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March 22, 2019 No. 241 Tashkent

On approval of the Regulation on the Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security

In accordance with the Decree of the Presidentof the Republic of Uzbekistan No. 5418 dated April 17, 2018 "On Measures on the fundamental improvement of the state management of agriculture and water resources" and the resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. 940 dated November 21, 2018 "On the organization of the Agency for implementation of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security", the Cabinet of Ministers **resolves**:

- 1. To approve the Regulation on the Agency for implementation of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security in accordance with Annex No. 1.
- 2. To make amendments and additions to some decisions of the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan according to Annex No. 2.
- 3. To recognize invalid the resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of August 19, 1998 No. 356 "On measures to accelerate the implementation of the project"The Rural Restructuring Agency of the Republic of Uzbekistan" under the loan of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development".
- 4. Control over the implementation of this resolution is entrusted to the Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan for investment and foreign economic relations E. Ganiev and the Secretariat for the development of the agricultural and food sectors of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan

A. Aripov

Annex No. 1 To the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers March 22, 2019 No. 241

Regulation

About the Agency for implementation of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security

Chapter 1. General Regulations

- 1. These Regulations determine the status, main tasks, functions, rights and responsibilities, as well as the procedure for organizing the activities of the Agency for implementing of projects in the field of the agroindustry and food security (hereinafter Agency), and the responsibilities of its managers.
- 2. The Agency is an authorized state organization responsible for assisting in the development and organization of the implementation of large projects, including investment projects, in the field of the agroindustry and food security in order to actively develop and support entrepreneurship.

The structure of the Agency includes regional project implementation units in the Republic of Karakalpakstan and regions.

- 3. The Agency is guided by the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan, resolutions of the chambers of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan, decrees, resolutions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, decisions of the Cabinet of Ministers, other legislative acts, agreements with international financial institutions, foreign government organizations projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account the priorities of development and support of entrepreneurship, as well as these Regulations.
- 4. The Agency is a legal entity, has an independent balance, treasury personal accounts in the Treasury of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Uzbekistan and bank accounts, a stamp with the image of the State Seal of the Republic of Uzbekistan and its name in the state language, as well as forms with the name of the Agency and the image of the State Seal of the Republic Uzbekistan, necessary for the implementation of its activities.
- 5. The Agency carries out its activities directly and through regional project implementation units in cooperation with the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, regional and distracts (city) khokimiyats, government and economic management authorities, as well as international financial institutions and foreign government financial organizations (hereinafter IFIs and FGFO).
 - 6. Official name of the Agency:

in the state language - Agrosanoat majmui va oziq-ovqat ta'minoti sohasidagi loyihalarni amalga oshirish agentligi, short name - Agrosanoat agentligi;

in English - Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security, short name - Agroindustry Agency "UZAIFSA";

- in Russian Агентство по реализации проектов в области агропромышленного комплекса и продовольственного обеспечения; short name Агропромышленное агентство.
- 7. Location (mailing address) Agency: Tashkent, Shayhantahur district, Labzak street, 1A, block A (1st and 2nd floors with basement).

Chapter 2. The main tasks and functions of the Agency

8. The main tasks of the Agency are:

Assistance in the development and formation of projects, including investment projects, in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account the development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Attraction of foreign investments, loans, grants and technical assistance to the IFIs and FGFO for the implementation of projects, including investment, in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Implementation of projects aimed at further modernization, technical and technological renewal of the organizational and infrastructure base of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Systematic monitoring of the status of implementation of projects and subprojects, identification of problems impeding their effective implementation, as well as providing practical assistance in solving them;

Cooperation with the initiators of start-up projects, the introduction of innovative ideas and technologies, assistance in organizing the implementation of high-performance and energy-saving design solutions, the creation of laboratories and experimental design offices in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account international quality management standards;

Assistance to state and economic management organizations, local government organizations and other organizations in the framework of projects, including investment projects, in the field of agroindustry and food security.

