

# SDG in Kazakhstan

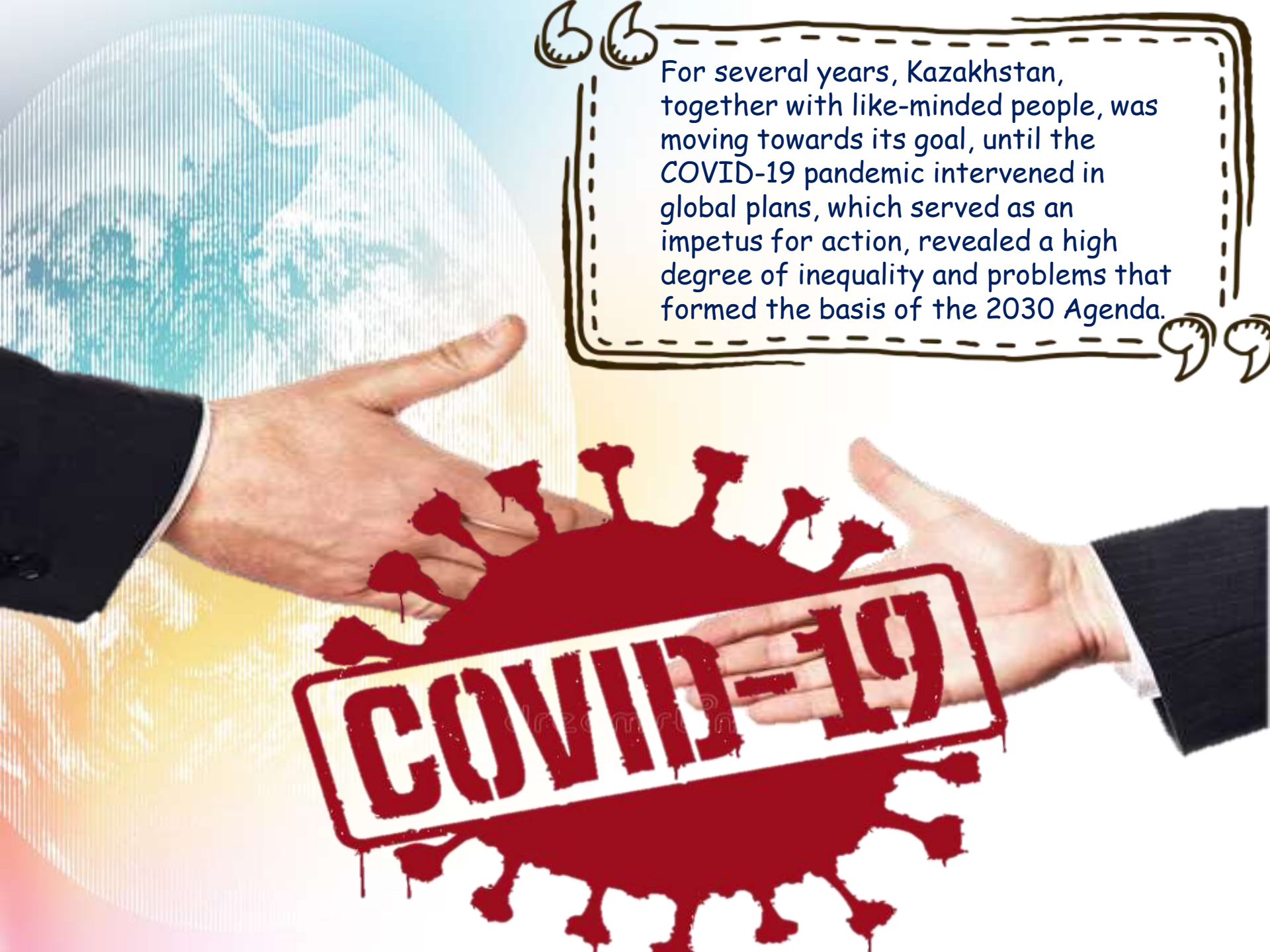




## When did it start?

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Since the first day of independence, Kazakhstan has demonstrated commitment to the principles of sustainable development. However, full-scale work to achieve the SDGs began in 2015, when Kazakhstan joined the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

A hand in a black suit sleeve holds a large, red, stylized coronavirus particle. A white rectangular stamp with the text 'COVID-19' in bold red letters is placed over the center of the virus. The background features a blue and white globe on the left and a yellow and orange gradient on the right. A speech bubble in the top right contains text about Kazakhstan and the 2030 Agenda.

For several years, Kazakhstan, together with like-minded people, was moving towards its goal, until the COVID-19 pandemic intervened in global plans, which served as an impetus for action, revealed a high degree of inequality and problems that formed the basis of the 2030 Agenda.



