ABSTRACT

The article is devoted to studying the activity of the people of Xinjiang in Khokand Khanate in 1709 – 1876. Because of the sources and materials of scientific researches it is determined the level of their participation in political and social-economic processes in the khanate.

Living together with settled population and their participation in building of the irrigation objects like Khotanarik and Chinabad channels, led to the process of settling of nomadic population on the khanate’s lands. There is quite enough information about the migrants’ involvement in farming and handicraft.

In general, studying the history of the activities of the people of Xinjiang in the life of Khokand khanate is one of important questions of the historical science of Uzbekistan.

**Keywords:** Uzbekistan, Khokand khanate, historical analyze
The relations between Central Asia and China, and the nations living in the district of the Eastern Turkistan, are one of the processes that have been continuing from ancient times. However, the Mountain Tangritag (Tian Shan) and the Pamirs divide these regions, their people moved from and to due to political instability, economic collapses and other reasons. The representatives of those immigrated nations were inhabited and got accustomed to the political, socio-economic and cultural life of the region. Especially, it's important to study the activities of the people of Eastern Turkistan in Khokand Khanate (1709-1876).

Muslim written sources in Persian (Farsi) and Turki of the 18\textsuperscript{th}-20\textsuperscript{th} centuries take an importance in study of this problem. For instance, the work of “Asar ul-futuh” by Zayn ad-din Muhammad Amin sadri Kashghari\textsuperscript{1}, “Memorials” by Shah Mahmud ibn Fazil Churas\textsuperscript{2}, “Tarih-i Badaxshani” (The History of Badaxshani) by Sang Muhammad Badakhshani\textsuperscript{3}, “Muntahab attavarirh” by Muhammad Hakimkhan\textsuperscript{4}, “Tavarikh-i Manzuma” by Imam Ali Kunduzi\textsuperscript{5}, The work of Complements, by Muhammad Sharif to the the book of “Tarih-i Rashidi” (The History of Rashidiy) by Mirza Muhammad Haydar\textsuperscript{6}, The Memorials on the cities Bukhara, Khokand and Kashgaria by Mirza Shams Bukhari\textsuperscript{7}, “Tarih-i Shohruhuiy” by Mulla Niyaz Muhammad\textsuperscript{8}, “Ansab as-salatin va tavarikh al-havakin” by Mirzo Alim Mushrif\textsuperscript{9}, “Tarih-i jadidayi Toshkand” by Muhammad Salih Tashkandi\textsuperscript{10}, “Tarih-i Aliquami amirlashkar” by Muhammad Yunus Taib\textsuperscript{11}, “Tarih-i jahonnamoyi” by Avaz Muhammad Attar\textsuperscript{12}, “Gharoyib-i sipah” by Tajir\textsuperscript{13}, “Tarih-i muhojiron” by Dilshodi

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\textsuperscript{11} Muhammad Solih Toshkandi. “Tarihxi jadidai Toshkand”. OSI AS RUz, manuscript, inventory № 11072, 5732, 7791 – 1040 pages.
\textsuperscript{13} Tojir. Gharayibi sipah. – OSI AS RUz, manuscript, inventory № 5408. – 56 pages; Tojir Khujandi. Gharoibi sipoh / Muratab Sadullohi Asadulloh. Khujand, 1993 – P. 83

And the historian of the 15th century Abdurazzak Samarkandi in his “Matla as-sa’dain” wrote that: “The prince Umarshaikh went to Kashgaria. The Khan of Mugholistan Khizirkhodja Oglan and Hudyadad had to leave the city.

