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## Civil Society is a Free Democratic Legal Society Based on Spiritual and Cultural Values

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**Abstract:** The article states that civil society is an important factor in human social activity. This article analyzes the process of evolutionary transition in our country, modern technological changes, and reforming the system of spiritual spheres. Spirituality is a powerful factor that awakens national pride and honor in every sensible person and citizen, embodying identity, giving strength to realize the goals and dreams of the nation, and encouraging the nation to act. The article also mentioned that the reforms carried out in our republic serve the freedom of citizens and their ability to find their place in society.

**Keywords:** government, law, citizen, civil society, citizen social activity, democratic reforms, legal awareness, legal culture, social networks, communication.

The success of the reforms implemented in our republic is based on the social activity of each citizen. It is known that man is a social being and by nature naturally strives to participate in political and social relations. The main goal of any state policy is to help its citizens find their place in society, that is, as President Sh. Mirziyoyev said: "Every person living in our country, regardless of nationality, language and religion, must live freely, peacefully and prosperously, satisfaction with one's life today is our main goal"[1].

In the context of protecting the younger generation from negative influences, the appeals, reports, speeches and initiatives of the First President I.A. Karimov and the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Sh.M. Mirziyoyev serve as a spiritual shield and moral weapon against various threats. Such an alien ideology, which is trying to take over the minds and inner world of our youth, is growing stronger and spreading its wings. This era poses a task of national importance to protect our youth from these attacks, as well as to resist and fight them. At the same time, one of the main tasks of spirituality is manifested in the noble cause of educating citizens, especially the younger generation, in the spirit of patriotism and devotion to the Motherland, instilling human qualities in their hearts and minds.

It is important to note that spirituality is a factor that gives confidence and inspiration to citizens in their daily activities and creative work. Improving the spirituality of young people occurs through a complex and multi-level process of transformation. In this process, an important role is played by a continuous system of education and upbringing. The idea is based on the diversity of opinions and ideologies in society, which fundamentally distinguishes it from the "state ideology". The idea contributes to the unification of each person in society, mobilization and cohesion to achieve high goals for the country. Spirituality is an invaluable force located at the center of the internal development of the nation and the desire for the future, as well as its struggles. It is through this that transformation is ensured, determining in what direction and what goals the nation strives for. As a result, "transformation" has a direct impact on the development of spirituality as a science in all areas.

In the context of today's global changes, special attention must be paid to the following aspects in the fight against ignorance as a result of changing the consciousness of the youth and transformation:

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Firstly, the introduction of the content of all manifestations of ignorance into the consciousness of young people in the process of education and upbringing, as well as the coordination of the educational process with measures to counter this phenomenon.

Secondly, in the process of combating ignorance, it is necessary to make wide use of national traditions and values, and also not to allow these traditions and values to be belittled.

Thirdly, as a means of combating ignorance, it is necessary to form the image of a perfect person, capable of incorporating qualities that will help young people navigate their future, within the framework of family, community and educational institutions.

Fourthly, demonstrating the negative phenomena of ignorance and conducting propaganda activities in other ways.

Fifthly, when fighting ignorance, it is important to choose the right technologies for socio-cultural activity and use them effectively.

Taking into account the above aspects, the development directions of the people, nation and state are clearly traced in the field of spirituality, and its future begins to manifest itself, and transformation processes are taking place in the consciousness of young people. The concept of national revival, national renewal and national development is transformed during the transition to socially oriented market relations, combining the understanding of national identity and its manifestation in our modern way of life and thinking. Therefore, spirituality as a civilization in world history begins with the development of peoples and their unity based on ideas. They have gone through serious trials precisely in the field of spirituality. Spirituality has strengthened their devotion to the Motherland and raised their culture, mobilizing them to great goals. As a result, in evolutionarily developed countries, spirituality is associated with national values and characteristics of peoples as a driving force for development. Its powerful ideological influence unites the population of the state on the path to common goals.

Here we will pay attention to the meaning of the concept "evolution": "Evolution (Greek ebolitio – development, progress) is a philosophical doctrine about the method of gradual development, opposed to revolution and the revolutionary path" [3], spirituality is explained in the explanatory dictionary.

From this point of view, we can say that ideas alien to our spirituality destroy the life of society and cause spiritual impoverishment of youth. The process of evolutionary transition occurs through modern technological changes and reformation of the system of spiritual spheres. This, in turn, should be based on the progressive achievements of the gradual development of countries of the world based on the main idea of "Building a free and prosperous Motherland, free and prosperous life" and "From national revival to national rise". Only in this way can we, on the basis of gradual evolution, educate spiritually mature young people who think independently. After all, in every speech and lecture, article and work of the First President I.A. Kapimov and the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Sh.M. Mipziyoyev, it was repeatedly emphasized that high spirituality is the foundation of the future.

In this regard, the importance of spiritual and moral values increases on the basis of evolution and gradual development in the period when Uzbekistan is filled with market relations. Therefore, market relations require high moral and ethical, talented, high-level knowledge and deep, intelligent, businesslike, hardworking, morally mature generations. People with low spirituality, moral and ethical weakness, superficial and low level of knowledge, people who do not know the meaning of work, cannot achieve the intended goal in market relations. The conclusion is as follows: it is necessary to urgently think about the issue of spiritual and educational education and direct it in the right direction. In this, we need to follow the teachings of the educator Abdullah Avlani: "Education is a matter of life and death for us, or salvation - or destruction, or happiness - or disaster."

