An order was signed on additional measures to ensure the rational use of water resources

President Ilham Aliyev has signed an order on additional measures to ensure rational use of water resources. The order says that important work has been done in the field of water supply, which is one of the main areas of infrastructure construction in the country. In this direction, with the direct support of the state, major projects have been implemented to create new reservoirs and expand the network infrastructure. Due to the measures taken, the development of the water management system has been accelerated, the supply of uninterrupted drinking water and irrigation system in Azerbaijan, which has limited fresh water resources, has been significantly improved and modernized.

The country's scarce freshwater resources, global climate change and rising average temperatures in recent years, a significant reduction in surface water resources, river and precipitation, mainly from neighboring countries, on the other hand, rapid population growth, rising living standards, the country's economy, The increase in demand for water as a result of the development of agriculture, the expansion of arable land, irrigation and drinking water supply networks requires the implementation of urgent measures to ensure water security in the country.

Given the limited water resources, taking into account the new economic challenges, the country's water supply system should be further improved, compatible with the development of the ecosystem, and the introduction of innovations for this purpose should be encouraged.

“Taking into account the existing water shortage in the country and the situation in reservoirs, in order to increase water resources, improve the supply of drinking water and irrigation water to consumers, I decide, guided by paragraph 32 of Article 109 of the Constitution of the Republic of Azerbaijan: To approve “The action plan on ensuring efficient use of water resources for 2020-2022” (is applied). The Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan: 2.1. to approve the water balance of the country for the last three years on the basis of the actual, expected and forecast indicators of the current year for the last three years; 2.2. In accordance with the third part of Article 97 of the Water Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, ensure the organization of accounting for paid water use among economic entities; 2.3. to resolve other issues arising from this Order.

Commission established by the Order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated April 15, 2020 No. 1986 “On measures to ensure the efficient use of water resources” (hereinafter - the Commission): 3.1. to coordinate the activities of state bodies (institutions) during the implementation of the Action Plan approved by Part 1 of this Order and to provide regular information to the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the results of the work done; 3.2. to ensure cooperation with scientific institutions (organizations), specialists, non-governmental organizations, international experts and international financial institutions in order to ensure efficient and economical use of water resources in the fields of irrigation, drinking water supply, energy and industry.”

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President Ilham Aliyev has issued an order on additional measures to ensure efficient use of water resources

APA reports that according to the decree, the "Action Plan for 2020-2022 to ensure the efficient use of water resources" was approved. The Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall annually approve the water balance on the basis of actual, expected and next year’s forecast indicators for the last three years, in accordance with the third part of Article 97 of the Water Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan. within two months and ensure the organization of accounting for paid water use among economic entities in accordance with these rules.

The Commission established by the Order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated April 15, 2020 No. 1986 "On measures to ensure the efficient use of water resources" shall coordinate the activities of state bodies (institutions) during the implementation of the Action Plan approved by this Order. Provide regular information to the President, cooperate with scientific institutions (organizations), specialists, non-governmental organizations, international experts and international financial institutions in order to ensure efficient and economical use of water resources in the fields of irrigation, drinking water supply, energy and industry.

Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the state cadastre of lands and the state register of real estate in connection with the implementation of the measures provided for in paragraphs 4.5, 4.6, 5.1, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5 of the Action Plan approved by this Order ensure the submission of relevant information to "Azmelsutasarjuat" OJSC and "Azersu" OJSC, together with the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Azerbaijan submit to the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan proposals on financial resources required for the implementation of measures provided for in this Order; . Azercosmos Open Joint Stock Company must provide the necessary support for the Commission’s activities related to the assessment of water resources and their efficient use through satellite services.
President Ilham Aliyev has assigned an order on additional measures to ensure efficient use of water resources

AZERTAC reports that the decree notes that important work is being done in the field of water supply, which is one of the main areas of infrastructure construction in the country. It is noted that large-scale projects have been implemented in this direction with the direct support of the state to create new reservoirs and expand the network infrastructure. Due to the measures taken, the development of the water management system has been accelerated, the uninterrupted supply of drinking water to the population and the irrigation system have been significantly improved and modernized. The document emphasizes that the country's freshwater resources, global climate change and rising average temperatures in recent years, a significant decrease in surface water resources, river water and precipitation, mainly from neighboring countries, on the other hand, rapid population growth, rising living standards, The increase in demand for water as a result of the development of the economy, including agriculture, the expansion of arable land, irrigation and drinking water supply networks, requires the implementation of urgent measures to ensure water security of the republic. Given the limited water resources, taking into account the new economic challenges, the country's water supply system should be further improved, compatible with the development of the ecosystem, and the introduction of innovations for this purpose should be encouraged.

According to the decree, the "Action Plan for 2020-2022 to ensure the efficient use of water resources" was approved in order to increase water resources, improve the supply of drinking water and irrigation water to consumers, taking into account the shortage of water in the country and the situation in reservoirs. The Cabinet of Ministers has been instructed to approve the water balance of the country every year on the basis of the actual of the last three years, the expected of the current year and the forecast of the next year. Relevant instructions were also given to the special commission, the Ministries of Economy and Finance, and Azercosmos Open Joint-Stock Company was established to ensure the efficient use of water resources, improve the management of water resources and coordinate activities in this field.
10 new reservoirs to be created in Azerbaijan - LIST

The Action Plan for Ensuring the Rational Use of Water Resources for 2020-2022, signed today by President Ilham Aliyev, reports on the creation of 10 new reservoirs in Azerbaijan. According to the document, reservoirs intended for the accumulation of water from mountain rivers should be created in accordance with the relief:

- Alinjachai reservoir
- Gudiyalchay reservoir
- Vyalyachay reservoir
- Garachay reservoir
- Gusarchay reservoir
- Agsuchay reservoir
- Turyanchay reservoir
- Yengijay reservoir
- Vilyashchay reservoir
- Zeyamchay reservoir.

OJSC "Azmelsutəsərrüfat", the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, the Ministry of Emergency Situations in 2020-2021 must ensure the preparation of a feasibility study and implementation of design in order to increase water resources in the country and create reservoirs in accordance with the relief for the accumulation of water from mountain rivers.
Proposals on the use of Caspian Sea water will be prepared

Proposals on the use of alternative sources, including groundwater, treated waste, collector-drainage water, water used in fisheries and water from the Caspian Sea, will be submitted to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

This is reflected in the "Action Plan for 2020-2022 to ensure the efficient use of water resources," approved by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated July 27, 2020.

The work will be carried out in August-October 2020 by ANAS, the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, Azmelsutasarrufat OJSC, Azersu OJSC and local executive authorities.