
UZBEKISTAN TO ESTABLISH FREE TRADE ZONES ON BORDER WITH KYRGYZSTAN

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Uzbekistan plans to create trade and industrial zones on its border with Kyrgyzstan, President Shavkat Mirziyoyev announced during a meeting on April 16. These zones aim to strengthen economic ties and boost bilateral trade between the two nations.

Approximately \$200mn worth of exports are made annually from Uzbekistans Andijan region to Kyrgyzstan. The president emphasized the need for free trade and industrial zones in the Kurgan-Tepa and Khojaabad areas, mirroring the successful model used on the Afghan border.

To move forward with the plan, President Mirziyoyev instructed officials, in consultation with local entrepreneurs, to select one of these two areas and develop a detailed master plan for its development.

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