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of Moghols (i.e. Kashgar – Sh. Q.). Prince Umarshayx after had captured Khudoydod moghol’s mother and Amir aka and his harams (the women under his hand), sent them to Samarkand and the people of Kashgaria move to Andijan”36. There is not a fixed number of Ughurs moved to Khokand Khanate in historical literatures. If it was written in some sources as 324,00037 and according to another source it was supposed that 200,000 - 250,000 of Kashgarians (people came from Kashgaria) had lived in the territory of Khokand Khanate since 186038. On the basis of the information of historical sources and literatures, we may divide the migrants moved to Khokand Khanate into several groups counting on their social strata, ethnicity and geographic localization. Among them, the habitants of Yorkend, Uchturfan, Khotan, Kuchar, Aksu and Kashgarians who is greater in number were significant. Ethnic migrants were composed of Uyghurs, Dungans, Gypsies of Kashgaria and others39. There were also the representatives of social strata - statesmen, state official, peasants, handicraftsmen, poets and writers among them. In most sources of that time, the phrase “the people of mountain” or “mountaineers” (i.e. came from mountainous area) was also used for those migrants40. Ch. Valikhanov, who was in Xinjiang -Uyghur autonomic district during 1850-1858 commented on this phrase as follows: «Mountaineers (like “villagers” – “people living in the villages”) is the name which differs small Bukharians (i.e. Uyghurs – Sh.Q.) from those living in the plains. In Khokand Khanate it was used for the migrants of Xinjiang-Uyghur autonomic district».41. There are many cases that prove this phrase in Khokand Khanate. For instance, local people called one of the Eastern city gates as “the gate of mountaineers” and the way which leads to the Eastern Turkistan as “the road of mountaineers” 42. Besides, the phrase “mountaineer” was also added to the people’s names. The name of Yusuf mingbashi toglik (toglik means “mountaineer” in Uzbek)43, Yunus toghlik44 are the examples for this. As we know from the sources, in fact the mountaineers were divided into two groups

42 Bysimbiev T.K. Abovementioned work. In the same place.
43 Mahmud Hakim Yayfoniy. Khullas at-tavorikh. OSI AS RUz, lithographic edition, inventory № 304, – P. 19; another copy was printed in 1914 in Print House of Shumakov and now it is stored at Literature Museum of Kokand. Here we used this version.

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naming “white mountaineers” (i.e. from “White Mountain”) and “black mountaineers” (i.e. from “Black Mountain”). In the khanate they were called generally just as “Mountaineers”. As the truth, these groups were founded by two sons of Mahdumi A’zam of Kasansay (1461-1542), who was the representative of the society of Khojagan. In the first years they acted as religious groups and further being politicized came to power. They were active not only in Xinjiang, but also played significant role in the political and social life of the Khokand khanate. The authority and influence of these khodjas were big among the population of the khanate.

The ruler of Khokand khanate Umar-khan (1810-1822), in the first years of the 19th century made military reforms and conformed units which formed from ethnic groups lived in the khanate and they named as tugs and each tug consisted of 50 soldiers. Tugboshi (i.e. “the head of tug”) or Tugbegi commanded these units. For example, “Tugi Afghoni” - composed of Afghans, “Tugu Tojiki” – composed of Tadjiks and “Tugi toghlik” - composed of the people of Xinjiang. Yusuf Kashgari who moved from Kashgaria to the khanate was appointed as a “tugbegi” for the units of the kashgarian “Tugi Toghliq”. This military unit actively attended in the battles of Khokand rulers. Further the title “dadhah” was presented to Yusuf Kashgari. And Khokand ruler Umar-khan promoted him to the position of mingbashi in 1812, which was one of high posts in the khanate and appointed him as a Commander in Chief (which was called as “amirlashkar” meaning the head of the army). The 19th century’s historian Mullal Alim Mahdum Haji in his book “The History of Turkistan” wrote the followings: “Umarkhan’s ruling in the khanate was very calmly, afterwards appointed mingbashi Gulishahi from Margilan as a governor (hakim) of Khokand and Yusuf Kashgari got his post”. New commander in chief of Khokand send by Umar-khan to fight for disputed land with Bukhata Emirate – Uratepa. The army in three days occupied territories from Uratepa till surroundings of Samarkand. After had satisfied from the results of military achievements, as Mullal Alim Mahdum Hadji notes, Umar-khan granted royal feast to the commander, presented every soldier certain titles and ordered to distribute gathered things in the battle among them. The army of Khokand khanate headed by Yusuf mingbashi taghlik went towards Tashkent, Turkistan and Dashti Kipchak (Kipchak step) and the most part of

48 Dodhoh – is a high rank person who searches for justice, receives the letters of complaints and gives reports on their accomplishments.
these territories captured by the khanate. As a result, the representative of “taghlik” (i.e. mountaineers) – Yusuf Kashgari obtained authority among the statesmen and militants.

