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THE GLOBAL GOALS

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Navoi State UniversitySDG 5: Gender Equality

Main Objectives

Promote Gender Equality: Ensure equal rights, opportunities, and treatment for women and men in all areas of university life.

Empower Women and Girls: Support women's participation in education, research, leadership, and decision-making.

Ensure a Safe Environment: Prevent discrimination, harassment, pressure, and violence against women and girls.

Support Women's Education: Provide equal access to academic programmes, professional development, and scientific activities.

Strengthen Women's Leadership: Encourage female students and staff to take leadership roles and participate in innovation and entrepreneurship.

5 GENDER EQUALITY

The university's supplied admission report identifies national legislation and central admissions systems as the foundation of fair and merit-based selection, including Government Resolution No. 402 (23 June 2020), Presidential Decree PF-81 (24 May 2024), Government Resolution No. 578 (13 September 2025), and special quota provisions for specified categories.

Legal references and current applicability must be verified by the responsible legal office before formal adoption.

National admissions are conducted with the Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Innovations and

the Knowledge and Skills Assessment Agency. The university's documented practice includes

gender-disaggregated monitoring by the Digitalization and IT Center in coordination with the Admissions Committee.



NAVOI STATE UNIVERSITY

SDG 5 – Gender Equality
Evidence Report

5 GENDER EQUALITY

1. POLICY BASIS AND INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT

The University's childcare provision is an institutional measure under national legislation and Presidential Decrees, including:

- Presidential Decree No. PF-152 (30 September 2024) on further improving the quality and efficiency of preschool education;
- Presidential Decree No. PF-223 (20 December 2024) on ensuring high economic growth and employment, which supports the establishment of preschool institutions at state universities;
- Presidential Decree No. PF-33 (3 March 2026) introducing additional educational opportunities for pregnant students and students raising children under three.

KEY EVIDENCE AT A GLANCE

- **1 existing** university daycare (in operation)
- **1 new preschool** under construction **(2026–2027)**
- Current capacity: **50 children (≈30 enrolled)**
- **Planned capacity** (new facility): **100–120 children**

2. EXISTING CHILDCARE FACILITY (IN OPERATION)

The University currently operates a childcare (day care) center on campus, which provides a safe, inclusive and developmentally supportive environment for the children of students and staff.

Location	Main campus
Capacity	50 children
Currently enrolled	≈ 30 children
Beneficiaries	Students and staff (including recent mothers)
Service fee	Subsidized (affordable)





3. NEW CAMPUS PRESCHOOL PROJECT (UNDER CONSTRUCTION, 2026–2027)

To expand and enhance childcare support for students, the University is implementing a new preschool (maktabgacha ta'lim tashkiloti) project on the new campus under a public–private partnership (PPP) model.



PROJECT PASSPORT (KEY DETAILS)

Project name	Establishment of a preschool on the university's new campus
Initiator	Navoi State University
Location	New campus
Objective	To create a modern, inclusive early childhood education facility for the children of students, staff and the local community
Implementation period	2026 – 2027 (Construction and commissioning)
Total project cost	2,007,500,000 UZS
Land area	0.10 hectare (1,000 m²)
Planned capacity	100 – 120 children
Funding sources	Budget funds, grants, sponsors, investment and university funds

PLANNED FACILITIES AND FEATURES

- Group rooms and nap rooms
- Multimedia and creative studio
- Canteen and modern kitchen
- Outdoor play areas
- Summer and winter swimming pool and sports area
- Medical room and safety facilities
- Eco-friendly (green) area

IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE (2026–2027)

2026 Jan – Mar:	Land allocation and cadastral works
2026 Apr – Jun:	Design documentation and tender
2026 Jul – 2027 Mar:	Construction works
2027 Apr – Jun:	Installation and staff recruitment
2027 Jul:	Commissioning and start of operation

4. ACCESSIBILITY FOR STUDENTS

- Priority access for student mothers, including those who have recently given birth.
- Flexible attendance schedules to match class timetables.
- Subsidized and affordable fees.
- Inclusive and safe environment with qualified staff (educators, psychologist, speech therapist, medical worker).
- Located on campus, allowing mothers to attend courses without long-distance travel.

5. INTEGRATION WITH ACADEMIC SUPPORT

- Works in combination with academic leave, flexible examination dates and distance learning (under Presidential Decree No. PF-33, 3 March 2026).
- Enables recent mothers to continue or resume studies without losing student status.
- Supports equal access to higher education and reduces the risk of study interruption due to childcare responsibilities.

