

A MODERN APPROACH TO EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, TOURISM, AND SPORTS IN NEW UZBEKISTAN (2017-2025)**Baratova Odinakhon**

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Abstract

This article analyzes the content, priority directions, and practical results of the modern approach that took shape in New Uzbekistan during 2017-2025 in the fields of education, healthcare, tourism, and sports. The study highlights the normative legal documents, concepts, institutional reforms, and renewed governance mechanisms adopted in these areas. It also reveals the social significance of measures aimed at developing human capital, improving service quality, advancing digitalization, expanding private sector participation, and upgrading regional infrastructure. The article assesses the role of these transformations in the development model of New Uzbekistan and their contribution to public welfare, healthy lifestyles, international attractiveness, and sustainable development.

Keywords

New Uzbekistan, education reforms, healthcare, tourism, sports, modernization, digitalization, human capital, service quality, 2017-2025.

INTRODUCTION

Defining the interests of the individual as the highest priority in the New Uzbekistan Development Model has radically updated the content of state policy. Since 2017, the approach to the spheres of education, healthcare, tourism, and sports has been formed not only within the framework of administrative management or maintaining the industry, but also as a factor in the development of human capital, strengthening regional competitiveness, and increasing attractiveness in the international arena. Therefore, reforms in these areas, along with the social policy of the state, have become an integral part of the strategy of economic and cultural development.

The principles of continuity, quality, and competition were put forward in the education system. The main features of the reforms have become the renewal of governance at the preschool to higher education levels, the adoption of new concepts, the expansion of non-governmental sector participation, the convergence with international standards, and the use of digital opportunities. Also, issues of improving the quality of healthcare services, prevention, specialization, and territorial coverage were put forward.

A modern approach has also been formed in the spheres of tourism and sports. Tourism has been reinterpreted as a promising sector of the economy, with great attention paid to visa-free regime, diversification of services, and development of regional tourist clusters. Sport began to be viewed not only as a field of professional results, but also as a means of a healthy lifestyle, youth education, and international prestige. The purpose of this article is to scientifically analyze the content, institutional foundations, and practical results of the modern approach formed in these four areas in 2017-2025.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The article used methods of historicity, system analysis, a comparative approach, and content analysis of regulatory legal acts. The concepts, decrees, and resolutions adopted in 2017-2025, as well as structural changes in the public administration system, were considered interconnectedly in these areas.



In the analysis, the general trends observed in the fields of education, healthcare, tourism, and sports, that is, improving the quality of services, digitalization, optimizing management, stimulating the private sector, and effectively using the potential of the regions, were taken as criteria. Also, based on official conceptual documents, priority areas of each sphere were identified, and their social results were summarized.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

After 2017, the attitude towards education in New Uzbekistan was radically renewed. The adoption of long-term development concepts for preschool, general secondary, and higher education systems stemmed from the need to view education as a strategic sector. In particular, the Concept for the Development of the Public Education System until 2030 and the Concept for the Development of the Higher Education System until 2030 defined quality, openness, coverage, and innovative management as the main criteria. An important feature of this period was the expansion of preschool education, the increase in the number of higher educational institutions, the expansion of admission quotas, and the introduction of credit-modular elements.

In the healthcare system, the main attention was paid to the formation of a model for providing close, high-quality, and targeted medical services to the population. The adoption of the Concept for the Development of the Healthcare System for 2019-2025 defined such priority areas as strengthening primary healthcare, increasing the effectiveness of specialized medicine, improving the system of sanitary and epidemiological well-being, and the widespread introduction of digital solutions. The new stage of healthcare transformation, which began in 2025, demonstrated the consistent continuation of reforms.

A modern approach in the field of tourism was formed at the intersection of economic, cultural, and territorial policy. The Concept for the Development of Tourism for 2019-2025 assessed this sector as a strategic sector of the national economy. As a result of simplifying visa procedures, diversifying tourist routes, promoting domestic tourism, transforming historical and pilgrimage sites into international brands, improving service infrastructure, and actively pursuing marketing policies, tourism has emerged as a source of new economic opportunities.

