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Strengthening plant protection direction in the country

The State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” under the sub-component 3.3 of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project”, envisaged the aspect on strengthening the capacity of institutions for plant protection and locust control, measures on protection from pest are planned, including the organization of biological laboratories, as well as investments in material and technical base and capacity building of young staff of state institutions responsible for plant protection and locust control, including equipment, materials and staff training.

In this context, from November 18 – 27 this year, the mission of the international consultant Prof. Dr. Joseph Kisch – Head of the Department of Plant Protection Integration of the Hungarian Agrarian University and the Institute for the Study of Plant Life and Protection, member of the French Academy of Agriculture, is ongoing.

According to the program of the mission, the assessment of the existing biological laboratory, plant protection, pest control and capacity building of young employees of the Institution “Plant Protection and Chemicalization of Agriculture” was carried out, as well as several meetings were held with specialists and decision makers of the Ministry of Agriculture, Committee for Environmental Protection, Tajik Agrarian University, Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Institute of Horticulture and Viticulture, Agricultural Institute, public organizations for environmental protection, National Association of dehkan (farmer) farms and private sector.

At the same time, completed a working visit to the branches of the State Institution “Plant Protection and Chemicalization of Agriculture” in the Khatlon and Sughd regions, as well as to the biological laboratories of the village community Jamoat

“Panj” in Dusti district and village community Jamoat “Eshbek Sattorov” in Jaihun district, LLC “Markazi biomethod Kishovarz” in J. Rasulov district. Meetings were held with specialists and farmers to implement further activities using modern methods, and science-based recommendations were presented.

It should be noted that the project envisages the construction and equipping of a biological laboratory in state agricultural institutions.



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**Congratulations from the Director of the State Institution
“Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Mr. Daler Satori
Abdumansur in honor of Day of the State Flag of the Republic**

of Tajikistan

Every independent and sovereign state is represented in the world by its coat of arms, flag and national anthem.

Due to independence and the sacred benefits of peace and unity, today are the flag, coat of arms and national anthem embodying fortune and independence, unity and capital, honour and patriotism, as well as the national identity of our ancient and cultural people, reflecting the highest goals and aspirations of Tajiks in the brilliance of their colours.

Today, the national flag is a sign of the people's steadfast will for the prosperity of our beautiful country and declares the independence of the Tajik state.

The flag is a symbol of the honors of the Tajik people, proof of the glory, wealth and independence of the country, as well as an expression of the nation dream and the flame of faith of the noble and honorable people of the sovereign Tajikistan.

Respect for the flag is respect for the nation and the state, because the flag, along with the coat of arms and the national anthem, is considered one of the state symbols and inviolability, as well as a symbol of unity and unification.

The government of the country has implemented significant measures to further increase the influence and respect of the State Flag in society, especially among young people.

From 2009 to the present, 24th of November is solemnly celebrated as "Flag Day" as a sign of respect and loyalty to our national flag.

Our national flag has a colorful thousand-year history, and Tajiks, as proud heirs of the great Aryans, are actually among the first flag-bearers on the planet.

The national flag is a bright light in a clear sky, it is a sacred source of our pride, a beautiful and unique sign,

famous in the world for its attractiveness and charm.

The state flag of independent Tajikistan, within the framework of the policy of the state and the Government of the Tajikistan under the leadership of the founder of peace and national unity – the Leader of the Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Honorable Emomali Rahmon, and as a sign of state independence, represents the people of Tajikistan in the international arena, in the buildings of the UN and other international and regional organizations and institutions, informs about independent Tajikistan under the flags of other countries of the world.

The flag is a symbol of peaceful life, good luck, hope for a bright future and deserves the respect of every pious and conscientious citizen.

The flag is strength of the nation and strength of the army. The glow of the flag is like of the bird of fortune by the fluttering of its wings.

To respect and honor the flag means to honor all the values of the nation, including our civilized ancestors and national culture from the beginning of history to the present day. Therefore, we must always strive to ensure that our national flag serves as a reason for every worthy person to be proud of the state and statehood, to strengthen national independence and, above all, to protect its achievements.

In these happy moments, I sincerely congratulate all of you and all the noble people of the country on the Day of the State Flag of the Republic of Tajikistan. I wish you good luck, pride and respect, as well as further success in your future activities.

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the country's vulnerable farms are provided with high-quality seeds

High-quality seeds guarantee a high yield of crops, and if agricultural practices are followed, farmers can obtain the desired harvest from them and thus contribute to the country's food security.

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 high-quality seeds to the vulnerable and seed farms of the country at the beginning of planting of crops.

Since the beginning of November of this year, specialists of the institution have been providing high-quality potato seeds of the Picasso, Bigroza, Krone, Arizona and Evolution varieties in the amount of 1400 tons to the vulnerable farms of the cities and districts of the republic, according to the list of the Ministry of Agriculture (project beneficiaries), which is on the stage of completion.

Farmers of the country are encouraged by the constant support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and are trying to plant their crops on time under the deadline and get a high yield from it this year.

The varieties provided to vulnerable farms are certified, high-yielding, and domestically produced.



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**Congratulations from the Director of the State Institution
“Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Mr. Daler Satori
Abdumansur in honor of the Day of the President of the
Republic of Tajikistan**

I congratulate all of you, dear colleagues, on the Day of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan and the 32nd anniversary of the 16th session of the Supreme Soviet of the Republic of Tajikistan.

The celebration of the Day of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan is considered a symbol of loyalty and devotion to the beloved Motherland, the respected Tajik people and the Head of State, and is also considered an important factor in the union, cohesion and unity of the Tajik people.

