

## Tajikistan Champions Say: NO TB

31 July 2019, Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The Stop TB Partnership Tajikistan, with the support of Stop TB Partnership, convened an advocacy meeting in Dushanbe (Dior Venue, Varzob Gorge). The event aimed at sensitizing celebrities and prominent people on TB and celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Stop TB Partnership Tajikistan.



The event was attended by more than 100 people, including celebrities, TB Ambassadors, journalists, comedians, athletes, and TB survivors among others. Dr Aslidin Rajabzoda, Director of Republican Centre for Protection of Population from TB and Dr Viorel Soltan from The Stop TB Partnership also joined the event.

“If we waste time, time will kill us,” said Dr Aslidin Rajabzoda. “What we need to end TB is speed, courage, unshakable will, endurance, wisdom, intelligence, conscience, justice, unity, confidence, knowledge and understanding of the nature of this disease—if people come together to fight TB, they can bring all these qualities”.



The event was graced by the Stop TB -Tajikistan Ambassador and popular singer Shabnami Surayo, comedians Gharibsho & Jamshedi Halim, messages from Olympic Champions - Mrs Mazvuna Chorjeva and Dilshod Nazarov, and film/theatre actor Nurullo Abdulloev. The event followed inspiring words from doctors, TB survivors, ministry representatives and committees who came together to make the event a huge success.

The TB Champions expressed their commitment to end TB: *we stand together to clean our Motherland from TB!*

## Charity Concert



24-26 August 2019, Dushanbe. As part of the initiative “Our champions: NO TB!”, the Stop TB Partnership Tajikistan organized a two-day charity concert in Dushanbe, during which Stop TB Ambassadors, the Stop TB Partnership Tajikistan and personalities like pop singer Shabnami Surayo advocated for “No TB!” in Tajikistan. Celebrities Surayo Qosimova, a famous Tajik singer, and Farzonai Khurshed, a pop singer from the region, also joined Shabnami Surayo at this high-level event.