- 9. In accordance with the assigned tasks, the Agency performs the following functions:
- a) in the field of assistance in the development and formation of projects, including investment projects, in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship:

Participates in the formation of a portfolio of priority investment projects in the field of development of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Together with interested ministries, departments and organizations, develops feasibility studies, other project and other documents regulating the implementation of projects in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account the requirements of the IFIs and the FGFO;

Together with interested ministries and departments, makes proposals to the Cabinet of Ministers on the implementation of projects in the field of development of the agroindustry and food security in the framework of cooperation with the IFIs and the FGFO;

b) in the field of attracting foreign investments, loans, grants and technical assistance to the IFIs and the FGFO for the implementation of projects, including investment, in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship:

Renders assistance in attracting loans and grants from the IFIs and the FGFO to finance the implementation of projects in the field of the a agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Takes part in the work of the IFIs and FGFO missions in assessing the need for financing projects in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

c) in the field of implementation of projects aimed at further modernization, technical and technological renewal of the organizational and infrastructure base of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account the development priorities and support for entrepreneurship:s

renders all-round assistance to the IFIs and FGFO missions in organizing and analyzing the progress of preparing and implementing projects in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and supporting entrepreneurship;

Takes measures to prepare final reports on the completion of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account the development priorities and support of entrepreneurship for submission to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as to the IFIs and the FGFO;

Takes effective measures to ensure the effective use of State budget funds, loans, credits and grants attracted for the implementation of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

d) in the field of system monitoring of the status of projects and subprojects, the identification of problems that impede their effective implementation, as well as practical assistance in solving them:

Carries out system monitoring, including on a fee basis, for the progress of projects in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Identifies problems that impede their implementation, provides practical assistance to business entities to resolve them, and provides participating financial organizations with the services of conducting such monitoring;

Organizes the exchange of necessary documents, information and maintenance of established reporting between the participants of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account the development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

e) in the field of cooperation with the initiators of start-up projects, the introduction of innovative ideas and technologies, assistance in organizing the implementation of high-performance and energy-saving design solutions, the creation of laboratories and experimental design bureaus in the field of the agroindustry and food security, taking into account international quality management standards:

Provides consulting services and practical assistance to business entities in submitting to commercial banks the documents necessary for attracting loans and grants for the implementation of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, taking into account development priorities and support for entrepreneurship;

Organizes trainings and distribution of teaching materials on training enterprises in modern efficient methods and technologies of marketing, production, processing and packaging, storage, processing of agricultural products, evaluation of the quality of goods, effective organization of their implementation, including for export, logistics and transportation processes, taking into account consumer conjuncture;

Renders assistance to enterprises in the implementation of product quality assessment systems that meet the requirements of generally accepted international standards in order to ensure its competitiveness in the domestic and foreign markets;

f) in the field of assistance to state and economic management organizations, public authorities in places and other organizations in the framework of projects, including investment, in the field of agroindustry and food security:

Together with the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, regional and district khokimiyats, the National Television and Radio Company ensures the wide dissemination of review materials and current information about the goals, volumes and effectiveness of the use of attracted credit and grant resources to finance projects in the field of agroindustry and food security taking into account the priorities of development and support of entrepreneurship;

Coordinates the interaction of ministries, departments, local government organizations, commercial banks, other organizations in the framework of work with the evaluation missions of the IFIs and the FGFO.

Chapter 3. Agency rights and liability.

10. To perform the assigned tasks and functions, the Agency has the right to:

in accordance with the established procedure, request and receive from the local government, state and economic management administrations, commercial banks and their branches, other government bodies and organizations materials and information necessary for the project implementation in the field of agroindustry and food security;

involve ministries and departments, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, regional and district khokimiyats to resolve issues related to the effective project implementation in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship;

to participate in attracting loans, credits and grants from the IFIs and FGFO, as well as funds from other sources not prohibited by law, to finance activities, including the formation and development of the Agency's material and technical base;

attract on a contractual basis local and foreign consulting and outsourcing companies, individual consultants and specialists, including for carrying out tasks, in the framework of the project implementation in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship;

organize meetings, conduct negotiations, and maintain correspondence with international financial institutions on issues related to the tasks realization assigned to the Agency, inside the country and abroad;

organize for participants in projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship, trainings, seminars and other training programs in the Republic of Uzbekistan and abroad;

organize a presentation at specialized international exhibitions of participant products of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship;

organize, in accordance with the terms of international treaties of the Republic of Uzbekistan, monitoring the effective use of loans, credits and grants by organizations involved in the project implementation in the field of agroindustry and food security;

provide reports and other information to IFI and FGFO in accordance with the terms of international treaties of the Republic of Uzbekistan;

open in commercial banks individual deposit accounts of implemented projects by the Agency, including for replenishing corporate plastic cards, paying taxes and salaries;

procure goods (works, services) for the Agency needs and project participants in compliance with the requirements of the legislation of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the regulations and procedures of IFI and FGFO;

open subsidiaries, conduct joint activities, engage in the authorized capital of other enterprises;

earn income in the form of commissions from the realization goods (work, services), from the activities of demonstration sites, from joint activities, from engaging in the authorized capital of other enterprises and other sources not prohibited by law;

Agency can exercise other rights in accordance with the legislation and international treaties of the Republic of Uzbekistan in the framework of cooperation with IFI and FGFO.