The extensive state activity of the great Leader of the nation began with the XVI session of the Supreme Soviet of the Republic of Tajikistan, at which the main foundations of national statehood were restored. The most important achievement of this historic session is the election of the

head of state as a worthy son of the nation, a brave person, pure and noble, possessing a high national identity, and Chairman of the Supreme Soviet of the Republic of Tajikistan.

The founder of national peace and unity, the Leader of the Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon, as a far-sighted and wise leader, relying on the great strength and eternal wisdom of the people, led our country along a democratic path based on law, a secular and unified way of life, and ensured peace and tranquility in the lives of people.

Under the direct leadership and constant care of the great Leader of the nation, significant successes have been achieved in all areas of the country, and the people of our dear country live in an atmosphere of peace and stability, unity and mutual understanding.

The honorable Tajik people are aware of the daily activities of the head of state and well aware that he devotes his entire existence and activity to the development of our dear country, ensuring a dignified life for the people.

For this reason, the Day of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan has become a national holiday for Tajiks, and every Tajik family celebrates it with joy.

The founder of national peace and unity, the Leader of the Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Honorable Emomali Rahmon, from the first days of the state's independence, in the process of restoring and forming the foundations of the new state and statehood, ensuring the security and peace of society, political and economic stability, in the name of the prosperity of the Motherland, the creative process, that is, the construction of power plants and tunnels, scientific and educational enterprises and institutions, highways that meet international standards and other great achievements have made it possible to achieve

great and unique achievements in development and statehood.

We are fully confident that under the wise leadership of the great Leader of the Nation, our dear Tajikistan will be able to realize its strategic goals, plans to prepare for the 35th anniversary of state independence, achieve great achievements, sustainable development and a decent life for our people.

Once again, I sincerely congratulate all of you, dear employees, and on your behalf, all of our dear fellow citizen on this joyful day. I wish you good health, happiness and success today, new victories in your work in the name of the prosperity of our beloved Motherland.

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Seed Potato Harvesting in the Foothill Areas of Sughd Region

This year, seed farms in Sughd Region (project beneficiaries), taking advantage of favorable weather conditions, timely conducted sowing operations, including the planting of potatoes, on an area of 83 hectares. As a result of proper adherence to agricultural techniques, crop yields have significantly increased, and farmers have begun harvesting.

It is worth noting that with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" provided high-quality elite-certified seed potatoes of the "Evolution", "Picasso", and "Arizona" varieties to seed farms across the country as part of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector" project for the sowing campaign.

Motivated by the continued attention from the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, seed farms are committed to harvesting the crops on time and without losses.

Currently, average yields are between 750-850 centners per hectare, with some areas reaching up to 950 centners per hectare, marking a significant step forward in the development of seed farming.

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Working Meeting on Agricultural Digitalization

On October 15, 2024, a working meeting was held at the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” as part of Subcomponent 3.1 of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” project. The meeting focused on the potential for data analysis, planning, and real-time monitoring to ensure sustainable agricultural development.

The working group included representatives from the Ministry of Agriculture, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the Agency for Hydrometeorology, and the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the regular and timely collection of essential data on land use and agricultural production through digital technologies, and how this data can be transformed into actionable insights, including crisis preparedness and response.

Additionally, this subcomponent will support the production of real-time agrometeorological data, enabling the Ministry of Agriculture to improve its capacity to collect and analyze accurate weather information. In collaboration with the Agency for Hydrometeorology, the plan includes timely notifications and forecasts for farmers, aimed at reducing delays in accessing agrometeorological information.



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The World Bank Mission's working group conducted an inspection of research activities in the Sughd and Khatlon regions

The technical working group, consisting of representatives of the World Bank and environmental and social specialists of the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development," visited several work sites in the Sughd and Khatlon regions.

During the visit, the group inspected the "Free Economic Zone" (ALC), the State Institution "Locust Control Expedition," and several seed-producing farms in Sughd and Khatlon, including OJSC named after A. Jumayev, OJSC "S. Urunkhodjaev," Dehkan Farm "Yakkatoot" in J. Rasulov District, the "Kulyab" Trading Cooperative in Vakhsh District, and Dehkan Farm "Khoji Zakir" in Vakhsh District.

Throughout the inspection, the group discussed the proper storage of pesticides, compliance with safety regulations, adherence to sanitary and hygiene standards, conditions for storing mineral fertilizers and seed reserves, as well as compliance with the project's environmental and social

requirements and labor conditions monitoring.

It is worth noting that a biological laboratory operates at the A. Jumayev seed farm, where beneficial insects—entomophages—are bred for biological pest control. The results of this activity are extended to other districts. World Bank specialists reviewed the laboratory's work and positively evaluated the project's contribution to its future development.

Additionally, meetings were held with representatives of vulnerable farms, allowing the group to become familiar with the current social and environmental conditions of these farms.

In conclusion, environmental and social specialists provided valuable recommendations to the project beneficiaries for further improving their operations.



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Distribution of Agricultural Machinery and Equipment in GBAO

With the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development," has launched a new phase of agricultural machinery and equipment distribution in the Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region (GBAO) within the framework of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project.

It is important to note that the distribution of modern agricultural machinery coincided with the working visit of the Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, respected Emomali Rahmon to GBAO. This equipment was delivered to vulnerable farms in the region (the project beneficiaries).

It should be emphasized that, in order to further strengthen the material and technical base and facilitate the work of farmers, on June 4, 2024, with the support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the institution had already

provided 21 units of modern machinery—tractors and motor cultivators with equipment—to seed-producing and vulnerable farms in GBAO within the framework of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project.

Fortunately, in the new phase on October 13, 2024, additional 15 units of modern small tractors with trailers and equipment were distributed to the vulnerable farms of the region.

The project beneficiaries expressed deep gratitude for the continuous support from the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan. This important initiative significantly eases the work of farmers and greatly increases the yield of agricultural crops.

