



IN UZBEKISTAN, THE AGRARIAN SECTOR HAS ITS PLACE

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Abstract: The article provides information about the role of the agrarian sector in Uzbekistan and the stages of its development to date. Laws on the reform of the agrarian sector and their analysis, conclusions and proposals are also presented.

Key words: agrarian sector, agriculture, animal husbandry, horticulture, agrocluster, farms, melorization, phytomelioration activities

The agricultural sector plays a crucial role in the economy of Uzbekistan. With its fertile lands and favorable climate, Uzbekistan has a long history of agriculture and is known as one of the world's largest cotton-growing countries, as well as a significant producer of fruits, vegetables and grains. One of the main tasks of the Ministry of Agriculture is to ensure the food security of the country.[2] Uzbekistan's agriculture contributes to the production of food products, including wheat, rice, corn, potatoes, fruits and vegetables. These products not only satisfy domestic demand, but also contribute to exports, providing our country with valuable foreign exchange earnings.

In addition, the agricultural sector in Uzbekistan plays an important role in poverty reduction and rural development. In Uzbekistan, a significant part of the population lives in villages and is engaged in agriculture. By providing employment and income opportunities to the rural population, the agricultural sector helps to alleviate poverty and improve living standards. The agricultural sector also contributes to the industrialization and diversification of the economy. Uzbekistan is focusing on value-added processing and production in the agricultural sector, in particular, the production of textiles from cotton and the processing of food products from fruits and vegetables. This adds value to agricultural products, creating opportunities for job creation and economic growth.[3] In addition, the agricultural sector in Uzbekistan plays a decisive role in ensuring environmental stability. The government is implementing various programs and policies to promote sustainable agricultural practices, such as water-efficient irrigation systems and organic farming methods. These initiatives help conserve natural resources, protect biodiversity, and mitigate the effects of climate change.[4] It is known that due to the rapid growth of the population of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the transfer of agricultural land to another category, and the worsening of the effects of global climate change, "in the last 15 years, per capita the size of the corresponding irrigated land areas decreased by 24% (from 0.23 hectares to 0.16 hectares), while the area of land with credit score above 60 decreased by 10.4%, the land quality The average and below-average areas increased by 14.0%. In particular, the Decrees of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PF-3226 dated March 24, 2003 and October 29, 2007 "On measures to fundamentally improve the system of land reclamation" and "Irrigated during 2013-2017 Resolution on measures to further

improve land reclamation and rational use of water resources" and June 17, 2019 No.

PF-5742 "On measures for effective use of land and water resources in agriculture "gi, October 23, 2019 Decree No. PF-5853 "On Approving the Strategy of Agricultural Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2020-2030" and No. PQ-4700 dated May 1, 2020 Decisions "On additional measures to ensure food safety, rational use of available resources, and state support for agriculture during the coronavirus pandemic" affect the agricultural sector, in particular, agriculture. The legal frameworks, which are of crucial importance in the development of the country, have been created.[1]

The total land fund of the Republic of Uzbekistan is 45 million ha, of which 27.9 million ha (62% of the total land fund) is allocated for agriculture and 4.3 million ha (9.5% of the total land fund) is irrigated land. Although irrigated lands make up only 1/10 of the total land fund, 90% of the gross agricultural product is grown on these irrigated lands.

Processing of agricultural products, preserving their quality for a long time and providing the population with them evenly are among the urgent issues today. This issue is of great socio-economic importance. The relevance of this issue is also emphasized in the Action Strategy for the development of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2017-2021. In the following years of economic development in our country, attention is paid to the issues of deep processing and preservation of agricultural products. In the decision of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated January 6, 2017, No. Issues of further development of the fruit and vegetable industry in our country were considered, and measures were determined to deepen the processing of fruit and vegetable products and establish new facilities for their storage and increase their efficiency. Republic of Uzbekistan In the decision of the President of January 6, 2017, PQ-2717 "On additional measures to improve the system of purchase and use of fruits and vegetables, potatoes, vegetable products and grapes", fruits and vegetables in our country, measures have been established to increase the efficiency of the cultivation of potatoes, potato products and grapes, and to improve the system of their purchase and use.

In the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On the strategy of actions for the further development of the Republic of Uzbekistan", great attention is paid to the issues of cultivation, storage and deep processing of agricultural products. Currently, more than 51 percent of the population of our country lives in rural areas.

However, the President emphasized in his address to the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan that the share of agricultural products in the country's gross domestic product does not exceed 17 percent. In this appeal, it was pointed out that the amount of processing of agricultural products in our country is less than 10%, while in developed countries this figure is more than 50%. In this regard, it was determined that it is necessary to pay attention to the cultivation of fruits and vegetables in our country and their preservation. The government of Uzbekistan recognizes the importance of the agricultural sector and implements various measures for its development. It provides subsidies, loans and technical assistance to farmers, giving them access to improved seeds, fertilizers and machinery. The government also invests in infrastructure development such as irrigation systems and warehouses to increase productivity and reduce post-harvest losses.

