Contribution of Special Immigrants from among Chechens and Ingush in the Development of the Karaganda Coal Basin in 1944-1957

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Abstract

In the presented article, employment of Chechens and Ingush on mines of the Karaganda coal basin in the 40th of the XX century is considered. The Soviet state made successful attempts of socialization of Chechens and Ingush in places of their new accommodation. The deported Chechens and Ingush independently could earn to themselves on livelihood and housing, their standard of living gradually increased. Many families built houses, acquired cattle in private use. The author concludes that sharp needs of the regional economy for labor promoted the further accumulation of scales of utilization in the economy of the area of forced labor, special immigrants from the North Caucasus. Their work was actively used on construction of new mines, coal mining, and mining production, in industrial and civil engineering, and other branches of the economy of Kazakhstan. Work allowed them not only gradually to find a difficult financial position but also was the best option of an exit from a moral and psychological depression. Joint work pulled together the people of the North Caucasus with the local population. Compelled to remain in the foreign land, Chechens and Ingush contributed to the economic development of the Central Kazakhstan. The forced production plans were realized by the price of health and life of miners among which there were Chechens and Ingush.

Keywords: special-immigrants, Chechens, Ingush, Karaganda coal basin, mines

1. Introduction

The Karaganda coal basin – one of the world's largest. Its development has begun in 1930. It is one of the most important coalfields of the USSR, the third after Donbass and Kuzbass coal base of the country. In the 1940th years to the Karaganda coal basin was in great need of labor. The arrival of Chechens and Ingush, in some degree, has solved a burning issue of shortage of working hands. At the beginning, labor productivity of the special immigrants working at mines and mines was low. The local management explained it with the lack of experience at such enterprises, low labor discipline, and bad living conditions. However, quickly experience and skills of work on mines, mines, and the enterprises came. Many Chechens began to show good operational performance. For August 1944 on «Stalin-coal», trust executed norm there were 586 people and exceeded – 543 persons. (State Archives of the Karaganda region. F.18).

It is necessary to refer considerable wear of mine machines and the equipment, lag in coal mining mechanization to the number of the difficulties connected with the transition to peaceful work. It was necessary to expand and preparation of qualified personnel, to raise the level of mining works, to improve the organization of work. It was dictated by new problems of post-war development of the pool. The question of preparation and reception of graduates of schools FT (factory training) and vocational schools was particularly acute.

Technical study on the increase of qualifications among special immigrants – Chechens was carried out due to training at Stakhanov schools, technical schools, mastering of technical school and individually – brigade form of education. Among them, 220 people have passed factory training and have gone to work for production on the professions.

From the first days of the fourth five-year period, the Karaganda miners began to be equipped with new equipment. In 1946in some mines work on passing of vertical shafts have been begun that considerably simplified the operation of old mine fund and facilitated work of miners. Besides, expansion of lines of faces was planned, the quantity of lavas with 168 to 263 increased. (Archive of Karagandaugol combine. P. № 512) "For implementation of the installed program of work – it is specified in the Law on the fourth five-year plan – in every possible way to mechanize labor-intensive processes in the coal industry, in particular to provide broad work on mechanization of loading of coal and loading of breed. According to it to increase park of mechanisms in the coal industry by 3 - 4 times in comparison with pre-war level". (The law on the five-year plan for recovery and development of a national economy of the USSR on 1946-1950)

Post-war years for the Karaganda coal basin were for years not only the proliferation of coal mining but also
serious high-quality changes of the technology of underground coal mining. These changes were caused by broad implementation of new machines, advanced conveyors, powerful electric locomotives, shunting winches, the beginning of application of metal fastening in clearing and development workings. The mechanized loading of coal on mines of Karaganda has begun in 1945 and made 2.4% of all underground coal mining. (Archive of Karagandaugol combine. Item 682. 29)

The Karaganda coal basin has nominated outstanding designers. In 1945, the mechanic of mine No. 31 S. S. Makarov on the basis of KPM-1 GTK-3 And cutting machines had created the multiple motor coal combine for powerful layers thanks to which implementation 18 workers were released. In 1948 S. S. Makarov has designed the bulk machine. The chief of the Winner of the State Award mine No. 31 L. V Egorov has designed and has constructed the bulk machine - a coal-bulk plow. This plow was especially effective on low-power layers of bastard coals where the combine gave small productivity. The combine made a compilation of cutting machines and carried out three operations - the sub cabin, breaking ground and loading of coal on the conveyor.

