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STATE POLICY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST WOMEN'S CRIME AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN UZBEKISTAN DURING THE YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE (IN THE CASE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KARAKALPAKSTAN AND KHOREZM REGION)

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ABSTRACT

Crime against women has become a global problem in the 21st century, like human trafficking, terrorism and drug trafficking, and is becoming one of the most common crimes in the world. For this reason, this crime has already gone out of the scope of national legislation and has become one of the urgent issues of international law. This article discusses state policy in the fight against women's crime and human trafficking in Uzbekistan during the years of independence in the case of the Republic of Karakalpakstan and Khorezm region.

KEYWORDS

State policy, fight against women's crime, human trafficking in Uzbekistan, years of independence.

INTRODUCTION

It should be said that the increasing number of crimes such as discrimination of people, non-recognition of their rights, and human trafficking are of concern to all of us.

Just one example, according to international experts, more than 4.5 million people are victims of human trafficking every year. Unfortunately, more than 1.2 million of them are children [1].

Acts that violate human rights, including the involvement of citizens in forced labor, are recognized by the international community as heinous acts, and a number of measures are being implemented to prohibit them. In this regard, a number of international documents were adopted as an expression of international cooperation [2]. Many legal documents have also been developed in our national legislation on combating human trafficking [3]. During the years of

independence, 29 treaties and agreements were signed with foreign countries on the fight against dangerous forms of organized crime (including human trafficking) [4].

THE MAIN RESULTS AND FINDINGS

Women's activities are also of great importance in the wide-scale work being carried out in our country. That's why our government pays special attention to creating living and working conditions for women. By our large-scale work on social support of women and youth is being carried out by the state. Despite the achievements, there are still women in our republic who are experiencing difficult living conditions. Providing them with work and improving their living conditions remains one of the most important tasks.

These days, in Khorezm region, special attention is paid to the issues of protection of women from harassment and violence, early identification of conflicting families and elimination of conflicts in them, and reconciliation of families on the verge of separation. In this regard, propaganda meetings are being held in neighborhoods and labor groups in cooperation with the regional Ministry of Internal Affairs and the regional Department of Family and Women's Support. The implemented measures are aimed at reconciliation of women who are participants in any kind of conflict situations that have arisen in families, involving active women in the neighborhoods and mothers in the initial process.

Now the issue of strengthening the role of the "Deputy Women's Club" established under the parties in order to protect women from harassment and violence and increase their legal knowledge in Khorezm region is on the agenda. At the same time, effective control measures were established over compliance with the requirements of the "protection warrant" formalized

for the purpose of legal protection of women who suffered from oppression and violence.

Also, issues of permanent employment and social support of women included in the "Iron Register", "Women's Register" and "Youth Register" are included in the action plan [5].

Today, in Khorezm region, it is possible to witness the growing activity of women in socio-political life and entrepreneurship. In 2018, the share of women leaders in public affairs increased from 18% to 24%, deputies from 21% to 29%, businesswomen from 17% to 35%, winners of various competitions and sports competitions from 37% to 46% [6].

In 2018, the Women's Public Fund of Uzbekistan provided 1 billion to 123 women in order to support women's entrepreneurship, improve living conditions, and provide employment. 962,000 soums of credit were allocated. As of January 2019, 1 billion 500 million were given to 90 businesswomen. a loan of soum was given. 62 factories, 656 jobs were created. According to the tradition of "Master-Apprentice", 206 people started working in handicrafts, 145 people started working in home economics [7].

First of all, women from low-income families, disabled people and graduates of educational institutions were provided with jobs. For example, out of 13,174 girls who graduated from vocational colleges in Khorezm region, 424 entered higher education institutions, and 8,514 of them were employed. 6194 of the graduates were employed in their specialty. 2829 out of 7475 women were employed at 122 job fairs held in Khorezm region in 2018. In addition, 4,646 women job seekers were given advice on labor legislation and job vacancies [8].

On the basis of the decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated February 2, 2018 "On

measures to fundamentally improve activities in the field of supporting women and strengthening family institutions” No. in cooperation with experts on strengthening values, systematic moral and educational activities are being conducted to prevent negative situations of crimes committed by women.

In recent years, 261 crimes were committed by 216 women in Khorezm region. 554 women were found to be prone to crime and a list of them was formed. 41 women returned to their families from prisons. It is with this group of women that the plans for the implementation of large-scale work are defined and focused on implementation. Specialists in working with women in neighborhoods and strengthening families' spiritual and moral values were assigned to the women who had returned from prison as coaches.

As of November 2018, 104 crimes were committed between women and girls in the Republic of Karakalpakstan. Crimes decreased by 120, i.e. by 53.5 percent (224 in 2017) compared to the corresponding period of previous years. This was reported by the women's committee in the Republic of Karakalpakstan [9].

5 women who committed the crime were released on the basis of letters of guarantee issued by the chairman of the women's committee of Nukus city, Ellikkala and Tortkol districts. On the basis of the guarantee of the women's committee of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, the prison sentence given to 1 woman was changed to a reduced type of punishment. There has been an increase in crimes such as murder, assassination and grievous bodily harm. As of November 2017, crimes such as murder, assassination and grievous bodily harm have not been committed at all. According to this period of this year, 2 murders, assassinations and 2 grievous bodily harm have been committed [10].

Adequate measures for social rehabilitation and adaptation of a total of 26 women released from penal institutions were implemented. 16 of them were employed, 3 of them were referred to the Employment Assistance Center in order to ensure their employment. 5 people on old-age pension, 1 person admitted to Nukus psychiatric hospital for health reasons, and 1 person unemployed [11].

Taking into account the statistics mentioned above, it is possible to observe the weight of the state policy in the fight against women's crime and human trafficking in the Republic of Karakalpakstan and Khorezm region during the years of independence. Currently in our country In 2022-2026, the National program on increasing the activity of women in all aspects of the country's economic, political and social life and a comprehensive plan of measures aimed at the implementation of the program in 2022-2023 have been developed.

In order to create more favorable conditions for women's education, to support the systematic improvement of their scientific potential and qualifications, starting from the 2022/2023 academic year, women studying in higher education institutions, technical schools and colleges, including part-time and evening education 1.8 trillion soums of resource funds will be directed from the State budget to commercial banks for the purpose of financing interest-free education loans for a period of 7 years for the payment of educational contracts."On measures to further accelerate work on systematic support of families and women" is stated in the decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan [12] and extensive work is being done in this regard.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, it should be noted that in our country state policy in the fight against women's crime and human trafficking in the Republic of Karakalpakstan and Khorezm region during the years of independence the work being carried out must definitely produce results. After all, increasing the activity of women in all aspects of the economic, political and social life of the country is one of the main tasks of the state policy.

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