

Abstract

- **1.** Breakthrough in bilateral relations of Uzbekistan with neighboring states (Qazaqstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Afghanistan).
 - 2. New steps in regional cooperation (political, economic, transport, touristic, cultural and environmental aspects, including Aral Sea Disaster).
- **3.** Activization of Relations of Uzbekistan with North East Asian States (Russia, China, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mongolia).
 - 4. Prospects for the New Silk Road Initiative.



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