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Forming High Spirituality Is A Priority Direction of Our State Policy

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Abstract: In the development of high spirituality in our republic, it is extremely important to study the rich historical heritage, preserve traditions and customs, culture, and science, foster upbringing, and transform public consciousness. Thanks to the opportunities provided by our independence, we have been able to achieve the development of high spirituality, the awareness of national identity, and national progress.

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Introduction: It's very important to learn historical heritages deeply, to preserve traditions and customs, to develop upbringing, culture, science, change of ideas and opinions of the society in developing of a high spirituality in our republic. On the basis of opportunities which the independence had given us, we could achieve the development of a high spirituality, the national evolution and the realization of national self-consciousness.

After our people gained independence, forming a new lifestyle and shaping high spirituality in the new society became one of the most prioritized issues in our country.

"Currently, the main goal of the large-scale reforms being carried out in our country is to foster a generation that is ready to dedicate itself to the nation and its people, a generation that is educated, knowledgeable, and moral, and to ensure their happy life. This aspiration has always been the cherished dream of our people. Achieving our grand goals is inextricably linked to the revival of the spiritual world, in-depth study of our rich historical heritage, preservation of our traditions and customs, and the development of culture and art, science, education, and upbringing, as well as the transformation and elevation of social consciousness." [1]

If we look at the roots of the spiritual wealth of our people, accumulated over centuries, and at our national identity, we can see that they have withstood many trials of history and have served as support during the hardest times for our nation.

From the dawn of humanity, people have strived to live together in peace and harmony. The ancient cultural monument "Avesta" called for unity among people, adherence to one faith and one God. In it, the god of goodness Ahura Mazda and the god of evil Ahriman are presented as opposing forces, revealing that the most essential value for people is goodness.

People are encouraged not only to be kind and caring to one another but also to respect nature and its blessings. Great importance is placed on family unity and the purity of lineage. The main message of this work is a deep philosophical reflection on the world and life, and its ideas have become embedded in the spiritual worldview of our people.

Even today, it is appropriate to incorporate such historical monuments into educational and moral development efforts.

"In the spirituality and moral upbringing of our people, epics have held a special place for centuries. For example, let us consider the epic 'Alpomish,' which is a prominent part of our rich oral tradition." [2]

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The character of Alpomish symbolizes a hero born from the dreams of the people. He is not a man concerned only with his own troubles but a brave warrior. Alpomish embodies national traits such as heroism, courage, eloquence, and strength, formed over generations.

In the epic, his loyalty in love, love for his family, fight for peace and harmony among his people, and devotion to friends are conveyed with great emotional force.

"The true meaning of the epic's lasting presence in our spiritual culture lies in its embodiment of essential moral values such as patriotism, wisdom, diligence, hospitality, contentment, and patience—all qualities necessary for raising a virtuous person." [3]

The national values, customs, rituals, and beliefs presented in the epic serve as nourishment for moral education. Alpomish is a figure saturated with patriotism. His image, filled with ideas of heroism and defense of the homeland, serves as a role model in raising brave and loyal sons who will fight for their nation and people.

Like "Alpomish", other epics passed down orally through generations reflect the many centuries of our people's social life, traditions, customs, and experiences. Today, they serve as the most valuable national treasures in forming the high spirituality that is the top priority of our state policy.

Likewise, thanks to independence, we have revived the national holiday of Navruz, whose educational dimensions have been deeply rooted in the consciousness of our people.

Navruz is a celebration rich in national virtues, known for its emphasis on spiritual renewal, hard work, and sincere friendship.

"During the celebration, people gather with their best wishes, prepare and share food, and taste traditional dishes. Navruz 'goja' is prepared from seven types of grain, and the dish called 'sumalak'—made from sprouting wheat—symbolizes unity and harmony among neighbors and communities." [4]

The holiday also features demonstrations of traditional crafts, which is one of the best ways to direct youth toward vocational skills.

The significance of people's relationships with the seasons, based on life experience, is particularly strong. For instance, the arrival of spring is seen as a joyful escape from the harsh grip of winter. People greet each other with the announcement "Navruz has come," signaling that the three-month winter period ends on March 21.

This marks the beginning of the planting season and

renewal of life. Our people have traditionally sustained themselves through farming and animal husbandry. Spring is the season of awakening in nature: trees begin to bud, birds build nests and lay eggs, animals reproduce. People have cherished and preserved these natural cycles and passed on this reverent attitude toward nature to future generations.

These traditions are indeed educationally significant and remain relevant in our times.

As illustrated in the examples above, for any nation, understanding one's identity, achieving national revival and progress, and creating an education system that aligns with the requirements of the times—based on the people's rich educational and cultural heritage—are essential for national development.

Thanks to the broad opportunities granted by independence, we have come to understand our national identity, foster independent thinking, and raise spiritually rich individuals.

This is a direct result of our state policy's priority direction—forming high spirituality and cultivating national consciousness.

In delivering the ideology of national independence to the hearts and minds of the people, science must investigate the role and influence of its national, universal, philosophical, religious, legal, political, sociological, socio-economic, and spiritual foundations.

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