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TAX POLICY OF UKRAINE: NATIONAL FEATURES AND DIRECTIONS OF IMPROVEMENT

Annotation: The role of the tax system and tax policy, basic principles and types of taxes are analyzed. The directions of tax policy improvement will be determined, which will contribute to the effective development of the national economy

Keywords: tax system, tax policy, taxation, improvement, indirect taxes, direct taxes, fees.

Taxation is an important element of state regulation of the economy and the formation of the revenue side of the budget, because it is through taxes that economic relations and the interests of the state, regions, citizens and businesses are regulated. Tax policy is the basis for ensuring the functioning of expenditures and therefore is an important component of economic development and a way to attract investment to Ukraine. a set of tax relations that are mediated by the financial authorities that provide tax administration, and are manifested in specific forms of taxation. It is determined not only by the set of taxes and fees, but also by the principles of construction, which are enshrined in the Tax Code of Ukraine.

The tax system of Ukraine consists of national and local taxes and fees. National taxes include fees and charges that are mandatory for payment throughout Ukraine, except as provided by the Tax Code. Local taxes and fees are set in accordance with the list and within the limits of rates by decisions of village, settlement and city councils within their powers, and are mandatory to be paid on the territory of the respective territorial communities.

The modern national tax system and policy are characterized by complexity and inefficiency. The reason for this is a number of problems, including uneven tax burden, fiscal orientation of tax instruments, instability of tax legislation, inefficiency of tax benefits and many other problems. Inefficient tax policy not only does not contribute to the development of the economy, but also hinders its modernization, which indicates the need to improve the existing tax system and tax policy. In recent years, there has been a tendency in the tax system to increase the share of direct taxes, which is in line with the practice of developed countries. Although indirect taxes are convenient for fiscal authorities from the point of view of their collection, their payment becomes a burden for the final consumer.

The main directions of reforming the tax policy of Ukraine are:

- the direction of tax policy to ensure the effective development of the national economy (reduction of tax rates and reduction of total taxes); according to household incomes (which will help reduce tax evasion and increase budget revenues),
- simplification of the tax system (tax collection should be convenient and understandable for all taxpayers);

- reduction of fiscal pressure, while reducing corporate income tax rates and VAT;
- reducing the tax burden among indirect taxes, increasing the value of local taxes in the structure of local budget revenues;
- democratization of the tax service of Ukraine (changing the ideology of its operation based on tax service reform).

Conclusions. The current state and functional significance of tax policy does not meet the democratic principles and demands of sustainable development. Improvement of tax policy should be carried out in the areas of reducing fiscal pressure and tax burden, aimed at the effective development of the state economy.

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