In the process of building a civil society, social activity is a fundamental concept associated with the formation of political, legal, spiritual and social consciousness, and corresponds to the principles of this society. The process of social activism is the awareness of the position of each person through

understanding the events taking place in society based on changes in social consciousness. Noting that "man is social by nature", Aristotle also revealed various aspects of the status of citizenship: "In a general sense, he who has power and submission is a citizen; he who has authority and submission is a citizen." The character of a citizen varies in each state system. In the best type of state system, a citizen is one who is willing and able to submit and exercise power in accordance with the requirements of moral values.

There is a need for a form of governance that would balance the conflicting interests of existing strata and groups in society. A person strives to unite with his own kind in order to satisfy his needs. N. Machiavelli in his work "The Prince" states that "The state itself is a person, and serving it provides the true purpose, essence and noble happiness of human life. The state is a constantly changing political organization. He described the emergence of the state as a result of the action of opposing forces.

The state serves various needs, interests, interests of citizens, free communication, opinions, discussions, activity of citizens in the life of the state and society, gathering of people with high spirituality and thinking. This is the ideal to which civil society always strives. In the sociophilosophical and legal literature it is emphasized that to achieve this ideal, communication and cooperation between the state and society, citizens are very important. With the help of communication, people mentally connect with each other, exchange information, influence each other, feel each other, understand each other.

Civil society and the democratic rule of law are inseparable, they constantly require each other and support each other. The democratic rule of law is a condition for the stability of civil society. It does not arise by itself and does not serve itself – the democratic rule of law is created by civil society and is directed towards serving itself.

According to scientists, the state needs to remain a strong institution, and on the other hand, society needs to constantly monitor and control the activities of government bodies and, if necessary, make changes to them.

Only if compliance with the law becomes a daily matter and a way of life will a democratic state of law be created, ensuring the free life of everyone as the basis of civil society. For this, the laws adopted must be oriented towards the individual, in accordance with the demands of the time and society.

Today, people live not only with concerns about food, but also with responsibility for self-development, the desire to involve others in this process, help others, as well as participation in the management of the state and society with the expression of their opinions, ideas and initiatives, making their contribution to the development of society. Therefore, today there is a need for broad communication between people's deputies, government agencies with non-profit organizations and various associations and unions of citizens so that their interests are correctly understood and taken into account.

As our President Sh.M. Mirziyoyev emphasized, "when implementing the concept of deepening democratic reforms in our country, we, as before, believe that citizens' self-government bodies – mahallas, as well as non-profit organizations and free, independent media will occupy an active place. In implementing the important principle "From a strong state to a strong civil society," we primarily rely on the strength and capabilities of these social institutions."

Civil society is a social space for everyone. In this space, the rule of law prevails, and it does not hinder the self-improvement of a person, but on the contrary, helps. The interests of the individual contribute to the full realization of his rights and freedoms. At the same time, the rights and freedoms of other people cannot be discriminated against. That is, freedom and obedience to the law act simultaneously.

A number of activities are planned in the Action Strategy for 2017-2021, which is one of the state programs adopted in our republic. In particular, the following activities are planned in 2019 within the framework of the Program:

To improve the system of state and public construction:

Work is being consistently carried out to achieve the noble goal of serving the people by government bodies;

Particular attention is paid to enhancing the role of parliament in making government decisions;

At the same time, it was stated that it is necessary to strengthen parliamentary control and increase the participation of deputies and senators in ensuring the implementation of laws.

To ensure the rule of law and further reform the judicial system:

Criminal and criminal procedure legislation will be radically improved;

Draft Code of Administrative Offenses;

A draft law on international commercial arbitration will be developed.

In order to reinforce the vital idea that "restoring the spirit of respect for the law in society is the guarantee of building a democratic state governed by the rule of law." This reminds us once again that every citizen is responsible for the development of society.

In essence, civil society is a free democratic society that puts the interests of each person first, creates an environment of respect for legal traditions and laws, respects universal human values, guarantees human rights and freedoms, establishes effective mechanisms of public control over state power, and human relations are based on the deep spiritual and cultural values of a legal society.

The main goal of the formation of civil society is to protect human life, to realize its goals and interests through certain organizations, social institutions, groups, families and other associations. These institutions of civil society, in turn, serve to make a person feel like a source of power and to make his abilities, actions and reputation recognized as high value in society.

Real people, capable of thinking independently, with a broad outlook and thinking, will decide the fate of our country.

The problem of revealing the intellectual abilities and potential of each citizen of civil society, bringing him to spiritual maturity, harmonizing personal and public interests in work, teaching him effective life and work, realizing the needs of the development of society. The Motherland, increasing their social activity and implementing important measures before our society puts

In conclusion, it can be said that the society and the state, setting a huge task for themselves, require the development of a unique and powerful model of ensuring security and prosperity. Uzbekistan has also developed a unique form of ensuring its security and prosperity from the first days of independence. It has set the task of forming spirituality and introducing it into the minds and hearts of our people. The prospects for success largely depend on how well our youth can grasp the idea of the future. Without spirituality, we lose ourselves and our identity. On the other hand, peace, stability and prosperity can only be achieved by raising the morale of the youth. For this reason, one of the important requirements of today is to instill spirituality in the heart, mind and inner world of young people, ensuring the development of spiritual, moral and spiritual qualities. Encouraging the active participation of citizens in the processes of implementing social, political, economic and cultural reforms in society, creating the necessary conditions for the development of their spiritual, moral and ideological potential will always remain in force.

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