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Executive Summary

Over the course of several years the Government of Georgia took significant steps to develop rural areas, yet the state policy for rural development was only developed in 2017. The Government of Georgia elaborated the 2017-2020 Rural Development Strategy (hereinafter ‘the Strategy’) and the Action Plan for 2017. These documents represent steps forward in bringing Georgia closer to the European Union. At the same time the Strategy Action Plan for 2018-2020 was developed. The European Union significantly assisted the process within the framework of the European Neighborhood Programme for Agriculture and Rural Development (ENPARD).

The Strategy reflects the Georgian Government’s priorities in all sectoral or multispectral areas related to rural development. The strategy includes three priority areas:

- ✓ economy and competitiveness;
- ✓ social conditions and standard of living;
- ✓ environmental protection and sustainable management of natural resources.

The 2018-2020 Action Plan includes **69 activities** for the year 2018.

The 2018-2020 Action Plan estimated the total budget for the 2018 activities at **558,163,600 GEL**. During the reporting period the actual spending was **682, 821,991 GEL**.

This monitoring report developed based on the Government of Georgia guidelines for policy planning, includes detailed information on the performance of the 2017-2020 Rural Development Strategy Action Plan for 2018-2020 in 2018.

The 2018-2020 Action Plan Performance Indicators for the year 2018:

Priority Area	Objective	Number of activities	Budget estimate for 2018 (GEL)	Budget expenditure for 2018 (GEL)
1. Economy and Competitiveness	1.1. Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	13	107,751,000	145,268,702
	1.2. Diversification of the rural economy through strengthening the agriculture-related value chain and promoting sustainable non-agricultural activities	1	1,800,000	4,269,919

	1.3. Development of rural tourism and related tourist products based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity	5	7,401,000	16,189,560
2. Social Conditions and Standard of Living	2.1. Raising awareness of innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, promoting cooperation by supporting capacity building and employment (especially for youth and women)	9	16,951,600	19,040,355
	2.2. Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies	27	386,075,500	476,765,656
	2.3. Engaging the local population. Increasing involvement of rural population (especially women and youth) in identifying local needs and finding ways for addressing them	1	0	0
3. Environmental Protection and Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improving management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas	10	8,842,500	9,458,813
	3.2. Waste management. Promote sustainable waste management systems in rural areas	1	20,000,000	6,500,000
	3.3. Climate change. Activities used to mitigate the negative impact of climate change. Risk assessment.	2	9,342,000	5,328,986

There are three objectives per each Strategic priority area. Correspondingly, there are nine objectives in total. Indicators for six out of nine objectives (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3) were fulfilled at **more than 100%** compared to the targets. The targets for two objectives (3.1, 3.2) were met at **100%**, while one indicator (3.3) was fulfilled at **88.9%**.

The 2018 Performance Indicators for the 2018-2020 Action Plan

Priority Area	Objective	Target Indicator for the 2018 Objectives	Performance Level for the 2018 Objectives
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1. Economy and Competitiveness	1.1. Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	In 2018 investments are made by at least 300 beneficiaries	In 2018 investments were made by 445
	1.2. Diversification of the rural economy through strengthening the agriculture-related value chain and promoting sustainable non-agricultural activities	In 2018 investments are made by at least 8 nonagricultural enterprises	In 2018 investments were made by 15 nonagricultural enterprises
	1.3. Development of rural tourism and related tourist products based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity	In 2018 investments are made in the development of at least 50 tourism products and infrastructural projects	In 2018 investments were made in 109 tourism products and infrastructural projects
2. Social Conditions and Standard of Living	2.1. Raising awareness of innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, promoting cooperation by supporting capacity building and employment (especially for youth and women)	In 2018 at least 13 104 beneficiaries acquired/improved work-related skills	In 2018 18 452 beneficiaries acquired/improved work-related skills
	2.2. Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies	In 2018 new and/or improved infrastructure became more accessible for at least 96450 rural residents	In 2018 new and/or improved infrastructure became more accessible for 178,401 rural residents
	2.3 Engaging the local population. Increasing involvement of rural population (especially women and youth) in identifying local needs and finding ways for addressing them	In 2018 experience-sharing meetings are conducted with at least 2 community groups	In 2018 experience-sharing meetings were conducted with at least 4 community groups
3. Environmental Protection and Sustainable Management of Natural Resources	3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improving management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas	In 2018 at least 1 additional protected territory is managed in accordance with the management plans	In 2018, 1 additional protected territory was managed in accordance with the management plans

	3.2. Waste management. Promote sustainable waste management systems in rural areas	In 2018 construction of 1 new regional landfill is started	In 2018 construction of 1 new regional landfill was started
	3.3. Climate change. Activities used to mitigate the negative impact of climate change. Risk assessment.	In 2018 4 meteorological and 4 hydrological studies are conducted	In 2018 3 meteorological and 5 hydrological studies were conducted

Priority Area 1: Economy and Competitiveness

The Economy and Competitiveness Priority Area includes 3 objectives and the total of 19 activities. The objectives mainly incorporate activities to be implemented by the state for reviving farms and increasing their competitiveness, as well as for diversifying the rural economy and supporting tourism development.

The total estimated budget for the priority area is **116,952,000** GEL. In 2018 the actual spending was **165, 728, 181** GEL.

Objective 1.1. Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain

1.1 To meet these objectives the total of 13 activities were carried out in 2018, including preferential agricultural loans, the Young Entrepreneur Program, co-funding for storing and processing enterprises, support of beekeeping agricultural cooperatives, introduction of international standards in cooperatives and promotion of their products, capacity building and training for cooperative partners, rational use of state-owned pastures and meadows in high mountainous regions, modernization of agriculture, access to markets and sustainability, construction and rehabilitation of amelioration systems, improvement of irrigation and drainage systems and support of the Georgian tea production. The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture and its agencies carried out all activities aimed at achieving this objectives.

1.1 The budget for activities planned for achieving this objective was estimated at 107, 751,000 GEL.

In 2018 activities aimed at achieving this objective generated the following results:

- ⇒ Funding was provided for 74 startups or existing enterprises for expansion/re-equipment/modernization projects

- ⇒ 114 young entrepreneurs were funded
- ⇒ new orchards with the area of 2,053 hectares were planted/contracted
- ⇒ 10 processing enterprises and 3 storage enterprises were created
- ⇒ 2 local trade fairs were held
- ⇒ Irrigation was improved on the 1,440 hectares of land
- ⇒ The area of regularly irrigated land increased by 6.6 thousand hectares
- ⇒ Rehabilitation of three main canals was completed.

1.1 The budget for activities aimed at achieving this objective was estimated at 107,751,000 GEL. In 2018 the Government spent 145, 268, 702 GEL to accomplish this objective.

- **Activity 1.1.1: Preferential Agricultural Loans**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/NE(NC)LE
Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: support processes of primary production, processing, storage and sales of agricultural products by providing cheap and accessible funding for physical and legal persons

Implemented activities

In 2018 the following changes were made: the Preferential Agricultural Loan Project approved by the January 27, 2014 Decree #139 was amended based on the January 25, 2018 Government of Georgia Decree #182. An additional sub-component was added to the project's Means of Production component to allow purchases of agricultural equipment.

The following activities were carried out:

- ✓ Number of loans - 4,149;
- ✓ Total amount of loans – 271,395,476 and USD 357,380 GEL;
- ✓ Number of startups - 19 (some of these projects were financed not only in 2018, but also in the period of 2013-2017);
- ✓ Number of people employed by startup enterprises - 494 (including 223 seasonal workers);
- ✓ The total of 29,982,365 GEL was invested in startup enterprises.

By adding a new sub-component to the project, beneficiaries were given an opportunity to purchase agricultural equipment (tractors and implements). This allowed them to stay on the agricultural schedule, increase crops and improve their quality.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 the plan for this activity included expansion/re-equipment/modernization of 70 startups or existing enterprises. During the reporting period funding was provided for expansion/re-equipment/ modernization of 74 startups or existing enterprises.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 45,000,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 60,160,000 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.1 Preferential agricultural loans
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 funding will be provided for expansion/re-equipment/modernization of 70 startups or existing enterprises. Financing of co-funded loans will be continued.	Fulfilled: In 2018 funding was provided for expansion/re-equipment/modernization of 74 startups or existing enterprises. Financing of co-funded loans was continued.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>45,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>60,160,000 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.2: The Young Entrepreneur Program**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection of Georgia/NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: promoting economic growth in the regions, developing the private sector, supporting engagement of youth in businesses

Implemented activities

The program started on February 28, 2018. An effective public awareness campaign was conducted to raise awareness of the program: an informational graphics video was developed, about twenty presentations were held in all regions of Georgia. Billboards were set up. The

program implementation team participated in five TV programs to inform the public about the terms of this project.

As a result of the public awareness campaign the applications corresponding to the program budget were shortlisted for the business plan developments stage in three months from the start of the program. Business plans corresponding to the 85% of the program budget were approved. Several local TV companies provided coverage of the beneficiaries' startup businesses.

The following activities were carried out:

- ✓ Number of approved projects - 116;
- ✓ Number of program beneficiaries - 114;
- ✓ Co-funding provided by the Agency for approved projects - 4,979,940 GEL;
- ✓ Total investments in approved projects - 12,789,979 GEL.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to fund 100 young entrepreneurs as a part of this activity. During the reporting period 114 young entrepreneurs were funded (contracts were signed)

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 3,000,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 2,887,795 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.2 Young Entrepreneur Program
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 100 young entrepreneurs will be financed	Fulfilled: In 2018 114 young entrepreneurs were financed
Budget	
Estimated: <u>3,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>2,887,795 Lari</u>

Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed

	Status		X			
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- **Activity 1.1.3: Plant the Future**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: Effective use of agricultural land of Georgia to plant perennial crops thereby substituting imports, increasing export potential and facilitating supply of raw materials to processing enterprises and improving social and economic conditions of rural population.

Implemented activities

In 2018 the program “Plant the Future” underwent changes, more specifically: pistachios and table grapes were added to the list of crops in the Orchard Co-financing Component. Additionally, berries were included in the Orchard Co-financing Component as a sub-component. Through this sub-component individual entrepreneurs and cooperatives of certain municipalities will be given an opportunity to plant blueberry, raspberry and blackberry orchards and receive 100% state financing.

In 2018 actions taken as a part of this activity generated the following results:

- ✓ Number of approved applications (projects) - 302;
- ✓ Total area covered by successful applications - 2,053 ha;
- ✓ Co-financing provided by the Agency for approved projects - 11,923,235 GEL;
- ✓ Area of planted orchards - 2,364 ha

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to plant/contract 1,200 ha of new orchards as a part of this activity. During the reporting period 2,053 ha of intensive and semi-intensive orchards were planted/contracted.

In 2018 the budget for this activity was estimated at 8,000,000 GEL. The actual budget spending was 9, 562, 821 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain

Activity Number and Name	Activity 1.1.3 Plant the Future
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/ NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Performance indicators

Target: In 2018 1,200 ha of new orchards will be planted/contracted	Fulfilled: In 2018 2,043 ha of new orchards were planted/contracted
Budget	
Estimated: 8,000,000 Lari	Actual: 9,562,821 Lari

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.4: co-financing of storage and processing enterprises**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/ NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: establishment of new processing enterprises and rehabilitation of dormant enterprises in municipalities; geographic diversification of processing enterprise; development of sources of raw materials; increasing revenues of rural population.

Implemented activities

In 2018 the Government of Georgia approved project revisions addressing certain technical issues of the project. The Government of Georgia Decree N360, adopted on February 15, 2018 set the application submission deadline on February 28, 2018 for beneficiaries interested in starting storage enterprises in 2018. Co-financing was provided to 8 storage startups based on applications submitted by this deadline. In addition, 5 new processing enterprise projects are implemented.

Despite the fact that the technical assistance component was removed from the project and transferred to the Agency, 8 enterprises received ISO 22000 certificates. To assist the process of introduction of HACCP and ISO 22000 standards, participation of startups in local and international trade fairs was supported.

In 2018 the actions carried out as a part of this activity generated the following results;

- ✓ Number of enterprises - 13;
- ✓ Number of municipalities where new enterprises were created – 11;

- ✓ Number of new projects approved through the Storage and Processing Enterprise Component -13;
- ✓ Total value of approved applications - 17,006,440 GEL;
- ✓ Amount of co-financing provided by the Agency for approved projects - 6,616,384 GEL.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 this activity envisioned support for 8 processing and 8 storage startups, also introduction of HACCP/ISO 22000 standards in at least 12 enterprises. The total of 1,600 persons will be employed by enterprises (including seasonal workers). During the reporting period 13 new businesses were created (10 processing and 3 storage businesses). The ISO 22000 standards were introduced at 8 enterprises. The contracted enterprises employed the total of 1,641 individuals.

In 2018, the budget for this activity was estimated at 5,000,000 GEL. The actual spending was 7,635,335 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.4 Co-financing of storage and processing enterprises
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture/NE(NC)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018: 8 processing and 8 storage enterprises will be created (with the total capacity of 6000-7000 tons); HACCP/ISO 22000 standards will be introduced at least, at 12 enterprises; Over 1 600 persons (including seasonal workers) will be employed by enterprises.	Fulfilled: In 2018: 10 processing and 3 storage enterprises were created; HACCP/ISO 22000 standards were introduced at 8 enterprises; 1,641 individuals were employed by these enterprises (including seasonal workers).
Budget	
Estimated: <u>5,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>7,635,335 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			

Progress evaluation		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.5:** Support for beekeeping agricultural cooperatives

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency

Aim of the activity: improving facilities and equipment of beekeeping agricultural cooperatives, improving quality and enhancing amount of produced honey and other beekeeping products.