In recent years, reforms aimed at increasing the efficiency and competitiveness of the agricultural sector have been implemented in Uzbekistan. These reforms include land privatization, market liberalization, and the establishment of agricultural cooperatives.

These measures are aimed at attracting private investments, increasing productivity, and creating a favorable business environment for farmers and agricultural industries. Conservation of nature's gifts is important and is the duty of all professionals. The solution to this urgent problem facing the development of agriculture requires the effective development of the storage and processing of the harvested crops, along with the increase in the production of agricultural products.

Agroclusters are an infrastructure dealing with this issue. Agrocluster - uniting the processes of production, processing and sale of agricultural products into a single chain, along with the use of high-tech innovations, increasing the internal and external competitiveness of agricultural products, forming and developing the infrastructure complex in rural areas, the level of population employment and increase their incomes and in the future can be composed of business entities operating in the improvement of the quality of agricultural products and the ecological environment.

Agroclusters do not mean just adding production, processing and sale of products in agriculture. Agroclusters are a completely new type of system in the implementation of these works, in which, along with the use of high technological innovations, it is possible to increase the competitiveness of agricultural products in domestic and foreign markets, and to improve the ecological environment in the areas where these products are grown and processed.

By introducing agroclusters, the deterioration of the quality of agricultural products during the production, storage and processing processes is prevented. By introducing agroclusters in agriculture, an infrastructure system is formed that serves the processes of transportation and improvement of products. The strength of the economy of Uzbekistan depends to a large extent on the competitiveness of its regions in the world market, on their new approach to social and economic development. [7] The competitiveness of regions is an economic priority for many countries, including in our country, special importance is attached to the development of regions and increasing their competitiveness. specialization in the production of products that are competitive in terms of location and are in high demand in the domestic and foreign markets (raw cotton, Guva pomegranate, Altariq truffle, Velvet and Jomboy apples, fruits and vegetables grown in the Fergana Valley, etc.), the presence of owners producing various agricultural products (farmers and peasant farms), suppliers of agricultural production tools, manufacturers of products and enterprises that process, sell and provide services in various directions mutual integration processes between enterprises with a high level of innovation in agricultural services, readiness for mutual cooperation and competition of enterprises related to the network, market principles of agricultural regulation The formation of appropriate legal and regulatory frameworks, extensive service infrastructure and availability of highly qualified specialists are important factors in solving these imbalances.

Today, our exported fruits and vegetables reach different parts of the world. In recent years, products have been exported to foreign markets outside the CIS countries: China, Germany, Turkey, South Korea, Japan, India, and the Baltic states.[5] Despite its important contribution, Uzbekistan faces a number of problems in the agricultural sector. These include water scarcity, limited access to finance and technology, outdated farming methods and climate change. Solving these problems requires constant investment in infrastructure, research and development and capacity building programs, and in addition, due to the

improvement of product quality in the cultivation and processing of agricultural products in our country, the use of modern technologies in packaging processes, Uzbek products in the world, especially cherries, pomegranates, melons, the demand for dried fruits, nuts and grapes is increasing. A number of privileges, opportunities, and necessary conditions are created for entrepreneurs engaged in the cultivation and production of agricultural products in accordance with the current requirements, some types of products are exempted from customs duties, preferential loans are allocated for the construction of modern greenhouses, which serve to increase the export potential of our country.

Improving the efficiency of agricultural products, ensuring its organization at the level of world requirements requires the widespread introduction of scientific and technical achievements in this field. For this purpose, specialist personnel will learn advanced methods of organizing, planning and managing the activities of enterprises of various forms, mechanisms for applying economic laws in the conditions of a market economy, wide involvement of agricultural enterprises in export activities, export of their products to foreign markets, export potential and expanding its geography further and analyzing the problematic issues arising in the export-oriented product manufacturers in this field, assisting in increasing the production of competitive products in foreign markets, and having deeply studied the problems arising in the process of exporting products produced by industrial enterprises, proposals for elimination have been developed.[6]

In short, agriculture occupies an important place in the economy of Uzbekistan, it allows to ensure food security, ensure employment of the population and increase the income of the rural population. It contributes to industrialization and diversification, ensures environmental sustainability and supports poverty reduction efforts. Government support through policies, investments and reforms is important for the development and growth of the agricultural sector. By solving problems and building a stable and sustainable agricultural sector, Uzbekistan can ensure a prosperous future for its people and contribute to global food security

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