In the field of sports, a striving to ensure a balance between popularity and professionalism was observed. The definition of the main directions for reforming the system of physical culture and sports until 2025 brought to the agenda such tasks as increasing the indicators of regular sports participation of the population, updating sports infrastructure, training coaches, strengthening sports medicine, and forming a reserve of high-performing athletes. As a result, sports have been strengthened as a sphere directly related to a healthy lifestyle, youth social activity, and national image.

Table 1. Conceptual foundations of a modern approach in key areas for 2017-2025

Area	Framework document or concept	Priority direction	Content
Education	Concepts for the Development of Public and Higher Education until 2030	Quality, coverage, continuity	Reinterpreting education as an investment in human capital
Healthcare	Concept for the Development of the Healthcare System for 2019-2025	Quality and accessible health care	Modernization of prevention, specialization and management



Area	Framework document or concept	Priority direction	Content
Tourism	Concept for the Development of the Tourism Sector for 2019-2025	Competitiveness and attractiveness	Regional brands, service quality, and expansion of tourist flows
Sport	Directions of reforming the system of physical culture and sports until 2025	Mass sports and performance	Harmonious development of a healthy lifestyle and professional sports

The commonality of these reforms is that a human-centered management model has strengthened in all of them. The main criteria were the quality and coverage of education, access to healthcare services, the economic development of regional opportunities in tourism, and the expansion of mass participation in sports. At the same time, the development of public-private partnerships, the introduction of digital governance, the adaptation of international experience, and the strengthening of a targeted approach by region have become common trends.

Another important aspect characterizing modern relations in New Uzbekistan is intersectoral proximity. The quality of education promotes a preventive culture in healthcare, the popularity of sports promotes a healthy lifestyle, and the development of tourism strengthens the culture of services and regional infrastructure. Consequently, these four spheres are not separate from each other, but operate as a complementary system within the framework of the country's socio-modernization model.

Table 2. Main practical changes observed across sectors

Area	Framework document or concept	Priority direction	Content
Education	Coverage has expanded, new mechanisms have been introduced into management and the educational process.	Opportunities for learning have increased	The need to reduce the gap between quality and regions remains
Healthcare	Primary level, specialization and digital services improved	Access to medical services has become more convenient	Personnel and territorial equality issues have become relevant.
Tourism	Visa procedures have been simplified, new routes and infrastructure have been developed.	Regional economic activity and international attractiveness have increased.	It is necessary to deepen the principles of service quality and sustainable tourism.



Area	Framework document or concept	Priority direction	Content
Sport	The system of mass sports and professional training has expanded.	The promotion of a healthy lifestyle has intensified.	Consistent improvement of the quality of infrastructure and the selection system is required.

The experience of 2017-2025 shows that the formation of a modern attitude towards the spheres of education, healthcare, tourism, and sports means that state policy has reached a qualitatively new level. As a result of the reforms, these sectors are now viewed not only as social spheres requiring budget funds, but also as an active factor in the development of society, human potential, and territorial development. In this respect, this period occupies a special place in the experience of social modernization of New Uzbekistan.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, in 2017-2025, a modern attitude towards the spheres of education, healthcare, tourism, and sports was formed in New Uzbekistan. The main content of this relationship manifested itself in the development of human capital, improving the quality of services, updating management, widespread introduction of digital technologies, and effective use of regional opportunities.

The concepts and programs adopted during this period show that education began to be interpreted as the intellectual foundation of society, healthcare as the main guarantee of the well-being of the population, tourism as a factor of economic and cultural openness, and sports as a means of a healthy lifestyle and international prestige. Thus, a new approach in these areas has become an integral part of the New Uzbekistan Development Strategy and has created an important foundation for the country's long-term sustainable development.

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