Implemented activities

In 2018, two successful agricultural cooperatives were identified within the framework of the Nomadic Beekeeping Program. These cooperatives unite 25 partners. They will receive 3 units of trailers for transporting hives. A market survey was carried out to purchase trailers. However, no time was left for announcing a tender. Correspondingly, the purchase of trailers is planned in 2019.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 this activity envisioned the transfer of about trailers for transporting hives to about 15 cooperatives. During the reporting period, this indicator was not fulfilled.

In 2018, the budget for this activity was estimated at 200,000 GEL. The actual spending was 0 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.5 Support for beekeeping agricultural cooperatives
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency
Performance indicators	

Target: In 2018, about 15 cooperatives will receive trailers for transporting hives			Fulfilled: In 2018, the indicator was not fulfilled			
Budget						
Estimated: 200,000 GEL			Actual: 0 GEL			
Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating				X	
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.6:** introduce international standards in cooperatives and promote their products

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency

Aim of the activity: Ensure safety, traceability, and reliability of groceries produced by agricultural cooperatives and increase their competitiveness

Implemented activities

In 2018 the Agency organized two local trade fairs. 30 agricultural cooperatives participated in each.

Within the framework of the Memorandum of Cooperation concluded with USAID/REAP the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points System – HACCP – was introduced in 3 agricultural cooperatives.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 2 local trade fairs were planned as a part of this activity. During the reporting period 2 local trade fairs were organized. 30 agricultural cooperatives participated in each.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 210,000 GEL. The actual spending was 56, 098 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and

development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.6 Introduction of international standards in cooperatives and promote their products
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 2 local trade fairs will be organized	Fulfilled: In 2018 2 local trade fairs were organized
Budget	
Estimated: <u>210,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>56,098 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.7:** Development of infrastructure of agricultural cooperatives

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency

Aim of the activity: support production of dairy and grape products in Georgia, stimulate milk and grape collecting and processing startups equipped with modern technologies by supporting agricultural cooperatives, increase quality and competitiveness of local products, support improvement of cattle breeds in cooperatives and contribute to the improvement of social and economic conditions of rural residents

Implemented activities

In 2018 19 agricultural cooperatives were financed through this program, including 9 milk and 10 grape processing cooperatives.

The equipment provided through this program to milk producing cooperative will enable them process milk and produce raw cheese. The equipment provided through this program to wine producing cooperative will allow them to process grapes and produce wine products.

Construction of the honey processing plant was completed in village Berbuk, Gori district. The tender for purchasing equipment for the enterprise was completed. The equipment will be provided at the end of April, 2019.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator Fulfillment and budget expenditure

It was planned to provide processing equipment to 15 cooperatives in 2018. It was also planned to build a honey processing plant that would be transferred to a cooperative established by at least 35 cooperatives. During the reporting period processing equipment was transferred to 19 agricultural cooperatives, including 9 milk processing and 10 grape processing cooperatives. A honey processing plant was built in village Berbuki. The interior works are ongoing. The plant will be transferred to the cooperative established by at least 35 cooperatives in 2019.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 5,000,000 GEL. The actual spending was 6,863,037 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.7 Development of infrastructure of agricultural cooperatives
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 processing equipment will be provided to 15 cooperatives. A honey processing plant will be built and transferred to a cooperative established by at least 35 cooperatives.	Fulfilled: In 2018 processing equipment was transferred to 19 agricultural cooperatives, Construction of a honey processing plant was completed and currently interior works are carried out. The plant will be transferred to a cooperative established by at least 35 cooperatives in 2019.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>5,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>6,863,037 Lari</u>

	Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Rating	X				

Progress evaluation		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.8:** Capacity building and training of cooperative partners

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency

Aim of the activity: Improve qualification of cooperative partners in their fields of activity

Implemented activities

In 2018 no actions were taken as a part of this activity.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 the indicators and budget targets were not met. The amount allocated to this program was transferred to other projects. 168 partners received training in beekeeping through cooperation with IFC.

In 2018 the budget for this activity was estimated at 200,000 GEL, while the actual spending was 0 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.8 Capacity building and training of cooperative partners
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 at least 350 cooperative partners will receive sectoral and managerial training	Fulfilled: The indicator was not fulfilled.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>200.000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>0 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating				X	
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status				X	

- **Activity 1.1.9:** Rational use of state-owned pastures and hay meadows in high mountainous regions of Georgia

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency

Aim of the activity: rational use of state-owned pastures and hay meadows; support for the development of animal farming; selection and testing of highly productive cattle breeds; support for the production of local products; improvement of quality and amount of locally produced products; improvement of social and economic conditions of local residents and prevention of migration.

Implemented activities

In Shuapkho village, Ukanapshavi municipality, a milk processing plant is constructed. A tender was conducted to purchase a milk processing line and a contract was signed with the successful company. The company will provide equipment in February 2019. Within the framework of this program 3 additional milk processing plants will be constructed in high mountainous regions in 2019.

In 2018 this program was revised. The total of four enterprises will be constructed instead of one in high mountainous regions. The budget expenditure includes costs of Shuapkho construction and purchase of equipment for 4 enterprises.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to build and equip a milk processing plant for the cooperative operating in Ukanapshavi administrative unit. During the reporting period the construction of the milk processing plant was completed in Shuapkho village, Ukanapshavi municipality.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 1,000,000 GEL. The actual spending was 3,322,945 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.9 Rational use of state-owned pastures and hay meadows in high mountainous regions of Georgia
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agricultural Cooperative Development Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 a milk processing plant will be constructed and equipped for a cooperative operating in Ukanapshavi unit	Fulfilled: In 2018 construction of a milk processing plant in Shuapkho village, Ukanapshavi municipality was completed
Budget	
Estimated: 1,000,000 Lari	Actual: 3,332,945 Lari

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.10:** Modernization, access to markets and sustainability of agriculture

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture

Partner organization: the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Aim of the activity: sustainable growth of rural population’s revenues and poverty reduction

Implemented activities

In 2018 five demonstration plots were arranged: one for laurels, one for vermicompost/compost, one for mini-tiller/vermicompost and two for windbreaks in Kakheti, Shida Kartli, and Samegrelo regions. 27 trainings on various topics (theoretical and practical)

were conducted for 1,023 farmers. Two additional beekeeping demonstration plots are arranged in Kazbegi and Racha.

In 2018 224 small and large grants are awarded through the grants program, out of which 221 grants are for primary production and 3 for processing enterprises.

The table below describes infrastructural projects that are completed, ongoing and planned in 2018. The projects include rehabilitation of irrigation systems, construction/rehabilitation of small village roads and bridges and reconstruction works.

#	Name	Area	Region	Current status
1	Rehabilitation of the Dzevera – Shertuli irrigation system main internal network (lot 3b)	Irrigation	Shida Kartli, Gori, Dzevera	Completed
2	Rehabilitation of the c-3 distribution canal of Tiriponi irrigation system	Irrigation	Shida Kartli, Gori	Completed
3	Rehabilitation of c-3 internal distribution system and c-3-2-1 distribution canal of Tiriponi irrigation system and its other distribution canals	Irrigation	Shida Kartli, Gori	A detailed design is developed
4	Rehabilitation of Kvemo Alazani c-32 distribution canal and other distribution canals.	Irrigation	Kakheti, Gurjaani	Construction works in progress
5	Rehabilitation of Saltvisi irrigation system distributors (alternative and Dzlevijvari canals) and rehabilitation of the internal network.	Irrigation	Shida Kartli, Gori, Kareli	Construction works in progress
6	Rehabilitation/modernization of Kvemo Alazani irrigation system c-35 distribution canal and other distributors.	Irrigation	Kakheti, Gurjaani	The bids are evaluated
7	Rehabilitation of Saltvisi irrigation system c-2 distribution canal and other distribution canals.	Irrigation	Shida Kartli, Gori, Kareli	A detailed project is developed
8	Rehabilitation of Iakublo reservoir	Soil rehabilitation works	Kvemo Kartli, Dmanisi	Tender documentation is developed for construction works
9	Construction of shoreline protectors	Soil rehabilitation works	Kakheti, Lagodekhi, Giorgeti	Completed
10	Development/rehabilitation of windbreak zones	Soil rehabilitation works	Shida Kartli, Gori and Kaeri municipalities	17 landscape rehabilitation plans are developed
11	Actions against land erosion – a	Soil rehabilitation	Shida Kartli, Gori, Variani	Completed

	windbreak zone with the total length of 5,600 meters was planted.	works		
12	Rehabilitation of internal bridges and roads in villages	Minor infrastructure	Shida Kartli (Gori, Kareli), Samegrelo (Khobi)	Construction works are started
13	Rehabilitation of internal roads in villages	Minor infrastructure	Kakheti, Lagodekhi, GIrgeti	Completed

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to improve supply of irrigation water on 1,350 hectares, to carry out soil restoration works at two facilities, to award 40 grants to private persons and 8 grants to agribusinesses; also to arrange 3 demonstration plots and retrain 300 farmers. During the reporting period irrigation water supply was improved on 1,440 hectares throughout Georgia, soil restoration works were carried out at two facilities, 221 grants were awarded to private persons and 3 grants to agribusinesses. 5 demonstration plots were arranged, 1,023 farmers were trained.

The 2018 budget for this activity estimated at 18,675,000 GEL. The actual spending was 12,040,852 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.10 Modernization, access to markets and sustainability of agriculture
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
Partner Organization:	International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 the supply of irrigation water will be improved on 1,350 hectares; Soil restoration works will be carried out at two facilities; 40 grants will be issued to private persons and 8 grants to agribusinesses; 3 demonstration plots will be arranged and 300 farmers will be retrained.	Fulfilled: In 2018 irrigation water supply was improved on 1,440 hectares; Soil restoration works were carried out for two facilities; 221 grants were awarded to private persons and 3 grants to agribusinesses; 5 demonstration plots were arranged, 1,023 farmers were trained.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>18,675,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>12,040,852 Lari</u>

Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.11:** Construction and rehabilitation of amelioration systems

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/Georgian Amelioration Ltd.

Aim of the activity: rehabilitation of irrigation and drainage systems

Implemented activities

The 2018 activities included: rehabilitation of water intake structures, main canals, first and second-tier distributors, pipes and other hydrotechnical structures; restoration of canal coating, arrangement of additional distributing canals and hydrotechnical structures to channel water to land plots; installation of water measurement equipment; arrangement of small-capacity pumping stations and rehabilitation of existing ones to supply irrigation water to land plots in villages of Shida Kartli (near borderline), Samtskhe-Javakheti and Kakheti regions; connecting pumping stations to electricity supply networks, restoration of electronic-mechanical equipment and their replacement with new ones; rehabilitation of major water collecting canals and household drainage networks in Kolkheti valley and Kakheti irrigation zone. In 2018 the irrigation system rehabilitation works were carried out at 53 facilities, out of which 30 projects were completed.

In 2018 the drainage system rehabilitation works were carried out at 14 facilities. 6 projects were completed. At the end of the period (01.01.2019) 8 projects, including transitional ones, were in progress.

In 2018 the rehabilitation of a standalone hydrotechnical structure was started and completed. This was the Rioni River Water Divide Hydro-knot near Poti.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to increase the area of regularly irrigated land by 8.5 thousand hectares, to improve water supply on 7.1 thousand hectares of irrigated land, also to drain 0.5 thousand hectares of land. During the reporting period the amelioration infrastructure was rehabilitated; about 6.6 thousand hectares of land have been moved from the category of land

with conditional irrigation to the category of land with regular irrigation; water supply has been improved on 22.5 thousand hectares of irrigated land; 1.1 thousand hectares of land was drained.

In 2018 the actual spending was 30,680,549 GEL instead of estimated 0 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity number and name:	Activity 1.1.11 Construction and rehabilitation of amelioration systems
Responsible agency	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/Georgian Amelioration Ltd
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 the area of regularly irrigated land will increase by 8.5 thousand hectares; Water supply will be improved on 7.1 thousand hectares of irrigated land; 0.5 thousand hectares of land will be drained.	Fulfilled: In 2018 6.6 thousand hectares of land was moved from the category of land with conditional irrigation to the category of land with regular irrigation; Water supply was improved on 22.5 thousand hectares of irrigated land; 1.1 thousand hectares of land was drained
Budget	
Estimated: <u>0 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>30,680,549 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.12:** Improvement of irrigation and drainage systems

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental protection and Agriculture of Georgia

Partner organization: World Bank (WB)

Aim of the activity: improved supply of irrigation and drainage services

Implemented activities

In 2018 the following actions were taken as a part of the Improvement of Irrigation and Drainage System activity:

Subcomponent 1.1 Rehabilitation and modernization of irrigation systems

1.1.1 In 2018 the rehabilitation of three irrigation systems – Zeda Ru, Kvemo Samgori, and Tbisikumisi main canals – was completed.

1.1.2 As a part of the activity aimed at rehabilitating the Sioni and Algeti water reservoir dams, the terms of reference were developed for a tender to select a company that will monitor and evaluate the dam safety. 21 companies took part in the tender. Applications were reviewed and assessed and Temelsu, the successful company was selected. The company started contractual works and submitted a progress report on December 25, 2018. Based on this report a preliminary examination of the dams was conducted and information was collected on their current state.

1.1.3 Development of a detailed engineering design for the secondary canal and the internal network. Tender documentation was developed for this activity. In response to the tender announcement 27 companies submitted required documentation. 6 companies were shortlisted, and only 4 companies passed the 70% technical threshold.