6. EXPECTED IMPACT (BY 2027)

- Total childcare capacity: up to **170 children** (50 existing + 100–120 new).
- Increased number of female students (including recent mothers) who can attend university courses in person.
- A more inclusive, family-friendly and gender-equal university environment.

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On April 11, at Navoi State University, a roundtable discussion on the topic **“Women’s Enlightenment — the Prosperity of Society”** was held with the participation of Deputy Governor of the Region **Malika Mamadiyarova**, Editor-in-Chief of *Saodat* magazine and Honored Cultural Worker of Uzbekistan **Munavvarxon Abduhakimovna Usmonova**, and member of the Writers’ Union of Uzbekistan, Labor Veteran **Oygul Ubaydullayevna Mamarayimova**.

During the event, special attention was given to the reforms being carried out to ensure the rights and legitimate interests of women, to further enhance their role in society, to provide social support to women in need, and to promote gender equality.









THE ESSENCE AND CONTENT OF THE STATE PROGRAM EXPLAINED

At the Navoi Machine-Building Plant, a roundtable discussion was organized to explain the essence and content of the State Program for the implementation of the **“Uzbekistan – 2030” Strategy** during the **“Year of Supporting Youth and Business”**, as well as to discuss the ongoing efforts to support women.

During the discussion, experts shared their views on the content and objectives of the State Program, the work being carried out in the field of gender equality, measures to support women, and the important role of mothers in raising children.

The event was attended by **A. Bobomurodova**, head of the Navoi regional “Wise Women’s Movement”, **D. Murtazayev**, deputy director of the Navoi Law Technical School, representatives of the **Women’s Council of NKMK JSC**, talented students from the **Faculty of History of Navoi State Pedagogical Institute** and the **Law Technical School**, as well as employees of the enterprise.









5 GENDER EQUALITY

At Bukhara State University, a training seminar was held on the topic **“Enhancing the Socio-Political Activity of Women, Issues of Gender Equality, and Gender Culture”** with the participation of the heads of Women’s Advisory Councils from higher education institutions across the Republic.

Nasiba Tursunova, Chairperson of the Women’s Advisory Council of Navoi State Pedagogical Institute, and **Hilola Rahmatova**, Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, also took an active part in the seminar.









Roundtable Discussion on "Gender Equality and Women's Health in New Uzbekistan"

- Yesterday, the **Faculties of Uzbek Language and Literature** and **Mathematics and Informatics** organized a roundtable discussion for 4th-year students on the topic **"Gender Equality and Women's Health in New Uzbekistan."**
- The event was attended by **N. Tursunova**, Adviser to the Rector on Women's Issues; **Sh. Shokirova**, Head of the Women's Wing of the Regional Council of the Uzbekistan Liberal Democratic Party; **Dr. Sh. Nasirova**, party deputy and Ph.D.; **G. Aliyeva**, obstetrician- gynecologist from the Regional Center for Reproductive Health; and faculty advisers **Z. Akhmedova** and
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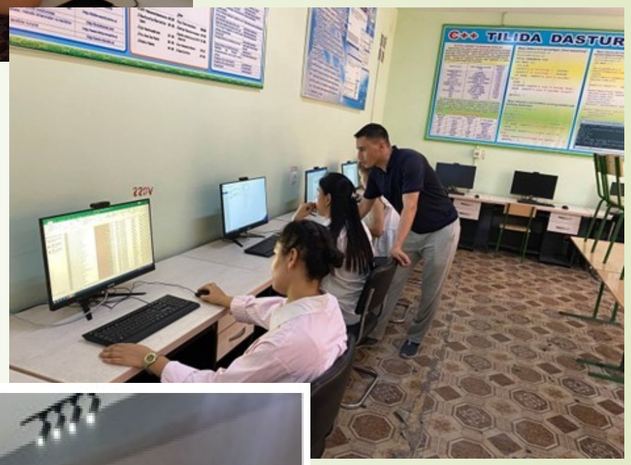




Navoiy State University takes STEM outreach beyond the university campus through a Regional STEM Roadshow for Girls, reaching schoolgirls in districts across the Navoi region, including rural and remote communities. Female faculty members, university staff and student ambassadors introduce participants to engineering and technology careers through presentations, practical experiments and discussions of university admission, scholarships and future career opportunities.

