

GUIDELINES OF DEVELOPMENT

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The first new electronic information publication of the Consultative Council on Improvement of Investment Climate under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan under title “Guidelines of Development” is published.

The materials of the publication cover the issues of entrepreneurship and investment, the process and the results of reform in investment and entrepreneurship activity through public-private dialogue.

A distinctive feature of this publication from other Council’ publications in the fact that all published materials, held events devoted to one issue or reform, the readers will familiarize about this process.

We are confidence expression that dear reader will familiarize with interesting issues for them in this publication.

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The Meeting of First Deputy Prime Minister with Entrepreneurs of the Hisor Valley

On February 13, 2016, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Tajikistan, esteemed Davlatali Said, met with the entrepreneurs of Hisor and Tursunzoda cities and Shahrinav and Rudaki districts.



During the meeting, the First Prime Minister spoke about the policy of Leader of Nation, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon to develop the private sector and noted that as the result of implemented reforms, the business and investment activity has been growing annually.

Furthermore, by instructions of the

President, regular meeting of officials with entrepreneurs is holding in Hissor and Tursunzoda cities, and also in Shahrinav and Rudaki districts.

He noted that measures being undertaken contributed to growing role of the private sector in the national economy. In particular, in 2015 private sector contributed 78 % of tax revenue of the state budget and 65 % of the Gross Domestic Product. The private sector has provided a place of work for a 63.8 % of the Tajikistan's active population.

The First Deputy Prime Minister also summarized the state of entrepreneurship and investment indicators in the Hissor Valley. There were 275,653 businesses registered in Tajikistan as of December 31, 2015, which was 32,380 businesses greater compared to 2014, or a 11.7% increase from the previous year.



Out of this number, 7,444 businesses were registered in Hissor, 1,854 in Shahrinav district, 6,637 to Tursunzoda city and 9,011 businesses registered in Rudaki district.

To support the entrepreneurs, Tajikistan's banks and credit organizations have extended to businesses a total of 11,216 million TJS in loans, which is 12.3% more compared to the amount loaned in 2014. From this amount, 399.87 million TJS were loaned in Hissor, 67.38 million TJS in Shahrinav city, 152.26 million TJS in Tursunzoda city, and 200.92 million TJS in the Rudaki district.



In 2015, the state has allocated 70 million TJS to capitalize the State Unitary Fund "Entrepreneurship Support Fund under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan". In 2015, the Entrepreneurship Support Fund extended subsidized loans to 21 businesses in the amount of 36.2 million TJS. In 2016, the state plans to

allocate additional 120 million TJS to the Fund to support entrepreneurship. Also to attract additional capital to the Entrepreneurship Support Fund, the state has reached cooperation agreement with international financial organizations.

From all Entrepreneurship Support Fund's projects, 6 projects worth 7,8 million TJS were funded in town of Hissor, 1 project worth 600 thousands TJS was funded in Shahrinav district, 6 projects worth 2,8 million TJS were funded in the Tursunzoda city, and 2 projects worth 1.6 million in Rudaki district.

In his speech, esteemed Davlatali Said mentioned the significant contribution of entrepreneurs in contributing to the economy, creating jobs and improving the living standards of the people. In this regard, on the initiative of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Leader of Nation, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon announced October 14 as the Entrepreneurship Day, when a regular meeting of the President with entrepreneurs and investors became a tradition.



He invited private sector representatives and domestic entrepreneurs, in this time of crisis, to sincerely understand and take advantage of the supports of the Leader of Nation, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon and the Government of the country to impart their knowledge, skills and opportunities grow domestic production, increase production of import-substituting and export-oriented products, and supply the domestic market with competitive products.



During the meeting, the entrepreneurs shared their views, which offered an opportunity for the First Deputy Prime Minister to answer private sector's questions and concerns.

The meeting was attended by the Chairman of State Committee on Investment and State Property Management, Qodiri Qosim; the Chairman of the Tax Committee, Nusratullo Davlatzoda. Also attending were the head of the Secretariat of the Consultative Council on Improvement of Investment Climate, the representatives of the State Committee of Land Management and Geodesy, Tojikstandart Agency, the Customs Service, and representatives of other ministries and agencies.

The Meeting of the First Deputy Prime Minister with the Entrepreneurs of Khatlon Region



February 26, 2016, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Tajikistan, esteemed Davlatali Said met with the entrepreneurs of Khatlon Region.

The First Deputy Prime Minister spoke about the policy of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan to support businesses, particularly by fostering a more favorable business environment, ensuring effective implementation of state programs of entrepreneurship support, and extending the public-private dialogue, among other efforts.

The First Deputy Prime Minister informed entrepreneurs about a number of current privileges afforded to entrepreneurs and investors, particularly for the newly established businesses.

To further strengthen the public-private dialogue, in 2015 the government implemented a number of measures, including several regulatory acts, developed and submitted for approval.



At the same time, the First Deputy Prime Minister informed about the prepared amendment to the Tax Code increasing the maximum turnover of entrepreneurs who

are using the simplified tax regime from a 500 thousand TJS to 1 million TJS. An amendment to the tax regime with respect to cotton export duties is also planned.



