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Study tour to the Republic of Uzbekistan

From February 26 to March 2, 2024, a study tour of specialists of agriculture sector to the Republic of Uzbekistan is taking place as part of Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project.

An important factor in the effective implementation of the project is this study tour with the participation of specialists from the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Committee for Food Security under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, the National Center for Food Security Diagnostics, the State Unitary Enterprise "Center for Digitalization and Advanced Training in Agriculture", the State Institution "Locust Control Expedition", the State Institution "Plant Protection and Chemicalization", the Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry of the AAST, representatives of agricultural departments of the Sughd and Khatlon regions and representatives of Food and Agriculture Organization (UN).

The tour started with a meeting with FAO representatives, management and specialists of the Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

The objective of the tour is to increase the knowledge and innovative skills of the participants, to learn about digitalization of the industry and innovative ways, to gain knowledge on soil diagnosis with modern techniques, new methods of pest control, construction of greenhouses and cold storage facilities using modern technology, etc.

To this end, during the tour the specialists visited the Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry, stationary laboratory, Plant Protection and Quarantine Agency, mobile laboratories and the Central Phytosanitary Laboratory of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as held a working meeting on

the development and digitalization of the industry.



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SOLEMN EVENT DEDICATED TO THE NATIONAL ARMY DAY

On February 23 of the current year, a solemn meeting dedicated to the celebration of the 31st anniversary of the establishment of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Tajikistan was held in the office of the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development".

The meeting started with the National Anthem of the Republic

of Tajikistan. The Director of the institution Daler Satori congratulated the participants on this occasion and highlighted that the National Army of independent Tajikistan is considered the most important part of statehood, the basis of stability and existence of our ancient nation in the international arena, and that it is the sacred duty of every patriotic citizen of our dear country to contribute to its development. Over 31 years of work, the various military structures have achieved many significant achievements that cannot be summarized in a few sentences. The Government of the Republic of Tajikistan pays special attention to this area and considers the development of the Armed Forces as the core of statehood.

During the session, the women colleagues made insightful presentations on the role of the National Army in the stability of the state, sustainability of peace and tranquility in the country.

At the end of the event, the management sincerely congratulated all employees and on their behalf all officers and soldiers of the country, wished them good health, well-being, happiness and victories, and our independent Tajikistan – eternal peace.



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Another stage of agricultural machinery distribution

On February 21 this year in CJSC “Agrotekhservice” of Gisar city with the participation of the First Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan Nosirzod Jabbor, Deputy Director of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Boymurod Kurbonov, Deputy Director of RSUE “Tajikagroleasing” Batyr Muminov, Director of CJSC “Agrotekhservice” Jaloliddin Nuraliev, sub-structures of the Ministry of Agriculture, heads of farms and other officials distribution of agricultural machinery was conducted.

It is worth noting that, on the initiative 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, at another stage of distribution of agriculture machinery transferred 6 tractors of the “Belarus-82.1” brand and 4 caterpillar tractors “Agromash” 90TG to the State Institution “Locust Control Expedition” and

farms of the republic.

First Deputy Minister of Agriculture Nasirzoda Jabbor, delivered a speech in which he stated that ensuring food security of the population of the country largely depends on the development of the agricultural sector and is considered one of the priority areas of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan. The aspect of the sector's development is noted directly by the Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, respected Emomali Rahmon, and is annually financed within the framework of sectoral programs and investment projects. All of us should appreciate the constant care and contribute to the development of agriculture all the time. Take care of these affordable modern tractors and machines so that they serve you for many years to come.

It should be noted that at the first stage a number of agricultural machineries was supplied to seed and seedling farms: 20 units of plough, 15 softeners, 13 cotton planters, 13 grain planters, 4 grain cleaning machines, 15 potato planters, 15 potato harvesters, 2 units of graders, 4 units of cotton cleaning machines and 4 units of cotton packing machines.

At the second stage of distribution, 20 tractors, 4 ploughs, 7 trailers were transferred to seed farms, 9 tractors to the State Commission for Testing of Agricultural Crops and Protection of Varieties, 14 tractors to the State Unitary Enterprise "Plant Protection and Chemicalization", as well as 11 units of large tractors, 13 units of small tractors and 23 units of agricultural machinery and equipment to the State Unitary Enterprise "Tajikniholparvar".

After the informative speech of the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, the heads of farms expressed their gratitude for the continuous support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan in the development of the agricultural sector.

At the end of the event, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture and other officials handed over the keys to the tractors to the project beneficiaries.

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Congratulations of the Director of the SI "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" dedicated to the 31st anniversary of the establishment of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Tajikistan.