By bringing university representatives and practical STEM activities directly to schools and local communities, the roadshow gives girls who may have limited access to university STEM environments an opportunity to learn about technical subjects and available educational pathways. The initiative is intended to increase awareness of STEM opportunities and encourage girls to consider these fields when choosing their future studies.





“Information Technologies — A Journey to the Heart of IT Park” — Encouraging Women to Explore IT

As part of the “Topical 90 Days” initiative, the Faculty of Exact Sciences organised a special educational visit for female second-year students of the Professional Education: Information Systems and Technologies programme to the Navoi branch of IT Park. The activity was specifically designed to strengthen female students’ interest in information technology and demonstrate opportunities available to women in the digital sector.

Participants explored the IT Park’s high-speed internet zones, coworking centre, robotics laboratory, cybersport room and innovation and training classrooms. They also learned about training opportunities in computer literacy, web development, graphic design, 3D modelling, robotics and mobile programming. The IT Park manager provided information about the centre’s activities, training opportunities and the growing role of women in IT.

By connecting female students with a functioning technology environment and showing them concrete learning and career pathways, the initiative encourages them to develop their skills and consider future careers in ICT and related technical fields.



A meeting was held with members of the Women's Advisory Council

The rector of Navoi State Pedagogical Institute, Professor B. Sobirov, held a meeting with members of the Women's Advisory Councils of the faculties.

During the meeting, discussions were held on the role of women in society, gender equality, the ethics and behavior of female students, culture of dress and communication, as well as issues related to religious extremism, "mass culture," and missionary activities. In addition, special attention was given to organizing systematic work with women in need of social protection and teaching them professional skills.









1. As part of NSU’s women’s mentoring and support system, tutors and responsible university units regularly visit female students living in university dormitories to assess their well-being and living conditions. For example, during a recent visit to Dormitory No. 1, staff met with female students from the Faculty of Arts and Sports to check on their situation and provide guidance. During the visit, students were reminded to follow internal dormitory rules, maintain respectful and friendly relations with their roommates, avoid unnecessary time spent outside late in the evening, and adhere to road and personal safety regulations. Tutors also advised students to use their free time productively and engage in meaningful activities. These regular visits help the university ensure that female students live in safe, supportive conditions and receive timely assistance, reinforcing NSU’s commitment to women’s welfare, academic success, and overall well-being.



2.Female Student Success in the “Future Engineers” National Competition — A Visible Example of Women in Engineering



Navoiy State University also highlights the achievements of its female students in engineering and innovation. A fourth-year female student from the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Medicine, Mutalimova Zulfizar Burxon qizi, represented the university in the national “Future Engineers” competition, which supports young people with scientific and technical potential and innovative ideas.

Her “Multifunctional Innovative Stand (Device)” project received second place in the national competition and a monetary award of 82.4 million UZS. This achievement provides a concrete example of a female university student developing and presenting an engineering-oriented innovation at national level. Showcasing such achievements provides prospective female students with a visible example of women participating successfully in engineering, innovation and technical project development.





MONITORING OF STUDENT RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS

As part of the regular oversight of students living in rented housing, the living conditions of third-year students from the Faculty of History residing at House 18, Binokor Street, Binokor MFY, Navoi city, were examined.

The visit confirmed that the apartment provides sufficient conditions for both living and studying. During the monitoring, students were given several important recommendations, including:

- using internet resources responsibly and only for educational purposes;
- adhering to rules of proper behavior and personal discipline;
- avoiding absence from classes without valid reasons;
- maintaining cleanliness and order within the apartment;
- taking part in foreign-language courses or sports clubs after classes to further develop their skills.

This visit reflects the university's ongoing commitment to ensuring that students living off campus have safe, orderly, and supportive living environments that positively contribute to their academic progress and personal well-being.





MONITORING OF RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS OF STUDENTS

The rental accommodations of third-year students from the Faculty of Exact Sciences, Physics Department, residing at House 17, Apartment 15, and House 54, Apartment 5 on Janubiy Street, were inspected.

During the visit, students were provided with essential guidance on maintaining cleanliness, following safety regulations, and using gas and electrical appliances correctly. The monitoring aimed to ensure that students' living conditions are safe, orderly, and conducive to their academic activities.





MONITORING OF STUDENTS' RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS

On 29 October of this year, the rental accommodations of several first-year students of the Faculty of Exact Sciences were inspected. The monitoring visit covered apartments located on Binokor Street, Spitamen Street, and Islam Karimov Street. During the inspection, the students' living conditions were reviewed in detail.