Subcomponent 1.2 Strengthening institutional and operational system of Georgian Amelioration Ltd

1.2.1 In May 2017 the National Strategy for Irrigation and Drainage was approved, followed by development of an action plan. This year the action plan is being implemented.

1.2.2 A draft Drainage Strategy was developed. This document was sent to the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture for review and approval.

1.2.3 A unit to support water consumer organizations was created. 9 persons were hired for this unit. This unit will work on a methodology and action plan for the establishment and work of water consumers' organizations.

1.2.4 Four pilot regions are selected for establishing water consumer organizations. Three will be created in the target regions of the ongoing project, and one in the region rehabilitated by AMMA.

1.2.5 During the reporting period a legislative framework was created for the establishment of water consumer organizations. Provisions of this draft law were discussed with the Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission. The draft law will be shared with different ministries and finalized.

1.2.6 Within the framework of the project, the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture created a working group that will develop proposals and recommendations concerning functions and responsibilities of a supervisory board. This group includes the

following members: Deputy Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, Heads of the Ministry's relevant departments, CEO of Georgian Amelioration, Deputy Director of the ongoing project. Up to now the Working Group has developed a proposal on the functions and responsibilities of the Board and required structural changes.

1.2.7 6 trucks were purchased under the project. It is planned to equip the Ministry with computers. The documentation for a bid has been developed.

1.2.8 Through the project the farmers' payment capacity was analyzed to determine water fees. Further discussions and implementation depend on adoption of the draft law on water consumer organizations.

1.2.9 In the current period the Georgian Amelioration's public hydro-amelioration infrastructure has been systematized, consolidated, and registered in the Georgian Amelioration's registers.

1.2.10 Through the project the second round of assessment and inventorization of the Georgian Amelioration's property was carried out.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to rehabilitate three main canals thereby improving water supply on 20 000 hectares of irrigated area. During the reporting period, rehabilitation of three main canals was completed thereby improving water supply on 20 000 hectares of land.

In 2018 the actual spending for this activity was 11,264,000 GEL instead of estimated 20,566,000 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.12 Improvement of irrigation and drainage systems
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
Partner organization:	World Bank (WB)
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018 rehabilitation of three main canals will be completed. Water supply will be improved on 20 000 hectares.	Fulfilled: In 2018 rehabilitation of three main canals was completed thereby improving water supply on 20 000 hectares.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>20,566,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>11,264,000 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.1.13: Support to Georgian Tea Production**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/NC(NP)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: effective use of tea plantations existing in Georgia, support for the growth of production of local tea (including bio tea), thereby increasing its share in the local market and export potential, rehabilitation of private and state-owned tea plantations; employment of local residents and improvement of their social-economic conditions; support for the creation of modern primary processing tea enterprises

Implemented activities

In 2018 several regions (Imereti, Guria) were visited to observe rehabilitation works carried out within the framework of the program. A number of videos about program participants, potential beneficiaries and program implementation were developed to further raise awareness of the program.

In 2018 several beneficiaries had to present a construction permit for a primary tea processing enterprise by a specific deadline to fulfill a project-related obligation. Until now all beneficiaries have timely submitted documentation confirming fulfillment of this commitment

In 2018 this activity generated the following results

- ✓ Number of beneficiaries involved in the program - 15;
- ✓ Total area of rehabilitated plantations - 325 hectares;
- ✓ Total budget of rehabilitation works for plantations - 813,609 GEL;
- ✓ Total co-funding for approved projects - 557,256 GEL.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018-2019 production equipment will be provided to 7 cooperatives. In 2018 no cooperative received such equipment. Cooperatives will be provided with production equipment in 2019. During the reporting period the targets were not met due to the failure to carry out rehabilitation works in line with the agricultural timetables and because of delays in registration of unregistered land plots (tea plantations).

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 900,000. The actual spending was 795,720 GEL.

Objective 1.1: Economic recovery, restructuring and modernization of farming activities through diversification and development of an efficient supply chain	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.1.13 Support to Georgian Tea Production
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/NC(NP)LE Agricultural Projects Management Agency
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018-2019 7 cooperatives will be equipped with production equipment	Fulfilled: During the reporting period no cooperative was equipped with production equipment.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>900,000 GEL</u>	Actual: <u>795,270 GEL</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating			X		
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

Objective 1.2. Diversification of rural economy by strengthening the agricultural value chain and promoting sustainable non-agricultural activities

1.2 In 2018 a single activity was carried out to achieve this objective – enterprise development. The activity was carried out by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development LEPL “Enterprise Georgia”.

The budget for the activity aimed at achieving Objective 1.2 was estimated at 1,800,000 GEL.

As a result of activities aimed at achieving the objective, in 2018:

⇒ 15 startup projects and/or expansion of existing enterprises were supported by co-

funding credit and leasing interest payments of beneficiary companies

The budget for activities aimed at achieving the objective 1.2 was estimated at 1,800,000 GEL. In 2018 the state spent 4,269,919 GEL to achieve this objective.

- **Activity 1.2.1: Enterprise development**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Enterprise Georgia

Aim of the activity: Develop entrepreneurship in Georgia, support enterprises, support startups and expansion or re-equipment of existing enterprises

Implemented activities

During 2018 the Enterprise Georgia Agency concluded contracts with 102 companies to co-finance their loan and leasing interest payments. Contracts were concluded with 66 beneficiaries in the manufacturing industry and 36 beneficiaries in the tourism industry. The Enterprise Development Program provided technical assistance to the Agency to implement a capacity building program for managers that included a visit to Germany. This program included trainings as well as individual meetings with representatives of German companies. The Georgian businessmen had an opportunity to observe working conditions of German entrepreneurs and establish contacts with appropriate companies for future cooperation. Representatives of 25 companies participated in this training.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to support 8 startups and/or expansion of existing enterprises. During the reporting period, 15 startups and/or expanding enterprises were supported.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 1,800,000 GEL. The actual spending was 4,269,919 GEL.

Objective 1.2. Diversification of rural economy by strengthening the agricultural value chain and promoting sustainable non-agricultural activities

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.2.1 Enterprise development
Responsible Agency	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Enterprise Georgia

Performance indicators

Target: In 2018-2020 about 8 regional startups and/or expanding enterprises will be supported by co-financing loan and leasing interest payments of beneficiary companies through the Access to Finance Component of the Enterprise Georgia State Program.			Fulfilled: In 2018 15 regional startups and/or expanding enterprises were supported by co-financing loan and leasing interest payments of beneficiary companies through the Access to Finance Component of the Enterprise Georgia State Program.			
Budget						
Estimated: 1,800,000 Lari			Actual: 4,269,919 Lari			
Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X		X		
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity.

1.3 In 2018 5 activities were carried out to achieve this objective, including tourism development, development and support of tourism, supporting culture in the regions, protection of cultural heritage and advancement of the museum system. All activities were carried out by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia and Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports.

The budget for activities aimed at achieving the objective 1.3 were estimated at 7,401,000 GEL.

As a result of activities aimed at achieving this objective, in 2018:

- ⇒ 28 startup hotels and/or expanding hotels were supported in the tourism industry
- ⇒ 3 new tourism products were created, 2 infrastructural projects were completed
- ⇒ 31 cultural and educational projects were carried out in 40 municipalities
- ⇒ 76 regional cultural heritage monuments were rehabilitated
- ⇒ 12 regional LEPLs subordinated to the Ministry (museums, historic house museums), also museum-natural reserves were financed.

The budget for activities aimed at achieving the objective 1.3 was estimated at 7,401,000 GEL.

In 2018 the state spent 16,189,560 GEL to achieve this objective.

- **Activity 1.3.1: Tourism Development**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Enterprise Georgia

Aim of the activity: develop tourism business in the regions, create new jobs, attract more visitors and support regional economic development

Implemented activities

In 2018 the Enterprise Georgia Agency concluded contracts with 102 companies to co-finance their loan and leasing interest payments. Contracts were concluded with 66 beneficiaries in the manufacturing industry and 36 beneficiaries in the tourism industry.

In 2018 sectoral meetings were held with hotel industry beneficiaries to identify challenges and needs faced by the private sector. During the meetings the Enterprise Georgia Agency's initiatives aimed at developing hotel industry in the regions were discussed with the private sector representatives. Regional meetings to introduce the Enterprise Georgia State program were held with local entrepreneurs in Adjara, Kakheti, and Kvemo Kartli regions. Meetings were held with program beneficiaries to provide information on quality management principles.

In 2018 contracts were concluded on the use of international hotel brand names. As a result, Preferred Hotel Resorts hotel will open in Tusheti and a Best Western Hotel will open in Gudauri.

In 2018 as a result of the rising awareness of the state support program, a growing number of visitors, increasing interest and level of activity of entrepreneurs the target indicators were exceeded, particularly, in the tourism industry.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to support 5 startup hotels and/or expanding hotels. During the reporting period 28 startup hotels and/or expanding hotels were supported.

The budget for the 2018 activities was estimated at 1,200,000 GEL. The actual spending was 3,939,126 GEL.

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity

Activity Number and Name:

Activity 1.3.1 Tourism development

Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Enterprise Georgia
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018-2020 within the framework of the Hotel Industry Component of the Enterprise Georgia Program 5 startup hotels and/or expanding hotels will be supported.	Fulfilled: In 2018 within the framework of the Hotel Industry Component of the Enterprise Georgia State Program 28 startup hotels and/or expanding hotels were supported.
Budget	
Estimated: 1,200,000 Lari	Actual: 3,939,126 Lari

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.3.2:** Tourism development and support

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration

Aim of the activity: tourism development and support

Implemented activities

In 2018 as a part of the Discover Georgia Project 10 press tours were conducted (Mestia, Samegrelo, Pshav-Khevsureti, Kutaisi, Ushguli, Guria, Kaketi, Zekari Pass (Imereti-Samtskhe-Javaketi), Gudauri). The journalists participating in these press-tours made videos thereby contributing to promotion of local tourism sites and stimulating domestic tourism.

The Administration also implemented the Discount Week project offering a week of tourism service discounts in several regions of Georgia. The goal is to promote regions and encourage domestic tourism in low seasons. In 2018 four phases of Discount Week were conducted: 1) Kakheti, 2) Adjara, 3) Spa & Wellness, 4) all regions. 3 press tours were carried out as a part of this project.

In 2018 the Administration carried out 10 activities to increase local tourist flows to regional tourism sites, also to support development of existing and new tourism sites and products throughout the country.

In 2018 the Quality Development Department of the Tourism National Administration delivered 13 trainings on different topics throughout Georgia and retrained 900 people employed in the tourism sector.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 this activity aimed to develop 3 new tourism products, to implement 2 new infrastructural projects, and to retrain 600 individuals. During the reporting period 3 new tourism products were created, 2 infrastructural projects were carried out. 900 individuals were retrained.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 600,000 GEL. The actual spending was 657,477 GEL.

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.3.2 Tourism development and support
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration
Performance indicators	
Target: In 2018-2020 3 new tourism products will be developed, 2 new infrastructural projects will be implemented annually; In 2018-2020 600 individuals will be retrained annually.	Fulfilled: In 2018 3 new tourism products were developed, 2 new infrastructural projects were implemented; In 2018 900 individuals were retrained.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>600,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>657,477 Lari</u>

Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed

	Status		X			
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- **Activity 1.3.3:** Supporting culture in the regions

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia

Aim of the activity: revitalize cultural life in the regions of Georgia, carry out competitions, exhibitions, festivals and other cultural activities; protect and preserve ethnic minorities' identities, cultural diversity, social value systems in the regions; support realization of the regional residents' intellectual potential and increase their motivation.

Implemented activities

In 2018 the Ministry funded and implemented the following projects:

- ✓ 11 arts clubs in the settlements of internally displaced persons (Tserovani, Metekhi, Shaumiani, Koda, Teliani, Shavshvebi, Skra, Karaleti, Khashuri, Mokhisi, and Akhalsopeli);
- ✓ Otia Ioseliani Sunday School in Tskaltubo;
- ✓ The Living Books Project in all regions of Georgia;
- ✓ Tofuzi International Festival of Animated Films in Martvili, Ninotsminda, Keda, Shuakhevi, Gurjaani, and Telavi;
- ✓ Artgeni Festival (Keda, Lanckhhuti, Tskaltubo, Tsageri);
- ✓ The Zdanevich Brothers International Festival of Contemporary Arts Fest I Nova;
- ✓ The Diverse Georgia Project;
- ✓ The Delimit Georgia Project implemented in villages neighboring with the dividing line – Mejvriskhevi, Tkaishi, Rukhi, and Zugdidi;
- ✓ Nikozi International Festival of Animated Films;
- ✓ Tskaltubo Arts Festival;
- ✓ International Festival of Traditional Crafts in Akhaltsikhe.

In 2018 the Ministry also supported 11 regional theatres by covering production/touring costs for several plays and tours.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 15 cultural and education projects were planned in 30 municipalities as a part of this activity. During the reporting period 34 projects were implemented in 52 municipalities.

The 2018 budget for this activity was estimated at 1,517,000 GEL. The actual spending was 1,712,957 GEL.

