

AZIZA PAPANOVNA ABDIRASULOVA

Aziza Papanovna Abdirasulova was born on 10 March 1958 in the village of Besh-Badam, Leninsky District, Osh Region.

From 1975 to 1978, she studied at the Electromechanical Technical College in the city of Mailuu-Suu. After graduating, she worked as an assembler, technologist, and senior technologist at the electric lamp factory in the same city. In 1984, she obtained a second degree in engineering.



Her human rights work began in 1998, when she published articles on socially significant issues in the newspaper *Res Publica*. From 2000 onwards, she actively participated in peaceful protests against the falsification of elections to the Jogorku Kenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic, for which she was subjected to administrative liability.

In 2002, she defended the rights of local residents affected by the shooting of a peaceful demonstration during the tragic events in Aksy, as one of the human rights defenders who spoke out in their support.

In 2003, she founded the public foundation *Kylym Shamy*, which over the years has become a prominent organisation in the field of human rights protection in Kyrgyzstan and continues to work actively to fulfil its mission.

Aziza Abdirasulova has since then continued to actively help people, defending their rights and interests. She regularly attends court hearings and speaks out in defence of activists, journalists, and citizens whose rights have been violated.

Aziza Abdirasulova has made a significant contribution to the development of the human rights movement in Kyrgyzstan and to strengthening national mechanisms for the protection of human rights.