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**PROBLEMS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESS AND PRIVATE
ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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**ПРОБЛЕМЫ РАЗВИТИЯ МАЛОГО БИЗНЕСА И ЧАСТНОГО
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Introduction. *Regions play an important role in the development of small businesses. It is the local authorities who clearly know the financial and material capabilities of their territory, the real needs of the population for certain types of products and services, the areas of activity from the point of view of the region, and the ways of effective use of resources in the form of ownership.*

Materials And Methods. *Until now, the issues of small business and private entrepreneurship development and facilitating the business environment have been studied by economists of foreign countries based on different approaches. For example, E.Staley, R.Morse, A.Bruno, T.Tyebjee, W.Garther, K.Manning, S.Birley, D.Norburn, etc. researched the conditions leading to the development of entrepreneurship at the regional level, while L.Dana , P. Davidsson, D. Swanson, L. Webster, etc. focused their attention on the study of external factors affecting the business environment. Russian economists such as E. Bykova, B. Zhikharevych, N. Simionova have published many scientific articles on the development of entrepreneurship. For example, in the educational manual "Entrepreneurship and small business" by the famous economist S.S. Gulomov, a brief idea is given about the influence of internal and external factors on the business environment and their variability. Economists*

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such as B. Yu. Khodiev, M. S. Kasimova, A. N. Samadov note that "there must be a certain working environment for effective business activity." [3-4]

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Effective state regulation and management of small business and private entrepreneurship in Uzbekistan is one of the priority tasks in the policy of our government. Several laws and other regulatory documents have been adopted by our government in the implementation of these tasks. This package of laws serves to create a favorable opportunity for small business and private business entities in situations ranging from state registration to their financial problems. Currently, there are activities of small business entities in all sectors of the national economy (Table 1)

Table 1

Status of small business entities (legal entities) in Uzbekistan by types of economic activity (excluding farms and ranches)

	Registered		Active		Not showing activity	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	41 313	50 193	38 125	47 094	1 624	1 475
Industry	84 473	98 189	79 230	93 054	2 684	2 451
Construction	41 959	46 996	39 641	44 845	1 411	740
Trade	131 419	164 971	123 466	156 928	4 337	3 706
Transport and storage	17 435	19 377	16 527	18 512	524	341
Living and dining	30 793	36 038	28 407	33 635	1 281	1 122
services on	9 362	11 288	8 699	10 638	412	238
Information and communication	7 507	8 964	7 275	8 742	96	126

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Providing health care and social services	53 052	61 701	49 930	58 825	1 803	1 073
Total	417 313	497 717	391 300	472 273	14 172	11 272

Even among non-operating small business entities, the trade network has the main priority. However, in the 9 months of 2023, 3,706 trading enterprises with the status of legal entities did not show their activity, while in the same period of 2022, there were 4,337. It can be seen that during one year, the number of small business entities (only legal entities) that did not operate in the trade sector decreased to 631.

Regarding Uzbekistan, the non-activity of small business entities with the status of a legal entity decreased in 9 months of 2023. However, there is an increase in the number of non-performing small business entities in the health care and social services sector. For example, in 9 months of 2022, 96 small business entities did not operate in the field of health care and social services, while in the same period of 2023, the number of such small business entities increased by 30 to 126. In fact, the field of health care and social services is one of the most necessary and priority areas for the modern development of our national economy. It is in this sector that it is important to take measures to accelerate investment.

Based on the above analysis, in our opinion, it is necessary to organize the competition of small business entities in accordance with the situation in various sectors of the economy. In addition, it is desirable to rapidly strengthen measures to regulate them by the state.

It is known that "more than 10 thousand businessmen of our country took part in it. More than 15,000 proposals and initiatives were carefully studied as part of the preparation for the open dialogue, and practical measures were determined on the issues raised by entrepreneurs. This is one of the most important measures in the development of small business, its regulation and management by the state. Nevertheless, there are some problems in controlling and regulating the management of small business and private entrepreneurship by state agencies, in the way of rapid development.

One side of these problems is related to artificially arising deficiencies in the management of small business entities through some administrative persons in state agencies, and the other side is related to the lack of proper formation of a specific culture and legal literacy in the economic relations of entrepreneurs and businessmen.

There are the following problems in the field of state regulation and management of small business and private entrepreneurship and further development of the activities of business entities:

- most of the institutions within the market infrastructure do not work on the basis of competition;
- financing resources are limited in some territorial scales;

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- some entrepreneurs and businessmen work with regulatory legal documents at a weak level;
- some executives working in government agencies are unable to think economically, typical of a market economy.

As an example, it can be said that there is still censorship of entrepreneurs in obtaining loans (mainly district entrepreneurs face such problems more often), violation of the established order by officials of official offices continues in some regions. Local government bodies are not able to provide effective consulting services in matters of improving the activities of business entities and guiding them in the right direction. This has a negative impact on the development of free market relations.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above opinions, we believe that it is appropriate to implement the following measures to solve these problems:

- in order to ensure the organizational support of the state of entrepreneurship, it is necessary to pay clear and serious attention to the established powers between the central and local authorities;
- it is necessary to increase the number of business incubators, to create conditions that encourage the entry of newly established business entities into them and their preparation for independent activity;
- introducing appropriate amendments to the current legislation in order to strengthen discipline in business relations, to increase the responsibility and accountability of business entities that violate it.

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