

## **INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO TEACHING YOUTHS MILITARY HISTORY AND THE HEROISM OF OUR ANCESTORS**

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### **ANNOTATION:**

**This article explores innovative approaches to teaching youths military history and the heroism of our ancestors. The role of innovative approaches in instilling in the minds and hearts of youths the essence of the “Victory Park” memorial complex, established on the initiative and under the leadership of President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev, is to teach the youths military history and the heroism of our ancestors.**

**On the basis of new historical data and well-designed projects, the “Victory Park”, which includes the State Museum “Glory”, the monuments “Anthem of Courage”, “Eternal Courage”, “Tears”, the content of large-scale historical and artistic expositions dedicated to the heroism of our people in the bloody battles, hard work and dedication behind the frontline opens up a wide range of innovative approaches to teaching the youths military history and the heroism of our ancestors.**

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

In today's globalized world, innovative approaches to teaching youths military history and the heroism of our ancestors are becoming

increasingly important. Unfortunately, the research that has been done so far has not provided enough information about innovative approaches to teaching young people military history and the heroism of our ancestors.

On September 9, 2020, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev signed a decree “On measures to organize the activities of the memorial complex “Victory Park””. The goal was to create a scientific center for youths to study military history and the heroism of our ancestors.

It was noted that it is important to educate youths in the spirit of patriotism and national pride, to teach them history and to expand scientific research in this area. It is planned to use the information of the “Victory Park” memorial complex built in Tashkent.

### **METHODS:**

The teaching of military history and the heroism of our ancestors plays an important role in the teaching of history in general secondary schools on the basis of modern approaches and serves to develop the skills of the XXI century. “If the body of society is the economy, then its soul and spirit is spirituality. When we decide to build a “New Uzbekistan”, we rely on two strong pillars. The first is a strong economy based on market principles. The second is the rich heritage of our ancestors and a strong spirituality based on national values” – said our President.

The role of history in inculcating in the minds and hearts of young people a strong

spirituality based on the rich heritage of our ancestors and national values is invaluable. That is why the President paid special attention to the military history and heroism of our ancestors. To this end, the President decided to create a complex "Victory Park". The concept of "Victory Park" was approved by the President on October 23, 2019. The preparation of this artistic and architectural concept is based on the requirements of the decisions of the President on the preparation and holding of the "Day of Remembrance and Honor" in 2017-2019.

It also relied on the ideas and opinions expressed by the President in his speeches at the ceremonies dedicated to the "Day of Remembrance and Honor". The proposals of the scientific and creative community of the country were taken into account. The experience of a number of foreign countries, in which parks and alleys, monuments and also architectural complexes have been creatively studied.

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## RESULTS:

Educating youths in the spirit of patriotism and national pride, as well as teaching history well, especially innovative approaches to teaching young people military history and the heroism of our ancestors, is

important. In this case, the extensive use of information from the memorial complex "Victory Park", which is built in Tashkent, this will be effective.

Every object and device in the "Victory Park", museum exhibits urge our people, especially youth, to never forget the terrible consequences of the war. "Victory Park" plays an important role in educating our young generation to respect today's peaceful and serene life and to appreciate independence, to live in constant vigilance and readiness to defend the homeland.

In the "Victory Park" the residents and guests of Tashkent are able to keep pace with history, to remember the past, to honor them. At the same time, there are all the amenities for the exemplary rest of pilgrims, mass cultural events, creative meetings and also literary evenings.

Every detail of the history of the complex has been carefully examined by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, enriched, and a unique composition has been created. After that, 14.7 hectares of land were allocated in Almazar district of Tashkent, and large-scale construction and beautification works were carried out.

The President also approved three important proposals of the Ministry of Defense, the Ministry of Culture, the Academy of Sciences and the Tashkent city administration on the issue of the "Victory Park":

**Firstly**, the establishment of the Victory Park memorial complex in the form of a state institution with the status of a legal entity under the Ministry of Defense;

**Secondly**, the placement of the Center for Spirituality and Enlightenment of the Ministry of Defense, the Department of Information and Mass Communications, the Service of Military Orchestras, the Central Song and Dance Ensemble of the Armed Forces on the territory of the "Victory Park";

**Thirdly**, the proposals to establish a fund for the development of the Victory Park memorial complex, which does not have the status of a legal entity in the presence of the complex, were approved.