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.3.3 Supporting culture in the regions
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of

		Georgia				
Performance indicators						
Target 15 projects and cultural activities will be carried out in 30 municipalities annually			Fulfilled: In 2018 34 cultural and educational projects were carried out in 52 municipalities of Georgia			
Budget						
Estimated: <u>1,517,000 Lari</u>			Actual: <u>1,712,957 Lari</u>			
Progress evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 1.3.4:** Cultural heritage protection

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia/
National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation

Aim of the activity: maintain-preserve cultural heritage monuments

Implemented activities

In 2018 contracts were concluded for the restoration-rehabilitation, conservation, and archeological examination of the following cultural heritage monuments of Georgia:

1. Kvareli municipality, conservation of Dolochoپی three-nave basilica;
2. Conservation of Ateni Sioni stonework, specifically, conservation of the western facade and the western apse conch, conservation of the northern apse interior stonework;
3. Pitareti Tmple II stage small-scale rehabilitation works, Tetrtskaro municipality;
4. Rehabilitation works at Bebristsikhe north-western tower in Mtskheta municipality;
5. Rehabilitation works in Sapara Monastery (St. George Church), IV stage, Akhaltsikhe municipality;
6. Conservation of Small Jvari Temple’s interior stonework, Mtskheta;
7. Conservation works to preserve paintings in the northern part (the area between the northern arm and north-western arm) of Tsalenjikha Christ Transfiguration Church;
8. II Stage rehabilitation of school building in Tollantsopeli, Tianeti, Tianeti municipality;
9. II stage rehabilitation works in Shatili House No 6, Dusheti municipality;

10. Restoration-rehabilitation of St. Nicholas Church in Nikortsminda village, Ambrolauri municipality;
11. Rehabilitation of towers located in Mestia municipality, Zemo Svaneti;
12. Rehabilitation of John the Baptist Church, Mestia municipality, Ieli village;
13. Lagami Christ Church, restoration of the building extension and surrounding wall, Mestia, Mestia Municipality;
14. Rehabilitation of Akaki Tsereteli Historic House Museum and Church, Skhvitori Villages, Sachkhere municipality;
15. Rehabilitation-development of infrastructure of Upliskhtsikhe Museum-natural reserve;
16. Small-scale rehabilitation works at Ilia Chavcavdze tower, Kvareli municipality;
17. II Stage rehabilitation works at David and Giorgi Eristavi Historic House Museum, Odzisi village;
18. Rehabilitation-conservation of Ujarma castle-town, Sagarejo municipality;
19. Archeological works in Grakliani, Kaspi municipality;
20. Gudabertki archeological works, Savaneti villages, Gori municipality;
21. Archeological works on Didnauri site, Dedoplistskaro municipality;
22. Archeological works in Ziari village (Kodalo site), Gurjaani municipality;
23. Archeological works on Meligle II archeological site, southern part of Melaani village, Gurjaani municipality;
24. Archeological works in Navdariantkari village, Mtskheta municipality;
25. Rehabilitation works on P. Zakaraia Nokalakevi architectural-archeological site, Senaki municipality;
26. Archeological works at St. George Church site, Zemo Mskhalgori village, Lagodekhi Municipality;
27. Sveri Castle archeology, Chiatura municipality;
28. Gori Castle rehabilitation works, Gori municipality;
29. Khvamli mountain archeology;
30. Dzalisi village archeology, Mtsketa municipality;
31. Armaziskhevi archeology, Mtskheta municipality;
32. Village Tsikhesulori archeology, Vani municipality;
33. Archeology of Tsiakhadevi Village cemetery, Dusheti municipality;
34. Lakami village archeology, Chuberi community, Mestia municipality;
35. Archeology of Nokalakevi site, Senaki municipality;
36. Khuntsi Castle archeology;
37. Vardzia museum-natural reserve, Aspindza municipality.

In 2018 an electronic tender was announced for restoration-rehabilitation, conservation and archeological examination of the following monuments:

1. I stage rehabilitation of Kakhidze Music Center, located at 125, Agmashenebli ave., Tbilisi;
2. Rehabilitation and landscape works at Vazha-Pshaveli Historic House Museum, Chargali village, Dusheti municipality;
3. II stage rehabilitation of the southern extension of Ioana Prophet Church, Sagamo village, Ninotsminda municipality;
4. Archeology of areas adjacent to Tsvane village, Zugdidi municipality;
5. Archeology of Treligorebi;
6. Archeological works on the territory of John the Baptist Church located in Kalauri village, Gurjaani municipality;
7. Archeology of Shorapani Castle.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to rehabilitate 50 cultural heritage monuments as a part of this activity. During the reporting period 76 cultural heritage monuments were rehabilitated.

The 2018 budget for the activity was estimated at 3,101,000 GEL. The actual spending was 8,555,000 GEL.

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.3.4 Cultural heritage protection
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia/National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation
Performance indicators	
Target Over 50 cultural heritage monuments rehabilitated or in the process of rehabilitation annually	Fulfilled: In 2018 76 cultural heritage monuments were rehabilitated in the regions
Budget	
Estimated: <u>3,101,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>8,555,000 Lari</u>

	Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Rating	X				

Progress evaluation		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status			X		

- **Activity 1.3.5:** Protection of cultural heritage and advancement of the museum system
Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports of Georgia
Aim of the activity: Cultural heritage protection and advancement of the museum system

Implemented activities

In 2018 the Ministry continued to finance 12 LEPLs in the regions:

- ✓ LEPL - Ivane Machabeli Museum;
- ✓ LEPL –Ilia Chavchavadze State Museum in Kvareli;
- ✓ LEPL – Akaki Tsereteli State Museum;
- ✓ LEPL – Niko Nikoladze Historic House Museum;
- ✓ LEPL- Galaktion and Titsian Tabidze Hisoric House Museum;
- ✓ LEPL - Dadiani Chateau Historical-Architectural Museum;
- ✓ LEPL –Ilia Chavchavadze State Museum in Saguramo;
- ✓ LEPL- I.B. Stalin State Museum;
- ✓ LEPL – Vazha-Pshavela Historic House Museum;
- ✓ LEPL- David and Giorgi Eristavi Historic House Museum;
- ✓ LEPL- Iakob Gogebashvili Historic House Museum;
- ✓ LEPL- Telavi Historical Museum.

With the 2018 budgetary allocations 100 activities of different types - exhibitions, conferences, educational programs etc. - were carried out at 12 LEPL museums.

During the reporting period 2 trainings on how to register and protect museum treasures were carried out for museum collection guards. 24 employees from 12 LEPL museums participated.

Indicator fulfillment and budget expenditure

In 2018 it was planned to provide funding for 13 LEPLs (museums and historic house museums) subordinated to the Ministry. During the reporting period 12 LEPLs (museums, historic house-museums), also museums – natural reserves were funded.

The 2018 budget for the activity was estimated at 983,000 GEL. The actual spending was 1,325,000 GEL.

Objective 1.3. Development of tourism and respective tourism products in rural areas based on rural characteristics and unique cultural identity

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 1.3.5 Protection of cultural heritage and advancement of museum system
Responsible agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia
Performance indicators	
Target 13 LEPLs (museums, museums – natural reserves, historic house museums) subordinated to the Ministry will be funded annually	Fulfilled: In 2018 12 LEPLs (museums, historic house-museums), also museums – natural reserves were funded.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>983,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>1,325,000 Lari</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not initiated	Implementation process ongoing	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

Priority Area 2: Social Conditions and Living Standards

Priority Area “Social Conditions and Living Standards” encompasses 3 Objectives and 37 Activities in total. The Goals mostly cover activities conducted by the state for empowering rural population, boosting vocational education, development of innovations, as well as basic infrastructure and services.

Total estimated budget for the Priority Area 2 is **403,027,100** GEL, while in 2018 actual implementation cost was **495,806,011** GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, promotion of cooperation through contributing to the skills development of skills and employment issues (especially for young people and women).

In order to fulfill Objective 2.1, 9 activities were conducted in 2018, including: formation and development of national innovations ecosystem, professional development of vocational education teachers, support to development of vocational education, professional training of national minorities, development of youth policy, Anaklia Future Camp, professional retraining of job-seekers and raising their qualifications, Shaori Camp and promoting arts education. All of the activities were conducted by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia, Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

The budget for the planned activities under Objective 2.1 was estimated at 16,951,600 GEL.

As a result of activities conducted towards the completion of the Objective, in 2018:

- ⇒ 1150 beneficiaries were trained in digital literacy and programming languages and 200 entrepreneurs were trained in e-literacy
- ⇒ 2 innovation centers and 1 innovation hub were established and equipped
- ⇒ 32 teachers and 2 directors completed “Entrepreneurial Skill development” training
- ⇒ 3,400 national minority representatives participated in the state language teaching program
- ⇒ 10,000 young people participated in various youth activities
- ⇒ 7,500 beneficiaries from the regions of Georgia participated in recreational camps
- ⇒ Funding was provided to 2 LEPLs under the Ministry working in the field of arts education

Projected budget for the planned activities under Objective 2.1 was estimated at 16,951,600 GEL. In 2018, the state expenditure for the accomplishment of the Objective was 19,040,355 GEL

- **Activity 2.1.1:** The formation and development of national innovations ecosystem (IBRD)

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency

Aim of the activity: Bolster innovative work of companies and individuals and ensure their participation in e-economy

Performed Activities

In 2018 LEPL Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency, as a part of GENIE project, conducted awareness raising trainings on digital literacy and electronic business in 6 regions (37 municipalities in total). Video clips were made regarding these activities and were distributed on different social media platforms. In addition, short videos were recorded for each training module (digital literacy, digital marketing, e-commerce, e-governance) for their future popularization and in view of attracting new beneficiaries. The program was covered by both televised and online media, which ensured increase interest of citizens and their engaged in the awareness raising trainings. Additionally, individual consultations on e-commerce were held in 3 regions (6 municipalities in total) with entrepreneurs working in hospitality business.

In 2018, two innovation centers (in Akhmeta and Rukhi) and one innovation hub (Telavi) were completed. They were equipped and opened for business.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, 1,200 internet connection vouchers for households and 250 internet connection vouchers for entrepreneurs were to be issued. Also, in 2018, 1,600 beneficiaries should have been trained in digital literacy and programming languages and 300 entrepreneurs in e-literacy. 2 innovation centers and 1 innovation hub should have been established and equipped in 2018. Within the reporting period, 16 internet connection vouchers for households were issued. No internet connection vouchers were issued for entrepreneurs. In 2018, 1150 beneficiaries were trained in digital literacy and programming languages, while 200 entrepreneurs were trained in e-literacy. During the reporting period, 2 innovation centers (in Akhmeta and Rukhi) and 1 innovation hub (Telavi) were established and equipped.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,050,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 878,537 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.1. The formation and development of national innovations ecosystem (IBRD)
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia/LEPL Georgia's Innovation and Technology Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 will be issued: a) 1,200 internet connection vouchers for households b) 250 internet connection vouchers for entrepreneurs In 2018 will be trained: a) 1,600 beneficiaries in digital literacy and programming languages b) 300 entrepreneurs in e-literacy In 2018, 2 innovation centers and 1 innovation hub will be established and equipped	Fulfilled: In 2018 were issued: a) 16 internet connection vouchers for households b) no internet connection vouchers for entrepreneurs In 2018 will be trained: a) 1,150 beneficiaries in digital literacy and programming languages b) 200 entrepreneurs in e-literacy In 2018 2 innovation centers and 1 innovation hub were established and equipped
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,050,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>878,537 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating			X		
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.2:** Professional development of vocational education teachers

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: support enhancement of public vocational institution teachers' competence, namely aimed at improvement of their entrepreneurial skills. Additionally, support the development of entrepreneurial vision and skills of teachers and directors of public

vocational institutions necessary for entrepreneurship; personal empowerment to start new business; formation of sense of self-effectiveness in terms of entrepreneurship; support teachers and directors in nurturing entrepreneurial vision in their students.

Performed Activities

In 2018, under the leadership of LELP National Center for Teacher Professional Development, a pilot training module was developed and beginning from the second half of 2018, trainings were planned in 3 vocational institutions (projected numbers – 50 teachers and 5 directors). Trainings were conducted in LELP Public College “Aisi” and LELP Vocational College “Prestige”. 32 teachers and 2 directors participated in the pilot training. The last training-group that was scheduled for December of 2018 was moved to early 2019 due to organizational issues in the vocational institutions.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of activities planned in 2018, minimum 50 teachers and 5 directors of vocational institutions were projected to participate in pilot trainings. Within the reporting period, 32 teachers and 2 directors participated in the pilot training "Entrepreneurial Skills Development".

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 5,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 2,900 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	2.1.2 Professional development of vocational education teachers
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 pilot "Entrepreneurial Skills Development" trainings will be held: minimum 50 teachers and 5 directors of public vocational institutions will participate in pilot project;	Fulfilled: In 2018, 32 teachers and 2 directors of public vocational institutions participated in "Entrepreneurial Skills Development" trainings;
Budget	
Estimated: <u>5,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>2,900 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating			X		

		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
Status			X			

- **Activity 2.1.3:** Support to the development of vocational education

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of

Aim of the activity: Meet the requirements of rapidly ever-changing employment market

Performed Activities

In 2018, active work was conducted in order to increase accessibility and to improve the quality of vocational education. During 2018 Spring and Summer enrollment periods, 7,616 individuals enrolled in state vocational education institutions, 3,497 out of them enrolled in vocational education institutions functioning in rural areas. As of December 2018, the total number of student in state vocational education institutions in rural areas was 4,480. All students enrolled to state vocational education institutions during the reporting period, received financial aid in form of vouchers.

As a part of the reform of educational programs, 200 professional standards and up to 100 modular programs were developed in cooperation with employers. As of 2018, 70% of all programs implemented within the system are modular. Within a scope of a grant from Millennium Challenge Account – Georgia (MCA-Georgia) over 40 programs were created in accordance with international standards and most of them were implemented in 2018. As of 2018, over 20 dual programs were implemented. Special emphasis is made on entrepreneurial education. In an effort to empower entrepreneurship, entrepreneurial education module was created and declared mandatory. 14 industrial innovation laboratories were set up in vocational education institutions, including vocational education institutions in rural areas.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, 4,480 students enrolled to state vocational education institutions in rural areas, which is a lower number compared to 2016 (4,754 students).