The new equipment in combination with the advanced methods of the organization of work has given the chance substantially to mechanize the most hard, laborious works in mines, to intensify productions, to increase labor productivity of miners. Miners of coal strip mines have achieved considerable progress.

2. Methods

Implementation of new powerful excavators, bulldozers, dump plows, boring machines have allowed to mechanize labor-intensive processes at open works, to release and transfer hundreds of people to other sites of production, sharply to increase labor productivity.

Fast development of the industry of Karaganda during the post-war period has become possible thanks to dedicated work of special immigrants and creative activity of broad masses, workers of the city.

In 1946 workers of Karaganda have joined in All-Union socialist competitions and have undertaken not only to execute but also to exceed the production program of the first year of a five-years period. Competition has captured 83.3% of workers of the city. (Socialist Karaganda, 1949)

In People's Commissariat, the enterprises of defense construction where entered Tagillag, Altaylag, Karugol, Kuzbassugol and the industrial defense organizations, was used work of 76060 h. Special immigrants, including – teenagers from 14 to 16 years that on an equal basis with all workers of the enterprises also took equal part in enthusiasm for work of people at large. (Archive of Committee on Legal statistics and special accounting of the Prosecutor General's Office of RK, F.16) The Karaganda group of working class from the origin formed as multinational. In its structure, there were Russians, Ukrainians, Kazakhs, Germans, Poles, Tatars, Chechens, Ingush, etc. It has left a mark, both in the process of forming of working class and on the development of consciousness. Communication of different nationalities in the course of production broke, national isolation, promoted establishment of mutual contacts between workers, rallied them to fight for the rights, laid the foundation of international solidarity and friendship of the people.

Thousands of teenagers – special immigrants worked at the industrial enterprises and mines of Kazakhstan, is frequent even children. For work, they were driven by need, difficult financial position. In March 1947 in Kazakhstan 15133 working teenagers aged from 12 till 16 years were. 858 teenagers from among Chechens and Ingush and 329 from among aged people worked at mines of the Karaganda coal basin, Special immigrants in the Karaganda region (2007).

According to the Karaganda regional management of labor reserve for August 20, 1949, among mobilized there was 475 people of undocumented, 140 teens (the teenagers who have not reached full age mean), 181 people of patients. (State Archives of the Karaganda region.F.1P.)

Hunger, household disorder, dissociation of families, death of relatives, a humiliating brand of “the enemy of the people” - all this was necessary to worry to the Chechen teenagers. Only in the fifties, the policy of the state about them changed. July 5, 1954. The Council of Ministers of the USSR adopted the Resolution "About Removal of Some Restrictions in a Legal Status of Special Immigrants". In a change of the existing order, the appearance on registration in bodies of the Ministry of Internal Affairs was established once a year. Children of special immigrants to 16-summer age were struck off the register in bodies of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. (State Archives of the Karaganda region.F.18.)

In the state archive of the Karaganda region, there is a list of the leaders of socialist competition in honor of Day of the miner presented to rewarding with diplomas of the Central Committee of All-Union Leninist Young Communist League for 1950.

Abdurakhmanov Yakhjya – the mine foreman of mine No. 17 of Kalinin of trust Leninugol. The order of the Ministry
of coal industry USSR №429 - 13.

Sulumanov Hussein – stower plant mines are №6.
Kadyrov Kedar – motor specialist №18.
Tugayev Imran – the chargeman of mine № 41.


On trust Molotovugol.
Iskakov Salamgeray – from highway № 64/83.
Madanov Muhammad – the getter school №33/34
Shepiyev Abu – from school №6
Tsitskiyeva Husaina – a traveling section № 5 on trust Karagandauglerazrez of Art. 45 – the Certificate of appreciation of Ministry of coal industry USSR.

On trust Molotovugol:
Bekmukhamedova Bilal – the drifter school №64/83
Shamisheva Sharipa – the mine foreman school №20 – an encore
Sheripov Imran – the mine supervisor school №50 - 52.

On trust Kirovugol:
Sharipova Damira - sh. №31

The list of the best people in the enterprises of “Karagandauglerazrez” trust represented to rewarding “By a certificate of appreciation Ministry of coal industry USSR ”:
Sarbasov Shaykh, 1924 , the member of All-Union Communist Party (bolshheviks) – the foreman of carmen.
Adamov Ales 1930 – from school № 20 encore. – badge "Excellent student sots. Competitions”.
Akmaletdinov Shamsuddin – the mine foreman 1927 school №44/45. 107% badge "Excellent student sots.

