**Speech by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan H.E.Mr.Shavkat Mirziyoyev at the second International Summit "Partnership for Green Growth and Global Goals - 2030" (P4G)**

**Dear Summit Participants! Ladies and Gentlemen!**

First of all, I would like to express my gratitude to President of the Republic of Korea H.E.Moon Jae-in for the invitation to take part in this important event.

We welcome and highly appreciate the initiatives and efforts of our Korean partners in solving acute problems of sustainable development and promoting the “green” agenda at the global level.

Taking this opportunity, I sincerely congratulate all of you, and especially H.E.Mr. Ban Ki-moon, on the 10th anniversary of the Global Green Growth Institute.

Dear forum participants!

The pandemic has shown how interrelated human health and the state of the environment, as well as economic and social progress.

We can no longer ignore the signals that nature itself sends us.

Unfortunately, climate change is increasing. In Central Asia, the average annual temperature over the past 30 years has increased by about 1 degree.

We are deeply concerned about the decline in the flow of major rivers and biodiversity in our region. The problems of greenhouse gases and large-scale air pollution are aggravated.

No one doubts that countries' actions to achieve green development goals must be more active and more effective. We have no other choice.

In Uzbekistan, we started this important work.

We are implementing a comprehensive Strategy for the transition to a "green" economy, as well as the Program for the Development of Renewable and Hydrogen Energy.

As part of the Paris Agreement, we pledged to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 10 percent by 2030.

We were the first in the region to join the Global Green Growth Institute and intend to open its office in Uzbekistan.

Answering your question, I would like to outline the key areas of cooperation for us in the field of green recovery.

**First.** Overcoming the global consequences of the Aral Sea disaster through the widespread introduction of "green" technologies.

On this issue, we intend to actively cooperate with our partners, including within the framework of the specially created UN Trust Fund and at the P4G platform.

I am grateful for the support of our initiative with the recently adopted special UN resolution declaring the Aral Sea region a zone of environmental innovations and technologies.

**Second.** Aspiration for achieving carbon neutrality through the development of “green energy”.

We have started the implementation of large projects for the construction of solar and wind power plants. We intend to more than triple the share of renewable energy sources in the next ten years.

In addition, we are closely cooperating with neighboring states in the development of the large hydropower potential of our region.

We are ready to hold an international conference "Green Energy for Developing Countries" in Uzbekistan next year.

**Third.** We propose to launch a special program to involve young people in building a "green" economy.

This will allow in the future to form a culture of "green" consumption.

**Fourth.** We support the establishment of close cooperation to support the growing confidence of the financial sector and investors in green technologies.

To this end, Uzbekistan is ready to join the P4G partnership and become its full-fledged participant.

In conclusion, I want to express my confidence that the results of today's summit will serve to expand our practical cooperation within the framework of this important international environmental platform.

I wish you all the best.

Thank you for attention.