They were given instructions on the proper use of electrical networks and essential guidance on preventing carbon monoxide poisoning during the cold season.

Tutor: R. Usmonov





LIVING CONDITIONS OF STUDENTS IN RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS REVIEWED

The living conditions of third-year students of the Mathematics and Informatics programme at the Faculty of Exact Sciences of Navoi State University were reviewed at the rental apartment located at House 40, Apartment 10, Amir Temur Street, Bahor Mahalla, Navoi City.

During the visit, it was noted that one of the student's grandmothers had also come to check on her grandchild's well-being. The conditions created for the students in the rented apartment were examined. Students were provided with detailed guidance on the correct use of natural gas and electricity, as well as the importance of following safety rules.

They were also advised on how to spend their free time effectively and engage in meaningful activities after classes.

Group Tutor: Sh. Maxmudova





LIVING CONDITIONS OF STUDENTS IN RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS REVIEWED

On 14 June of this year, the department instructors G.J. Kuralova and O.K. Sunnatova conducted monitoring visits to the students of the "Physics and Astronomy, Additional Mathematics" (Evening Education) programme, 4th-year DK group. The visit took place at a rental residence located at House 16, Ibn Sino Street, within the Zarafshon Mahalla of Navoi City, where several female students—Ubaydullayeva Mohichehra, Turabova Jasmina, and Begmatova Nilufar—are currently residing.

The conditions of students living in the university dormitory were also reviewed.

During the visit, female students were advised on:

- Maintaining cleanliness and order in their rental accommodations,
- Preventing carbon monoxide poisoning and using electrical appliances safely,
- Following road safety rules,
- Practicing proper communication etiquette,
- Reading literary books and engaging in beneficial activities during their free time,
- Spending their academic break in a meaningful and productive manner.





5 GENDER EQUALITY

On October 11 of this year, psychologist Abduraimova Dilfuza Haydarovna of the Navoi State University conducted conversation and self-awareness trainings in connection with "October 11 Girls' Day" at the Faculty of History. Answers were given to the girls' questions.









2. Admission Parameters Disaggregated by Gender & Study Mode

Education Mode	General Quota	Total Admitted				Standard Grant	Privileged Grant		Tuition Contract	Vacant Seats	Post-Cutoff Applicants
Mode	Quota	Total	Female	Male	Female %	Grant	Total	Female	Contract	Vacant	Post-Cutoff
Full-time	2,335	2,585	1,473	1,112	57.0%	551	356	228	1,678	91	2,303
Evening	525	531	292	239	55.0%	-	14	9	517	10	703
Distance	280	294	176	118	59.9%	-	7	5	287	-	284
Dual Education	400	266	141	125	53.0%	-	4	3	262	138	291
Total	**3,540**	**3,676**	**2,082**	**1,594**	**56.6%**	**551**	**381**	**245**	**2,744**	**239**	**3,581**

3. SDG 5 Gender Equality Analysis & Key Findings

- **Dominant Female Representation (56.6% Overall Share):** Out of 3,676 total enrolled students, 2,082 are female (56.6%), compared to 1,594 male students (43.4%). This confirms Navoi State University's leading role in expanding higher education access for women in the region.
- **High Female Inclusion in State Privileged Grants (64.3%):** A total of 381 privileged grant seats were awarded to support vulnerable social categories, with 245 of these seats (64.3%) allocated to female students (228 in Full-time, 9 in Evening, 5 in Distance, and 3 in Dual education).
- **Flexible Learning Pathways Empowering Women:** Female enrollment remains consistently higher across all flexible modes: Distance learning achieved the highest female ratio at 59.9% (176 female vs. 118 male), Evening mode stood at 55.0% (292 female vs. 239 male), and Dual education reached 53.0% (141 female vs. 125 male).

Navoi State University – Master's Degree Admission Analysis (2026/2027)

Master's Admission Parameters Disaggregated by Faculty & Gender

The table below outlines the admission breakdown across faculties, highlighting gender distributions and study modes for the 2026/2027 academic intake.

1. Master's Admissions Table Disaggregated by Faculty & Gender (2026/2027)

Faculty Name / Department)	State Recommentation	Additional	Total Admitted	Female	Male	Female Share (%)	StudyMode

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On October 15 of this year, the psychologist of Navoi State University Abduraimova Dilfuza Khaidarovna gave information about the consequences of the negative effects of narcotic drugs and pills with the students of the Faculty of Natural Sciences.

