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Abstract: This article analyzes the New Uzbekistan Development Strategy of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2022-2026 and its logical continuation, the "Uzbekistan - 2030" strategy. The strategy covers 7 priority areas, 100 goals, main tasks and implementation mechanisms. The article reveals the role of the development strategy in human dignity, economic growth, social justice and spiritual development, and identifies future tasks.

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The Republic of Uzbekistan has undergone tremendous changes during its years of independence. The Action Strategy adopted in 2017 played an important role in the processes of modernization and democratization of the country. Based on this strategy, economic liberalization, improvement of public administration, development of social sectors and legal reforms were implemented. Based on the successful results of the Action Strategy, on January 28, 2022, the "Development Strategy of New Uzbekistan for 2022-2026" was approved by Decree No. PF-60 of President Shavkat Mirziyoyev. This document was developed on the principle of "From Action Strategy to Development Strategy" and is aimed at further rapid and sustainable development of the country. The strategy consists of 7 priority areas and includes "100 Goals for Human Dignity". It was improved as a result of public discussion and is being implemented annually through state programs. The first priority area of the Development Strategy is dedicated to enhancing human dignity and further developing a free civil society. This area sets the tasks of strengthening the role of the mahalla institution, increasing the participation of citizens in public life, improving the social protection system, and ensuring the well-being of the population. By granting additional powers to neighborhoods and increasing their financial independence, an opportunity is being created to solve regional problems on the spot. Protecting human rights and freedoms, ensuring gender equality, and strengthening the position of youth and women in society are important parts of the strategy. As a result, civil society institutions are becoming more active, and the dialogue between the state and the people is becoming more open and effective. The second direction is aimed at ensuring justice and the rule of law. The main tasks of this direction are to reform the law and order system, strengthen the independence of the judiciary, strengthen the fight against corruption, and improve legal culture. The strategy provides for reliable protection of citizens' rights and freedoms, and to improve the investment climate by ensuring the rule of law. It is also planned to simplify public services and increase transparency through the introduction of digital technologies. As a result of these reforms, citizens are expected to feel legal protection and the principles of justice in society are strengthened.

The third priority area is aimed at building a strong national economy and ensuring rapid growth. The strategy sets the tasks of significantly increasing the volume of gross domestic product, developing industry, modernizing agriculture, and expanding the service sector. It is planned to accelerate the pace of economic growth by increasing export potential, attracting foreign investment, and supporting small and medium-sized businesses. Improving energy efficiency, expanding the use of renewable energy sources, and rational use of water resources are also important areas. The goal is to increase export volumes to \$30 billion by 2026 and diversify the economy. The fourth area is devoted to fair social policies and the development of human capital. Improving the quality of education, improving the healthcare system, strengthening social protection, and reducing poverty are the central tasks of this area. It is planned to increase the knowledge and skills of the younger generation by expanding preschool education, improving the quality of general secondary education, developing vocational education, and bringing higher education to international standards. The introduction of modern technologies in healthcare, increasing the population's access to medical services, and improving the social support system will improve the quality of life of the population. The strategy sets a goal of halving poverty. The fifth direction is aimed at ensuring spiritual development and bringing the sector to a new level. The main content of this direction is the development of national values, cultural heritage, and enlightenment, strengthening the education of youth, and promoting a healthy lifestyle. It is intended to implement the concept of "New Uzbekistan - an enlightened society" and form a creative spirit in society by promoting the principles of goodness and humanity. The development of culture and art, increasing the role of the media, and expanding spiritual and educational activities are important parts of the strategy. The sixth direction is dedicated to conducting a secure, stable, and open foreign policy. The tasks are to strengthen cooperation with the countries of Central Asia, protect national interests in international organizations, improve the country's image, and attract foreign investment. Uzbekistan's place in the world community will be further strengthened through the development of tourism, expansion of cultural and humanitarian ties, and strengthening international cooperation. The seventh direction is aimed at improving and digitizing public administration. The main goals of this direction are to effectively organize the activities of state bodies, prevent corruption, widely introduce digital technologies, and improve the quality of services. It is planned to reduce bureaucracy and create favorable conditions for citizens through the development of the e-government system.

The Development Strategy Center plays an important role in the implementation of the development strategy. The center is engaged in promoting the content and essence of reforms, ensuring public control, and organizing expert discussions. Within the framework of the strategy, each year is given a separate name and state programs are being adopted. While 2022 was declared the "Year of Human Dignity and Active Neighborhoods," attention is being paid to specific areas in subsequent years. In 2023, the "Uzbekistan — 2030" strategy was adopted. It is aimed at ensuring sustainable and inclusive development as a logical continuation of the New Uzbekistan Development Strategy. The "Uzbekistan — 2030" strategy includes 100 goals within 5 priority areas and aims to significantly increase GDP by 2030, increase per capita income, and become an "upper-middle-income" country. This strategy is in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and pays special attention to ensuring environmental sustainability, a green economy and social justice. The implementation of development strategies is contributing to the growth of the economy of Uzbekistan, increasing the well-being of the population and strengthening the international prestige of the country. However, there are

still many challenges ahead. Global economic changes, climate change, digital transformation and demographic processes require new approaches. Successful implementation of the strategies requires close cooperation between the state, civil society and the private sector, the introduction of innovations and the development of human capital. In short, the Development Strategy is an important roadmap for building a New Uzbekistan. It serves to bring the country into the ranks of developed countries by promoting human dignity, building a just society and forming a strong economy. The success of the strategy depends on the active participation of every citizen, commitment to reforms and confidence in the future. New Uzbekistan is consistently working towards becoming a free, prosperous, and powerful state.

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