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 4,278,600 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 5,676,400 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.3 Support to the development of vocational education
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, the number of the students (living in the village) enrolled in state educational institutions carrying out vocational programs will increase by minimum 2% compared to 2016 data	Fulfilled: In 2018, the number of the students (living in the village) enrolled in state educational institutions carrying out vocational programs did not increase compared to 2016 data
Budget	
Estimated: 4,278,600 Lari	Actual: 5,676,400 Lari

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating				X	
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.4** Professional training of national minorities

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia and Ministry of Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Professional development and employment assistance of national minorities

Performed Activities

In 2018, 3,400 national minority representatives enrolled into the program. 246 study groups were created, including 171 mobile groups in 10 cities and 67 villages.

Since September 2018, Zhvania School is conducting state language teaching courses on military training bases for the national minority representatives that have been conscripted for the mandatory military service and are undergoing preliminary combat training. 299 national minority representatives have undergone A1 level language course.

10 vocation specific handbooks and student's workbooks have been created and printed for: nursing, teacher educators, accounting, agronomy, electronics, food technology, tourism, construction, animal husbandry and transportation.

At the end of state language teaching program, final examinations (testing and interview) were held each month in 10 regional educational centers and the examinations were attended by representatives and examiners of Zhvania School.

In spirit of promotion of state language, Zhvania School has announced essay competition titled “Privilege of our generation”. Winners of the competition (national minority representatives) were celebrated at an event organized by the school in commemoration of 55 years of Prime Minister Zurab Zhvania, in Rustaveli hall of the Parliament of Georgia, in Tbilisi.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, 3,300 national minority representatives were projected to participate in the state language teaching program; as part of the Public Governance and Administration Program, 300 potential students were to be trained. Within the reporting period, 3,400 national minority representatives participated in the state language teaching program and 307 individuals were trained as a part of the Public Governance and Administration Program.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,300,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 2,595,700 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.4 Professional training of national minorities
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, 3,300 national minority representatives will participate in the state language teaching program; as part of the Public Governance and Administration Program, 300 potential students will be trained.	Fulfilled: 3,400 national minority representatives participated in the state language teaching program; 307 individuals were trained as a part of the Public Governance and Administration Program
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,300,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>2,595,700 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.5:** professional retraining and raising qualifications of job-seekers

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia / LELP Social Service Agency

Aim of the activity: Training/retraining and/or on-job internship of jobseekers in professions that are in high demand on job market, and assisting their employment through increasing their competitiveness.

Performed Activities

In 2018, the state program of professional retraining and raising qualifications of job-seekers was implemented in 16 municipal units. In total, 2,908 job-seekers signed up for the program. In regions/municipal units 1,517 job-seekers participated in the program. 2,574 job-seekers successfully completed the educational course, including 1,381 participants in regions. 44 employers and 188 interns participated in the internship component of the program, including 34 employers and 137 interns in regions.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As part of 2018 planned activities, it was projected to train minimum 200-350 beneficiaries in the regions. Within reporting period, 1,381 job-seekers were trained.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,090,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 2,083,804 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.5 professional retraining and raising qualifications of job-seekers
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia / LELP Social Service Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 minimum 200-350 beneficiaries will be trained in the regions	Fulfilled: In 2018, 1,381 beneficiaries were trained in the regions
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,090,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>2,083,804 Lari</u>

	Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.6:** Development of youth policy

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Support the increase of youth civic participation

Performed Activities

In 2018, several programs were implemented within the scope of “Development of youth policy” program. Pursuant to the goal of the youth representative mandate, support was provided to the following areas: increase of youth participation in decision making process; awareness raising towards youth problems; assistance and contribution from international community and diplomatic corps when discussing youth related issues; youth participation in decision making process on international level and in implementation process of youth policy.

As a part of Me Volunteer - Active Citizen campaign, informational meetings on volunteering, charity, social, educational, cultural and creative, sports and other topics were held with direct participation of Ministry and its partner non-governmental and governmental organizations.

At a local level, municipal youth policy development strategy and action plan was elaborated and approved, based on the needs and interests of the local youth.

Young people were able to use qualified, accessible career-planning self-assistance internet service; with the help of online psychological evaluation tools, different useful information and advisory materials they were able to receive information regarding their skills, abilities, major personality traits, as well as information on psychological types best corresponding to specific professions, on professions that may be interesting for them and tools for decision making in terms of their future profession. Awareness rising among youth regarding importance of professional orientation and career planning was supported.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

Under the activities planned for 2018 activities, 10 000 young people were projected to be involved in various youth activities. Within reporting period, 10 000 young people were involved in various youth activities.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 500,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 362,560 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation

through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.6: Development of youth policy
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018 10 000 young people will be involved in various youth activities	Fulfilled: In 2018 10 000 young people were involved in various youth activities
Budget	
Estimated: <u>500,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>362,560 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.7: Anaklia Future Camp and Shaori Camp**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: create suitable conditions using the non-formal education methodology, to discover, shape and develop intellectual, personal, professional and physical potential of young people.

Performed Activities

In 2018, as a part of Future Camp program, following activities were performed:

- “Future Camp” in Anaklia – 2,304 beneficiaries were projected to participate. 2,880 beneficiaries actually participated;
- “Future Camp” in Shaori – hosted 1,056 participants age 18-25. Projected indicators were met;
- “Junior Rescuers’ Club” – 30 14-16 year olds participated. Participation of 21 beneficiaries was projected, but only 30 beneficiaries actually participated;
- “Future Camp” in Tskhvarichamia – rehabilitation and reconstruction project was developed.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, 2,500 beneficiaries from the regions of Georgia were projected to participate in educational and recreational camps. Within reporting period, 7,500 beneficiaries from the regions of Georgia participated in the educational and recreational camps.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 1,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 2,733,250 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.7: Anaklia Future Camp and Shaori Camp
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, 2,500 beneficiaries from the regions of Georgia will participate in educational and recreational camps	Fulfilled: In 2018, 7,500 beneficiaries from the regions of Georgia participated in educational and recreational camps
Budget	
Estimated: <u>1,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>2,733,250 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.8:** Art development activities

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Protection, development and popularization of Georgian theatrical tradition in regions. Implementation of state policy in the theatrical art field.

Performed Activities

During 2018, the ministry, utilizing staging/touring funds, supported 11 regional theaters in implementation of 15 projects. Including:

- ✓ LELP Ozurgeti Al. Tsutsunava State Professional Drama Theatre – theatrical play “Nostradamus”;

- ✓ LELP Senaki Ak. Khorava State Professional Drama Theatre – theatrical play “Tango with Me”;
- ✓ LELP Zestafoni U. Chkheidze State Professional Drama Theatre – theatrical play “Jealousy”;
- ✓ LEPL Zinaida Kverenchkhiladze Dmanisi Professional State Drama Theatre - theatrical play “The Book of Wisdom and Lies”;
- ✓ LEPL Akhaltsikhe State Professional Puppet Theatre – theatrical tour in west Georgia;
- ✓ LELP Ozurgeti Al. Tsutsunava State Professional Drama Theatre - festival “Nodar Dumbadze’s Theatre“;
- ✓ LEPL Borjomi State Professional Puppet Theatre – theatrical play „Rapunzel“;
- ✓ LEPL Meskheta (Akhaltzikhe) Professional State Drama Theatre – theatrical tour in Belarus;
- ✓ LEPL Gurjaani State Professional Puppet Theatre - theatrical play „The Snow Queen“;
- ✓ LEPL Telavi Vazha-Pshavela State Professional Drama Theatre – theatrical tour in Ajara;
- ✓ LEPL Gori Giorgi Eristavi State Professional Drama Theatre – Theatrical play “Perfect Strangers”;
- ✓ LELP Ozurgeti Al. Tsutsunava State Professional Drama Theatre – theatrical tour in Turkey.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

Under the activities planned in 2018, it was envisaged to provide funding for 11 arts LEPLs in the regions of Georgia and for organizing 11 different events. Also, to provide funding for functioning of 11 arts LELPs in the regions. Within reporting period, 11 arts LELPs received funding to implement 15 projects (theatrical plays and tours). Additionally, 12 regional theatres under the Ministry received full funding required for functioning.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 4,248,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 4,227,204 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.8: Art development activities
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 11 regional arts LEPLs under the Ministry of Culture and Sport will be financed with the amount required for organizing 11 different events; Annual funding of 11 regional arts LEPLs under the Ministry of Culture: staff (including actors and	Fulfilled: In 2018, 11 regional arts LEPLs under the Ministry of Culture and Sport received funding with the amount required for organizing 15 different events (theatrical plays and tours); 11 regional arts LEPLs under the Ministry of Culture

technical personnel) salaries and costs of staging 4 premieres in each theater	received funding required for functioning (including salaries for actors and technical personnel and costs of staging/touring)
Budget	
Estimated: <u>4,248,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>4,227,204 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.1.9:** Promoting arts education

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Assisting development of various fields of arts in the regions, availability of arts education and boosting local artistic potential; annual funding of operation of two LELPs, under Ministry's control.

Performed Activities

In 2018, funds allocated for 2 arts LELPs under the Ministry were 480,000 GEL, specifically following were financed:

- ✓ LEPL Extracurricular Art Educational Institution – Telavi Niko Sulkhaniashvili Music School;
- ✓ LEPL Gori Sulkhaniashvili State Music Public College.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In was planned under the activity to fund operation of 2 arts LELPs under Ministry, in 2018. Within reporting period, operation of 2 arts LELPs under Ministry were funded.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 480,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 480,000 GEL.

Objective 2.1. Raising awareness on innovation and entrepreneurship. In addition, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.1.9: Promoting arts education
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science Culture and Sport of Georgia

Performance Indicators	
Planned: Support arts education in regions by annual funding of operation of two arts LELPs under Ministry's control	Fulfilled: In 2018, operation of two arts LELPs under Ministry's control was funded
Budget	
Estimated: <u>480,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>480,000 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

Objective 2.2 Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

In 2018, 27 activities were carried out in total, in view of accomplishing the objective 2.2. These included development of the infrastructure of secondary educational institutions, development the infrastructure of vocational educational institutions, provision of psycho-social services to students, improvement of electricity and natural gas supply to the population, increase of access to natural gas consumption for residents of the high mountainous villages, development of sports infrastructure, improvement of road infrastructure in rural areas, assistance to pre-school education in rural areas, rehabilitation of water supply system in rural areas, installation of outdoor lighting in rural areas, management of eco-migrants' migration, construction and equipment of public service halls in various municipalities of the country and assistance to improvement of demographic situation. All activities under the objective were carried out by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia, the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia.

The estimated budget for the execution of the activities planned under objective 2.2 was 386,075,500 GEL.

In 2018, as a result of the activities conducted for the completion of the Objective:

- ⇒ 331 public schools received different types of school equipment
- ⇒ Construction of 19 schools was completed in rural areas
- ⇒ Wireless internet was installed in 108 schools
- ⇒ 1,530 students from rural areas participated in summer schools
- ⇒ 14,000 students took part in sport, art/culture and intellectual-cognitive school clubs and projects
- ⇒ 20,481 subscribers were given the opportunity to join the natural gas grid
- ⇒ 5,700 subscribers residing permanently in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and the Dusheti municipalities were reimbursed the costs of supplied natural gas
- ⇒ 587.5 km road sections of local significance were paved or rehabilitated
- ⇒ 22 sports and cultural facilities were constructed/rehabilitated
- ⇒ external lighting was installed on 14.7 km roads
- ⇒ residential homes were provided under ownership to 497 IDP families
- ⇒ 3 public service halls were constructed and equipped (in Akhalkalaki, Martvili, and Senaki)

The estimated budget for the execution of the activities planned under objective 2.2 was 386,075,500 GEL. In 2018, the state expenditure for the accomplishment of the Objective was 476,765,656 GEL

- **Activity 2.2.1: Developing the infrastructure of secondary educational institutions**

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Improvement of educational environment for students residing in rural areas

Performed Activities

In 2018, 331 public schools received different types of school equipment. Apart from that, construction of 19 schools was completed, out of which 3 were large student body schools and 4 – small student body schools. Rehabilitation works were carried out in 8 public schools. Up to 300 public schools received funding for rehabilitation. Funding was provided to local municipalities for partial rehabilitation of 46 schools.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, within the activity, it was planned to provide equipment to and carry out various types of rehabilitation works at up to 350 public schools. From these (350), construction of up to

6 large student body schools (more than 60 students) was planned, along with construction of small student body schools – 7 (60 students) and 16 (20 students). Within the reporting period, 331 public schools received different types of school equipment. Construction of 19 schools was completed, out of which 3 were of large student body capacity and 4 were of small student body capacity. In addition, rehabilitation works were carried out in 8 public schools. Also, 300 public schools received funding for rehabilitation works. Funding was provided to local municipalities for partial rehabilitation of 46 schools.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 59,440,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 35,900,120 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.1 Developing the infrastructure of secondary educational institutions
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
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Performance Indicators

Target: Annually various rehabilitation activities will be carried out and equipment will be provided to up to 350 public schools, from which construction of up to 6 new schools (more than 60 children) will take place. Additionally, 7 (60 children) and 16 (20 children) schools will be built in 2018.	Fulfilled: In 2018, 331 public schools received different types of school equipment. Construction of 19 schools was completed in 2018, out of which 3 were of large student body capacity and 4 were of small student body capacity. Rehabilitation works were carried out in 8 public schools. Also, 300 public schools received funding for rehabilitation works. Funding was provided to local municipalities for partial rehabilitation of 46 schools.
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Budget