Competitions”.

Madanov Muhammad – from school №33/34.131%.
Murzamanov Hozhakhmed 1901 – from school №42/43. 254%
Shepiyev Abu – from school №6.104%
Kankayev Muhammad 1915– from school №6.117,9%
Tsitskiyev Husain – a traveling section № 5 on trust “Karagandauglerazrez” of 136%
Kamiyev Murat 1929– from school №33/34 126%. (State Archives of the Karaganda region.A.341.).

In post-war years, training of skilled workers for the industry and transport had important value. The state labor reserves were one of the forms of replenishment of working class – in this system the broad preparation of qualified personnel for the leading industries, transport and construction was carried out. Mobilization of youth in FT (factory training) schools, vocational and railway schools was conducted as well as mobilization to labor army, based on government documents. In FT (factory training) schools, the youth was called (a male at the age of 15-17 years and a female at the age of 16-18 years). (Central State Archive of the Republic of Kazakhstan, F.1109).

One of the main defining factors of development of the third coal USSR base was its continuous replenishment by the trained skilled workers and engineering and technical personnel workers. Schools and schools in six years – from 1951 to 1956 have prepared and have transferred to the enterprises of Karagandaugol combine a significant amount of machine operator’s personnel from among Chechens and Ingush. Training of skilled workers directly on mines and plants of the Karaganda coal basin it was carried out in two directions: professional development of employees and training of new personnel. Carrying out historical solutions XX of Congress, and June 1955 of the plenum of the Central Committee of CPSU the Karagandaugol combine in 1956 has achieved improvement of training of skilled workers of personnel. In essence, it was the new grade level of miners. (Party archive of the Karaganda regional committee of the F.172op.2)

Most of Chechens and Ingush have passed technical training; have left seven-year school, secondary school. 50 – The 60th years of last century the Karaganda mines are well known for the implementation of new mountain equipment, the advanced form of the organization of work and the whole hail of world records on coal mining. "You give the world!" – the hottest slogan of that time.

These years the new movement has widely extended certain workers assumed obligations for early implementation of the annual personal plans. The foundation of this movement has been laid by a youth site of mine No. 55 – 57 where Grigory Stepanov was the supervising supervisor.

This initiative has been picked up by young workers of other mines and buildings of the coal basin and became an important form of the fight of masses for the early performance of a five-year period. Getters of mine No. 42/43 Dudarov Anas and Makhayev Makhdi have achieved the daily performance standard for 130%.
In 1950 a breastplate "The excellent student of socialist competition" is awarded by the Ministry of the coal industry of the USSR the foreman of a way of the Mikhaylovsky uglerazrez No. 5 Tsitskiyev Husen Aslambekovich 1930 executed norms for 1950: January – 132%, February – 135%, March – 136%, April – 185%, May – 112%; in only 5 months – 136%. (Karaganda State Archive of the Russian Federation.F.341).

In 1949, the tunneling crew of Dudarov Anas had established an all-Union record on passing. It is the result of the growth of a technological level and creative initiative.

From 1945 to 1958 Dudarov Anas has passed a big labor way. It worked as the getter, the supervisor, the mine supervisor; the assistant to the supervising foreman, from 1955 to 1958 has worked the supervising foreman No. 2. Directing the leading site in difficult mining-and-geological conditions of comrade Dudarov Anas always exceeded the State plan. Proceeding from it the Socialist Karaganda newspaper of August 13 1955goda wrote:

The fourth site of Stalin regional council Ali Saralapov, the worker of a place of loading of coal in railway cars Avkhad Madayev and many other miners enjoys significant authority on mine No. 42/43.

Anas Dudarov even had ten years ago no idea how coal is extracted. He and now remembers how the first time has gone down in mine. Frightening it seemed underground.

– It is unlikely I will master this business – the thought tormented it.

