

**INTERETHNIC HARMONY – THE GUARANTEE OF OUR JUST NATIONAL
POLICY**

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Annotation: This article examines the importance of interethnic harmony as a key factor in ensuring peace, social stability, and the successful implementation of a just national policy. It highlights the role of tolerance, mutual respect, and cooperation among different nationalities living in Uzbekistan. The study also analyzes the significance of cultural diversity, the protection of national values, and the development of interethnic relations in strengthening unity within society. Furthermore, the article emphasizes the importance of state policy aimed at promoting equality, civil harmony, and the peaceful coexistence of different ethnic and religious groups.

Keywords: Interethnic harmony, national policy, tolerance, social stability, multicultural society, civil harmony, national values, intercultural cooperation, peace.

**МЕЖНАЦИОНАЛЬНОЕ СОГЛАСИЕ — ГАРАНТИЯ НАШЕЙ СПРАВЕДЛИВОЙ
НАЦИОНАЛЬНОЙ ПОЛИТИКИ**

Аннотация: В данной статье рассматривается важность межэтнической гармонии как ключевого фактора обеспечения мира, социальной стабильности и успешной реализации справедливой национальной политики. Подчеркивается роль толерантности, взаимного уважения и сотрудничества между различными национальностями, проживающими в Узбекистане. В исследовании также анализируется значение культурного разнообразия, защиты национальных ценностей и развития межэтнических отношений в укреплении единства в обществе. Кроме того, в статье подчеркивается важность государственной политики, направленной на содействие равенству, гражданской гармонии и мирному сосуществованию различных этнических и религиозных групп.

Ключевые слова: Межнациональное согласие, национальная политика, толерантность, социальная стабильность, многокультурное общество, гражданская гармония, национальные ценности, межкультурное сотрудничество, мир.

Introduction

In the modern world, ensuring interethnic harmony has become one of the most important conditions for maintaining peace and stability in society. Countries with diverse ethnic and cultural compositions must develop fair and balanced national policies that promote tolerance, equality, and mutual respect among different peoples. Uzbekistan is known as a multinational state where representatives of many nationalities and ethnic groups live together in peace and cooperation.

Since gaining independence, the development of a culture of tolerance, strengthening interethnic and interfaith harmony, and ensuring equal rights and opportunities for all citizens regardless of their nationality or religion have been among the key priorities of the state policy. These principles not only contribute to social stability but also create favorable conditions for cultural exchange, cooperation, and the preservation of national traditions. Therefore, studying the importance of interethnic harmony and its role in implementing a just national policy is of great scientific and practical significance.

Results and Discussions

Today, ensuring interethnic harmony is an objective necessity for maintaining peace. Evils such as pitting one nation against another, disregard for national values, nationalism, and fascism are observed in regions where the idea of interethnic harmony is not legally guaranteed¹. Each nation has its own unique cultural and spiritual values. The fact that representatives of such nations live in the same country, work together, and communicate with each other in all spheres of social life accelerates the development of nations in all aspects. Our fair national policy helps us all understand the unity of our goals, the unity of our destiny, and the need for solidarity, and facilitates the priority of universal ideas. On the contrary, a lack of wisdom and sensitivity in approaching national relations, even a slight indifference to universal principles, can have a negative impact on peace and stability. If social solidarity between nations is not established, favorable conditions will be created for the spread of destructive ideas of aggressive nationalism and chauvinism, which will seriously harm the implementation of our national idea and its instillation in the hearts and minds of people. Ultimately, political stability in the country will be undermined². Each of us should deeply understand the essence of Uzbekistan's friendly relations with our near and distant neighbors in the international arena, its foreign policy aimed at developing mutual cooperation, and its approach and views on resolving conflicts and conflicts in different regions of the world only through political negotiations and peace. The fact that our republic is one of the countries where such rich and diverse cultures flourish makes every Uzbek proud. Thanks to the wise policies pursued by the President of our country, Shavkat Mirziyoyev, the peace, social harmony, and mutual cooperation established in our country are increasingly strengthened. As our President Shavkat Mirziyoyev noted: "Since the first years of independence, developing a culture of tolerance and humanity, strengthening interethnic and interfaith harmony, and civil harmony in society, creating equal rights and opportunities for all citizens, regardless of their nationality and religious beliefs, and educating the younger generation in the spirit of patriotism, respect for national and universal values, love for the Motherland and loyalty have been identified as important priorities of state policy in Uzbekistan," - this is exactly what they emphasized³. For this purpose, festivals are held every year in our republic under the slogans "We are children of a single family", "The Motherland is one, the Motherland is one", "Uzbekistan is our common home". As is known, our compatriots who have worked effectively to strengthen peace in the country through selfless labor and active participation in social life are duly honored every year. As a result, it is gratifying that, along with Uzbeks and Karakalpaks, there are compatriots of Russian, Tajik, Ukrainian, Kazakh, Korean, and Arab nationalities among the holders of the highest award of our Motherland, the title "Hero of Uzbekistan". Uzbekistan is a multinational state. The strength that strengthens it is undoubtedly interethnic harmony⁴. Centers that develop their national culture, establishing close cooperation with each other, contribute to strengthening relations based on mutual trust and respect between representatives of different nationalities living in our country, further expanding intercultural

