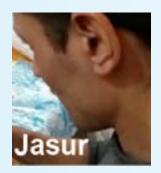


## **Victims Voices: Jasur**

## Jasur received assistance through the NGO 'Istiqbolli Avlod' in Uzbekistan



My name is Jasur, I am 38 years old. Twenty years ago, I studied at a vocational training school to become a cook. I am married and I have 3 children. I wanted to give my children a better future but I earned insufficient wages to provide them with everything they needed. So when my friend offered me a well paid job in a restaurant abroad, I was very happy to take this opportunity to work as a cook in a restaurant and earn more money. Of course I agreed, I thought that I would support my family. I had new dreams and new expectations. I bought a flight ticket

and left my hometown to start working in a restaurant abroad. My passport was kept by the employer during my work. The conditions were very bad, I had to work overtime without days off. After working for one month, I finally asked the employer about my salary but he told me that I had a big debt to cover the accommodation, food and the transport expenses. I had to work for several months in order to be free from all debts. I was tired of working all day without any rest and income. I decided to run away from my employer and go back to my country. Once back home, I was completely lost. I had neither money nor job. My wife heard about the NGO "Istiqbolli Avlod" and advised me to contact this organization in order to receive further support. I visited this organization, received medical support, seasonal clothes, and was offered to follow professional courses free of charge. I was very glad to have an opportunity to study, because it was my dream to improve my skills and I chose the 'Fruit and Vegetable Carving' courses. I finalized the training and received a professional certification. Currently, I am working as a cook in my country. I believe we should never lose hope and always follow our dreams.



