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### DIGITALIZATION OF THE SYSTEM OF TRAINING JUDGES IN UZBEKISTAN

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**Annotation:** This article is devoted to the analysis of the history of the work of digitization of the judicial system in the Republic of Uzbekistan.

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It is difficult to imagine the 21st century, which has an incomparable place in human civilization, without digital technologies. After all, it is becoming our daily need, the criterion for the development of every network. Therefore, modern information and communication technologies are widely introduced in the field in order to ensure the true independence of the judiciary, increase its authority, implement reforms aimed at democratization and improvement of the system.

Digitization, first of all, gives citizens the opportunity to apply to courts without bureaucratic obstacles, and secondly, it is an important means of ensuring public control over judicial activities and increasing public trust in judges.

Historical processes related to digitization of court activities in New Uzbekistan are divided into two periods:

- the first period 2017-2020;
- the second period covers the years 2021-2023.

Since 2017, fundamental changes have been implemented in the judicial system. On February 21, 2017, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan adopted the decree "On measures to radically improve the structure of the judicial system of the Republic of Uzbekistan and increase the effectiveness of its activities" which started the initial changes in this regard. In paragraph 18 of the decree, the Ministry of Development of Information Technologies and Communications of the Republic of Uzbekistan together with the Supreme Court, within a three-month period, will conduct a critical study of the state of use of modern technologies in the work of the courts and practical

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measures to further improve the information systems and resources aimed at increasing the efficiency of the judicial system and the level of the population's access to justice. instructions were given on the development of the program of events.

On August 30, 2017, the decision of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On the measures to introduce modern information and communication technologies to the activity of the courts" was adopted in order to ensure the implementation of the tasks specified in the decree. According to the decision, the main tasks of the wider introduction of modern information and communication technologies to the activity of courts were defined as:

first - to ensure the openness, transparency and speed of court activities, to increase the quality of judicial proceedings and the level of public awareness of justice, to put an end to the facts of corruption, bureaucracy and abuse by court officials;

secondly — to create an effective system of control over the timely processing of cases in courts, to identify problems and deficiencies in the conduct of court cases and to take measures to solve them, to automate court cases and to systematize information about their activities;

thirdly - to ensure effective cooperation of courts with inquiry, preliminary investigation and enforcement bodies in the implementation of justice and enforcement of court decisions;

fourthly - improvement of information systems and resources that ensure the increase of efficiency of proceedings in courts, the openness of information about the activity of courts, as well as the expansion of the list of interactive services provided to the population and business entities and the improvement of their quality;

fifthly, to increase the level of computer literacy and practical skills of judges and court employees in using modern computer equipment and information and communication technologies at work;

sixth — ensuring information security and safe circulation of electronic documents in the court system.

The program of introduction of modern information and communication technologies in the activity of courts in 2017-2020 was adopted as an annex to the decision. In the program, special attention was paid to the introduction

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of information technologies in the process of training personnel for courts. In particular, the tasks of improving the knowledge of judges and court employees on the use of computer equipment and information and communication technologies in the work process were defined.

As a result of the implementation of the tasks defined in the program, the systems of remotely addressing the courts, participating in court sessions using the video conference system, automatically distributing cases between judges, announcing court decisions on the Internet, and sending enforcement documents to mandatory execution in electronic form were introduced.

On September 3, 2020, the decision of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On measures to digitize the activity of judicial authorities" started a new era of reforms in the field. Based on this decision, the digitalization program of judicial authorities was approved in 2020-2023. In accordance with the program, starting from January 1, 2021, court hearings will be recorded using audio recording at the request of the parties to the case and with the consent of the chairperson, and the minutes of court hearings will be created using this system. Starting from July 1, 2021, the procedure of automatic distribution of cases among judges in the courts of appeals and cassation instance was introduced and from October 1, 2021, all participants will be informed about the time and place of court sessions free of charge via SMS.

Starting from January 1, 2022, court decisions will be presented to the parties in the case online, and at their request in paper form, and until July 1, 2022, in order to facilitate the activities of judicial authorities, including citizens and business entities, about 10 interactive services started to operate. From January 1, 2023, the procedures for submitting and receiving court cases to the state archive in electronic form have been established.

Also, based on the decision, the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan, together with the Tashkent University of Information Technologies named after Muhammad al-Khorazmi and its branches, will organize a network in the regions in order to improve the digital literacy and skills of judges and court staff, and train them in information technology and information security until December 1, 2020 schedules were made and ICT literacy was regularly improved.

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In conclusion, the full application of the above-mentioned innovations to the judicial system ensures the openness, transparency and speed of the field. Appointment of judges on the basis of open competition with the help of digital technologies, integration of information systems between state bodies and the judicial system increases the efficiency of justice. All this paves the way for achieving new quality indicators in the field and, most importantly, creates the basis for people's satisfaction with the judicial system.

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