Recommendations were given on giving love to the book and recommending the book you loved to your friends. At the end of the interview, group unification training was held.







InnoWeek–2025 International Innovation Ideas Week

Within the framework of promoting gender equality and supporting the active participation of women in science, education, and innovation, **Navoi State University** took part in the **InnoWeek–2025 International Innovation Ideas Week** held under the motto *“Chegarasiz g‘oyalar” (Ideas Without Borders)*. The event brought together national and international experts, scientists, innovators, and policymakers. Notably, women leaders such as **X. Umarova**, Deputy Head of the Presidential Administration for Education Reform, and **Z. Maxkamova**, Chairwoman of the Committee on Family and Women, delivered speeches emphasizing the crucial role of women in advancing education, innovation, and sustainable development. The participation of Navoi State University’s delegation in this large-scale event demonstrates the university’s ongoing commitment to empowering women and creating equal opportunities in spheres.





INNOWOMENWEEK-2026

As part of its ongoing commitment to gender equality and the empowerment of women in science, Navoi State University organized a special meeting within the framework of “INNOWOMENWEEK-2026,” the Innovation Week for Women Inventors, held under the slogan *“Bilimga ega bo‘lib, nurli kelajagimizni yarataylik!”* (“Let’s gain knowledge and create a bright future!”). The event brought together a group of female scientists from the university and first-year female students for an inspiring exchange of experience and ideas. Participants shared their achievements, inventions, and paper innovations, discussing challenges and opportunities for women in academia. Like other projects held during “INNOWOMENWEEK-2026,” the roundtable aimed to encourage young women to engage in scientific research, providing them with guidance and motivation to pursue careers in science and technology. Such initiatives reflect the university’s dedication to creating an inclusive academic environment where women’s contributions to innovation and development are fully supported and recognized.





“We Stand Against Pressure and Violence” discussion event

As part of its ongoing efforts to promote gender equality and protect women’s rights, **Navoi State University** organized a discussion event titled *“Biz tazyiq va zo‘ravonlikka qarshimiz”* (“We Stand Against Pressure and Violence”) at the university’s Student Dormitory No. 3. The session was conducted by the **University Council of Women’s Affairs** and university psychologists, led by **N. Tursunova**, the Rector’s Adviser on Women’s Issues. During the meeting, participants discussed the importance of safeguarding women’s rights, preventing discrimination, and ensuring effective protection against psychological and physical violence. The conversation also emphasized the shared responsibility of students and staff in raising awareness and building a culture of mutual respect and non-violence, particularly among young people. Such initiatives reflect the university’s proactive approach to creating a **safe and inclusive educational environment**, fully aligned with the goals of **SDG 5: Gender Equality**, by addressing the social dimensions of empowerment and protection for women.





A roundtable discussion titled *“Ilmga baxshida umr”* (“A Life Devoted to Science”)

To further strengthen women’s participation in science and promote the role of educated women in social development, **Navoi State University** organized a roundtable discussion titled *“Ilmga baxshida umr”* (“A Life Devoted to Science”) under the motto *“Farovon oila sari”* (“Towards a Prosperous Family”). The event was initiated by the **Women’s Advisory Council** and the **Department of Master’s Studies**, bringing together female scholars, professors, graduate students, and community leaders.

The meeting featured **Malika Mamadiyorova**, Deputy Governor of Navoi Region and Head of the Regional Department for Family and Women’s Affairs, who addressed the participants and emphasized the importance of education, honest work, and respect in building strong and prosperous families. Discussions focused on the significance of knowledge in family life, mutual respect, tolerance, and social responsibility as core values of a balanced and inclusive society.

The event underscored the university’s dedication to promoting **women’s empowerment through education**, recognizing their intellectual contributions, and supporting their active involvement in both academic and community life. This initiative aligns closely with **SDG 5: Gender Equality**, reflecting the institution’s commitment to ensuring equal opportunities for women in academia and beyond.







International Initiatives in the field of Women's rights

As part of its ongoing commitment to promoting women's rights and gender equality, a representative of Navoi State University took part in an international scientific-practical conference held in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 30–31 May 2025, titled "State Policies Aimed at Strengthening the Family in Türkiye and Uzbekistan."

