Institution
“Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Mr. Daler Satori
in honor of the New Year**

I congratulate all of you, dear colleagues, and respected Tajik people on the advent of the New Year 2025.

In the past year, respected Tajik people under the wise leadership of the Founder of National Peace and Unity – The leader of the Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Honorable Emomali Rahmon undertook the development of prosperity and creation in preparation for the celebration of the 35th anniversary of the State Independence of the Republic of Tajikistan, achieved great economic and social achievements, which contributes to the improvement of the level and quality of life of the population.

Such municipal improvement and landscaping, increased agricultural production, construction, and commissioning of hundreds of industrial and social facilities, including industrial enterprises, hydroelectric power plants, residential buildings, and buildings of institutions and organizations, have brought Tajikistan's strategic goals even closer to being realized.

The holding of high-level regional and international events in the capital of our dear Motherland – Dushanbe, participation and speeches of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Leader of the Nation Honorable Emomali Rahmon at conferences inside and outside the country, and other important international events have increased the authority of our state in the international arena.

We are confident that in the years to come, especially in preparation for the 35th anniversary of the State Independence of the Republic of Tajikistan under the leadership of the

great Leader of the Nation and the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the honorable Tajik people will achieve the desired results.

May 2025 become a year of success and new achievements for all honorable people of Tajikistan, a year of realization of good human intentions, a year of development and progress, a prosperous year for our dear Motherland, and the achievement of strategic goals.

In the New Year, I wish each of you, dear colleagues, fruitful activity, blessings in life, and the realization of boundless dreams.

Be always healthy and happy, prosperity, peace, and success for you.

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Distribution of vitamins and micronutrients to Medical Centers

Nowadays, the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan constantly strives to improve the health and protection of the population and shows great interest in food security and healthy nutrition issues.

Also, the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan has adopted a number of normative-legal documents and carries out effective activities in this area.

For this purpose, this year, with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the World Bank Group, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" in the frame of the Strengthening Resilience of Agriculture Sector Project, aimed at protecting the health of mother and child has imported vitamins and micronutrients, such as S1550005 – 60 mg of iron + folic acid/PAC – (10×10) in

the amount of 353,000.00 packs and S1580201 vitamin-mineral powder (SPRINKLE) PAC – 30 in the amount of 1 300,000.00 packs to the Republic of Tajikistan.

After importing these medical products into the Republic, quality was checked by specialists of the State Supervision Service of Health and Social Protection of the Population of Tajikistan of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Tajikistan.

It is foreseen micronutrients – ironic sulfate and folic acid for 353 000 pregnant women and vitamin supplements for 1 300 000 children aged 6 months to 59 months.

After checking the quality of imported medical products Certificate of Quality and Conformity issued by the State Supervision Service of Health and Social Protection of the Population of Tajikistan of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Tajikistan. Based on Certificate of Quality and Conformity for imported medical products permission was given for distribution to beneficiaries.

Nowadays, in accordance with the Order No. 560 dated August 20, 2024 of the Minister of Health and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Tajikistan

“Distribution of micronutrients (SPRINKLE) and medical nutrition for children”, micronutrients and vitamin supplements are provided to beneficiaries at the Primary Health and Sanitation facilities (urban, regional, district reproductive health centers and children’s disease coordination rooms of urban, regional, district health centers).

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