

The Role Of Youth Legal Culture In Promoting Democratic Principles In Society

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Annotation. This article focuses on the need to conduct specific scientific research on improving the legal culture of young people today, making the issue of increasing legal awareness, legal culture, and the role of civil society institutions in this process a priority direction of state legal policy, an important criterion in the implementation of democratic principles.

Key words: legal awareness, legal culture, legal literacy, legal education of youth, legal immunity, rules of etiquette, concept, rule of law, legal values.

Legal culture is one of the main results of a person's legal life, expressed in the constant political and legal relations of a person with the state. It plays an important role in the fulfillment of a person's legal needs in the established order in terms of knowledge and observance of the Constitution, laws and norms of the country and their implementation within the state and in international relations. In this regard, the issues of improving the legal culture of citizens in separate laws and by-laws, determining the main functions and tasks of state and public organizations responsible for this work, and increasing the efficiency of work in this area are also of great importance. The improvement of legal culture has a positive effect on the broad manifestation of democratic principles in society. Democratic principles in society are manifested in such criteria as the primacy of human rights and dignity, the participation of the people in state power, and the diversity of opinions. Legal culture and democratic principles in society develop on a harmonious basis, they feed off each other. According to A. Azizkhanov, "Democracy is the greatest, greatest and greatest achievement in the management of the state and society achieved throughout the entire historical development of human society. A democratic society, while being an objective, historical and necessary process, also has its own specific aspects in each country and in each historical period. Therefore, its emergence and development are connected with certain grounds and foundations. These include state and social construction, freedoms in political and economic life, national and spiritual revival and upliftment."¹. In this regard, the legal culture of citizens, the foundations of legal thinking and literacy in ensuring the effectiveness of this process and their improvement play an important role in the social and spiritual development of each state. This, in turn, allows for the full protection of the fundamental rights and freedoms of citizens both within the state and outside it. Because the possession of legal culture and knowledge increases the opportunities for citizens to fight for the realization of their rights not only within the state, but also in foreign countries, and helps them to obtain a high level of vital interests. Considering that the rapid development of society on the path of democracy largely depends on the legal awareness, culture and legal literacy of people, the Strategy of Actions has identified "raising the legal culture and consciousness of the population, organizing effective cooperation between state structures, civil society institutions, and the media" as one of the priority tasks.². To be a comprehensively developed, law-abiding, modern democratic state is the strategic goal of every society.

¹ Азизхонов А. Ўзбекистонда маънавий юксалиш- демократик жамият куришнинг муҳим омили. –Тошкент, 2002 йил. –Б. 88.

² O'zbekiston Respublikasi Prezidentining Farmoni. O'zbekiston Respublikasini yanada rivojlantirish bo'yicha Harakatlar strategiyasi to'g'risida. // Rasmiy nashr. O'zbekiston Respublikasi Adliya vazirligi. – T.: «Adolat», 2017. –B. 14.

To achieve this goal, many countries are striving to implement comprehensive reforms in all areas of socio-legal life. The results of these reforms will serve to place them among the developed democratic legal states. Legal culture in each society develops in connection with its historical path, the social and spiritual level and level of the people. As the dictionary states, "Each nation and society, each era has its own peculiarities in understanding, interpreting and implementing democracy in practice. This peculiarity is determined by a number of factors, such as the historical path of the people, national mentality, traditions, and the nature of existing social relations."³.

Law and legal culture are interrelated concepts. If every citizen respects the law and the law, recognizes the primacy of law and legislation, there will be order in the state and development in society. Raising legal awareness and legal culture in society is one of the most important conditions for ensuring the primacy of law and strengthening legality. Today, based on the accumulated experience in forming and raising legal culture among the population, simple and effective mechanisms have been developed, which, in turn, is of great importance in forming legal culture. If we look at the history of mankind, we see that the promotion of law and legal culture has gone through its own evolutionary stages. In this regard, first of all, it is appropriate to define the concept of legal culture.