He noted that measures being undertaken contributed to the growing role of the private sector in the national economy. In particular, in 2015, the private sector contributed 78

% of tax revenue of the state budget and 65 % of the Gross Domestic Product. The private sector has provided a place of work for a 63.8 % of the Tajikistan's active population.

The First Deputy Prime Minister also summarized the state of entrepreneurship and investment indicators in Khatlon. Out of total numbers of businesses, 87 244 businesses were registered in Khatlon region, which indicates a 9.6% annual growth.

To support the entrepreneurs, Tajikistan's banks and credit organizations have extended to businesses a total of 11,216 million TJS in loans, or 12.3% more than in 2014. From this amount, 1,529.76 million TJS in loans has been made in Khatlon region.

In 2015, the state has allocated 70 million TJS to capitalize the State Unitary Fund “Entrepreneurship Support Fund under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan”. In 2015 the Entrepreneurship Support Fund extended subsidized loans to 21 businesses in the amount of 36.2 million TJS. In 2016, the state plans to allocate additional 120 million TJS to the Fund to support entrepreneurship. From its inception, the Entrepreneurship Support Fund has financed 51 businesses in Khatlon, extended in subsidized loans in total 34.6 million TJS.



To attract foreign investments and implement state investment projects, a number of significant projects have been completed since Tajikistan gained independence. To date, 26 state investment projects, totaling 250 million USD, are implementing in Khatlon region.

First Deputy Prime Minister noted that in all Tajikistan in 2015, the total amount of foreign investment reached 977.8 million USD, of which 470.9 million USD were direct and 506.9 million USD were other types of investments. Foreign direct investment increased by 93.5 million TJS compare to the amount invested in 2014.

In Khatlon, in, the total foreign investment between 2010 and 2015 reached 429 million USD, of which 385.7 million USD were direct investments and 43.3 million USD were loans from various entities and organizations. In 2015, the total foreign direct investment made in Khatlon reached 203.5 million USD, which was 95.1 million USD more than in the previous year.



First Deputy Prime Minister, esteemed Davlatali Said noted in his speech that the private sector, national entrepreneurs, and especially the entrepreneurs of Khatlon region should take advantage of support of the Leader of Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon and the Government and grow domestic

production, produce import-substituting and export-oriented products, and supply the domestic market with competitive products.

During the meeting, the entrepreneurs shared their views, which offered an opportunity for the First Deputy Prime Minister to answer private sector's questions and concerns.

The meeting was attended by Chairman of State Committee on Investment and State Property Management, Qodiri Qosim; Chairman of the Tax Committee, Nusratullo Davlatzoda. Also attending were the Head of the Consultative Council on Improvement of Investment Climate, the representatives of the State Committee of Land Management and Geodesy, Tojikstandart Agency, the Customs Service and the representatives of other ministries and agencies.

The Meeting of the First Deputy Prime Minister with the Entrepreneurs of Sughd Region



February 26, 2016, First Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Tajikistan, esteemed Davlatali Said met with the entrepreneurs of Sughd region in Khujand.

The First Deputy Prime Minister spoke about the policy of Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon and the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan,

to support the private sector, particularly by fostering a more favorable business environment, ensuring effective implementation of state programs of entrepreneurship support, and extending the public-private dialogue across the country, among other efforts.

The First Deputy Prime Minister also summarized the state of entrepreneurship and investment indicators in Sughd Region. There were 275,653 businesses registered in Tajikistan as of December 31, 2015, which showed 32,380 greater number of business compared to 2014, or a 11.7% annual increase. From this total number, 97,621 business entities were registered in Sughd or a 22.2% increase from 2014.





To support the entrepreneurs, Tajikistan's banks and credit organizations have extended to businesses a total of 11,216 million TJS in loans, which is 12.3% more compared to the amount loaned in 2014. From that total amount, 2,721.56 million TJS were loaned in Sughd region.

From the date of its inception, the Entrepreneurship Support Fund has financed 17 businesses in Sughd, extending in total 13.2 million TJS in subsidized loans.

To attract foreign investments and implement state investment projects, a number of significant projects have been completed since Tajikistan gained independence. Currently, 19 state-funded projects are implementing in Sughd, worth 159.14 million USD.

In 2015, the total foreign investment made in Tajikistan to reached 977.8 million USD, of which 470.9 million USD was direct and 506.9 million USD other types of investments. Foreign direct investment increased by 93.5 million USD compared to the amount invested in 2014. Sughd region received 147.9 million USD in foreign investments.

First Deputy Prime Minister, esteemed Davlatoli Said noted in his speech that representatives from the private sector, national entrepreneurs, and especially the entrepreneurs of Sughd region should take advantage of the support of the Leader of Nation, the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, His Excellency Emomali Rahmon and the Government and contribute to the development of domestic production of import-substituting and export-oriented products, and supply domestic market with competitive products.



During the meeting, the entrepreneurs shared their views, which offered an opportunity for the First Deputy Prime Minister to answer private sector's questions and concerns.

The meeting was attended by Chairman of State Committee on Investment and State Property Management, esteemed Qodiri Qosim; the head of the Tax Committee, esteemed Nusratullo Davlatzoda. Also attending were the head of the Consultative Council on the Improvement of Investment Climate, the representatives of the State

Committee of Land Management and Geodesy, Tojikstandart Agency, the Customs Service and the representatives of other ministries and agencies.