

Development of Reading Culture Among Youth - A Spiritual And Ideological Factor for the Implementation of the State Youth Policy in Uzbekistan



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ABSTRACT: The article examines the formation of a culture of reading among young people - as well as the spiritual and ideological factor in the implementation of state youth policy in Uzbekistan. In modern conditions of globalization, the relevance of fostering loyalty to the national idea, patriotism, high spiritual and moral views, the formation of ideological and spiritual immunity among the broad masses of the population, especially young people, is increasing. Because information attacks, ideological and spiritual threats are growing in the world under the guise of mass culture. Spirituality is a powerful force protecting our country and our youth from such ideological and spiritual attacks and evil forces.

KEYWORDS: globalization, cultivating loyalty, national idea, patriotism, ethical views, spiritual immunity, spiritual threat.

INTRODUCTION

The upbringing of our youth in a high spiritual and moral spirit, the formation of a sense of spiritual courage in them is an important factor in protection against various ideological and spiritual threats.

President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as Sh.M. Mirziyoyev said: "If the body of a society is the economy, then its soul and spirit are spirituality. When deciding to build a new Uzbekistan, we will rely on two solid pillars. The first is a strong market economy. The second is the rich heritage of our ancestors and a strong spirituality based on national values.

Uzbekistan has entered a new stage of development based on the principle "From national revival to national progress." The intensity of the new era plays a special role in introducing noble values and traditions into society, in particular, in increasing the spiritual and intellectual potential, consciousness and worldview of our people, especially the younger generation.

When the ability to read a book is formed in young people, the book itself teaches all the actions that remain on the path to maturity. In order to strengthen the legal framework for the development and support of reading culture in the country, 5 resolutions of the President and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan in 2017-2020 were adopted, the development of reading culture was identified as a priority of state policy.

On March 19, 2019, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Sh.M. Mirziyoyev launched five important initiatives aimed at attracting young people to culture, arts, physical culture and sports, the formation of skills in the use of information technology among young people, promoting reading among them, increasing women's employment. was pushed. The fourth of these five initiatives, namely the raising of the morale of the population, especially the youth, the widespread promotion of reading among them, serves to increase the intellectual potential of the younger generation.

There are 11,092 libraries and information resource centers in the country, of which 9,911 operate in secondary schools under the Ministry of Public Education, 981 in higher and secondary special education institutions, 14 in the regions, 186 in districts (cities)[3].

THE MAIN FINDINGS AND RESULTS

In 2018-2019, in addition to textbooks, publishing houses published more than 21,640,000 copies of books in 1,587 titles[4].

The total number of fiction books in the total number of schools in the country is 3 per student, and in schools with sister language of instruction - 1.7. The total literature fund of school libraries, where education is conducted in sister languages, is 1.6 million. The number of fiction books in sister languages is 320,000 (20% of the total literature fund) and corresponds to 0.4 books per student[5].

For the first time on October 2-4, 2019 in our country was organized the I International Book Fair "Tashkent book fest – 2019", which was attended by about 20 and 30 people from the United Kingdom, Germany, South Korea, Russia, Turkey,

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Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. more than 15,000 local publishers, more than 15,000 industry professionals, members of the general public and young people[6].

As part of the “Caravan of Enlightenment” more than 3 million books were delivered to young people, 590,000 fiction books in 59 titles were published under the heading “Youth Library” and distributed to the libraries of all educational institutions in the country[7].

The traditional “Young Reader” contest covered more than 2 million 170 thousand young people in 2017-2019, and 9 winners of the contest were awarded the President's gift “Spark” car[8].

Today there are the following problems in the formation and development of reading culture:

there is no system for evaluating the effectiveness of measures taken to improve reading;

The publication of literary, educational, popular science, educational, literature aimed at increasing the intellectual potential of young people, providing them with educational institutions, the selection and translation of mature works of national and world literature is not organized on the basis of a well-thought-out system;

The system of low-cost delivery of printed books from publishers to the regions, online ordering and delivery to the regions is poorly developed, as well as the widespread use of e-book forms in public services is not well established;

Funds for the purchase of books for educational and cultural institutions are not attracted from sufficient sources, enterprises specializing in the sale of books to promote new books in educational institutions, libraries and neighborhoods, to promote a culture of reading, including through the media targeted measures are not enough;

The demand for books that serve to raise the intellectual level of the population, especially among the youth, has not been studied on the basis of in-depth analysis.;

The management system, which includes the publication and delivery of books to the population, as well as the translation of the best works of world literature into Uzbek and the best works of Uzbek literature into foreign languages are not systematically organized;

There are no clear mechanisms for further development of the book distribution system and coverage of the general population, pricing and sales of book products;

existing information and library facilities are not adequately equipped with modern information and communication technologies to serve a wide range of people;

Promotion of published books through the media, organization of creative meetings with book authors in educational institutions, libraries, neighborhoods, and the formation of a culture of reading and reading skills in educational institutions, especially in preschool and primary education, are not systematically established.;

to publish high-quality books that meet the spiritual, educational, artistic and aesthetic needs of young people, to deliver them to places, educational institutions in a timely manner and at reasonable prices, to translate the best national and world literature, to develop the ability to read books, including e-books, no comprehensive measures have been developed to promote a culture of reading in society.

National program for the development and support of reading culture in 2020-2025 to address the above problems[9] accepted.

The priorities for the implementation of the program are as follows:

Establishment of organizational measures for the publication of high quality books that meet the spiritual, educational, artistic and aesthetic needs of the population, especially young people;

support and further development of publishing activities, development of the print and e-book market based on healthy competition;

to take measures to radically improve the system of delivery of newly published books at reasonable prices to places and educational institutions;

creation of a legal basis for the organization of work related to the translation of the best examples of national and world literature, the promotion of reading culture;

creation of a database of normative and legal acts aimed at simplifying the criteria for organizing the sale of books;

Improving the distribution system of information sources (books, newspapers, magazines, paper and electronic media);

identification of targeted measures for the development of reading culture at an early age, the development of targeted programs for the development of reading in preschool, school, vocational education, higher education and enterprises, organizations, institutions;

Improving the material and technical base for the development of reading culture (condition of libraries, supply of books, reproduction of books by industry);

Establish a system of replenishment of the funds of regional, district (city) information and library centers with mandatory print and electronic copies of all printed publications (books, magazines, newspapers and other publications) published in the region;

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to study the level of reading and interest of students in books through various sociological surveys, to support the work of creators and publishers by publishing the results;

- capacity building of librarians;
- development of book-producing infrastructure and ensuring their compliance with modern social needs;
- Improving the system of creating e-books without infringing copyright in order to facilitate the needs of the population in book products;
- creation and systematic updating of the electronic catalog of books available in the publishing houses of the country;
- introduction of a system of online ordering of foreign works, their delivery and distribution in the territory of the republic;
- government support for the publication of children's literature;
- development of reading culture in remote areas of the republic and digitization of published books;
- organization of projects and competitions aimed at developing the culture of reading;
- establishing international cooperation for the development of reading culture.

CONCLUSION

As a result of the above-mentioned measures, the culture of reading, especially among young people, will be promoted, the culture of reading will be comparable to that of developed countries, and the quality of human capital will be improved through the rapid development of youth reading culture.

It will also expand the ranks of active readers, increase the intellectual potential of the population, especially the younger generation, through the development of a culture of reading, the consistent and effective organization of a system to support the activities of creators, publishers and book distributors[10].

In short, the development of a culture of reading among young people is a spiritual and ideological factor in the implementation of state youth policy in Uzbekistan.

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