Ideological Aspects of Youth Spirituality Development in the Information Society

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Abstract: As information has become a powerful weapon in global changes, the information communication system is the main factor in the promotion and propaganda of ideological threats on a global scale. With the help of the information communication system, special attention is paid to influence the heart, mind and spirit of people. For this reason, we should not ignore the rise of various ideological and informational attacks. After all, this is the demand of today’s times. Only then will we be able to raise a spiritually mature person and a healthy generation in the future.

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In the current complex and dangerous period, various ideological attacks that are foreign to our national identity and ancient values, aimed at capturing the minds and hearts of our youth, are becoming more and more widespread. Therefore, it is important to protect the young generation from these attacks and to be vigilant in fighting them.

Awareness is a person’s very attentive and careful attitude to the things around him, which leads a person to react carefully to the events happening in society. Every detail in them is an analysis of changes, news, Internet, television, newspapers, reactions to the actions of people in their daily life. After all, as the First President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, I.A. Karimov, noted, “…in today’s situation when deep changes are taking place in the geopolitical, economic and social, information and communication landscape of the world, where the conflict of different ideologies is becoming acute, we all know that it is more important than ever to fight thought against thought, idea against idea, enlightenment against ignorance.” [1].

In today's era of globalization, in the era of information attacks and ideological threats, it is no coincidence that if young people are educated by someone else, that is, by external forces, tomorrow they will start serving those forces. This is a very worrying situation. If this happens, we will be considered a loser in the competition. Our task, duty, obligation, so to speak, is to win this competition. It is to occupy the minds of young people based on the national idea. In fact, the ideological landscape of the world has become more complicated by the present time. Ideological struggles are intensifying day by day. The easiest and fastest way to win this fight is ready. That is, occupying the position of a major information distributor. Today, “information war”, “informational struggle” is going on all over the world. Someone notices this, someone is indifferent to this issue. And the struggle is not clear. It is carried out in various deceptive ways, with tricks, for example, through movies, shows, internet and mass media messages, ideas glorifying the lifestyle and value system of a foreign country are directly instilled into people's minds. As a result, such information will
have a negative impact on inculcating our national ideal and educating our youth in the spirit of belonging to their motherland.

Today, the development of the information process has given rise to new crimes such as computer crime and computer terrorism. As a new and unexplored criminal field, solving the problem of cyber terrorism, which is considered dangerous for humanity, requires special attention. Terrorist activities that are carried out by studying the technologies of preparation of biological, chemical and even nuclear weapons through open sources on the Internet attract the attention of law enforcement agencies. By illegally hacking websites, cyber-terrorists have the opportunity to obtain various confidential information.

Cyber terrorism is actually illegal interference in the internal activities of information technologies, purposeful destruction of computer programs or data, causing damage, disrupting the operation of important parts of state bodies, endangering human life, causing material damage or mass intimidation, military is an action aimed at causing various harmful consequences such as conflicts. Another reason for the rapid growth of cyber terrorism is that it is cheaper than armed terrorism, there are no battles, explosions, bloodshed. Destructive actions are carried out using the Internet and social networks[2].

Today, when such ideological and informational attacks and various ideological threats are on the rise in the world, it is necessary to raise the spirituality of our youth, to form the foundations of a healthy worldview in their thinking, to protect them from ideological attacks, to form a conscious attitude of our youth to life, to increase the sense of belonging to the events happening around us, to clearly determine our future strategy in a situation where the conflict and opposition in the international arena are increasing due to the introduction of religious extremism, international terrorism, and the malicious attempts of comprehensive understanding of what it is aimed at and conveying to the general public, to carry out a consistent struggle against aggressions that may threaten the independence of our country, our peaceful and peaceful life, to be able to explain to young people the practical work and positive results of the national idea promotion and ideological processes carried out in our country. The essence of the views of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev that "spirituality and enlightenment work is a work of patriotism, a work of conscience" [3] should be inculcated in every citizen, especially in the mind, heart and inner world of young people.

Information and communication technologies are characterized by their speed, economy and openness, weak or no control, the presence of users scattered around the world, the complete distribution of information quickly and cheaply, the possibility of organizing like-minded groups, the anonymity of communication. Terrorist organizations are attracted by the impossibility of determining the original source, the possibility of illegal connection to the computers of strategic objects, military organizations, and the viability of networks. At the same time, it can be recognized that virtual communication is currently a source of harm, especially to young people. “Today, even a small message directed against human spirituality, which seems insignificant at first glance, can cause great damage, which is invisible, but cannot be compensated by anything, taking its strength from the intensity of globalization in the information world” [4].

Nowadays, it is becoming clear that attractive western culture easily penetrates the minds of young people. Mass media, internet and social networks play a big role in this, of course. They, in turn, are creating virtual reality and creating a new form of culture in its users - cyber culture. Virtual reality and cyber culture make it possible to easily program people’s behavior, that is, it has become a convenient means of capturing the mind, inner world and soul of young people [5].

In the current era, when global changes are intensifying in all spheres of social life, the scope of moral threats is also rapidly expanding. In such conditions, every nation strives to ensure the security of its national values, not to stray away from its historical foundations and not to fall under the influence of others [6]. It is
becoming more important for states to protect their interests in the global information space and to be able to resist various information attacks. In such conditions, the information factor is of primary importance in protecting our national interests. In this sense, it is necessary to conduct a strong information policy aimed at protecting our national values. Therefore, the application of new, modern technologies of information delivery has become one of the urgent issues of today. In particular, if we observe the global changes in the field of information and communication, we see that its influence is becoming the main weapon for ideological and cultural hegemony in the world. Countries with advanced information technologies are the driving forces of this process [7]. In our opinion, conflicts related to global changes are clearly manifested, first of all, in the national idea and the spiritual sphere.

Therefore, the issue of inculcating the main concepts and principles of our national idea into the mind, heart and inner world of our people is one of the important tasks. Continuous improvement of the spiritual and educational level of the population, especially our young men and women, is of first-class importance in our society. Therefore, on the basis of the programmatic idea “From national revival to national rise”, educating young people in the spirit of loyalty to the motherland, forming initiative, self-sacrifice, and moral qualities in them has become a very honorable task [8]. Especially, by instilling the national idea and spirituality into the mind, heart and inner world of young people, it is necessary to study various events and events happening in the society and to properly react to them, to preserve national and spiritual values, to contribute to the development of society is also one of the important tasks [9]. From this point of view, since the future of any country is in the hands of young people, it is necessary to start the measures of protection, first of all, to instill the spirit of nationalism in the minds of the young generation[10].

In conclusion, it should be said that in the era of global changes, one of the factors of effective fight against information threats, the formation of information culture among young people, acquisition of new technologies in the country and its wide implementation in all fields is of urgent importance. Therefore, the foundation of development is created by protecting the spiritual world of young people from harmful elements, various destructive, foreign and harmful ideas. After all, the education of a generation with a high intellectual potential is becoming one of the most important tasks not only in Uzbekistan, but also in the whole world. The future of the country will be determined by the spiritually perfect generation. Spiritual maturity is an important factor in the development of society.

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