These new bold steps, worthy of a new Uzbekistan, will play an important role in perpetuating the names of the participants of the Second World War and our compatriots who worked selflessly behind the front lines, stamping their incomparable courage and fortitude in the pages of history, educating the younger generation.

The resolution adopted by the President provides for the effective organization of the "Victory Park" memorial complex, the constant enrichment of the fund of the State Museum "Glory", the conduct of research in this area and archival documents for future generations and the preservation of property, the further improvement of the system of educating young people in the spirit of high humanism and patriotism.

The resolution of our President also outlines the main tasks of the "Victory Park" memorial complex. The complex is a scientific study of the worthy contribution of our people to the great victory over fascism, first of all, who showed courage and bravery in the battles of the Second World War, perseverance and humanity behind the front should be promoted.

During the construction of the "Victory Park" complex, the study of unexplored aspects of history began. At a time when the creative work on the construction of the "Victory Park" is in full swing, on the instructions of the President, the previously closed historical documents in the country's archives were studied in detail.

In a very short time great scientific research has been done. Significant results have been achieved in studying the contribution of the Uzbek people to the victory. Collaboration with foreign archival

organizations, museums and scientists has also provided new information about our heroic ancestors.

These new data and facts differ from the evidence used until May 9, 2019. Simply put, those who took part in the war from Uzbekistan, those who won medals, those who were wounded and killed, those who were taken prisoner, those who went missing, it is clear that the numbers associated with many of these criteria have been significantly understated. For example, the number of Uzbeks who took part in the war is 517,430 more than we have learned so far.

The number of our compatriots killed in the fighting has increased by 42,641 from the obsolete figures, while the number of missing has decreased by 105,019. This is a positive development, as evidenced by the fact that in the post-war period, more than a hundred thousand of our compatriots were found dead.

The number of people evacuated in Uzbekistan is estimated to be 500,000 more than the old numbers, and the number of children evacuated is 50,000 more. By the way, the number of industrial enterprises evacuated to our country during the war has also increased to 51. The number of deportees in 1943-1945 was 397,925 more than we know so far.

We have presented here only the evidence that is directly related to the human factor. Therefore, we now have the opportunity to study the amount of military goods delivered to the front by the Uzbek industry during the war by comparing new and old figures.

Just one example: so far, the number of aircraft delivered by Uzbekistan to the front has been reduced by 303, mines - by 800 thousand, parachutes - by 80 thousand.

In addition, new evidence that was not known until May 1, 2020, has also been identified. In particular, 485,000 wounded and sick people came to hospitals in Uzbekistan

from the front. Naturally, our doctors are responsible for their treatment and care, and our people are responsible for their care and support.

At the same time, we have information that 47,046 people with disabilities have been discharged from hospitals due to illness and injuries. Information on how the war invalids lived and were treated should also be studied in detail.

Thus, these figures and facts, identified on the initiative of our President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, require a reassessment of the contribution of the Uzbek people to the victory in World War II.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Today, life requires new thinking and work, the formation of national “think tanks”. Unfortunately, our analysts and experts need to be active, which have a deep understanding of all the political and social processes around them and deliver them in an effective language. In this situation, it is necessary to strengthen scientific research on military history and the heroism of our ancestors, and to work on methodological guidelines for the study of this issue on the basis of innovative approaches. History teachers in general secondary schools should not be left out.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

The Victory Park complex is important for youth as a research center for the study of military history and the heroism of our ancestors. Because the historical processes described in it allow students to study history on the basis of objective, reliable evidence. In particular, high school students are educated in the spirit of belonging to the country, kindness, humanism and humanity by looking at the compositions and exhibits of the complex, as well as monuments and museum materials.

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