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Climate Change and Environment

Tajikistan's achievements in hydrometeorology showcased at CIS session in Tashkent 30/09/2025

At the 36th session of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) Interstate Council for Hydrometeorology held in Uzbekistan's capital, Tashkent, Tajikistan presented several key advancements in the field of hydrometeorology. These include joint air pollution studies, the expansion of the network of automatic weather stations, the opening of a new avalanche monitoring station, and the construction of a modern complex for the Tajikistan Hydrometeorology Agency (Hydromet) in Dushanbe.

Read more: [here](#)

Roghun Dam Project to offset environmental impact through forest restoration 03/10/2025

The construction of Tajikistan's Roghun Hydropower Plant (HPP) will proceed under [the environmental principle of "no net loss,"](#) according to the updated Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the project.

Read more: [here](#)

OSCE supports Autumn Biodiversity Monitoring Expedition in the Aral Sea Region 11/10/2025

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) — As part of the OSCE project «Promoting Environmental Security through Advancing Sustainable Development and Climate Resilience Practices», a scientific field expedition was conducted to Lake Sudochie, located in the Muynak district of the Republic of Karakalpakstan.

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Water resources

Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan debate use of waterworks facilities 29/09/2025

The 36th meeting of the Joint Commission between the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz Republic on the use of interstate water management facilities on the Chu and Talas rivers was held on September 26 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, a Kazinform News Agency reports.

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How Uzbekistan is fostering culture of water conservation? 29/09/2025

By 2030, “Suvchilar Maktabi” (School of waterman) in Uzbekistan aims to train over 60,000 specialists in the agricultural sector.

In the context of climate change and water scarcity in Uzbekistan, a unique project called “Suvchilar Maktabi” is gaining momentum. Its goal is to teach farmers how to use water efficiently, implement modern water-saving technologies, and increase crop yields.

Read more: [here](#)

Communications, Textiles, and Water Management Have Become the Growth Leaders in Economy of Turkmenistan. 04/10/2025

Ashgabat, October 3 | ORIENT. The performance results of Turkmenistan's industrial, transport and communications, agricultural, and trade sectors for the first nine months of this year, announced in the reports of deputy prime ministers at a government meeting, demonstrate the high diversification of the national economy and confirm the sustainable development of strategically important sectors.

Read more: [here](#)

Water-Saving Technologies Form Basis of Irrigation in Kazakhstan 06/10/2025

The area of land using water-saving technologies in Kazakhstan has increased by 86% — from 312.2 thousand hectares to about 581 thousand hectares over the past two years. This result was achieved thanks to a number of measures, the Government of Kazakhstan reports.

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Delegation of Oguz Han University Studies Water Purification Practices in Japan 06/10/2025

The delegation is on a working visit to Japan from October 2 to 8, 2025.

The main goal of the visit is to learn about advanced scientific achievements and best global practices in the critically important fields of water purification, wastewater treatment, and desalination systems.

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Turkmen Specialists Study Italy's Advanced Experience in Water Resource Management 07/10/2025

From September 29 to October 3, 2025, a training course on sustainable water resource management was held in Viterbo, Italy, within the framework of the "Central Asia – Italy" cooperation format. Representatives of the Ministry of Education of Turkmenistan and the Turkmen Agricultural Institute participated in this key event for the agricultural sector.

Read more: [here](#)

EBRD to provide \$12 million for water and heating system upgrades in Tajikistan 07/10/2025

The Ministry of Finance of Tajikistan and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) have signed agreements to implement two major infrastructure projects: "Improvement of the Water Supply System in Yovon District" and "Modernization of the Heating System in Dushanbe."

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International Conference on Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Services in Central Asia Takes Place in Tashkent 07/10/2025

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) — The capital of Uzbekistan is hosting a three-day International Conference titled "Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Services in Central Asia."

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The forum has brought together representatives of government bodies, international organizations, financial institutions, and the private sector to discuss pressing issues of sustainable water management in Central Asia.

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Water consumption in Central Asia: a growing crisis and the need for change 08/10/2025

Each resident of Tajikistan consumes an average of 4,460 liters of water per day, more than 3.7 times the global average. The situation is even more dire in neighboring countries, where water consumption is also alarmingly high.

Read more: [here](#)

New milestone reached in Kazakhstan-Germany water cooperation 08/10/2025

The Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation of Kazakhstan and the German Water Partnership (GWP) signed a Strategic Partnership Agreement, Kazinform News Agency reports.