## Calendar

However, already in 2021, Kazakhstan improved all indicators and took the lead in the annual global ranking of countries in achieving sustainable development goals and rose from 65th to 59th place (2021-sustainable-development-report)



# WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS?

All tasks to achieve the goals of the SDGs fall on the shoulders of the state represented by the government, central state bodies and local executive bodies. However, it should be noted that the achievement of the SDG goals is significantly influenced by 2 national holdings:



# The Samruk-Kazyna Fund fully fulfills its social obligations



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Especially for this purpose, the Samruk Kazyna Trust social projects development fund was created, thanks to which more than half a million Kazakhstanis received assistance in 2021.



Within the framework of the project of this fund called "Areket", measures are being taken to directly support small and medium-sized businesses, business partnerships are being established on large investment projects.







In general, thanks to the work of this Fund, a large number of entrepreneurs throughout Kazakhstan received grants, unemployed citizens were employed in the regions, women with disabilities and mothers of special children opened their projects. Now the Fund is running 30 major social projects, including support for children with disabilities and adolescents from low-income families, treatment of children with various diagnoses abroad on an annual basis.



## Investments

Thanks to the work of the Baiterek holding, there is an increase in the number of foreign investments, as well as support is provided to priority sectors of the economy of Kazakhstan.



## Ecology

A subsidiary of the Baiterek holding, the Development Bank of Kazakhstan, finances environmentally friendly production and resource-saving projects. An example of this is the launch of electric buses as part of the transition to alternative energy sources, the advantage of which is the absence of harmful emissions into the atmosphere and economy in operation.



## Health

The Development Bank of Kazakhstan also has an important impact on socially significant projects for the health of the nation, such as the purchase of FFP2 protection class respirators during the pandemic as part of charity.



# What's The Problem?

But it is also worth noting that even despite the growth in budgetary financing of environmental protection measures, there has not been a year for the environmental situation in the country to improve at least once in a comprehensive manner. Thus, the most difficult indicators for Kazakhstan are indicators on ecology and agriculture, which in turn directly or indirectly affect the achievement of other SDG goals (15 out of 17 goals are related to the green economy).



***littering of recreation areas***

01



***industrial waste***

02



***radioactive  
contamination***

03



**The most  
common  
causes of  
pollution  
are:**

An example of the last problem is the work in the period from 1949-1991 of the Semipalatinsk nuclear test site, the consequences of which are felt to this day. Even today, residents of the surrounding areas of Semipalatinsk are exposed to residual radiation, and some of them experience radiophobia (fear of ionizing radiation)





**W**hat to **D**o?

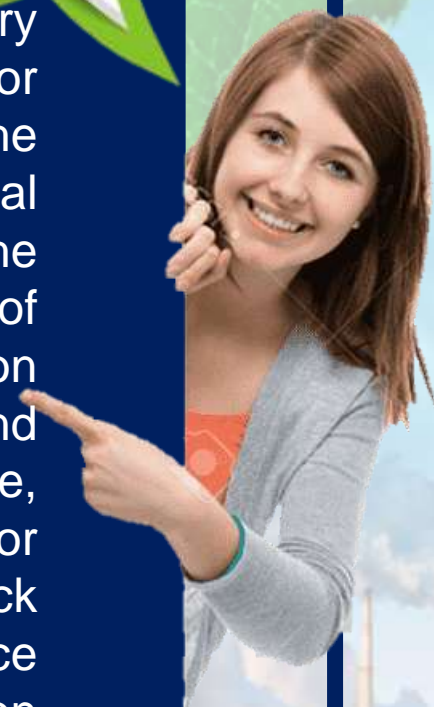
In my opinion, only a set of tasks aimed at restoring and improving natural resources will help improve the ecological situation in the country. Perhaps I will not offer innovative ways to solve environmental problems, but I will convey my thoughts on more important points for my country.



**My  
vision**



First of all, it is necessary to increase fines for dumping garbage in the wrong places and total control over the observance of environmental legislation by citizens and entrepreneurs. Of course, it is extremely difficult for state bodies to keep track of every offense, since more than 18 million people live in Kazakhstan.



That is why it is also worth introducing rewards for citizens who report environmental crimes.

Recycling and waste disposal measures are also essential needed. In this case, the construction of more waste processing plants will help, and in the future, possibly, plants with the complete disposal of all types of waste with the possibility of using the energy received from processing for the needs of society.



The first steps in this direction have already been taken. An example of this is the Spanish plant in Malaga, which completely recycles all the components of used batteries (cloud picture)





Another important component is the implementation of sanitary and hygienic measures in unusable areas. For example, a project to green the dried bottom of the Aral Sea, which began in 2021. This approach is considered one of the most effective ways to combat desertification, able to reduce the area covered by toxic salt and sand.





It is quite hard to fit all the important points in one project, so I will finish my thought on this topic clearly and concisely. The Sustainable Development Goals are one of the ways we can save nature and ensure a bright future for generations, not only in my country, but throughout the world. Only by joint efforts can we achieve a common goal and live in a prosperous world.



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GOOGLE WILL ANSWER THEM**