Estimated: <u>59,440,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>35,900,120 LARI</u>
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Progress Evaluation	Rating	Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed

	Status		X			
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- **Activity 2.2.2:** Developing the infrastructure of secondary educational institutions

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Improvement of educational environment at the vocational educational institutions

Performed Activities

In 2018, following measures were carried out within the activity:

- ✓ Rehabilitation of the N(N)LE engineering college “Construct2”, which was established in the Zestaponi municipality under the contract between the Ministry and the JSC M² Real Estate, was complete;
- ✓ Construction of the NNLE Community College Pazisi branch was complete in village Nojikhevi of the Khobi municipality;
- ✓ Construction works began in Kaspi municipality for establishment of a college;
- ✓ A project was prepared for establishment of a new location in the Khulo municipality, which will serve as a branch of the LEPL Community College New Wave (Kobuleti). Relevant fund have already been transferred to the college;
- ✓ A project was prepared for establishment of a new location in village Goraberezhouli of the Chokhatauri municipality, which will be a branch of the N(N)LE Community College Horizonti (Ozurgeti).
- ✓ A project is being prepared for establishment of a new location in the city of Chokhatauri of Chokhatauri municipality, which will also be a branch of the N(N)LE Community College Horizonti.
- ✓ In 2018, construction and equipment of the LEPL Community College Iberia student dormitory was completed, which enables individuals residing further from Kutaisi to enrol in the college and benefit from the dormitory.
- ✓ Preparatory works have been initiated for the construction of student dormitory in Tsalenjikha municipality.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to initiate construction works in at least one municipality in view of establishing a new vocational educational institution. Within the reporting period, construction works have begun in 3 municipalities, more specifically, construction works have

begun in Kaspi municipality for establishing a college and preparatory works have been initiated in Khulo and Choakhtauri municipalities for development of new locations.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,500,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 2,937,878 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.2 Developing the infrastructure of secondary educational institutions
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Working process for establishment of a new vocational educational institution initiated in at least one municipality, in 2018	Fulfilled: Working process for establishment of new vocational educational institutions initiated in three municipalities, in 2018
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,500,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>2,937,878 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.3:** Providing transportation to public school students

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Increased access to general education institutions; reduce tardiness and absence of students at the lessons; safe transportation of students from home to school.

Performed Activities

In 2018, about 67,659 students of 1,209 public schools (except from 5 self-governing cities) were involved in the program for providing transportation to public school students. Consequently, the quality of access to general education increased for the primary, basic and secondary public school students residing in the regions and hard-to-reach geographical

locations, as well as for students with disabilities. The attendance rate of students in general education institutions has increased. Tardiness to lessons has been minimized. Safe transportation of students living in communities with difficult geographical and climatic conditions is ensured.

Unperformed transportation services (1%) were due to meteorological conditions and services not performed by the contractor.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, under the activity it was planned to provide transportation to 100% of program beneficiaries. Within the reporting period, transportation was provided to 99% of program beneficiaries.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 20,100,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 22,343,750 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.3: Providing transportation to public school students
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually transportation to be provided to 100% of the program beneficiaries	Fulfilled: In 2018, transportation was provided to 99% of program beneficiaries
Budget	
Estimated: <u>20,100,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>22,343,750 LARI</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.4** Providing information and communication technologies to educational institutions

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Improvement of the information and communication infrastructure in the education system

Performed Activities

Within the reporting period, the activity - providing information and communication technologies to educational institutions, more specifically, annually installing wireless internet system at 80 public schools, was being implemented by two entities: LEPL Educational Management Information System and LEPL Education and Science Infrastructure Development Agency.

In 2018, wireless network was set up in 47 schools. Wireless network was also additionally set up in 69 schools, out of which 61 are based in regions (in non-self-governing cities).

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

Under the activity, it was planned to install wireless (Wi-Fi) networks in 80 public schools, in 2018. Within the reporting period, wireless internet network was set up in 108 schools.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 1,723,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.4 Providing information and communication technologies to educational institutions
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually wireless internet communication systems will be installed (Wi-Fi network set up) at 80 public schools	Fulfilled: Wireless internet system was installed in 108 schools
Budget	
Estimated: 2,000,000 LARI	Actual: 1,723,000 LARI

	Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.5:** Providing psycho-social services to students

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Providing qualified psycho-social services to children and adolescents with behavioural and emotional problems, as well as their legal representative both in the capital city and the regions of Georgia.

Performed Activities

In 2018, psychological service centers of the educational institution LELP Mandaturi Service were functional in the following regions: Kvemo Kartli, Kakheti, Imereti, Adjara, Shida Kartli and Samegrelo. In 2018, 1,147 beneficiaries were redirected to the mentioned centers, namely: Samegrelo Upper Svaneti – 99, Kakheti – 51, Kvemo Kartli – 219, Mtskheta Mtianeti – 14, Shida Kartli – 182, Samtskhe Javakheti – 24, Imereti – 308, Guria – 14, Adjara -236.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, within the scope of the activity it was planned to have psychological service centers of the educational institution LELP Mandaturi Service functioning in the following regions: Kvemo Kartli, Kakheti, Imereti, Adjara, Shida Kartli and Samegrelo. Within the reporting period, psychological service centers of the educational institution LELP Mandaturi Service were functioning in the following regions: Kvemo Kartli, Kakheti, Imereti, Adjara, Shida Kartli and Samegrelo.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 534,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 392,504 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.5 Providing psycho-social services to students
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, psychological service centers of the educational institution LELP Mandaturi Service will be	Fulfilled: In 2018, psychological service centers of the educational institution LELP Mandaturi Service were

functional in Kvemo Kartli, Kakheti, Imereti, Adjara, Shida Kartli and Samegrelo	functioning in the following regions: Kvemo Kartli, Kakheti, Imereti, Adjara, Shida Kartli and Samegrelo.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>534,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>392,504 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.6:** Offering various camps for school students

Responsible agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Promoting the development of different social and subjective skills and competences of students through combining active relaxation and education process

Performed Activities

In 2018, following summer schools were implemented within the scope of the summer school program "Let's relax and learn together": English Language Summer School, English Language Summer School in Great Britain, Scientific Summer School in Georgia, Labour Skills Development Summer School, Summer Eco-school, Georgian Language Summer School, Art Summer School. 1,850 pupils participated in the mentioned summer schools, 1,530 of whom were from village schools.

Performance Indicator – “annually, students of 9,000 village public schools will be provided with summer school service opportunities” was partially achieved as in 2018, the Youth Policy Management Department merged with the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia and the programs were redistributed, therefor the scale of the "Let's relax and learn together" program decreased.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to provide 9,000 pupils of village public schools with summer school service opportunities. Within the reporting period, 1,530 pupils from village schools participated in summer schools.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,800,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 1,300,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.6: Offering various camps for school students
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, pupils of 9,000 village public schools will be provided with summer school service opportunities	Fulfilled: In 2018, 1,530 pupils from village public schools participated in summer schools
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,800,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>1,300,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating			X		
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.7:** Supporting school activities for the establishment of an interesting and amusing environment and strengthening of public schools

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Establishing an interesting and amusing environment for students and supporting informal education

Performed Activities

Under the programme Supporting School Activities, 736 clubs/projects were funded for 560 village and small town public schools. The mentioned clubs/projects were carried out in three directions: sport, arts/culture and intellectual-cognitive. Around 14,000 pupils of VII-VIII-IX grades participated in the clubs/projects.

In 2018, the program School Grant Funding - Free Lessons was replaced with the Support for School Activities program, which was approved with a reduced budget. Accordingly, instead of 20,000 beneficiaries, as initially the planned, 14,000 pupils participated in the program.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

Under the activity it was planned to support the establishment of an interesting and amusing environment for the students and to strengthen the public schools, through conducting Free Class sessions, in which at least 20, 000 school pupils (from village schools) would participate. Within the reporting period, 14,000 pupils participated in the clubs/projects of sport, arts/culture and intellectual-cognitive fields.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 900,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 1,360,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	2.2.7 Supporting school activities for the establishment of an interesting and amusing environment and strengthening of public schools
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually with the aim to support the establishment of an interesting and amusing environment and strengthening of public schools, Free Class sessions will be conducted with at least 20, 000 school children (from village schools)	Fulfilled: In 2018, 14,000 pupils participated in sports, arts/ culture and intellectual-cognitive clubs and projects
Budget	
Estimated: <u>900.000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>1.360.000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.8:** Improve electricity and natural gas supply to the population
Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
Aim of the activity: Improvement of electricity and natural gas supply to the population

Performed Activities

The 2018 plan was determined by the Government ordinance N725 of April 4, 2018, according to which LLC Georgian Gas Transportation Company was assigned to undertake the regional gasification works with leftover amount from the funds transferred to the company capital based on the 2017 Government ordinance N75 and N1626, as well as the funds transferred to it by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia decree N1-1/56827 of December 27, 2017.

In parallel to the implementation of the 2018 Plan, activities envisaged by the plan approved for 2017 also continued and in total 20,480 potential subscribers of 62 residential areas were given the opportunity to join the natural gas grid.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, under the activity, it was planned to provide the opportunity to join the natural gas grid to 20,000 additional subscribers. Within the reporting period, 20,481 subscribers were given the opportunity to join the natural gas grid.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 0 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 22,400,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.8: Improve electricity and natural gas supply to the population
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, 20,000 additional subscribers will be given the opportunity to join the natural gas grid	Fulfilled: In 2018, 20,481 subscribers were given the opportunity to join the natural gas grid
Budget	
Estimated: 0 LARI	Actual: 22,400,000 LARI

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.9:** Increasing access to natural gas consumption for residents of the high mountainous villages

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Aim of the activity: increasing access to natural gas consumption for residents of the high mountainous villages

Performed Activities

Within the special budgetary allocations, subscribers residing permanently in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and the Dusheti municipalities are annually reimbursed the costs of supplied natural gas.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, within the activity, it was planned to reimburse the costs of supplied natural gas to 5,700 subscribers permanently residing in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and Dusheti municipalities. Within the reporting period, 5,700 subscribers, permanently residing in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and the Dusheti municipalities, were reimbursed the costs of supplied natural gas.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 8,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 7,363,340 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.9: Increasing access to natural gas consumption for residents of the high mountainous villages
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
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Performance Indicators

Target: Annually, 5,700 subscribers permanently residing in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and the Dusheti municipalities will be reimbursed the costs of supplied natural gas	Fulfilled: In 2018, 5,700 subscribers permanently residing in Georgia's high mountainous villages of Kazbegi and the Dusheti municipalities were reimbursed the costs of supplied natural gas
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Budget	
Estimated: <u>8,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>7,363,340 LARI</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.10:** Installation of open-air training equipment in the regions of Georgia

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: installation of open-air training equipment

Performed Activities

In 2018, planned installation of outdoor exercise equipment in municipalities could not be completed due to technical reasons, namely due to structural reorganization.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, installation of open-air training equipment could not be completed.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 150,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 0 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.10: Installation of open-air training equipment in the regions of Georgia
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
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Performance Indicators

Target: In 2018, open-air training equipment will be installed in 10 municipalities	Fulfilled: In 2018, the indicator was not completed
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Budget

Estimated: <u>150,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>0 LARI</u>
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Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating				X	
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.11:** Development of sports infrastructure

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Development and improvement of sports infrastructure

Performed Activities

In 2018, construction of two double arena multifunctional athletic facilities, envisaged by the 2.2.11 paragraph of 2018-2020 action plan for Georgia Rural Development Strategy (2017-2020), was complete. One of the mentioned athletic facilities is situated in Gori and the other in Telavi.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, planned construction of two double arena multifunctional athletic facilities in Gori and in Telavi was complete.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 20,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 17,000,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.11 Development of sports infrastructure
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: construction of two double arena multifunctional athletic facilities in the regions, in 2018	Fulfilled: In 2018, two double arena multifunctional athletic facilities were built in the regions
Budget	
Estimated: <u>20,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>17,000,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.12:** Financial assistance of trainers employed in the field of sports in the high mountainous settlements

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia

Aim of the activity: financial assistance of trainers employed in the field of sports in the high mountainous settlements

Performed Activities

Within the reporting period, 318 beneficiaries were present in terms of financial assistance of trainers employed in the field of sports in the high mountainous settlements.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, under the activity, it was planned to provide state assistance to 400 trainers. Within the reporting period, 318 beneficiary trainer received assistance.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 300,000, GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 233,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.12 Financial assistance of trainers employed in the field of sports in the high mountainous settlements
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia
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Performance Indicators

Target: In 2018, 400 beneficiaries will receive state assistance	Fulfilled: In 2018, 318 beneficiaries received state assistance
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Budget

Estimated: <u>300,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>233,000 LARI</u>
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		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			

Progress Evaluation		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.13:** Improving road infrastructure in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/
Municipal Development Fund of Georgia

Aim of the activity: repair-rehabilitation of outdated road infrastructure and/or construction of new infrastructure on local and village level

Performed Activities

The main portion of the funds is allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). Part of the funds is allocated within the projects under the coordination of the Municipal Development Fund. In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was envisaged under the activity to pave or rehabilitate 300 km road sections of local significance. Within the reporting period, 587.5 km road sections were paved or rehabilitated.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 60,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 116,500,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.13 Improving road infrastructure in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/ Municipal Development Fund of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, pavement or rehabilitated of up to 300 km road sections	Fulfilled: In 2018, 587.5 km road sections of local significance were paved or rehabilitated.