11. The Agency is responsible for:

attraction of foreign investments, loans, grants and technical assistance to IFI and FGFO for the project implementation, including investment, in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship;

with participating financial organizations (commercial banks, leasing and microcredit organizations) - for timely and high-quality project implementation and subprojects, including the effective development of credit lines;

for effective implementation of the tasks and functions assigned to the Agency.

Chapter 4. Organization of the Agency's activities

- 12. The Agency is headed by the General Director, appointed by the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan and dismissed by agreement with the department curator of the Administration, Advisor to the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan on the development of economic sectors, the implementation of investment and foreign trade policies.
- 13. The General Director has three deputies, including one first deputy appointed to a position and dismissed by the General Director of the Agency in coordination with the Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan concerning investments and External Ecomnomical Affairs.
- 14. The agency keeps records and reports in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as the requirements of the regulations and procedures of the IFI and FGFO.

Chapter 5. Main functional duties of the Agency managers

- 15. The General Director of the Agency:
- 1) manages the work of the Agency in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the regulations and procedures of IFI and the FGFO;
- 2) provides general guidance of the Agency's activities, organizing the execution of tasks and functions entrusted to the Agency by acts of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, decisions of the Cabinet of Ministers, other legislative acts and agreements with IFI and FGFO;
 - 3) issues orders, regulations on the questions entering competence of the Agency;

- 4) distributes duties between his deputies, appoints and dismisses the Agency staff, approves the job descriptions of the Agency staff, and also takes measures to staff the Agency with highly qualified personnel;
- 5) creates an effective system of organizing and monitoring the execution of acts and instructions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the implementation of comprehensive practical measures to strengthen performance discipline in the Agency's activities in accordance with the decrees of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated April 11, 2017 No. PP-2881 « On the personal responsibility of State Advisers to the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, heads of the Cabinet of Ministers and its complexes, state and economic administrations, as well as khokimiyats of all levels for the effective and efficient execution of acts and instructions of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as for strengthening executive discipline and on October 5, 2018 No. PP-3962 «On measures to further strengthen executive discipline in state bodies and organizations», as well as the Decree of the Cabinet of Ministers on January 12, 1999 No.12 «On Measures to Strengthen Discipline»;
- 6) approves the procedure for financial incentives and disciplinary measures of the Agency staff, establishes additional payments to the official salary;
- 7) solves issues related to the organization and development of the Agency's activities, provides overall management of projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as development and support of entrepreneurship, has the first signature right to all financial and banking documents for all projects;
- 8) represent the Agency without a power of attorney in all republican and international organizations on matters within its competence;
 - 9) Carries out other powers in accordance with the law.
- 16. The General Director shall be fully responsible for the implementation of the tasks entrusted to the Agency.
- 17. In the absence of the General Director, his functions shall be performed by his first deputy.
- 18. The main functional responsibilities of the Deputy General Directors of the Agency are:
- 1) ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan, agreements with IFI and FGFO for the implementation of investment projects in the field of agroindustry and food security, as well as the development and support of entrepreneurship, and other regulatory acts by Agency staff;
- 2) provide the direct management of the activities of structural units, the organization of the tasks and functions assigned to these units;
- 3) ensuring timely and high-quality execution of the Agency decisions, orders and instructions of the General Director;
 - 4) control and coordination of tasks assigned to the structural units;

- 5) submission of proposals to the General Director in the process of selection and placement of staff in the structural units of the Agency, ensuring the guarantee of their professionalism, competence, practical experience, high level of business and moral qualities, taking measures to professional qualification, building the human resource base in the structural units.
- 6) systematically analysis of the effectiveness and efficiency of the activities of the Agency staff, listening their personal reports at meetings, taking the necessary measures on the results:
- 7) organization and commission of business trips by the Agency staff in full compliance with the requirements of the decrees of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated March 5, 2014 No. PP-2142 "On measures to improve the procedure for departure of officials to foreign countries" and on August 3, 2017 No. PP-3170 "On measures to further increase the personal responsibility of officials for the effectiveness of their stay in foreign business trips and organization of visits of foreign delegations to the Republic of Uzbekistan", ensuring the reasonableness, efficiency and effectiveness of business trips, purposeful and rational use of funds allocated for travel expenses;
- 8) taking measures to prevent corruption and other offenses in the structural units of the Agency in accordance with the requirements of the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On anti-corruption", as well as identifying, analyzing, eliminating the causes and conditions conducive to their perpetration by developing and implementing measures to improve law enforcement practices and legislation.
- 19. Project managers and other the Agency staff shall carry out their activities in accordance with the assignment of functional responsibilities approved by the General Director of the Agency.

