



RAISING THE LEGAL CONSCIOUSNESS AND LEGAL CULTURE OF YOUNG PEOPLE IS A FACTOR OF SOCIAL STABILITY

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Received: September 26 th 2022 Accepted: October 28 th 2022 Published: November 30 th 2022	This article talks about raising the legal consciousness and legal culture of youth as a factor of social stability. Legal culture is an integral part of the legal values of the nations of the world. In world practice, legal culture is characterized by the realization of a person's duty and responsibility to society, and the realization of a sense of respect for the law.
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As the society moves towards development, the legal guarantees of living well-being and freedom of the citizens living in it are provided. Today, the world community is taking important measures to implement humanitarian principles such as human rights, universal values and democracy in the social life of all nations. These principles have become the law of life for all the peoples living in the world and they strive to live by always honoring them and following them unconditionally. This creates conditions for effective provision of human rights, interests and needs in the world.

Legal culture is an integral part of the legal values of the nations of the world. In world practice, legal culture is characterized by the realization of a person's duty and responsibility to society, and the realization of a sense of respect for the law.

Article 29 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights states that "Every person has a duty to the society, only in this case can his personality be free and fully developed. "Everyone should observe the limitations established by the law in order to ensure that the rights and freedoms of others are sufficient and respected in a democratic society, to satisfy the fair requirements of morality, public order, and general well-being in using their rights and freedoms"¹ it is emphasized that every person's legal culture is visible.

Nowadays, the concepts of "legal consciousness", "legal education", "legal culture" are gaining more and more importance in social life and people's thinking.

The processes of liberalization of all spheres of social and political life of society, state and society building are closely connected with the level of political and legal culture of citizens. In this process, the principle of democracy, freedom of thought and

conscience, pluralism and provision of human rights, humanism and the principle of living based on universal human values become the main criteria. According to scientists, "In order to build a democratic society, the laws adopted in the country must be fair and reflect the interests of the people.

Democracy in the country will be settled and strengthened only if such laws are strictly obeyed. Because all democratic institutions, human rights and freedoms are implemented through laws."²

Ensuring the supremacy of law in society provides a legal and socially sound basis for creating social justice, ensuring human well-being and interests. Social justice is an important social reality related to ensuring people's well-being, honoring their rights and dignity and raising a person in all aspects. Social justice is an idea that has been developing and improving over the centuries, embodying the most important values for humanity. To date, the phenomenon of social justice is taking its perfect form in the construction of civil society.

Now, one task is urgent before the members of the society and the general public. This means that every citizen should work on his political and legal skills, constantly improve them, fully understand the essence of laws, and constantly follow them as a mirror of social life.

The more a citizen understands the essence of laws, the higher his legal culture will be, his outlook on life, perception of social processes, democratic consciousness and thinking will be higher. As a citizen, he will be qualified to serve society, directly and indirectly participate in socio-political reforms and serve for development.

In order for laws to work in society, the citizen must have the capacity to follow them in social life.

¹ Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Article 29.
<https://constitution.uz/uz/pages/humanrights>.

² Mirboboev B. Odilkoriev Kh. Ensuring the Constitution and the rule of law. -Tashkent, Spirituality, 2011. -p.5.



Scientists say, "Knowing the Constitution and laws and following them is important in understanding our rights and duties. Because a person who knows his rights and duties performs his actions within the framework of the law. Respects the rights of other people and the state and society. As a result, the rule of law is ensured. This serves as a guarantee of the security, stability and development of our country."³

As long as each person lives in a certain society and state, he cannot live outside of the legal norms that apply there. Therefore, the implemented legal reforms, legal requirements should reach the consciousness of every citizen, become their beliefs and become practical activities of their daily life. Human spirituality is also connected with legal processes. The concept of the rule of law itself is a moral value. At the heart of this lies human faith, trust, responsibility, guarantee, initiative, striving for creativity, active participation in the struggle for the development of the state and nation. Legal and moral consciousness of people has an important place in human spirituality. Both law and morality are the main criteria of their activity. Human virtues of honesty, purity, honesty and integrity, respect for public opinion constitute the moral foundations of legal culture. According to the literature, "Legal consciousness is fixed, unchanging, does not consist of the same complex of concepts for all times and places, that is, for all countries and peoples." Because in every country, in every era, different laws are in force. People's legal consciousness is measured by the level of knowledge of the current laws and most importantly, their compliance.⁴