The conference was organized by the Society for the Protection of Uzbek Women's Rights and brought together female representatives from about 25 higher education institutions of Uzbekistan. From Navoi State University, Nasiba Tursunova, Chair of the Women's Advisory Council and Rector's Advisor on Women's Issues, actively participated with a presentation related to the theme of the event.

Her participation contributed to discussions on enhancing family stability, promoting women's social protection, and strengthening cooperation between educational institutions of Uzbekistan and Türkiye in the field of gender equality and family policy.

This initiative demonstrates Navoi State University's support for international collaboration and its efforts to empower women through education, policy dialogue, and knowledge exchange.





National Seminar on Women's Rights and Safety Held in Khorezm

A Republican seminar titled *"Women's Rights and Safety: Modern Challenges and Solutions"* is currently being held at Urgench State University named after Abu Rayhon Beruni.

The event brings together gender equality advocates, university leaders, and women's rights specialists from across Uzbekistan to discuss pressing issues related to women's empowerment, social protection, and gender-based safety.

Representing Navoi region, Ms. Nasiba Tursunova, Adviser to the Rector on Women's Issues at Navoi State University, and Ms. Rano Islomova, Adviser to the Rector on Women's Issues at Navoi State University of Mining and Technologies, are actively participating in the seminar.

Their participation highlights the strong commitment of Navoi region's higher education institutions to promoting women's leadership, gender equality, and safe academic environments.





“Exemplary Family” Awards Presented in Navoi Region

A ceremonial award event was held in the *“Ilm-ma’rifat bog‘i”* (Park of Knowledge and Enlightenment) in Navoi City as part of the regional stage of the *“Ibratli oila” (Exemplary Family)* competition.

The ceremony was attended by Malika Mamadiyarova, Deputy Governor of Navoi Region and Head of the Regional Department for Family and Women’s Affairs, who conveyed the sincere respect and best wishes of the Regional Governor Normat Tursunov to the award recipients.

The competition aimed to promote family values, highlight the role of exemplary families in nurturing a healthy and well-rounded generation, and strengthen the institution of the family in society.

During the event, Nasiba Tursunova, Adviser to the Rector on Women’s Issues at Navoi State University, and her family were honored with the “Exemplary Family” breastplate and valuable commemorative gifts in recognition of their outstanding contribution to family unity, education, and community life.



International Day of Families Marked at Navoi State University and Local Communities

In celebration of “International Day of Families” on May 15, Navoi State University organized a series of meetings and discussion circles both on campus and in local neighborhoods.

One of the key gatherings took place in the *“Lochin” mahalla* (community) of Navoi City, led by Nasiba Tursunova, Chair of the Women’s Advisory Council of the University, together with students and tutors of the *“Karakalpak Language and Literature”* program.

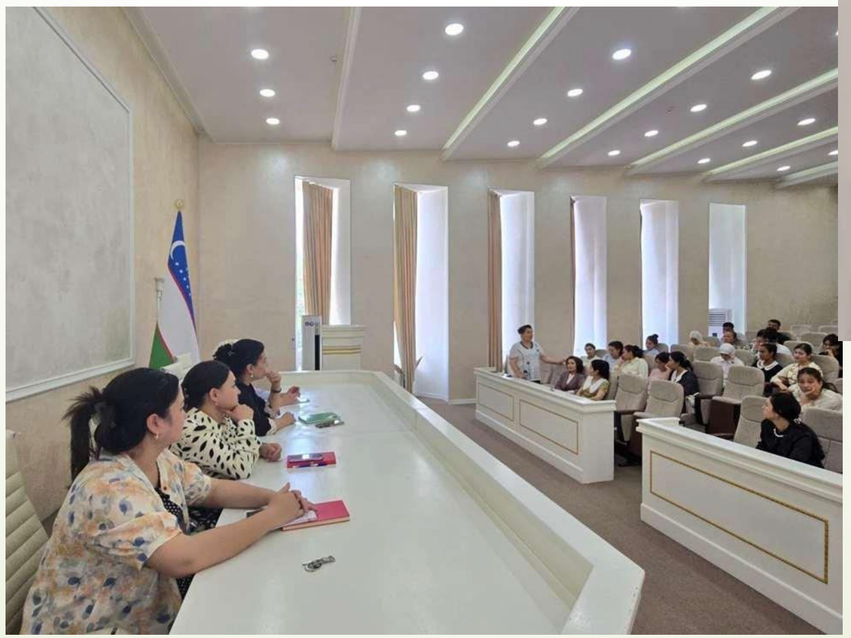
The discussion emphasized that the family is one of the most important and sacred pillars in human life, serving as a foundation for stability, security, and the future of every nation. Participants discussed the vital role of strong and prosperous families in building a sustainable society.

