

## Ministry of Transport to be created

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**At the meeting on the issues of improving management in the sphere of road transport, noncompliance with the requirements of procedures for setting tariffs for the provision of passenger transportation services was noted. The gap in the tariffs for bus transportation between the regions is 1.7 times, and in tariffs of fixed-route taxis – more than 6 times.**

The Cabinet of Ministers, the Ministry of Finance, the Uzbek Agency for Automobile Transport and the State Competition Committee have been instructed to improve the procedure for state regulation of tariffs for the provision of passenger transportation services.

The need for accelerated introduction of information and communication technologies in the field of transport services was noted. Reception of fare is still carried out by an outdated system. The fact that in the city of Tashkent the introduction of an electronic payment system for travel has been slowing down for the third year already was criticized.

At the meeting, issues of improving the infrastructure and the system of transportation of passengers in the capital were discussed. At the bus stops in Tashkent there are no electronic displays with a schedule of bus traffic, free Internet, there is no video surveillance in buses and corresponding mobile applications. To improve the situation, it is necessary to develop a draft concept for a cardinal renewal of the passenger transport system in the city of Tashkent.

It was noted that the Uzbek Agency for Automobile Transport has not yet established the implementation of integrated state policy on development of transport sector. Therefore, it is necessary to organize a state body that will coordinate activities and implement a unified state policy in the sphere of road, rail and air transport, metro and river transport.

Responsible persons have been instructed to introduce proposals on organization of the Ministry of Transport.