Raising the legal culture of citizens to a higher level for the development of the society creates the possibility of free, creative development of the society and the sustainable development of the civil society. It is necessary to ensure that the equality of the law does not remain only on paper. When people do not know their rights and cannot claim them, problems arise in the formation of civil society and legal state.

The democratic development process of social development largely depends on the ability to respect the dignity of the individual and the standard of action. Legal culture is an important part of human culture, it is a process of interaction with it. Scientists say that "the rapid development of society through

democracy and the success of the reforms implemented in this regard largely depend on the level of legal consciousness and legal culture of people."⁵

There are the following norms of legal culture:

- level of legislation in state and community life;
- the supremacy of the law in all spheres of society's life;
- everyone's equality before the law and the court;
- state agencies and officials implementing the right to fulfill their rights and duties at the level and within the limits of the requirements of legal norms, and to understand them;
- high level of law enforcement work,
- culture of law creation.

Broad and active legal consciousness is a part of legal culture, which is a system of ideas, views, feelings, moods about the state and legal realities. Legal mentality and legal ideology play a significant role in legal consciousness. We can call the most active, selfless, advanced, highly educated, patriotic citizens of the state and society, who understand their civic duties and responsibilities at a high level, as legal cultured individuals. Legal culture is a process related to people's thinking, worldview, behavior, position, level, and potential in life. If a person is well-rounded, knowledgeable, deep-thinking, his legal consciousness will be high.

Legal culture is a social event that has been gradually formed in history, and nowadays it is becoming a necessary characteristic of citizens and a factor of development. Citizens are developing the skills to rely on the laws in any matter, to reach a fair solution through the court in case of violation of their rights by some organizations and individuals, regardless of their level and position.

Protection of citizens' rights is closely related to raising their legal culture. It is the most urgent task of the state, management, law enforcement agencies and higher education institutions to help the population to understand the essence of the adopted laws in every way.

Personal freedom, its legal guarantees, citizens' respect for the law, unwavering obedience to it, legal consciousness and legal culture of citizens, as well as its development, take priority in strengthening the legal foundations of the state and society. Scientists say, "The most important indicator of legal culture is the level of legal awareness in society. Legal awareness is a set of legal views that express the

³ Kasimov N., Jumaev Sh., Togaykulov T. Globalization: family and child education. -Tashkent, Turon zamin ziya, 2016. -p. 39.

⁴ Sultanmurad Olim. The secret of spiritual perfection. - Tashkent, Spirituality, 2015. -P.24.

⁵ Azizov Kh. Yakshev A. Reforms and current tasks in the field of justice. -Tashkent, Manasiyat, 2011. -p. 27.



attitude to law, the level of awareness of the need to fulfill the requirements of the law ⁶.

It is important to improve legal culture among citizens, especially among young people, among students, students, to increase their legal knowledge, to fully explain the nature of legal, social and political reforms and to increase the effectiveness of legal education. The priority task of legal education is to educate young people's worldview and spiritual world by inculcating universal and national values, humanitarianism, honesty, religion, kindness, love for profession and work, truthfulness, honesty, spiritual and moral purity, entrepreneurship, selflessness in the minds of young people.

In order for "Jurisprudence" subjects to be effective in higher educational institutions, it is necessary to improve the teaching process, introduce advanced pedagogical technology, organize seminars, conferences, along with this process, improve and retrain the teachers of jurisprudence and strengthen the potential of scientific and pedagogical personnel. It is necessary to increase the level of legal knowledge of expert teachers on the basis of the accumulated experience in teaching law in the world. Studying the experiences of foreign countries, it is an urgent task to establish the legal education and training of specialists in the educational centers of foreign countries, improve their skills and exchange experience.

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