

FOOD SECURITY

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Abstract: The issues of further improving the well-being of the population, providing the population with sufficient and high-quality food products are the basis for ensuring food security. Therefore, it is an urgent need to analyze the theoretical foundations and priority areas of the production, processing and supply of food products to the population in our country in sufficient quantities and in good quality.

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Priority will be given to the production of quality food products, the creation of a guaranteed reserve in this regard and their uninterrupted supply to the market, as well as ensuring price stability. For this, all measures will be taken by the Government and khokimiyats, and this issue will be under the constant control of the President. The factor that will give the fastest results in reducing poverty and increasing the income of the rural population is a sharp increase in productivity and efficiency in agriculture. In this regard, the priority task is to increase the income from each hectare of land from the current average of \$ 2,000 to at least \$ 5,000. To do this, we need to widely introduce the most advanced technologies, water-saving and biotechnologies, achievements in the field of seed production, science and innovation into agriculture.

"Agriculture has a special place in the cultivation and production of food products. It is no coincidence that the President of our country, Sh. Mirziyoyev, in his address to the Oliy Majlis, emphasized that reforming the agricultural management system, introducing advanced technologies for the rational use of land and water resources, and ensuring food security are our most important tasks." The issues of further improving the well-being of the population, providing the population with sufficient and high-quality food products constitute the basis for ensuring food security. Therefore, it is an urgent need to analyze the theoretical foundations and priority areas of food production, processing, and supply of food products to the population in sufficient quantities and of high quality.

The draft resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers "On approval of the National Strategy for ensuring food security in the country for 2019-2024" has been posted on the portal for discussion of draft regulatory legal acts. The document states that ensuring food security in the country has become one of the main directions of sustainable development of the socio-economic situation of society, improvement of the health and life of citizens, national security and stable maintenance of the country's independence. In this direction, strategically targeted and consistent measures are being implemented in the republic to sustainably provide the population with quality food products and support agricultural producers. Food security is a state of the economy in which, regardless of fluctuations in world markets, the population is guaranteed to be sustainably supplied with food products, on the one hand, in quantities corresponding to scientifically based indicators, and on the other hand, at the level of medical

standards, while creating conditions to satisfy consumption. The main goal of achieving food security is to provide processing enterprises with raw materials and the population with food products, regardless of internal and external negative influences. It can even be achieved in situations such as currency shortages, importation of products from abroad. An embargo on entry (the imposition of barriers by other countries) should not be linked to price increases.

Ensuring food security is a guarantee of Uzbekistan's independence, socio-economic and political stability in the country. Natural disasters, water shortages for irrigation, droughts, etc., occurring as a result of climate change, make it difficult to grow food. As a result, prices in world food markets are rising. Also, the global financial and economic crisis that began in 2008 and is still ongoing is causing this problem to become more acute.

This is clearly evidenced by the fact that in 54 countries of the world there has been a decrease in the financial situation of families, the majority of the population in more than 20 countries suffers from hunger, the average life expectancy of the population has decreased in 12 countries, and in recent years more than 840 million of the world's population has suffered from hunger. That is why the issues of ensuring food security are given great importance all over the world. Agriculture plays an important role in ensuring food security.

In this regard, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Sh.M. Mirziyoyev, in his speech at the joint session of the chambers of the Oliy Majlis, noted that "The issues of reforming agriculture and ensuring food security undoubtedly remain one of the most important tasks for us. First of all, great attention is paid to the consistent development of the agro-industrial complex and its locomotive, that is, the driving force, of diversified farms." Since the first years of independence, food security issues have occupied one of the central places in the socio-economic policy of Uzbekistan. Now the issues of further improving the well-being and quality of life of the population, and ensuring the full supply of food to the population are closely related to the problem of ensuring food security. Therefore, the need to study the theoretical foundations and priority areas of ensuring food security based on the implementation of the food program in Uzbekistan from a scientific, theoretical and practical perspective determined the relevance of this research topic.

Some aspects of the problem being studied in Uzbekistan are generally studied in the textbook "Economic Security of the State" by H.P. Abulkasimov, while another of our economists, N.Kh. Ergashev, shows the importance of insurance in ensuring food security in Uzbekistan. Also, some aspects of the issue of food security have been studied in their textbooks and textbooks by our economists Sh. Shodmonov, A. Olmasov, T. Joraev, D. Tojiboeva. It should be noted that although studies conducted by foreign scientists used many years of official statistics, they did not provide practical recommendations and suggestions for improving the national economy. The studies examined mainly examined the issue of food security as a factor that creates global economic security.

As of 2022, 4 laws and 138 resolutions related to ensuring food safety in our country (21 resolutions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, 80 resolutions of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan, 27 resolutions of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan, and 10 resolutions of ministries and committees of the Republic of Uzbekistan) have been put into effect and placed in the lex.uz national database of legislative information of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The Laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On the Quality and Safety of Food Products" dated August 30, 1997, the Laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Measures to Provide the Population with Certain Types of Food Products" dated April 29, 2021, and the Laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Amendments to the Tax Code of the Republic

of Uzbekistan on Guaranteed Provision of the Population with Basic Types of Food Products" dated October 25, 2021 are laws that serve to ensure food safety. The Resolutions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PQ-58 dated December 22, 2021 "On measures to further improve the system of research, strategic planning and management of reforms in the food and agricultural sector", No. PQ-4922 dated December 16, 2020 "On measures to expand and deepen cooperation of the Republic of Uzbekistan with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Fund for Agricultural Development of the United Nations and the United Nations World Food Program", No. PQ-4821 dated September 9, 2020 "On measures to accelerate the development of the food industry of the republic and fully provide the population with quality food products" also substantiate the need to improve the living standards of our country's population and ensure food security as a key factor in socio-economic development.



The physical possibilities of food consumption mean the possibilities of agricultural production, processing, storage and delivery of food products available in our country to the population. That is, it is important to consider their quality in relation to the standard of living of the population, along with satisfying the needs of the population with food products in accordance with physiological standards. The physical possibilities of food consumption include the availability of food products in the required volume, quality and assortment in accordance with international demand in our country, as well as the possibility of their uninterrupted supply.

In conclusion, Food security is a state of the economy in which, regardless of fluctuations in world markets, conditions are created to ensure the stable supply of the population with food products, on the one hand, in quantities corresponding to scientifically based indicators, and on the other hand, at the level of medical standards.

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