Budget	
Estimated: <u>60,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>116,500,000 LARI</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.14:** Assistance to pre-school education in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Construction and rehabilitation of kindergartens in order to support pre-school education at local and rural level and to create conditions for appropriate education standard for both children and teachers

Performed Activities

The main portion of the funds is allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document for 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). Part of the funds is allocated within the projects under the coordination of the Municipal Development Fund. In accordance with the established practice, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

In the first half of 2019, it is planned to complete construction/rehabilitation of additional 37 kindergartens.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, construction/rehabilitation of 70 kindergartens was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, construction/rehabilitation of 24 kindergartens was completed.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 10,000,000 GEL while the actual budget expenditure was 3,300,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	2.2.14 Assistance to pre-school education in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 70 kindergartens will be built/rehabilitated	Fulfilled: In 2018, 24 kindergartens were built/rehabilitated
Budget	
Estimated: <u>10,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>3,300,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating			X		
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.15:** Construction/rehabilitation of sports and cultural facilities in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/
Municipal Development Fund of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Construction and rehabilitation of sports and cultural facilities on local and rural level, which will support promoting healthy lifestyle among the population

Performed Activities

The main portion of the funds is allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). Part of the funds is allocated within the projects under the coordination of the Municipal Development Fund. In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

In the first half of 2019, it is planned to complete construction/rehabilitation of 13 sports and culture facilities.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, construction/rehabilitation of 30 sports and cultural facilities was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, construction/rehabilitation of 22 sports and cultural facilities was complete.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 15,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 4,450,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	2.2.15 Construction/rehabilitation of sports and cultural facilities in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/ Municipal Development Fund of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 30 sports and cultural facilities will be built/rehabilitated	Fulfilled: In 2018, 22 sports and cultural facilities were built/rehabilitated
Budget	
Estimated: <u>15,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>4,450,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.16:** Prevention and elimination of adverse results caused by flash floods and floods in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Construction / rehabilitation of waste water and drainage system on local and rural level for prevention and elimination of adverse results caused by flash floods and floods in rural areas.

Performed Activities

The funds are allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-

2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

In the first half of 2019, it is planned to complete construction / rehabilitation of additional 12.4 km of the waste water and drainage system.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, construction/rehabilitation of 15 km of the waste water and drainage system was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, construction/rehabilitation of 16.1 km of the waste water and drainage system was complete.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 2,850,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.16 Prevention and elimination of adverse results caused by flash floods and floods in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 15 km of the waste water and drainage system will be built/rehabilitated	Fulfilled: In 2018, 16.1 km of the waste water and drainage system was built/rehabilitated
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>2,850,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.17:** Water supply system rehabilitation in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/ Municipal Development Fund of Georgia/ United Water Supply Company of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Providing sufficient quality drinking water to local population, construction of water supply networks and water sources (water reservoirs) through rehabilitation, including rehabilitation of wastewater treatment facilities (sewerage system) and construction of new wastewater treatment facilities in accordance with international standards in order to minimizing adverse environmental impacts.

Performed Activities

The main portion of the funds is allocated from the state budget of Georgia (2504). The agency responsible for the implementation of the project is LLC United Water Supply Company of Georgia of the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia. Also, part of the project is financed from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, construction/rehabilitation of 600 km of the water supply system and 20 water source and treatment facilities was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, 409.8 km of the water supply system and 23 water source and treatment facilities were built /rehabilitated.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 100,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 161,980,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.17 Water supply system rehabilitation in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/ Municipal Development Fund of Georgia/ United Water Supply Company of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target:	Fulfilled:
Annually, up to 600 km of the water supply system and	In 2018, 409.8 km of the water supply system and 23

up to 20 water source and treatment facilities will be built/rehabilitated	water source and treatment facilities were built/rehabilitated
Budget	
Estimated: <u>100,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>161,980,000 LARI</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.18:** Outdoor lighting installation in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Installation of outdoor lighting poles on local and rural roads to facilitate safe movement of local population

Performed Activities

The funds are allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to install outdoor lighting on 20 km roads. Within the reporting period, outdoor lighting was installed on 14.7 km roads.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 500,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 670,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.18 External lighting installation in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Performance Indicators

Target: Annually, outdoor lighting will be installed on 20 km roads	Fulfilled: In 2018, outdoor lighting was installed on 14.7 km roads
Budget	
Estimated: <u>500,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>670,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.19:** Construction/rehabilitation of apartment buildings in rural areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Aim of the activity: construction/rehabilitation of apartment buildings and their adjacent areas to create improved living conditions for local population

Performed Activities

The funds are allocated from the Fund for the Implementation of Regional Projects, which is reflected in the Law on State Budget (5608) and Basic Data and Directions Document For 2018-2021 state file (260 mil. GEL). In accordance with the established rule, the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia oversees the implementation of infrastructural projects planned by municipalities.

In the first half of 2019, it is planned to complete construction/rehabilitation of 14 apartment buildings and their adjacent areas.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, construction/rehabilitation of 40 apartment buildings and their adjacent areas was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, 38 apartment buildings and their adjacent areas were built /rehabilitated.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,500,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 2,000,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services,

including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.19 Construction/rehabilitation of apartment buildings in rural areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 40 apartment buildings and their adjacent areas will be built/rehabilitated	Fulfilled: In 2018, 38 apartment buildings and their adjacent areas were built/rehabilitated
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,500,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>2,000,000 LARI</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.20:** Resettlement of IDPs and creation of improved social and living conditions

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Purchase of a private property houses/apartments for long-term resettlement of internally displaced persons, IDP families

Performed Activities

In 2018, due to its high importance, the project for purchase of private property houses/apartments for long-term resettlement of internally displaced persons, IDP families was carried out in the regions of Georgia.

The project of purchase of private property houses/apartments was carried out in regions of Georgia. 497 houses/apartments were purchased under the project.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, purchase of 250 houses/apartments was planned under the activity. Within the reporting period, 497 private property houses/apartments were purchased in regions of Georgia.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 5,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 10,447,315 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.20 Resettlement of IDPs and creation of improved social and living conditions
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, residential homes will be provided to 250 IDP families under ownership	Fulfilled: In 2018, residential homes were provided under ownership to 497 IDP families
Budget	
Estimated: <u>5,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>10,447,315 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.21: Manage migration of eco-migrants**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Provide alternative housing to eco-migrant families

Performed Activities

In 2018, project aimed at providing alternative housing to eco-migrant families was carried out in the regions of Georgia. 66 houses were purchased under the project.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to provide housing to 90 eco-migrant families, under the activity. Within the reporting period, 66 houses were purchased to provide alternative housing to eco-migrants.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,250,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 1,625,000 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.21: Manage migration of eco-migrants
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, 90 eco-migrant families will be provided housing	Fulfilled: In 2018, 66 houses were purchased to provide alternative housing to eco-migrants
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,250,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>1,625,000 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.22: Village doctor**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia/LELP Social Service Agency

Aim of the activity: Increasing geographic and financial accessibility to primary healthcare services for the rural population and improving their health through prevention, early detection and management of diseases

Performed Activities

Ensuring universal access to medical services through physical and financial accessibility is one of the main priorities for the country. Providing primary healthcare services for rural population (including in high mountainous and border regions) is accomplished through the

state program of village doctor. The program provides services such as, visit to a doctor/nurse, immunization, in-house doctor/nurse visit, diagnostics of chronic and acute diseases, etc.

The state program on village doctor was approved by 28 December, 2017, N592 ordinance of the Government of Georgia. 1,282 doctors and 1,545 nurses are employed in the villages. The population is provided with primary healthcare services. In view of the improvement of the quality of primary healthcare services, a new model of primary healthcare organizational arrangement is being elaborated.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, under the activity it was planned to increase per capita outpatient visits to village doctor to 1.1. Information about 2018 performance indicators will be available in June, 2019 (18 January, 2016, N01-2/N decree of the Minister of Labour, Health, and Social Affairs of Georgia on “On Regulation of Production and Reporting of Medical Statistical Information”).

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 26,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 25,346,036 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.22 Village doctor
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia/LELP Social Service Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, per capita outpatient visits to village doctor will increase to 1.1	Fulfilled: Information about 2018 performance indicators will be available in June, 2019 (18 January, 2016, N01-2/N decree of the Minister of Labour, Health, and Social Affairs of Georgia “On Regulation of Production and Delivery of Medical Statistical Information”)
Budget	
Estimated: <u>26,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>25,346,036 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
	Rating		X			

Progress Evaluation		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.23:** Increase accessibility to state, municipal and private sector services at municipal level

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LEPL Public Service Development Agency

Aim of the activity: Facilitate access to high quality state, municipal and private sector services at local level

Performed Activities

Launching of Municipality Management System (MMS) with full package of services in 5 municipalities: Zugdidi, Gori, Mtskheta, Baghdati and Tkibuli, within the project - Supporting Public Service Development Agency to Continuously Implement all Benchmarks under the Visa Liberalisation Action Plan (2017-2020). These municipalities provide municipal services required for social, healthcare and construction/architectural processes and utilize the asset management module, which is aimed at management and accounting of municipal holdings/fixed assets. Currently, the process of selecting 3 additional municipalities for launching of MMS is underway. Informational meetings and system presentations were held in Terjola, Vani, Lanchkhuti and Zestafoni municipalities.

Within the reporting period, 378 services of 52 municipalities were launched on the unified portal of e-services (my.gov.ge). Consequently, citizens of Georgia can electronically apply to the municipalities for receiving services such as: construction permits, social assistance, granting of the status of a permanent resident of a high mountainous settlement, etc.

In 2018, 11 community centres were built and equipped. 8 of these centres were opened in 2018. Adigeni Community Centre was opened on 15 January 2019, while 2 other centres, due to delay in construction works on the surrounding area, will be opened at the beginning of 2019.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to launch Municipality Management System with full package of services in 8 municipalities. Also, to ensure functioning of 10 additional community centres at full capacity. Within the reporting period, Municipality Management System was launched in 5 municipalities (with full package of services). In 2018, 8 additional community centres were functioning at full capacity.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 10,226,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 5,257,211 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.23 Increase accessibility to state, municipal and private sector services at municipal level
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LEPL Public Service Development Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, Municipality Management System (full package of services) will be launched in 8 municipalities; In 2018, 10 additional community centres will function at full capacity	Fulfilled: In 2018, Municipality Management System (full package of services) was launched in 5 municipalities; In 2018, 8 additional community centres were functioning at full capacity
Budget	
Estimated: 10,226,000 LARI	Actual: 5,257,211 LARI

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.24:** Construction and equipment of Public Service Halls in various municipalities of the country

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LEPL Public Service Hall

Aim of the activity: Accessibility to public services for every citizen

Performed Activities

In 2018, 3 Public Service Halls were built and equipped (in Akhalkalaki, Martvili and Senaki). Construction works on Khoni (a large part of the construction works are completed) and Bolnisi Public Service Halls are underway. Also, the design and planning works of Khashuri Public Service Hall were carried out.

Construction of the Khoni and Bolnisi Public Service Halls started in 2018.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, under the activity, it was planned to build and equip 6 Public Service Halls (in Akhalkalaki, Khoni, Martvili, Senaki, Khashuri and Bolnisi). Within the reporting period 3 Public Service Halls were built and equipped (in Akhalkalaki, Martvili and Senaki).

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 9,462,500 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 7,474,437 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.24 Construction and equipment of Public Service Halls in various municipalities of the country
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LEPL Public Service Hall
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, 6 Public Service Halls will be built and equipped (in Akhalkalaki, Khoni, Martvili, Senaki, Khashuri and Bolnisi)	Fulfilled: In 2018, 3 Public Service Halls were built and equipped (in Akhalkalaki, Martvili and Senaki)
Budget	
Estimated: 9,462,500 LARI	Actual: 7,474,437 LARI

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating			X		
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.25:** Ensuring accessibility of notary services in settlements (including high mountainous areas), where notary services were not available

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LEPL Notary Chamber of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Ensure functioning of modern standard notary bureaus and unhindered accessibility of notarial and related legal services for local residents of those municipalities, where notary service was not previously available

Performed Activities

The Notary Chamber provides financial and material support to those notaries, which, subsequent to the reform, were appointed to high mountainous or such areas, where notary service was not duly accessible. The assistance is allocated from the budget of the Notary Chamber, which is accumulated only by the Notary Chamber's income and is not financed from the state budget. The notaries are provided different types of assistance on quarterly bases, such as: financial assistance, assistance of the Chamber in finding the space for the notary bureau, providing computer equipment for the notary bureau and other inventory required for provision of notarial functions.

Within the reporting period, the following material assistance was provided to the notaries within the Chamber's budget:

- Notaries received 73,933 GEL in the form of financial assistance;
- 80,460 GEL was paid for the rent of notaries' apartments and notary bureaus.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned under the activity for the Notary Chamber to provide assistance to the operation of all notary bureaus located in settlements (including high mountainous areas) where notary service was not previously available. Since 2016, consequent to the reform of the Notary, carried out by the Minister of Justice of Georgia, 30 (thirty) notaries have been appointed in total, including 7 (seven) notaries appointed in 2018. Within the reporting period, functioning of notary bureaus was ensured, in those municipalities, where notary service was not previously available and the local population can receive notarial and related legal services without any hindrance.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 100,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 154,393 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.25 Ensuring accessibility of notary services in settlements (including high mountainous areas), where notary services were not available
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Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LELP Notary Chamber of Georgia
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Performance Indicators

Target: Annually, Notary Chamber will ensure assistance to the operation of all notary bureaus located in settlements (including high mountainous areas)	Fulfilled: In 2018, Notary Chamber provided assistance to the operation of all – 30 notary bureaus (7 of which were added in 2018) located in settlements (including high
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where notary service was not previously available	mountainous areas) where notary service was not previously available
Budget	
Estimated: <u>100,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>154,393 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.26:** Full rehabilitation, construction and equipment of regional archive buildings

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Justice of Georgia/LELP National Archives of Georgia/ LELP National Agency of Public Registry

Aim of the activity: Archiving relevant documents in well-equipped and optimally distributed regional and local archive buildings, where appropriate conditions for due protection and storage of archived documents will be ensured by means of modern fire suppression, climate control and secure storage systems.

