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Daily work progress

On September 13 of the current year specialists of the SI "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" within the framework of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project held a working meeting in the hall of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) with the international advisor, Doctor of Biological Sciences Elena Shamrikova, involved in the work of the project.

During the meeting the specialists paid special attention to the issues of purchasing laboratory equipment of TAAS Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry on the basis of sub-component 3.2 Soil Fertility Management and wanted to take a look at the laboratory condition of the institution.

Afterwards, on 14.09.2023 the delegation inspected the current state of the centralized laboratory of the Institute and expressed the opinion that the laboratory of the scientific institution is in need of repair and does not meet modern requirements.

As part of the project, in addition to equipping laboratories, these laboratories are also to be renovated.



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**Congratulations of the Director of the State Institution
“Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”**

With deep respect and from the bottom of my heart, let me congratulate my dear colleagues and compatriots on the occasion of the 32nd anniversary of the State independence of the Republic of Tajikistan.

Thanks to the wise policy of the Founder of Peace and National Unity – the Leader of the Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, respected Emomali Rahmon, during the period of independence, we had the opportunity to present honorably the people of our country to the world.

During these years, the Republic of Tajikistan was able to take its place in the international arena, and more than 190 countries accepted the independence of Tajikistan.

State independence is a sacred holiday for every nation, the protection and stability of its foundations is the first task of every worthy citizen of the country.

We believe in the bright future of our Motherland – dear Tajikistan – and we invest all our efforts to ensure that independence remains as alive and durable as one whole tree.

I once again congratulate you on the anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Tajikistan and wish you health, happiness and unique success in your daily activities.

Sincerely,

the Director of the Institution Satori D.A.

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Consultative seminar “Field Day” was held dedicated to the “Presentation of the work of the GOMSELMASH GS5 combine for harvesting grain crops”

On August 23 of this year, a consultative seminar “Field Day” dedicated to the “Presentation of the work of the GOMSELMASH GS5 combine for harvesting grain crops” was held with the initiative of the State Institution “Agrotechservice” in LatifMurod LLC, Hisor, with the participation of representatives of Khatlon and Sughd regions, as well as Regions of Republican Subordination.

The seminar was opened by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture Zevarshoi Zevarsho, who gave recommendations on expanding the further activities of farms using modern technologies. Also, the representative of GOMSELMASH GS5 of the Republic of Belarus informed to the audience about the work of this combine, stating that it can harvest from 18 to 21 tons of grain crops, especially wheat, rice and corn, per hour during the grain harvest season.

Then the participants were shown the method of harvesting corn, as well as the method of separating the grain from the

husk.

The seminar was attended by specialists of the State Institution «Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development» who shared useful recommendations on the collection of corn using modern technologies to farmers and heads of farms.



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On July 12, 2023, a round table on “Promotion of Wheat Flour Fortification Initiative and establishment of the National Premix Revolving Fund” was held in the hall of the National Library. The event included a presentation of sub-component 3.4 of the Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector

Project on “Improving Nutrition”, with the participation of Project development partners and nutrition specialists.

The director of SI “Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development” Mr. Daler Satori highlighted in his introductory speech that the round table was being held as part of additional funding of Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project which included support for food fortification measures.

Then, according to the program of the event, the participants of the round table – representatives of interested ministries and sectoral agencies, discussed and presented their recommendations on the main directions of activity of the National Premix Revolving Fund and food fortification.

The Multisectoral Plan of Action for Nutrition in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2021-2025, which is aimed at the practical implementation of health, food security, social protection, school nutrition strategies, as well as the Law “On Providing the Population with Fortified Foods” and the National Communication Program for the “First 1000 Days of a Child’s life in the Republic of Tajikistan for the period 2020-2024” and a number of programs, provides for specific tasks and activities aimed at improving the nutrition of the population, especially mothers.

The round table, where priority problems of supplies of fortified flour and iodized salt were discussed, was productive. As a result of this event, it was decided to hold regular meetings of the working group on healthy nutrition in the Republic of Tajikistan in the future.



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On July 6-7, 2023 within the framework of the implementation of Strengthening Resilience of the Agricultural Sector Project a seminar was held to discuss the results of the first half of the year 2023 with the participation of the management and staff of the State Institution "Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development".

Daler Satori, Director of the State Institution "Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development", noted in his opening speech that the discussion of the results of the Project's activities for the first half of the year is envisaged by the work plan. B. Kurbanov, Deputy Director/Project Coordinator, coordinators of the Project components, specialists in procurement, finance, ecology and social work, evaluation and monitoring made presentations on the results achieved at the seminar.

It was noted that the Additional Financing Agreement was signed in early 2023 and the number of project beneficiaries has increased.

At the end of the seminar, the specialists were tasked to improve activities in the subsequent second half of the year.

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High harvest is guarantee of food security

Under sub-component 1.3: Reproduction of seeds, seedlings and planting material, elite wheat varieties such as “Grom”, “Alekseich” and “Bezostaya-100” were distributed among seed farms.

The objective of this sub-component is to build the capacity of public and private seed farms and nurseries engaged in reproduction of seeds, seedlings and planting materials and to establish distribution centers along value chains to process and sell high quality seeds, seedlings and planting materials produced for farmers. State seed farms and nurseries will be supported to improve their facilities and human capacity, while private seed farms and nurseries, including those managed by cooperatives, will benefit from human capacity building, including technical assistance. State seed farms include facilities managed either by TAU or research institutes affiliated with TAAS, while private seed farms and nurseries include facilities owned and operated by private organizations that are engaged in reproduction of seeds, seedlings and planting material in the Republic of Tajikistan.

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Consultations for farmers

Within the framework of the first component of “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” Project it is envisaged to improve seed network, nurseries and inputs (seeds, machinery, mineral fertilizers, etc.).

In order to ensure adequate access to quality seeds, seedlings

and marketable production materials that are adapted to local conditions, resistant to climate change and available to farmers for seed distribution, specialists of the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" provide useful consultations to representatives of farms.

Quality wheat, potato and cotton seeds with the addition of mineral fertilizers have become available to the farms of the republic, from which abundant yields are subsequently obtained.

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Within the framework of the Academy of Education of the Project Implementation Centers and within the framework of environmental protection and social protection issues of the Project to Increase the sustainability of agriculture in accordance with the requirements of the World Bank, a training seminar was held for specialists of the Project implementation centers, including at the State Institution «Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development» which is responsible for the implementation of this Project.

On various aspects of the project implementation process, a useful discussion took place between experts of the World Bank and specialists of the project management units, including the State Institution «Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development»