

GEOLOGICAL EDUCATION IN UZBEKISTAN

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Fundamental geological investigations and applied researches have been carried out in institutions of Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences (Institute of Geology and Geophysics, Institute of Seismology), in the Institute of Mineral Resources (Geological Committee on geology and Mineral Resources of Uzbekistan), at the Universities. Simultaneously specialists in geology have been trained at the Universities and other educational institutions. The Government of the Uzbekistan Republic passed two laws: On Education and The National Program on Training of Personnel. The basement of The National Program on Training of Personnel is continuing education. Education is a way of creating knowledge, understanding values, attitudes, abilities and awareness among individuals and society. In the process of education the persons realize their potentials in choosing their own ways, in choice of profession. Taking this into account the National Program has been provided reform of educational system. The system of continuing education has been realized as follows: pre-school education, secondary education, secondary vocational education, high education, post-graduate course, additional training and improving qualification, out-of school education. Secondary education has been realized at nine-year secondary schools. School-graduates continue to learn at three-year secondary vocational education institutions of two-types: academic Lyceums and vocational colleges. Taking into account the importance of geological education for independent Republic of Uzbekistan new State Mining Institute was created recently according to decree of President of Uzbekistan. It is located in the center of gold mining and metallurgical industry - in Navoi town, in the heart of Kyzylkum desert.