One of the factors that serves as an important foundation in the formation of legal culture in a person is legal awareness. It affects the formation and development of legal awareness of citizens, the formation of a correct understanding of constitutional-legal principles and norms, legal relations, as well as constitutional responsibility. "Legal awareness is one of the forms of social consciousness, a set of ideas, feelings, and perceptions that people have about law, legislation, law and order, and other legal phenomena. The level of legal awareness is the level of citizens' awareness of rights, knowledge of laws, readiness to observe and implement laws, obedience to the law, respect for law and justice."

The organic improvement of legal awareness and legal culture is an important factor in the development of civil society and the development of democratic views. After all, by understanding the social, legal and political system, it is possible to form an attitude towards law in the mind and psyche of students. As a result, in their minds, the perception of the legal basis of regulating life and social relations is achieved.

Legal consciousness - in the process of realization of the right, in the resolution of legal relations, it acts as a regulator. Also, the regulatory role of legal consciousness is manifested in the conscious implementation of legal norms. The higher the level of legal culture and legal awareness of society, social groups, individuals, the stronger the legitimacy and legal order in the country. Legal culture is the introduction of every citizen to legal relations in the society, having first of all legal awareness, legal knowledge and literacy.

According to Kh. Odilkariev, "Legal culture refers to the level of legislation in society, the level of awareness of the population about existing laws, the people's compliance with legal norms and their intransigence towards those who do not comply with them." Also, citizens' respect for the constitution and various laws, as well as their approach to rights, freedoms and obligations, is a certain level of legal culture. If we approach this concept scientifically, we will come across the fact that in order to form a legal culture in citizens, first of all, we need to form legal awareness in them. In particular, in order to improve legal culture, it is advisable to carry out work on legal education and upbringing in a systematic and coherent manner. While this issue is the work of law enforcement agencies and certain state bodies, it is necessary to pay sufficient attention to the participation of civil society institutions, and in turn, to public control.

It is necessary to take a comprehensive approach to the formation of legal immunity to factors that negatively affect the legal education of young people, to instill in each of them a sense of respect for laws and morals, loyalty to national values, and intolerance towards violations of the law. Based on this, the most effective method of improving the legal culture of all citizens in society, especially young people, today is continuous legal propaganda.

When it comes to the legal culture of young people, it is permissible to talk, firstly, about their knowledge, understanding and correct assessment of their legal freedoms and obligations, and secondly, about their use

³ Фалсафа қомусий луғат. «Шарқ» нашриёти, Тошкент, 2004 йил. –Б. 106.

in practical activities. Legal literacy means not only having information about certain legal norms and branches of law, but also about awareness of various constructive legal approaches, the development of the legal foundations of the life of the state and society. Thus, legal literacy, the possession of legal knowledge, forms the basis of legal culture and has a specific impact on the behavior of people in society. Legal literacy, as noted above, is not only knowledge of the law, but also its correct understanding, the fulfillment of political, economic, and cultural tasks that serve as a means of implementing the law. Today, the formation of deep respect for the law among young people is one of the requirements of the time. Respect for the law, the manifestation of this respect in practice is the highest manifestation of legal culture.

High legal culture has a positive effect on the professional ethics of any organization's employees. The high level of legal culture of employees has a positive effect, first of all, on the development of that organization, and through it, society. Because any employee with a high level of legal knowledge understands the interests of society well and participates in social relations with his legal culture. As A. Saitkasimov emphasized, "One of the most important aspects of legal culture is unconditional obedience to laws in practical activities, submission to laws, full compliance with them, and constant activity based on them. It is also extremely important for a person to consistently and fully realize the importance of laws in social life in his consciousness and worldview, and to apply them in practical life." Respect for law is one of the important features of a person's legal culture. This consists in recognizing the social value of law, the necessity and usefulness of fulfilling its instructions, the feeling of satisfaction with law, the fairness of its requirements, and an active and creative attitude in the implementation of legal and social obligations. Especially valuable is the sense of social and legal responsibility and duty of a person to the family. Because the legal knowledge of young people is formed primarily in the family where they are brought up and in the future becomes the foundation for the feelings of responsibility, accountability and activity before society and the state. Similarly, paying special attention to the formation of legal culture in the education system in society is also the foundation of future goals aimed at legal and democratic development.

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