SUMMARY

Subject matter: Forms and methods of small business support in agriculture at the municipal level (by the example of the urban settlement Shali of the Shali municipal district of the Chechen Republic of the Russian Federation).

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Information about customer organization: The City Hall of Shali.

Topicality of the research: The need for formation of small business as a new organizational and economic structure in the municipalities of various forms (both urban and rural areas), which economy has a clear agricultural orientation, is due to the fact that many large collective farms, livestock farms and other structures of epy Agro-industrial complex did not pass the tests during the reform period. This is largely due to the lack of funding by the state the agricultural enterprises, and the development of small business is one of the main sources of attracting private capital investment in this sector of the economy, i.e. the vacant niche in the economic system of the production of meat and dairy products and plant products small businesses in the face of farming farms and homesteads have taken.

Objective of the research: is to deepen the theoretical knowledge in the field of small business development in the agricultural sector, as well as to develop practical proposals for the improvement of local government activity, aimed at stimulating of the creation and development of forms of small business in the agricultural sector.

Tasks of the research:

• to explore the essence of small business;

• to reveal the peculiarities of small farms in the agricultural sector;
• to examine the international experience of small business development in agriculture;
• to define the role and place of small businesses in agriculture of the urban settlement Shali of the Shali municipal district of the Chechen Republic;
• to analyze the main activities of local authorities of urban settlement Shali in supporting of small businesses in agriculture;
• to substantiate the complex of measures which offer positive prospects in the development of agricultural small businesses in the urban settlement of Shali.

Theoretical and practical significance: The theoretical significance of the research is to deepen the theoretical knowledge about the nature of small business and its features in the agricultural sector.

Practical significance. A set of measures to stimulate the development of small business in the agricultural sector formulated by the author can be used in the activities of local governments of those municipalities which economy has a strong agricultural orientation.

Results of the research: Small business in agriculture of the town of Shali plays an important role.

The predominant form of the activities of small agricultural businesses in the urban settlement Shali is the peasant farm.

The structural division of the City Hall of urban settlement Shali on the execution of functions including the support and development of small business is the department of economy, trade and business.

The main tool to support the development of small business in the city including the agricultural sector is a short-term municipal target program "The development of small and medium business in the urban settlement Shali in 2014".

Among other instruments to support small business development in agriculture in the city should be noted, first of all: the creation of electron- trade
register of entrepreneurs; the placement on the official website of the City Hall of urban settlement Shali and the newspaper "Zaman" lists of necessary legal documents for the implementation of activities and registration of real estate rights of small businesses; the development of mandatory reporting form "On sowing of spring crops" for small businesses in agriculture.

**Recommendations:** In order to strengthen and enhance the effectiveness of small business development in the agricultural sector requires the following activities: the active participation and ownership of local governments in the development and implementation of municipal programs of small business development; the access of the farms of rural population to the credit resources through the introduction of new highly standardized loan products for small businesses; the effective interaction of small business with large and medium-sized enterprises; the improving of the competitiveness of products, works and services of small business through the development of small innovative businesses.