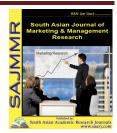
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# **PISKENT REGION: INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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# ABSTRACT

This article is written about a town located in the Tashkent region, not far from Tashkent, the capital of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The article tells about the history of this town, historical sites and tourist sites, also analyzes some investment projects and business objects.

### KEYWORDS: Piskent District, Tashkent Region, History, Future, Opportunities.

# **INTRODUCTION**

The Tashkent region-viloyat is a very large region with a population of more than 2.5 million people (and this is without the city of Tashkent), located in the northeastern part of Uzbekistan between the western spurs of the Tien Shan mountains and the Syrdarya river.

In the north and north-west, the region borders with Kazakhstan, in the north-east - with Kyrgyzstan, in the east with the Namangan region of Uzbekistan, in the south - with Tajikistan, and in the west across the Syrdarya river with the Syrdarya region. This article tells about the Piskent District, which is one of the districts that is part of the Tashkent region.

### **Research methodology**

The article uses research methods for analyzing documents and literature, observation, interviews, comparisons, questionnaires, forecasting.

### Analysis and results

Piskent was founded on September 29, 1926. It borders on Akhangaron and Sredniy Chirchik in the north and north-east, with Akkurgan in the west, Boka region in the south-west and Sughd region of the Republic of Tajikistan in the south. Area 0.79 thousand km2. In the Piskent region there is 1 city (Piskent), 29 rural communities - makhallas. The regional center is Piskent [1, 4, 5].

# History of the town of Piskent

Piskent is an old town. It has been known since the 6-7th century as a trading place on the way from the Tashkent oasis (Shash) to the Fergana Valley called Biskra. In the 13th century,

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destroyed by the Mongol hordes, it was revived, retaining the status of a transit caravan town under the rule of various emirs, sultans and khans. In the 18-19th century, before joining Russia, Biskra belonged to the Kokand Khanate. Most of the enterprises were built in the city: brick, concrete and cotton ginning factories. There is a farmers' market, food and furniture shops.

Piskent is also known as a center for motorsport. In the late 1980s, not far from the city, the Yuzhny test track was opened, where competitions in circuit auto racing and drag racing of republican significance are now held. The administrative center of the Piskent district is the small town of Piskent. It is located in the south of the region, 60 kilometers from Tashkent and in the foothills of the Kurama ridge on the Tepa River. To the north of Piskent is the Tuyabuguz reservoir.

The words of the great statesman Amir Temur did not lose weight over time: "A decisive, proactive, vigilant, brave and courageous person is better than a thousand careless and indifferent people." These words are proof that business people, who at all times have been entrepreneurs, masters of their craft, are appreciated.

In recent years, the Republic of Uzbekistan has opened a wide path for entrepreneurship. A growing number of entrepreneurs and private enterprises are able to start their own business and make a worthy contribution not only to themselves and their families, but also to the well-being of people.

Comprehensive reforms carried out by the direct efforts of President ShavkatMirziyoyev, the Action Strategy for the five priority areas of development of the Republic of Uzbekistan for 2017-2021 serve as a program for the further development of small business and private entrepreneurship.

Entrepreneurship is developing both in the Piskent region and throughout the republic. The favorable climate and opportunities of the region should be noted. The total land area of the Piskents district is 79 thousand square kilometers. It borders on the Republic of Tajikistan, Boka, Akkurgan, Akhangaran regions of Uzbekistan, the city of Almalyk. The distance to the regional center Nurafshan is 18 kilometers. Piskent is crossed by two international highways and railways leading to neighboring republics.

The population of Piskent is about 102,000 people. 57 thousand of them are able-bodied. This contingent is growing every year. The district's commercial banks are interested in the development of the legal activities of all business entities in terms of the economic and social well-being of Piskent, the republic and provide comprehensive assistance to entrepreneurs. In particular, preferential loans for 30 billion 620 million soums were allocated to 866 people who want to start their own business in 2020 to provide employment and develop family businesses.

It should be noted that everyone who wants to open their own business pays special attention to such factors as spending money on promising projects, voluntary income management in the course of their activities, especially on reliable protection of their rights and interests by the state. In Uzbekistan, including in the Piskent region, all conditions have been created for entrepreneurs, perfect legislation has been created to prevent illegal interference and obstruction of their activities. The Khokimiyat of the Piskent region [1] is also ready to provide all possible assistance to entrepreneurs as an executor of a reasonable policy pursued by the President. In addition, the Tax Inspectorate, the Prime Minister's Office for the Support of Entrepreneurship and the Civil Service Agency, as a united force, help entrepreneurs to organize and manage their business in the shortest possible time.

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The fact that Uzbekistan has risen from 146th to 69th place in the Doing Business ranking over the past 5 years, and growth in the last three years alone amounted to 18 positions, is also a result of the advantages created for entrepreneurship in the country.

The Piskent region [4, 5] can be a place of business opportunities. The reason is that there are sufficient conditions for the construction of new industries, socio-economic development, material and natural resources. The region's proximity to major cities such as Tashkent and Almalyk, as well as two major international highways and railways, are invaluable for doing business. Piskent's soils are rich in underground minerals - lime, marble, sand, gravel. Construction of hydroponic greenhouses around the Gulistan-Akhangaron highway, reorganization of the Akhangaron-Gulistan international highway (40 hectares), the creation of trade, service and service facilities on the site of the ancient Great Silk Road, there are opportunities for the development of fishing in the territories adjacent to the Tuyaboguz reservoir, the development of ecotourism in the banks of the reservoir, cultural heritage sites, Qirqqiz (40 maidens) [2], Parpiota [3], Bobo GaziTürk dam [6]. 12 industrial, agricultural and service enterprises with favorable and moderate climatic conditions, water productivity, 22.3 thousand hectares of land for the period 2020-2021 were launched in the Piskent district.

#### CONCLUSION

Piskent is an important part of the Tashkent region and the Republic of Uzbekistan. There are many interesting historical stories associated with Piskent. Unfortunately, Piskent's history has hardly been studied.

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