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Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan strengthen cooperation in water management 10/10/2025

According to the Kyrgyz Water Resources, Agriculture, and Processing Industry Ministry, the joint commission will contribute to strengthening cooperation between Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan in the sustainable use of water resources, ensuring access to water management and power facilities, and coordination of efforts to prevent and address potential water management issues.

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A regional training on integrated water resources management for representatives of water management organizations in Central Asia 10/10/2025

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The Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia (CAREC) held a regional training for water management specialists from Central Asian countries in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, on 7-8 October 2025.

The two-day training was organized as part of the project "Climate-Responsive and Gender-Sensitive Basin Management".

This initiative is a component of the Regional Program "Climate Sensitive Water Resources Management in Central Asia," implemented by the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ) on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany (BMZ) and co-financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).

Read more: [here](#)

Experts Discuss Solutions to Water Supply Challenges in Central Asia and Ways to Expand Investment 10/10/2025

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) — This week, Tashkent hosted the Central Asian Conference on "Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Services," organized by the Government of Uzbekistan, JSC Uzsuvt'a'minot, and the World Bank, with financial support from Switzerland and the Republic of Korea.

Read more: [here](#)

Energy sector

New Vice Minister of Energy named 29/09/2025

Kaiyrkhan Tutkyshbayev has been appointed Vice Minister of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kazinform News Agency has learned from the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

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International Donors Shows Willingness to Finance Construction of

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Kambar-Ata HPP-1 29/09/2025

About ten international donors have expressed readiness to support the construction of the Kambar-Ata HPP-1. Kyrgyzstan's Minister of Energy, Taalaibek Ibraev, announced this at the third roundtable on the project, held on September 25–26 in Brussels, reports *Economist.kg*.

Read more: [here](#)

US investments in Uzbekistan's energy sector could reach \$4 billion 01/10/2025

Uzbekistan's Energy Minister, Jurabek Mirzamahmudov, announced that American investors are prepared to invest between \$3 billion and \$4 billion in the country's energy sector. *Fergana* [reports](#) that speaking in an interview with the *Uzbekiston 24* TV channel, Mirzamahmudov detailed plans for new projects, including coal gasification, the production of syngas, and the subsequent production of ammonia, methanol, and other high-value-added products.

Read more: [here](#)

Central Asian neighbors balance energy 01.10.2025

Bishkek, Oct. 1, 2025 /Kabar/. The changes in relations between the countries of Central Asia in recent years have laid the foundation for cooperation in a wide range of areas. In politics and economics, we are no longer competitors, but partners who resolve a wide range of issues together, based on consensus and respect for each other's national interests.

Read more: [here](#)

Kazakhstan and Tajikistan to Sign Agreement on Electricity Supplies from Rogun HPP 03/10/2025

Kazakhstan's Minister of Energy, Yerlan Akkenzhanov, held talks in Astana with Tajikistan's Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Daler Juma, on the sidelines of *Kazakhstan Energy Week – 2025*, Tajikistan's Ministry of Energy reported.

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Kazakhstan Energy Week 2025: President stresses need for new global

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President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev welcomed participants and guests of Kazakhstan Energy Week 2025 and the XVI KAZENERGY Eurasian Forum. Prime Minister Olzhas Bektenov delivered the President's address, Kazinform News Agency reports.

Read more: [here](#)

Kazakhstan expresses readiness to purchase electricity from Roghun Hydroelectric Plant 03/10/2025

Kazakhstan has announced its willingness to sign a government-to-government agreement for the purchase of electricity from Tajikistan's Roghun Hydroelectric Power Plant (HPP). This was confirmed during a meeting on October 2 in Astana between Tajikistan's Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Daler Juma, and Kazakhstan's Minister of Energy, Yerlan Akkenzhenov. The meeting took place on the sidelines of the ongoing three-day Kazakhstan Energy Week 2025 forum in Kazakhstan's capital, running from October 2-4.

Read more: [here](#)

Turkmennebit at Sustainable Energy Week in Geneva – Dialogue in the UNECE and SPECA Format 04/10/2025

Geneva/Ashgabat, October 4 | ORIENT. Turkmenistan participated in the UNECE Sustainable Energy Week, held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. A delegation led by Vekilmuhammet Ussayev, Deputy Chairman of the Turkmennebit State Concern, discussed strategic directions for the development of global and regional energy systems.