Doubts were vain. Anas Dudarov not only has well studied all mining processes of steep dipping formation but became the commander of the production – the supervising foreman. The second site, which is directed by comrade Dudarov, is one of the front lines on mine. He has organized the development of a lower coat of above average layer, according to the schedule of recurrence. Dredging of coal from steep dipping formation – business hard. Also, comrade Dudarov directs all attention on that in a lava the set operating mode that the defects, which are found when maintaining benches system of production of fuel, were under way eliminated was observed. As a result, following the results of work for July the site has won superiority in competition. He has successfully coped with the standard of recurrence and in a month has given out on – the mountain more than 1,000 tons of coal in excess of the plan. In the first decade of August a lava, it was daily scraped. Best of all the integrated team to Bill Ayubova works at this site. On the watch in honor of the XX Congress and Day of the miner crew of comrade Ayubova daily performs production target for 120%, gives out on – the mountain ten tons of coal in excess of the plan. In response to solutions of Plenum of CPSU, the collective of a site run by comrade Dudarov has undertaken to implement the annual plan of coal mining by Day of the Soviet Constitution. (Socialist Karaganda.13 of August 1955).

Among the staff of mine of t. Dudarov Anas enjoyed big authority, was elected the deputy in the regional council of workers. Was accepted by primary party organization in ranks of members of CPSU from members of All-Union Leninist Young Communist League. Among Chechens and Ingush Anas Mumadovich was one of the advanced propagandists on carrying out party – economic actions. As it is noted in records of the service record, for outstanding merits before the state and staff of mine of comrade Dudarov Anas has repeatedly been marked out by diplomas, monetary and ware values.

August 24, 1951. "For the reached high operational performance in socialist competition by day of the Miner" the Certificate of Honor awards comrade Dudarov.

"The committee of a labor union, the party organization and administration of mine No. 42/43 award the Certificate of honor of Comrade Dudarov Anas, as the best worker who has caused a stir in socialist competition in 1953."

August 24, 1954. "For the reached high operational performance in socialist competition by day of the Miner of comrade Dudarov Anas is awarded the Certificate of Honor.

April 27, 1956. "For achievement of high operational performance on a site in premay
Socialist competition is supervising foreman No. 2 of mine No. 42/43 companion Dudarov Anas is awarded by the certificate of honor.

On November 19, 1957 “the Central Committee of All-Union Leninist Young Communist League awards the present diploma of Dudarov Anas – the supervising foreman of mine No. 42/43, for the high operational performance reached in socialist competition in honor of the 40th anniversary of the Great October Socialist revolution”.

From the protocol of the Joint meeting of Stalin RKSU and trust Stalinugol of July 10, 1955:

Provide to Karagandaugol combine and the Karaganda regional committee of a labor union on the award of red banners, as satisfied conditions on All-Union socialist competition: The first place a site No. 2 of mine No. 42/43 – the supervising foreman of t. Dudarov Anas, chairman of Professional Committee of t. Tasukhanov, who has implemented the plan of coal mining for 120.8%, the standard of recurrence for 110.4%, labor productivity for 125.5% at the average performance of norms for 130%. (PMA 2009-Field material of the author)

On January 9, 1957, the Decree of the Supreme Council of the USSR (State Archive of the Russian Federation.F.7523) and Presidium of the Supreme Council of RSFSR (Repressed people of Russia: Chechens and
Ингуш, 1994) о том, что возвращение автономии ЧИАССР было проведено. Впоследствии, при поручении Министра внутренних дел Карастана было подписано решение, что Анан Ануфров является лицом, признанным в качестве руководителя работ в угольной промышленности в период выполнения пятилетних планов после войны. Чечи и Ингуши достигли не только лучших результатов, но и выполнения целей по установлению в ЧИАССР.

Алан Кадыров, одна из групп проработавших на угольной промышленности, получила высший приз за успешное выполнение плана. Во время выполнения пятилетних планов Чечи и Ингуши достигли не только лучших результатов, но и выполнения целей по установлению в ЧИАССР. Имран был переведен в угольную промышленность Чечной, где он работал с другими 124 Чечами. С началом пятилетних планов Чечи и Ингуши оставили за собой прошлые времена и начали работать в новых условиях. Это привело к тому, что многие работники были награждены медалями и званиями. 

В начале 1960-х годов Чечи и Ингуши были переведены в другие регионы, где они продолжали работать в угольной промышленности, способствуя развитию экономики. Но несмотря на все трудности, они продолжали зарабатывать на жизнь и поддерживать семью.

Работники угольной промышленности склонились перед их трудом и решением об их награждении. В то время как многие работники были переведены в другие регионы, Чечи и Ингуши продолжали работать в угольной промышленности, продолжая свою работу.

