
World Bank Raises Uzbekistan GDP Forecast to 6.4% in 2026



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TASHKENT, June 13 — The World Bank has raised its forecast for Uzbekistan’s economic growth in 2026 to 6.4 percent, according to its latest Global Economic Prospects report.

The revised projection is 0.4 percentage points higher than the bank’s January estimate. The report also projects Uzbekistan’s GDP growth at 7.7 percent in 2025 and 6.7 percent in 2027, reflecting

continued economic resilience.

Globally, the World Bank expects economic growth to slow to 2.5 percent this year, citing escalating tensions in the Middle East, rising energy prices, and renewed inflationary pressures.

The report warns that global and regional outlooks remain exposed to significant downside risks.

These include a potential escalation of conflicts in the Middle East, tighter global financial conditions, and ongoing uncertainty in international trade policies.

Despite these challenges, Uzbekistan's upgraded outlook reflects stronger-than-expected performance and reform-driven growth momentum in key sectors of its economy.

The World Bank emphasized that sustained stability and policy consistency will be essential for maintaining growth momentum in the medium term, particularly amid an increasingly uncertain global environment.