With great respect and from the bottom of my heart, I congratulate all of you, dear colleagues, on the 31st anniversary of the establishment of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Tajikistan.

The national army of independent Tajikistan is considered the most important part of statehood, the basis of stability and existence of our ancient nation in the international arena. It is the sacred duty of every patriotic citizen of our dear country to contribute to its development.

It is worth noting that the National Army of the country, at a time of serious threat to the fate of the country and its independence, despite being a new structure, was able to make worthy efforts to restore peace, tranquility and security to the borders of our country.

The Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Honorable Emomali Rahmon, in his Message, emphasized that “The realities and events of the modern world warn each of us of the need to have political intelligence, a high sense of patriotism and self-awareness to preserve the value of state independence”.

On these happy days, dear colleagues, on your behalf, I sincerely congratulate all officers and soldiers of the country, wish health and well-being, happiness and achievements, and eternal peace to our independent Tajikistan.

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On February 16 of the current year, within the framework of Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project with the participation of industry experts in the building of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan a training seminar was held on “Digitalization of electronic price monitoring and provision of recommendations in this direction”.

The purpose of this workshop is to implement the plans for digitalization of electronic monitoring of the agricultural sector with a modern method.



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Visit of the technical working group to flour production and processing enterprises in Sughd region

It is a matter of pride and honor that today, thanks to the independence of the Republic, there are more than 45 small and large enterprises producing and processing flour using modern methods (18 units in Sughd province, 20 units in Khatlon province and 7 units in RRS). These enterprises operate efficiently and provide food products to the population of the country.

On February 13 of the current year, members of the technical working group (representatives of the Ministry of Health and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Tajikistan, Ministry of Industry and New Technologies, Ministry of Agriculture, State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development", Agency "Tajikstandart" and staff of the World Food Program) held a meeting with the heads of flour production enterprises of Sughd region ("Khubjama Invest" LLC, "AZHR" LLC, "Grain Company" LLC, "Fati" LLC) under sub-component 3.4 which focuses on food fortification,

specifically on fortification of wheat flour.

Solehzoda Umed, a representative of the Ministry of Industry and New Technologies, opened the meeting and spoke on the importance of food fortification, especially wheat flour.

Then Inomjon Khaknazarov – Director of the Institute of Nutrition, Afzalsho Vokhidzoda – specialist of “Tajikstandart” agency, Abdulloeva Zarrina – nutrition specialist of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” and Believe Gunda – expert-technologist on food fortification of WFP made speeches. They presented information on the essence and enrichment of food products, especially wheat flour, and also highlighted that work is underway to create conditions for enrichment of wheat flour (premixes) with vitamins and minerals to increase the nutritional value of the product for low-income groups of the population, especially pregnant women, as well as children and adolescents suffering from malnutrition.

This was followed by a question and answer session on availability of premixes, setting up a micronutrient production line in the country and other issues that need to be addressed locally. Relevant experts provided detailed answers to these questions.

After the meeting, the members of the technical working group visited a number of wheat flour production enterprises.

The purpose of the visit of the technical working group was to get familiarized with the activities of these enterprises and to learn from the experience of developed countries in the field of food fortification.

The enterprises of Khubjam Invest LLC have been operating since 2018 and produce highest grade, first grade, second grade flour, as well as flour for animal feed. Its total production volume is 400 tones per day. This production provides permanent employment for more than 90 employees.

The enterprises of “Zernovaya Kompaniya” LLC started their activities in the era of independence and produce flour of the highest, first and second grades, as well as breadcrumbs for animal feed.

The total production volume of the enterprise is 500 tones per day and the enterprise provides permanent jobs for more than 150 employees.

The company’s employees also produce more than 55 types of bread and confectionery products from the flour produced and offer them to customers.

Ordi Fatir LLC started its operations in April 2016 and produces flour of the highest, first and second grades, as well as flour for animal feed. The total production volume of the products is 200 tones per day. This enterprise provides permanent employment for more than 50 employees.

It should be noted that all flour production enterprises import raw material (wheat) from the Republic of Kazakhstan, process it and provide it to the population of the country.

These enterprises operate in the Republic in accordance with the requirements of the standard of the Republic of Tajikistan, and the finished products are divided into groups with different quality. They are also packaged according to international standards and provided to the population of the country.



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Work meeting on construction of agro-logistic centre in Sughd region

On 6 February the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” within the framework of 2nd component of Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project held a work meeting with representatives of executive authorities of Sughd region, “Sofreko” and “Bars Consulting” companies on the issue of construction of agro-logistic centre in Sughd region.

The aim of the work meeting is to build and operate an agro-logistic centre in the region, which will contribute to improving the quality of agricultural products, extending their shelf life, sorting and organising their packaging, as well as their export.

