



PHILOSOPHICAL FOUNDATIONS OF THE CONCEPT OF GENDER EQUALITY AND ATTENTION TO WOMEN IN UZBEKISTAN

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Abstract:

This article analyzes in detail the ideas of philosophers about the equality of men and women, the concepts of gender equality and feminism, problems that hinder the socio-political activity of women in society, as well as measures aimed at eliminating these obstacles in Uzbekistan. .

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The concept of gender equality has been a research object of philosophy for a long time. The idea of the equality of men and women was first used by the Greek scientist Antiphon in his works, who said: "Nature creates everyone equal: women and men, but people develop laws that make people unequal." Scholars of ancient Greece such as Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle considered the polis where equality and justice prevailed in the society as the best state and put forward the laws that guarantee all equality as the best laws.

Plato recognizes the mutual equality between women and men, explains the biological differences between the sexes as insignificant differences, and the reproductive status of a woman cannot be a reason to exclude them from social duties, limited only to domestic work. He supported the creation of equal opportunities for boys and girls to get an education, freely choose a profession, and occupy a social position according to their abilities.

Abu Nasr Farabi, one of the scholars of the Eastern encyclopedia, stated in his work "The City of Virtues" that a country where equality prevails is a country that strives for goodness.

The issue of women is inextricably linked with society, social relations, nations, states, cultures and civilizations. As a result of historical development, the issue of women began to be considered as a social problem, and this situation is related to the idea of feminism. In 1779, the French philosopher J. Condorcet founded the movement for women's social and political rights in Europe, and later in the United States, through the Declaration "On Granting Civil Rights to Women" and Olympia



de Gouges "Civilization and the Rights of Women". ". From this period, the concept of "feminism" appeared.

Feminism aims for women to have equal rights and opportunities with men and to fight against all forms of discrimination against women.

History shows that the feminist movement occurs when women's issues are forgotten, when men are given priority in public administration, and when there are obstacles to women's activity in social and political life. In Uzbekistan, the state itself began to eliminate these obstacles and increase the social and political activity of women.

Feminism is a social movement that represents women's struggle for their rights and freedoms, while "gender" is a concept that refers to the relationship between men and women. Nowadays, the problem of the social nature of the person, which is one of the main issues of philosophy, finds its expression in gender studies, which is widespread all over the world.

As a result of the promotion of this idea, the need to ensure gender equality between women and men is being put on the agenda in global thinking, and efforts are being made to ensure their human rights and equal opportunities. It should be noted that the gender problem is primarily a social problem, that is, it is not only a problem of women, but also of men and society.

A socio-spiritual environment is being created in Uzbekistan for women to fully express their potential. The fact that women with organizational, entrepreneurship, and business skills are able to occupy a worthy place in the management system without any obstacles, and are able to surpass their place in the parliament, is the basis for raising their position in life.

On September 2, 2019, the adoption of the laws "On guarantees of equal rights and opportunities of women and men" and "On the protection of women from oppression and violence" in Uzbekistan strengthened the legal framework in this regard.

In today's society, special attention is paid to positive discrimination. Positive discrimination refers to giving special opportunities and quotas to a minority group or class. It is a method used to achieve gender equality in business, education, science, etc. For example, there are few female scientists, engineers, programmers, surgeons (etc.) in Uzbekistan. More women are needed in these fields. In such conditions, teaching roads to be more involved in these directions, creating special conditions for them is positive discrimination.



Today there is a need for positive discrimination in the traditional Uzbek society. After all, there is a great need to encourage the education, science and social activity of our women. In addition, the burden of household responsibilities placed on women in our society is heavy. The law fights against various evils in the family and society, oppression of the weak under the guise of tradition, denial of their rights. We live by tradition. But if we want to make progress, we have to start living by the laws. Traditions are valuable not only because they are traditions, but also because they glorify human dignity, value, and make life prosperous. There is only one criterion for distinguishing positive customs and traditions from vices that humiliate and degrade a person: a person and his rights. As a nation rich in national spirituality, we should realize this as soon as possible.

Helping the women of Uzbekistan to participate more actively in the political, economic and social life of the country is one of the priority tasks of the organization "UN-Women". A program of temporary special measures is being implemented in Uzbekistan. This program was developed on the basis of the recommendations of the UN Women's Committee of Uzbekistan, the National Center for Human Rights, Oliy Majlis Chambers, political parties, non-profit organizations, and recommendations in the process of large-scale consultations. It is planned to carry out works aimed at increasing the number.

Empowerment of women and girls makes the society more compassionate, humane and enlightened. Now in our society there are women governors, women rectors, women ministers and deputy ministers. The committee established in the Senate of the Oliy Majlis of Uzbekistan on "Women's and Girls' Issues and Gender Equality" at the invitation of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan is of course of great importance in increasing the socio-political activity of women. The life of our country and the opportunities created for them.

President Shavkat Mirziyoyev's speech in the Senate of the Oliy Majlis in June 2019 said: "Here I am thinking a lot about an idea that has taken a deep place in our minds. We always honor women as mothers, mistresses of our families. This is true, of course. But today, every woman should not be an observer of democratic processes, but an active and proactive participant."

In order to achieve permanent, large-scale and significant results in this regard, a program is definitely needed. From this point of view, a document dedicated to these issues has been developed in our country - the strategy for achieving gender equality in the Republic of Uzbekistan in 2020-2030..



To sum up, our state is taking many actions and measures to ensure gender equality. Especially in recent years, many laws, decrees and decisions have been adopted, and the scope of work and practical measures to solve women's problems is expanding.

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