¹ Ikramov Sh.T. Yuksak ma'naviyat va qonun ustuvorligi asosida yashash, ulyurtga sadoqat, adolat, halollik fazilatlarini va muomala madaniyatini kamol toptirish. – T.: "O'zbekiston Respublikasi IIV Akademiyasi", 2013. – B. 371.

² Ijtimoiy hamjihatlik – demokratik taraqqiyot belgisi. <http://manaviyat.uz/>

³ O'zbekiston Respublikasi Prezidenti Shavkat Mirziyoyevning "Millatlararo munosabatlar va xorijiy mamlakatlar bilan do'stlik aloqalarini yanada takomillashtirish chora tadbirlari to'g'risida"gi 2017-yil 19-maydagi PF-5046 sonli Farmoni // "Xalq so'zi" gazetasi, 2017 yil, 19-may.

⁴ Millatlararo totuvlikni ta'minlashda umrboqiy burch. <http://manaviyat.uz/>

cooperation, and helping to form an active civic position among our compatriots. This is duly appreciated by our state. In our opinion, it is necessary to implement all factors of interethnic relations in our society today. First of all, it should be noted that interethnic harmony, along with the idea of identifying nations and peoples in the culture of interethnic communication, also implies taking into account the following issues:

- ✦ mutual respect between nations, peoples, and races;
- ✦ support and development of the languages of each nation and people;
- ✦ respect for the history of each people;
- ✦ patience in approaching the national customs and rituals of other peoples;
- ✦ not to prohibit those who believe in different religions;
- ✦ Taking into account national character traits has a direct impact on the process of interethnic relations⁵.

It is worth noting that understanding and deep understanding of the history, system of customs, rituals, and lifestyle of one's own people is extremely important and necessary, and is a factor that directly affects interethnic harmony. In our opinion, interethnic harmony is a product of the historical and cultural experience of the people and manifests the following systemic signs and characteristics:

✦ interethnic relations - historically have served as a strong foundation, a solid basis for maintaining the national and ethnic unity of the people, socio-political stability, and internal unity.

✦ interethnic relations - have emerged as a factor in ensuring morale, strengthening patriotic feelings, and creating a single ideological union of the people in the face of common danger, in order to achieve freedom.

It is worth noting that the unity and friendly relations of more than 130 nationalities and ethnic groups living in our homeland, and their joint efforts to make great contributions to the prosperity of our homeland, inspire confidence in each of us. Such activities serve to form in the minds of our growing generation a sense of respect for the language, religion, and customs of representatives of other nationalities.

Conclusion

In conclusion, interethnic harmony plays a vital role in maintaining peace, social stability, and national unity in a multicultural society. Mutual respect, tolerance, and cooperation among different nationalities create a strong foundation for sustainable development and civil harmony. The experience of Uzbekistan demonstrates that a fair national policy based on equality, cultural diversity, and mutual understanding contributes significantly to strengthening social solidarity. Promoting these values among the younger generation and supporting intercultural dialogue will continue to play an important role in preserving peace and stability in the country.

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