Elderly women from the community shared valuable life experiences and heartfelt advice, highlighting the cultural and moral lessons passed down through generations.

In addition, a spiritual-educational event was held at the university aimed at strengthening traditional values, national customs, and family culture among youth. The program inspired students to reflect on the meaning of a harmonious family and its role in achieving social and gender balance.

These activities reflect Navoi State University’s continuous efforts to promote gender equality, family well-being, and community engagement, in line with the goals of SDG 5: Gender Equality and SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions.







University Community Explores Bukhara: Promoting Wellness, Inclusion, and Women's Participation

On May 11, the Trade Union of Navoi State University organized a cultural and educational trip across Bukhara Region for female professors, staff members, and students.

The initiative aimed to promote a healthy lifestyle, strengthen social cohesion among university employees, and support the development of domestic tourism.

During the visit, participants explored the country's rich cultural heritage, including the "Seven Saints" architectural sites such as the mausoleums of Abdukhaliq Gijduvaniy, Sayyid Amir Kulol, and Bahouddin Naqshband, as well as the historic Ark Fortress complex.

In line with the national program declaring one weekend each month as a "Family and Community Travel Day," such initiatives actively support the inclusion of women and youth in cultural and educational tourism.





Roundtable Discussion on Women’s Empowerment Held at Navoi State University

On April 11, Navoi State University hosted a roundtable discussion titled “Women’s Enlightenment — Society’s Prosperity.”

The event was attended by Malika Mamadiyarova, Deputy Governor of Navoi Region; Munavvar Usmonova, Editor-in-Chief of *Saodat* magazine and Honored Cultural Worker of Uzbekistan; and Oygul Mamarayimova, member of the Writers’ Union of Uzbekistan and Labor Veteran.

The discussion focused on the protection of women’s rights and legal interests, the enhancement of women’s roles in society, and the social support of women in need. Participants also emphasized the national reforms being carried out to ensure gender equality and strengthen the status of women in all areas of public life.





Exhibition “Zoroastrianism — An Eternal Art Form” Held at the Navoi Regional Museum of History and Culture for Female Students

An exhibition titled “Zoroastrianism — An Eternal Art Form” was organized at the Navoi Regional Museum of History and Culture by the female students of the Faculty of Exact Sciences at Navoi State University.

The exhibition featured traditional Uzbek national costumes promoting the country’s rich customs and cultural heritage.

During the event, Nasiba Tursunova, Advisor to the Rector on Women’s Issues, delivered an insightful speech highlighting the importance of preserving each nation’s language, customs, traditions, history, and cultural values.

This initiative not only showcased the creative potential of young women but also promoted their active participation in cultural preservation and national identity building, aligning with the principles of gender equality and empowerment through education and art.





“Where There Is a Woman, the World Shines Brighter” — Celebrating International Women’s Day at Navoi State University

On the occasion of March 8 — International Women’s Day, a festive event titled “Where There Is a Woman, the World Shines Brighter” was held at the “Farhod” Palace of Culture in Navoi for the women of Navoi State University.

The event took place in a warm and joyful atmosphere, serving as a vivid expression of deep respect and appreciation for women’s contributions to education, science, and society.

The ceremony was officially opened by Professor Mukhiddin Kalonov, Doctor of Economics and Rector of Navoi State University, who sincerely congratulated all female staff and students. In his speech, the Rector expressed gratitude for their dedication to education and research, emphasizing the importance of women’s role in advancing science, nurturing youth, and strengthening their position in society.





“An Educated Woman is the Reflection of Society” — Seminar for Women at Navoi State University

At Navoi State University, an applied seminar titled “An Educated Woman is the Reflection of Society” was organized for female professors, doctoral students, undergraduates, and students. The event aimed to promote women’s scientific leadership, potential, engagement in higher education and social

Speakers highlighted the growing opportunities for women’s education and entrepreneurship in Uzbekistan, particularly following the new initiatives introduced under the Presidential decree to support youth and women through transformation Aloqabank’s into Bank.” the “Youth





Female Students Compete in Traditional Sports under the “Tomaris’ Successors” Contest

In accordance with the Presidential Decree of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated May 25, 2022 (PQ-259), Navoi State University organized a series of activities aimed at fostering the physical and intellectual development of youth, promoting national sports and traditional games, and ensuring meaningful student engagement during their leisure time.