Read more: [here](#)

President Tokayev calls for establishment of OTS Best Practices Council for boosting energy efficiency 07/10/2025

In his remarks at the 12th summit of the Council of the OTS Heads of State, President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev said that under the current conditions, energy development requires top priority, Kazinform News Agency has learnt from Akorda.

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Turkmenistan and Canada explore energy integration and infrastructure development 08/10/2025

In Islamabad, Turkmenistan and Canada discussed strategic energy and infrastructure cooperation during a meeting between Turkmen Ambassador to Pakistan Atajan Movlamov and Canada's High Commissioner Tariq Ali Khan in Pakistan, Trend reports via the embassy.

Read more: [here](#)

Kazakhstan eyes creating regional council on nuclear energy competence 09/10/2025

Speaking at the 2nd Central Asia – Russia summit, President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev suggested establishing a regional council of competencies in the field of nuclear fuel cycle and radioactive waste management in Kazakhstan, Akorda reports.

Read more: [here](#)

EU allocates \$1 billion to Kambar-Ata-1 HPP project 10/10/2025

Bishkek, Oct. 10, 2025. /Kabar/. Kyrgyz Energy Minister Taalaibek Ibraev visited Brussels on October 9-10 and participated in the Global Gateway Forum.

According to the ministry, Ibraev held meetings with international financial institutions and the energy ministers of Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan to discuss the progress of the Kambar-Ata-1 HPP project.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Kyrgyzstan delivers 130 tons of humanitarian aid to Afghanistan 06.10.2025

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Bishkek, Oct. 6, 2025. /Kabar/. By the instruction of President Sadyr Zhaparov, another humanitarian aid was delivered from Kyrgyzstan to the people of Afghanistan affected by natural disasters, the Ministry of Emergency Situations reported.

Read more: [here](#)

Uzbekistan granted rights to extract hydrocarbons in Afghanistan 07/10/2025

The interim government of Afghanistan has granted Uzbek companies licenses for geological exploration and hydrocarbon extraction, as reported by Uzbekistan's Minister of Energy, Jurabek Mirzamakhmudov.

Read more: [here](#)

Afghanistan's Economy Shows Modest Recovery, but Poverty and Instability Persist 08/10/2025

Afghanistan's economy is showing signs of gradual recovery, but widespread poverty, forced repatriation of refugees, and a deepening humanitarian crisis continue to threaten the country's stability, according to the latest World Bank report "*Jobs and Women: Untapped Talent, Unfulfilled Growth*", covering the Middle East, North Africa, Afghanistan, and Pakistan, reports *Khaama.com*.

Read more: [here](#)

Taliban and Kazakhstan Agree to Boost Trade, Advance "Afghan-Trans" Railway Project 09/10/2025

The Taliban movement and Kazakhstan have agreed to increase their annual trade turnover to \$3 billion and accelerate the implementation of the "Afghan-Trans" railway project, Taliban Minister of Commerce Nooruddin Azizi announced, according to *Afintl.af*.

Read more: [here](#)

ADB grants to support food security, health services, resilience in Afghanistan 09/10/2025

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved two grants to enhance food security, deliver health services, and improve resilience to shocks from weather and natural hazards in Afghanistan, the [press service](#) of the Bank reports.

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Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan Discuss Resettlement of Border Villagers 30/09/2025

A meeting took place in Kyrgyzstan's Batken region between Rajabboy Ahmadzoda, Chairman of Tajikistan's Sughd Region, and Aibek Shamenov, the President of Kyrgyzstan's plenipotentiary office in Batken. The discussions focused on the resettlement of villagers affected by agreements on the delimitation and demarcation of the Kyrgyz-Tajik border, *Asiaplus.tj* reports.

Read more: [here](#)

Leaders of Tajikistan and Uzbekistan hold talks on expanding strategic partnership 10.10.2025

Tajikistan's President Emomali Rahmon yesterday met in Dushanbe with Uzbek President Shavkat Mirziyoyev during the Central Asia–Russia Summit and the meeting of the CIS Heads of State Council, according to the Tajik president's official website. The two leaders reportedly focused on enhancing strategic cooperation and advancing mutual interests across key sectors.

Read more: [here](#)

Rahmon holds high-level talks with leaders of Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, and Turkmenistan 10/10/2025

President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon held a series of bilateral meetings on October 9 with the presidents of Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, and Turkmenistan, focusing on strengthening regional ties, trade, and cooperation in security and humanitarian spheres.

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