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Development of Tourism in Uzbekistan

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ABSTRACT

This article talks about the development of tourism in Uzbekistan. Based on historical data, the author studied and analyzed specific aspects of the development of tourism in Uzbekistan based on available scientific literature.

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From the first years of independence of the Republic of Uzbekistan, great attention was paid to the development of physical culture and sports as a factor contributing to national development. For these purposes, changes in physical culture and sports have been adapted to the new economic, political, social and cultural conditions of our society¹.

Today, tourism is developing day by day on a global scale. Tourism has a significant impact on the social, cultural and educational spheres of countries. Within the framework of international relations and peacekeeping based on respect and justice for the dreams and hopes of individuals and the whole society, tourism is a positive and permanent factor for people to learn and understand each other, as well as a basis for achieving a higher level of respect and trust between peoples. serves as The tourism sector is one of the links that brings a lot of investment to the economy of every country.

Today, each country is paying special attention to the restoration of the highway system in the regions, along with creating the necessary conditions for the development of tourism. The total length of highways across Uzbekistan is 183,000 kilometers. 42.6 thousand kilometers of them are roads of international, state and local importance².

In the new millennium, the tourism industry has taken a leading position in the rapidly growing economic sector in many countries in creating new jobs and increasing foreign exchange earnings. International tourism is an export industry in the world and is an important factor in maintaining the balance of payments in many countries. In recent years, tourism has become an important generator of population employment in the world. It attracts huge investments in world infrastructure. This will improve the well-being of both local residents and visitors. Tourism provides an

¹ Omononova S. Stages of Development of Physical Education in Uzbekistan in the Years of Independence. International Journal of Development and Public Policy. e-

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² "Prospects of development cooperation". People's word. April 11, 2017.

increase in tax revenue to the state treasury. A lot of jobs in the field of tourism will appear in regions where tourism enterprises are developing. This will help to balance economic opportunities and prevent rural population from flowing to cities with more convenience.

In recent years, the processes in the world economy, that is, the trends of rapid development of tourism and recreation, have a significant impact on various regions and countries, the Central Asian region, including Uzbekistan. At the same time, strong attention is being paid to the development of this sector, and legal and regulatory documents are being adopted by the leadership of our country, President Sh. Mirziyoyev. Also, the work being done to attract tourists and accelerate the development of tourism infrastructure in the regions, especially the adoption of the "Tourism Development Concept in Uzbekistan for 2019-2025" (Presidential Decree..., 2019) is a clear proof of this. Because, in accordance with this concept, the main goal of the state policy in the field of tourism in Uzbekistan is to lead the tourism sector in the future to ensure the comprehensive rapid development of regions and their infrastructure, the solution of current socio-economic tasks, the increase of jobs, diversification and development. It was envisaged to improve the regions, incomes, living standards and quality of the population, improve the country's investment attractiveness and image³.

International tourism is a huge investment for countries, but also provides necessary and important information about the history, language, culture, and customs of other countries.

The establishment of international tourism in Uzbekistan was directly related to the establishment of the Uzbekturizm National Company and the accession of this company to the World Tourism Organization in 1993, which was a huge step in the development of tourism in Uzbekistan⁴.

New conditions and mechanisms have been created in our country that are suitable for raising international tourism to a new level and for effective activity. The role and importance of the Great Silk Road in the development of tourism in Uzbekistan is extremely limitless. For several centuries, the peoples living in the west and east of this land were connected with each other by the trade route stretching from Southeast Asia to the Mediterranean Sea.

In this way, the region of Turkestan has played a leading role. A number of cities of this region, such as Samarkand, Bukhara, Khiva, Termiz, Khojand, Chorjoi, were among the main destinations on the Silk Road.

Due to its convenient geographical location, Uzbekistan occupies a central place in this historical path. This historical road played a major role in the creation of personal culture for many centuries. The German scientist Richthofen mentioned that the fame of the Silk Road decreased by the 20th century. In order to restore its place and significance in history and to develop international tourism in this way, in October 1994, the Council of the World Tourism Organization of Uzbekistan was held with the participation of the United Nations and its prestigious organization UNESCO. The members of the Council signed the Samarkand Declaration aimed at restoring tourism along the Silk Road.

In 1995, the first President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Islam Karimov, signed a decree on measures to activate the participation of Uzbekistan in the restoration of the Great Silk Road and the development of international tourism in the Republic⁵. Many issues related to the development of tourism are being discussed in our country, including the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Tourism, consisting of 10 chapters and 45 articles. This law was adopted by the Legislative Chamber on April 16, 2019, and approved by the Senate on June 21, 2019. Chapter 1. General rules. Article 1. The purpose of this Law is to regulate relations in the field of tourism⁶.

³ Eralov A. Possibilities of Developing Tourism in the Southern Regions of Uzbekistan (In the Case of Kashkadarya, Surkhandarya) // The Peerian Journal. ISSN (E): 2788-0303 Volume 11, October, 2022. – P.92-96.

⁴"International tourism" Tashkent-2009: B-182.

⁵"International tourism" Tashkent-2009: B-183.

⁶ "Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Tourism, Tashkent. - April 16, 2019.

The ancient cities of our country Samarkand, Bukhara, Khiva are of great historical importance. The flow of tourists visiting these cities is also increasing day by day. The further repair of the road system in these cities by the Honorable President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, creation of conditions suitable for the coming tourists, paying great attention to the preservation of our ancient and historical monuments in their original form is opening wide avenues for international tourism in our Republic.

In conclusion, it is worth saying that the head of our state has given many instructions to eliminate the shortcomings of tourism, which is a necessary sector for the economy of our country, among all other sectors in our country, and to further develop it. Compared to previous times, the mass nature of tourism is increasing today. Tourism must have a purpose. It is impossible to have tourism without a purpose. The most common types of tourism are recreation and wellness. Tourism is also carried out due to professional needs or business activities. Uzbekistan is a country with its own place in the world tourism market. In order to further improve this place, it is important to create comfortable conditions for tourists in our country, to further improve service services, to increase the attractiveness of our ancient and historical monuments, and to strengthen advertising.

Although tourism was formed at the end of the 19th century, it developed rapidly only in the 20th century, and as a result of the development of techniques and technologies, the rise of social relations, it received the name "phenomenon of the 20th century". Today, tourism is a very strong global industry, its share in the world gross product is 10%, and a large number of employees, fixed assets and large capital funds are involved in this industry. Tourism is big business as well as big money and serious politics on a global scale. Of course, traveling and visiting places of entertainment will increase people's health and interest in life. It is worth mentioning that everyone should take time for themselves, take a break from daily chores and Caspian worries, and travel from time to time, making effective use of the

wide opportunities created for them. Also, knowledge of foreign languages makes tourism more effective, as our wise people say, "To know a language is to know a hand." Many new decrees and decrees are being developed, which will serve to educate young people as well-educated and mature individuals. In this, the task of us young people is to mature into a person who will benefit our people by making use of these opportunities.

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