Even Umar-khan became a relative through marital links between his son Muhammad Ali-khan and Yusuf Kashgari’s daughter. Step by step, Yusuf Kashgari begun to play a major role not only in military things, but also in state and social affairs. As sources say, when Umar-khan died, Yusuf Kashgari headed royal burial ceremonies. On this occasion, the 19th century historian wrote the followings: “The father-in Law of Muhammad Ali, Yusuf Mingbashi taghlik was respected leader and adviser for all commanders and state officials. For security and defense purposes only after he had placed suitable men in the surroundings of the throne, declared the death of Umar-khan to the public. On that day as if little resurrection day, all the people – aristocrats and the ordinaries, commanders and ministers, the rich and the poor were in mourning for Umar-khan, due to thousands of men rushing in the streets (i.e. crowded - Sh.K) Yusuf mingbashi with difficulties brought it to the royal burial place and buried near the parents51. When Umar-khan died his son was 14 years old. Yusuf mingbashi put him in the throne officially, but in fact governed the state himself. But, Muhammad Ali-khan in the fifth year of his reign, due to disagreements with his father-in Law, appointed him as a hakim (governor) for Marghilon and later sent him to the pilgrimage (Haj). On the way to Haj, Yusuf Kashgariy died52.

As it’s known, the Ruler of Khokand Khanate – Muhammad Ali-khan (1822-1842) attacked Xinjiang in 1826-182753. But, during the capture of military and administrative castle of Gulbagh, which was built by Chinese Manchurian government, his army had to draw back to the khanate. The troop led by commander Haqquli stayed here for helping to Jahongirkhodja to put down the uprising54. But, 15 days later Haqquli mingbashi after invading of the castle of Gulbagh, he also began the expansion to other territories of Xinjiang. But, the Manchurian government rapidly moved from the inner regions of China – Shansu, Gansu, Khaylon, Shandung, Chjaylung together with 36000 soldiers, 20000 military horses, more than 10000 camels – totally of 70000 army began to invade firstly Aksu and later Kashgaria. As a result, 70 000 Uyghur families under the guidance of Haqquli brought to the khanate and placed in different

54 Muhammad Hakimkhontura, Muntahab ut-tavorix – OSI AS RUz, manuscript № 594. – P. 313-a-b

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cities and villages. The historian of Khokand Khanate, Muhammad Solihkhodja in his book “Tarikhi jadidai Toshkand” wrote the followings on the occasion of the housing of migrants in the territories of the Khanate: “Muhammad Ali-khan, khan of Khokand placed 12 600 migrants in Osh, Andijan, Shakhrikhan, Namangan, Marghilan, Turakurgan, Khodjand, Uratepa, Kurama and Tashkent”\(^55\).

There is also information in sources about other “mountaineers” (toghlik) who played great role in political life of the khanate except Yusuf mingbashi. Among them, we can meet the name of Khodja Kalon Kashgari\(^56\), who were the governor of Andijan in 1856-1857, one of state officials of Khokand Khan Malla-khan – Mulla Fathiddin Hakim Kashgari\(^57\) and others are examples for this.

In the last years of the 18th century by the hands of migrants from Khotan there were dug irrigation ditch called Khotanarik\(^58\) (the river) and in the 50-s of the 19th century were built the channel of Chinabad\(^59\). And through these channels were watered arid areas. Besides, this led to the movement of migrants, shortening of cattle fields and the settlement of nomadic tribes of Kipchaks and Kyrgyzs. Some rich men who have more cattle bought their own lands to the migrants from Xinjiang\(^60\). And the nomadic poor population were also became settled by the impact of the settled migrants and local people. Settled migrants also engaged in growing crops. The products of market gardening such as melon, water melon, pumpkin, onion, carrot, the grass of Kashgaria were supplied by them in the markets of the khanate\(^61\). Additionally, this population was also busy with various handicrafts. They bought their hand-made goods in the markets of Osh, Andijan and other cities\(^62\). Migrant gypsies of Kashgaria were involved in making jewelry\(^63\). All the migrants were also actively participated in building the Horde (Residence) of Khudayar-khan of Khokand\(^64\). Among migrants, together with permanent inhabitants living in the territories of the khanate, there were, of course, certain kinds of people who just came to the khanate in the early spring, earned some

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money for their family till the late autumn and went back to homeland. But, migrants were mostly composed of those people who became settled and assimilated with local people. There were regular cultural relation between the migrants and the people of the khanate. As a result of these processes, one may be observed interaction and enriching of cultures to each other. Till now, among the people of Ferghana valley there have been saved the traditions of Uyghur cuisine, kashgarbaldak in jewelry, kashgarian type of terrace and chimney flue in architectures, kashgarian styles in metal carving and pottery which are the results of this.

Thus, the migrants of Xinjiang actively involved in political, socio-economic, cultural life of Khokand Khanate feeling free as the citizens of the khanate. They were as equal to gain certain titles and positions as the other local citizens. They served in the military operations of the khanate. In farming and irrigation works, different areas of handicraft and trade they acted side by side local people. Here it’s crucial and important for our history to investigate thoroughly these relations.

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