As part of these initiatives, the Women’s Advisory Council at Navoi State University held the “Tomaris’ Successors” national traditional sports competition among female students. The event encouraged young women to participate in dynamic, team-oriented games that promote team spirit, leadership, and cultural heritage.





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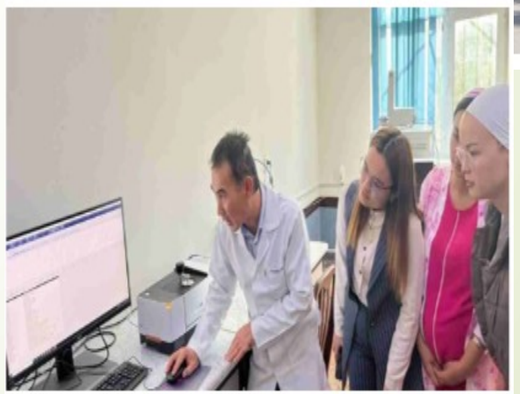
On Tuesday of the week, within the framework of the program "Protection of motherhood and childhood and conducting ports events", Deputy Mayor of Navoi, Head of Family and Women's Department N. Rakhimova spoke about health protection of mothers and children, reproductive health of the population. visited polyclinic No. 4 to strengthen the quality of medical services provided to women in the polyclinic, medical examinations, drugs their availability, state of preservation, level of coverage of women with contraceptives, birth interval, measures to prevent unwanted pregnancies were critically discussed, assignments and relevant recommendations were given.











Girls in STEM Week — Introducing Schoolgirls to STEM

Navoiy State University organises an annual Girls in STEM Week to encourage young women to explore science, technology, engineering and related fields. The programme gives schoolgirls and prospective applicants direct exposure to STEM through interactive laboratory demonstrations, coding workshops, environmental science activities and thematic sessions led by female university faculty and industry professionals. By allowing participants to see STEM subjects in practice and interact with women working and studying in these fields, the initiative helps girls develop a more realistic understanding of STEM disciplines and the opportunities they offer.

As part of the programme, professors from the Faculty of Physics and Technology also conducted meetings and subject-specific masterclasses with teachers at Navoiy City School No. 12, focusing on physics laboratory activities and subject-specific training. The outreach created additional opportunities to encourage female pupils to explore physics and other STEM subjects at an earlier stage of their educational pathway.

Media Camp 2026: From Theory to Practice

On the second day of Media Camp 2026, participants applied the knowledge acquired at the media centre through practical outdoor activities.

They practised selecting camera angles, composing images, using natural light and creating high-quality footage. Participants learned to turn everyday scenes into meaningful visual stories by observing events from different perspectives.

The camp connects knowledge with practical skills and creative outcomes. It is included as a complementary digital and technical skills initiative; the source does not provide gender-disaggregated participation figures.









Female Students Visit ACWA Power: Renewable Energy and Engineering

Female students and academic staff from the Faculty of Exact Sciences at Navoiy State University undertook a STEM educational visit to ACWA Power.

The visit aimed to familiarise participants with renewable energy generation, reinforce practical knowledge and increase interest in technical and engineering professions. Students observed the operation of a 500 MW wind power plant, modern technologies and electricity production processes.

Participants received information about contemporary energy-sector occupations, professional requirements and career opportunities for women. The visit connected classroom learning to industry practice and strengthened university–industry cooperation.

National Inter-University Initiative: “An Educated Woman Is the Mirror of Society”

Navoiy State University participated in the “Ilmli ayol — jamiyat ko‘zgusi” initiative organised by Tashkent State Transport University in connection with the International Day of Women and Girls in Science, with participation from higher education institutions across Uzbekistan. Academic staff and female students from Navoiy State University joined the programme online.

The initiative brought together participants from different higher education institutions to highlight women’s participation in scientific research, innovation, modern technologies, medicine and engineering. Female students from Navoiy State University participated in the programme and discussions, giving them an opportunity to engage with a wider academic community and learn about the experiences and opportunities available to women in scientific and technical fields.

Through this national inter-university initiative, Navoiy State University extended its gender-focused STEM outreach beyond its own campus and connected its female students with a broader higher-education community working to promote women’s participation in science, technology and engineering.



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