

Brief information about the project

Title	AP25796507 «The post-penitentiary period of reintegration into Kazakhstan's society of individuals influenced by the ideology of religious extremism».
Relevance	<p>This scientific project is relevant due to its focus on identifying effective pathways for the successful reintegration of Kazakhstan's citizens into society after serving criminal sentences within the penitentiary system, particularly those who have been influenced by the ideology of religious extremism. In Kazakhstan, offenses related to religious extremism, terrorism, and the incitement of interreligious conflict have become a persistent issue. As a result, one of the pressing challenges today is the reintegration of individuals affected by extremist ideologies during the post-penitentiary period. This project is the first of its kind to explore the reintegration of individuals influenced by religious extremism ideologies within the territory of Kazakhstan. Due to the lack of scientific research on the reintegration of these individuals into society, there is a scarcity of information regarding the current state of affairs, existing challenges, and future prospects in this area. The state provides rehabilitation and reintegration services to individuals influenced by extremist ideologies through specialized centers in designated regions. However, since the impact of these centers on the reintegration of individuals during the post-penitentiary period has not been scientifically studied, the issues and advantages of their operations remain unknown. The project's main goal stems from the issues observed in the reintegration of individuals influenced by religious extremism in Kazakhstan. The project's objective is to study the social and psychological adaptability of Kazakhstan's citizens, influenced by religious extremism, in terms of their reintegration into society, assessing parameters such as loyalty to secular principles, national values, the state's political-legal system, and religious pluralism. Based on this analysis, the project aims to offer effective solutions and perspectives for the state in addressing these challenges. The methodological foundations of the research are built on principles of scientific rigor, systematicity, evidence, and objectivity. The project's execution relies on general scientific and sociological methods, while its theoretical framework is developed through an interdisciplinary analysis of relevant scholarly concepts. The research strategy is tied to uncovering the causal relationships related to the reintegration of individuals influenced by extremist ideologies during the post-penitentiary period. To implement this strategy, theoretical work will employ conceptual, systematic, and interdisciplinary approaches, while empirical data collection and analysis will be guided by sociological, comparative, and deterministic methods. The validity of the scientific research results is ensured by adherence to scientific principles and standards, the systematization of theoretical and methodological foundations, and the quantitative and qualitative analysis of empirical data collected from all regions of Kazakhstan. The research</p>

	<p>findings will be disseminated through articles, monographs, educational materials, and methodological guidelines. The results of the project are important for deepening scientific knowledge on the reintegration of individuals influenced by extremist ideologies during the post-penitentiary period, as well as for assessing, predicting, and improving the situation. More broadly, the project's outcomes aim to enhance social stability in Kazakhstan, strengthen interreligious harmony, and reduce extremist threats. The impact of the research will extend to several organizations, providing methodological guidance to both national and local religious institutions, serving as a resource for lectures and scientific inquiries at universities, and supplying scientific research institutes with theoretical, methodological, and empirical data for further research in the field of religious studies.</p>
Goal	<p>To examine parameters such as the socio-psychological adaptability of individuals influenced by the ideology of religious extremism during their post-penitentiary reintegration into Kazakh society, their loyalty to secular principles and religious pluralism, and to propose effective solutions to the state regarding their issues.</p>
Tasks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To identify conceptual scientific approaches, methods, and both historical and contemporary, foreign and domestic issues related to the post-penitentiary socio-cultural, psychological, and political-legal reintegration process of individuals influenced by religious extremism ideology. This will be done by reviewing the theoretical and methodological foundations within the fields of religious studies, sociology, political science, and psychology. The project will also consider the views, research methods, and issues of domestic scholars within this topic. 2) To study the experiences, legal frameworks, advantages, and challenges of foreign countries in managing and developing the socio-cultural, psychological, and political-legal reintegration process for individuals influenced by religious extremism ideology during the post-penitentiary period. 3) To collect and analyze empirical data on the socio-cultural and psychological reintegration process of individuals influenced by the ideology of religious extremism into Kazakhstan's society, national values, and political-legal system. This will involve conducting interviews with those affected by religious extremism ideology and expert interviews with domestic scholars on the subject. 4) To analyze the experience of relevant state institutions in the Republic of Kazakhstan in managing the socio-cultural, psychological, and political-legal reintegration process of individuals influenced by extremist religious ideologies during the post-penitentiary period. This will include conducting expert interviews with responsible professionals from relevant government bodies, reviewing documents, and monitoring their services.

	<p>5) Based on the results of the research, to determine effective solutions and future prospects for addressing issues related to the socio-cultural, psychological, and political-legal reintegration of individuals influenced by extremist religious ideologies during the post-penitentiary period in Kazakhstan and to formulate recommendations.</p> <p>6) To provide the developed religious studies knowledge and prepared recommendations to relevant state bodies, publish the results in scientific journals, and release the findings in a monograph to make them accessible to both domestic and foreign scholars.</p>
Expected and Achieved Results	<p>Regarding the implementation of the project's results on the reintegration of individuals influenced by the ideology of religious extremism during their post-penitentiary period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The contribution of a postdoctoral researcher proposed for publication by at least two professors holding a scientific title and/or a Doctor of Science degree should include at least 1 (one) monograph of no less than 6 p. p.; - At least 5 (five) articles and/or reviews in peer-reviewed foreign and/or domestic publications recommended by the CCSES of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan. <p>1) Obtaining 1 patent from the Kazakh or Eurasian patent office is planned.</p> <p>2) Dissemination of the work results among potential users, scientific communities, and the general public: methodological materials and monographs will be distributed to 6 higher education institutions in Kazakhstan that train specialists in religious studies and national scientific and technical libraries. Methodological materials will be distributed to the departments or centers of religious affairs management established in the regions of Kazakhstan.</p>
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Patent information	It is planned to submit an application for obtaining the patent to the Kazakhstan or Eurasian patent offices.