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Chechens have been nominated to senior positions: Mutushev Nazhumurda, Kachuyev Vakh are transferred from drifters by foremen, Magomadov, Khasbulatov and Hamzayev are appointed from the shift foreman by supervising foremen. Mine supervisors Zhumaralayev, Masayev, Dzhabarov, Makhayev, Mezhidov working as drillers became shift foremen. Thus, work of Chechens and Ingush in the system of Karagandaugol combine – a striking example of their participation in the implementation of production plans of the Soviet five-year periods. In the beginning, labor productivity of the special immigrants working at mines and mines was low. The local management explained it with the lack of experience at such enterprises, low labor discipline, and bad living conditions. However, gradually experience and skills of work on mines, the businesses and mines came. Many of them the honest work have achieved recognition not only in the collective but also beyond its limits. Some Chechens became example samples about which infrequently but mentioned in the press. Government awards have marked some of them out. The leaders of the area noted the presence of Stakhanovites and drummers from among Chechens and Ingush at the enterprises of the Karaganda coal basin.

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Abdurakhmanov Yakhyja - the mine supervisor of coalpit №17 of Kalinin of trust Leninugol. Order of the Ministry of the coal industry of the USSR No. 429-13 Moscow, 8 August 1953.

Suleymanov Husain – the brusher of workshop of mine No. 6
Kadyrov Kedar – a motor specialist of mine No. 6
Tugayev Imran – the chargeman of mine No. 41

The order of the Ministry of the coal industry of the USSR No. 491-14-13 Moscow, on August 14, 1950 on trust Leninugol the Excellent Student of Socialist Competition of the Ministry of the Coal Industry of the USSR Badge of Iskakov Ahmed – the getter of mine No. 49.

On trust Isakov Selim's Molotovugol - from mine No. 64/83
Madenov Muhammad - the getter of mine No. 33/34
Shatimov Abu - the getter of mine No. 6
On trust Karagandauglerazrez of Art. 45
Tsitskiyeva Husaina – a traveling section No. 5
Certificate of appreciation of the Ministry of the coal industry of the USSR of trust Molotovugol
Bekmukhamedova Belasha – the drifter of mine No. 64/83
Shamisheva Sharipa - the mine foreman of mine No. 20 – an encore
Sheripova Alikhamida - the mine foreman of mine No. 50/52
on trust Kirovugol
Sharipov Tagir - the getter of mine No. 31
The list of the best people in the enterprises of Karagandauglerazrez trust represented to rewarding with "A certificate of appreciation of the Ministry of the coal industry of the USSR"

Sarbassov Shaykh, 1924, a member of All-Union Communist Party (bolsheviks) foreman of Carmen.

The list of the workers represented to rewarding with a badge "The excellent student of socialist competition of municipal unitary enterprise" in Stalinugol trust of Karagandaugol combine

Adamov Elie, 1930 - the mine foreman of mine No. 20 - 124%
Akhmetdinov Shamsutdin, 1927 – the mine foreman у.№44/45 - 147%
Madenov Muhammad, 1920 the non-party - the getter of mine No. 33/34 - 131%
The list of workers, ITR and the serving mines and enterprises of Kirovugol trust provided to rewarding with the Sign "Excellent Student of Socialist Competition."

Murzamanov Hozakhmed 1901 an indicator of the executed norm of 1950 of 254% in 5 months a medal. "For valorous work in the Second World War in 1941-1945".
Shaytilov Abu 1905 the getter "For labor difference" 104%
Kankayev Muhammad 1915 getter medal "For Labour Valour", medal. "For valorous work in the Second World War in 1941-1945" 117,9%
Tsitskiyev Abdoul 1911 the getter "For labor valor" 126%

3. Results and Discussions

The biography of each of them is a biography of the worker of the country in which dedicated work is the highest merit of
the person before the people. They the work laid the foundation of the industrial power of the Soviet state, were initiators of the all-Union movement for the early performance of tasks of the first five-years periods. Chechens and Ingush were irreplaceable workers on mines. They have mastered a set of adjacent professions. Among them were: blasters, the foreman, brushes, getters, surveyors who have brought the work not one medal and ranks of the Hero of Socialist Work to figureheads.

Certainly, occupation by work, work in spheres of production gave the chance to special immigrants to correct the situation, to come nearer at least to the minimum opportunities of satisfaction of the requirements. Participation of Chechens and Ingush in public life together with other special immigrants promoted the improvement of their situation in society, change in their relation to life, forming of national consciousness.

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