Chapter 6. Evaluation Criteria and Operational Indicators of Agency Efficiency and Performance

- 20. The Agency activities shall be subject to regular evaluation about its efficiency and effectiveness.
- 21. Evaluation of the effectiveness and efficiency of the Agency's activities is carried out on the basis of the evaluation criteria established in coordination with IFI and FGFO and operational indicators of efficiency and effectiveness according to each implemented project.
- 22. Based on the evaluation of the effectiveness and efficiency of the Agency's activities, to take next measures:

encouragement (reward) or application of appropriate disciplinary measures against managers and the Agency staff;

addressing identified deficiencies and further improvement of the Agency's activities.

Chapter 7. Financing and material and technical support of the Agency, salary and financial incentive of the staff.

23. Financing sources for the Agency's activities are:

funds of the State budget of the Republic of Uzbekistan, grants and credits (loans) of IFI and FGFO;

charitable donations from legal entities and individuals - residents and non-residents of the Republic of Uzbekistan;

income derived from the provision of services on a contractual basis;

other sources not prohibited by law.

24. The Agency has the right to open special deposit accounts in national currency for income from the sale of goods (works, services) as part of the activity, as well as income of the Agency's property, penalties and insurance payments in the prescribed manner. obligations under the contracts, income from placing temporarily free funds on deposits, charitable donations and other sources not prohibited by law.

Funds from these accounts in the prescribed manner shall be directed to strengthening the material and technical base of the Agency and material incentives for its staff, entertainment expenses, expenses for receiving representatives of the IFIs and FGFOs and other purposes stipulated by these Regulations.

Responsibility for the targeted and effective use of these funds lies with the General Director.

25. Payment for services of attracted staff, experts and consultants of the Agency - non-residents of the Republic of Uzbekistan may be made in foreign currency in accordance with the concluded contracts, in the manner prescribed by law.

Chapter 8. Final Regulation

26. The reorganization and liquidation of the Agency shall be carried out in the manner prescribed by law.

Annex No. 2 To the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers March 22, 2019 No. 241

Changes and accompaniments made to some decisions of the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan

- 1. The third and fourth paragraphs of point 4 of the resolution of Cabinet of Ministers of September 3, 1999 No. 416 "Primary measures for project implementation with participation of Asian Development Bank "Supporting development of infrastructure and also the restructured farms in Akaltynsky area of the Syrdarya region" "should be excluded.
- 2. The list of Authorities of State, organs of government and economic management, other state organizations of republican worth which managers can appeal for a resident permit of workers in the city of Tashkent and the Tashkent region, the approved resolutions of Cabinet of Ministers of October 7, 2016 No. 336 (the joint venture of the Republic of Uzbekistan, 2016, No. 10, Article 89), to enlarge with point 68 of the following contents:
- "68. Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security".
 - 3. At the disposal of Cabinet of Ministers of April 26, 2006 No. 180-r:
- a) section "8. Other Organizations" List No. 1 in appendix No. 1 (The provision on the hall of service of especially important passengers of the international airport "Tashkent" behalf of Islam Karimov) to supplement with Subparagraph 8.4 of the following contents:
- "8.4. The General Director of the Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security and his deputies";
- b) section "5. Central organizations and other organizations" of List No. 1 in appendix No. 2 (The provision on the hall of service of official delegations at the airports of the Republic of Uzbekistan) to supplement with Subparagraph 5.17 of the following contents:
- "5.17. The General Director of the Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security and his deputies";
- 4. In the of Resolution Cabinet of Ministers on November 21, 2019 No. 940 "Organization of activity of the Agency for Implementation of Projects in the Field of Agroindustry and Food Security":

in paragraph 4:

third paragraph should be excluded;

paragraphs fourth - sixth to consider respectively paragraphs the third - the fifth;

in the fourth paragraph words "A complex concerning investments, the innovative development, coordination of activity of free economic and small industrial zones of Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan" to replace with words "the deputy the Prime minister of the Republic of Uzbekistan relating to investments and foreign economic relations".