Performed Activities

In 2018, works were carried out both for construction and equipment of the Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Archive and the design of the Shida Kartli Regional Archive building plans.

Construction works of the Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Archive building revealed an archaeological site. For the conservation of the mentioned site, it became necessary to temporarily suspend the construction and rehabilitation works and to procure a new construction plan. For this purpose, LELP National Archives of Georgia additionally procured services for amending the plan and construction cost estimation documents. The amended plan was agreed with LELP National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation. Taking into consideration the complexity of the project, the timespan of the works and the budget acquisition were changed.

Despite of the mentioned above, both land works and clearing of the massive wall in the archaeological layers were complete under the supervision of the National Agency for Cultural

Heritage Preservation specialists. At the same time, interior rehabilitation works were underway in the existing archive building, as well as partial purchase and installation of archive shelves.

In case of construction and equipping of the Shida Kartli Regional Archive building, the plans submitted by the company working on the project did not meet the requirements provided by the competition proposal. Sufficient plans could not be obtained even after prolonging the deadline. In accordance with the agreement concluded as a result of a newly announced tender, 20 February, 2019 was defined as the deadline for submission of the plans. Considering the abovementioned, the timespan of the works and the budget acquisition in the relevant years was changed.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to build and equip 1 archive building in Samtskhe-Javakheti region (Akhaltzikhe); and to centralize 1 archive (Akhalkalaki). Also, in 2018-2019, it was planned to build and equip 1 archive building in Shida Kartli region (Gori) and centralize 2 archives (Kaspi, Khashuri). Within the reporting period, land works for Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Archive were completed. Rehabilitation works and equipment process are partially complete. A contract on procurement of the project plans was concluded in regards to the construction and equipment of Shida Kartli Regional Archive. Taking into account the change in objective circumstances of the construction of Samtskhe-Javakheti and Shida Kartli regional archives, deadlines for their equipment and relevant performance indicators, the projects in question will be completed in 2019-2020.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 2,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 817,992 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.26 Full rehabilitation, construction and equipment of regional archive buildings
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Justice of Georgia/ LELP National Archives of Georgia/ LELP National Agency of Public Registry
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, 1 archive building will be built and equipped in Samtskhe-Javakheti region (Akhaltzikhe); 1 archive (Akhalkalaki) will be centralized.	Fulfilled: Amended plan and construction cost estimation documents for Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Archive were procured. Land works were completed. Rehabilitation works and equipment process are partially complete.

In 2018-2019, 1 archive building will be built and equipped in Shida Kartli region (Gori); 2 archives (Kaspi, Khashuri) will be centralized.	A contract on procurement of the project plans was concluded in regards to the construction and equipment of Shida Kartli Regional Archive.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>2,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>817,992 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating			X		
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 2.2.27:** Support to improvement of demographic situation

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Support to improvement of demographic situation in regions with negative population growth, as well as the high mountainous settlements through financial benefits

Performed Activities

Within the scope of the activity, the beneficiary is entitled to monthly financial assistance - for residents of the mountainous regions in the amount of 200 GEL and for the residents of other settlements - 150 GEL.

In 2018, Guria, Imereti, Kakheti, Mtskheta-Mtianeti, Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti, Racha Lechkhumi-Kvemo Svaneti and Samtskhe-Javakheti regions were included in the program. In accordance to the Law of Georgia on the Development of High Mountainous Regions social benefits were established for certain categories of individuals permanently residing in high mountainous settlements.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

In 2018, it was planned to provide social assistance to children permanently living in regions with negative population growth and high mountainous settlements. Within the reporting period, social assistance was provided each month and in timely manner to 11,000 children

permanently living in regions with negative population growth, as well as the high mountainous settlements.

In 2018, the budget for the planned activities was estimated at 25,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 20,939,680 GEL.

Objective 2.2: Infrastructure and services. Improvement of basic rural infrastructure (including roads leading to cultural heritage sites and other relevant infrastructure), and the availability of high-quality public services, including information and communication technologies.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.2.27 Assistance for demographic situation improvement
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: Annually, social assistance will be provided to children permanently living in regions with negative population growth, as well as the high mountainous settlements, in timely manner	Fulfilled: In 2018, social assistance was provided each month to 11,000 children permanently living in regions with negative population growth, as well as the high mountainous settlements, in timely manner
Budget	
Estimated: <u>25,000,000 LARI</u>	Actual: <u>20,939,680 LARI</u>

		Fully completed	Mostly completed	Partially completed	Not completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation process not yet initiated	Implementation process on-going	Implementation process suspended	Implementation process terminated	Implementation process completed
	Status		X			

Objective 2.3 Local population engagement. Increase the involvement of the rural population (especially youth and women) in identifying local needs and the determination of solutions to these needs.

In order to fulfill Objective 2.3, one activity was conducted in 2018 - Meetings with community groups. The activity was conducted by the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia.

Activity planned in order to fulfill Objective 2.3 did not require a specifically allocated funding and approved budget.

As a result of activities conducted towards the completion of the Objective, in 2018:
 ⇒ 4 meetings with community groups were held
Activity planned in order to fulfill Objective 2.3 did not require a specifically allocated funding and approved budget.

- **Activity 2.3.1:** Meetings with community groups

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Sharing the Rural Development Strategy and Action Plan with community groups

Performed Activities

As a part of the activity - “Meeting with community groups”, presented in 2018-2020 Action Plan of 2017-2020 Rural Development Strategy, 4 meeting were held in 2018. The meetings were attended by 89 participants:

- ✓ May 17, 2018 – village Jorjiashvili of Tetrtskaro Municipality, attended by 30 participants;
- ✓ June 2, 2018 – town Stepantsminda of Kazbegi Municipality, attended by 15 participants;
- ✓ June 13, 2018 – town Khulo of Khulo Municipality, attended by 14 participants;
- ✓ June 14, 2018 – town Keda of Keda Municipality, attended by 30 participants;

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, 2 meeting with community groups were projected. Within reporting period, 2 meeting with community groups were held and they were attended by 89 participants.

Planned Activity did not require a specifically allocated funding and approved budget.

Local population engagement. Increase the involvement of the rural population (especially youth and women) in identifying local needs and the determination of solutions to these needs.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 2.3.1 Meeting with community groups
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, knowledge/experience will be generated regarding local development from 2 community groups. Shared information will be used for annual	Fulfilled: In 2018, 4 meeting with community groups were held

revision of Rural Development Strategy Action Plan. In future, development of the Rural Development Strategy will involve more local participation.	
Budget	
Estimated: <u>0 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>0 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

Priority Area 3: Environmental Protection and Sustainable Management of Natural Resources

In 2018, Priority Area “Environmental Protection and Sustainable Management of Natural Resources” covered 3 Objectives and 37 Activities in total. Their goals mostly encompassed activities in connection to improvement of the management of water, forest and other resources, assistance in development of sustainable system of solid waste disposal and state supported activities aimed at mitigating the negative impact of climate change.

Total estimated budget for the Priority Area 3 is **38,184,500 GEL**, while in 2018 actual implementation cost was at **21,287,799 GEL**.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.

In order to fulfill Objective 3.1, 10 activities were conducted in 2018, including: protection of protected areas and management of resources, development of ecotourism on protected areas and effective communication with the public, sustainable utilization of forest resources, forest care and restoration, forest accounting and inventory, conducting annual geological monitoring, carrying out geological surveys, monitoring of groundwaters and conducting environmental pollution monitoring. All of the activities were conducted by the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia its agencies.

The budget for the activities planned under the Objective 3.1 was estimated at 8,842,500 GEL.

As a result of the activities conducted towards fulfillment of the Objective, in 2018:

- ⇒ Protection infrastructure was developed in three protected areas
- ⇒ Demarcation information signs were provided in one protected area
- ⇒ Ecotourism and eco-educational information infrastructure was arranged in 3 protected areas
- ⇒ Management plan was approved for Machakhela national park
- ⇒ 343,000 m³ of timber resources were issued for social purposes
- ⇒ 160.4 ha of forest was planted
- ⇒ Kazbegi geological plate survey was finalized
- ⇒ 11,557 ha of agricultural land was insured

Projected budget for the planned activities under Objective 3.1 was estimated at 8,842,500 GEL. In 2018, the state expenditure for the accomplishment of the Objective was 9,458,813

- **Activity 3.1.1:** Protection of protected areas and management of resources

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas

Aim of the activity: Improvement of protected area management

Performed Activities

In 2018, within the scope of Activity protection infrastructure was improved and field fire-fighting equipment was provided.

In 2018, blockages were set up in Tbilisi, Machakhela and Borjomi-Kharagauli national parks. Field fire-fighting equipment was provided to over five protected areas, including all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), water pumps and chainsaws. In 2018, demarcation of Pshav-Khevsureti national park was conducted.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, protection infrastructure (blockages) was to be developed in three protected areas; demarcation information signs were to be provided in one protected area; field fire-fighting equipment was to be provided to the administrations of two protected areas; forest inventory process (approximately 20,000 ha) was to start and finish in one protected area. Within reporting period, protection infrastructure (blockages) was developed in three protected areas; demarcation information signs were provided in one protected area; field fire-fighting equipment was provided to the administrations of two protected areas; forest inventory process was not conducted in one protected area (Tbilisi national park inventory was not conducted in 2018 since the announced tender for the activity failed twice and due to high priority of the measure – it was moved to 2019; funds allocated for the activity in 2018 were redirected towards purchasing fire-fighting equipment and two ATVs).

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 190,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 173,600 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.

Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.1 Protection of protected areas and management of resources
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas

Performance Indicators

<p>Target:</p> <p>In 2018: protection infrastructure (blockages) will be developed in three protected areas;</p> <p>Demarcation information signs will be provided in one protected area;</p> <p>Field fire-fighting equipment will be provided to the administrations of two protected areas;</p> <p>Forest inventory process (approximately 20,000 ha) will start and finish in one protected area.</p>	<p>Fulfilled:</p> <p>In 2018: protection infrastructure (blockages) was developed in three protected areas;</p> <p>Demarcation information signs was provided in one protected area;</p> <p>Field fire-fighting equipment was provided to the administrations of two protected areas;</p> <p>Forest inventory was not conducted in one protected area (Tbilisi national park inventory was not conducted in 2018 since the announced tender for the activity failed twice and due to high priority of the event – it was moved to 2019; funds allocated for the activity in 2018 were directed towards purchasing fire-fighting equipment and two ATVs).</p>
Budget	
Estimated: <u>190.000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>173.600 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating		X			
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.2:** Development of ecotourism in protected areas and effective communication with the public

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas

Aim of the activity: Development of ecotourism in protected areas and raising public awareness

Performed Activities

In 2018, within the scope of the Activity, ecotourism information infrastructure, as well as information infrastructure of eco-educational significance was rehabilitated in order to support development of ecotourism in protected areas. More than five ecotourism information

infrastructures and information infrastructures eco-educational significance were set up or rehabilitated, namely: Vashlovani terebinth tree educational trail infrastructure; Satsurbliia and Navenakhevi caves infrastructure; Sataplia and Prometheus caves infrastructure; Martvili canyon infrastructure; Okatse canyon infrastructure and Okatse (Kintskha) waterfall infrastructure.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, ecotourism information infrastructure and information infrastructure of eco-educational significance was to be arranged in 3 additional protected areas. Within the reporting period, information infrastructure of ecotourism and eco-educational significance was arranged in 3 additional protected areas.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 200,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 308,300 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.2: Development of ecotourism in protected areas and effective communication with the public
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018, information infrastructure of ecotourism and eco-educational significance will be arranged in 3 additional protected areas.	Fulfilled: In 2018, information infrastructure of ecotourism and eco-educational significance was arranged in 3 additional protected areas.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>200,000</u> Lari	Actual: <u>308,300</u> Lari

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	ნაწილობრივ შესრულდა	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.3** Improving management of protected areas

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas

Aim of the activity: Support of improvement of protected area management, preparation of strategic documentation

Performed Activities

In 2018, the agency prepared “Strategy and Action Plan of Protected Areas of Georgia”, which was approved on January 4, 2019. In 2018, Machakhela national park management plan was approved, donor – UNDP. In addition, management plan of Algeti national park was finalized, donor - KFW/GFA/SPPA. Necessary approval procedures are underway.

In 2018, work on management plans of Kolkheti and Kobuleti protected areas were finalized, donor - Kolkheti Protected Area Development Fund; Necessary approval procedures are underway. During reported period, work on development of management plan for Pshav-Khevsureti protected area has begun and is still in progress; donor - KFW/GFA/SPPA. In 2018, work on development of management plan for Kintrishi protected area was also initiated and is still in progress; donor - KFW/GFA/SPPA.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, management plan was to be introduced to 1 protected area. Within reporting period, Machakhela national park management plan was approved.

Planned Activity did not require specifically allocated funding and an approved budget.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.3 Improving management of protected areas
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL Agency of Protected Areas
Performance Indicators	
Target: Management plan will be in place for 1 protected area	Fulfilled: Machakhela national park management plan was approved
Budget	
Estimated: 0 Lari	Actual: 0 Lari

	Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.4:** Sustainable utilization of forest resources

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency

Aim of the activity: In order to increase availability of the timber resources within the designated logging areas, existing forest/farming roads to be rehabilitated and/or additional roads to be constructed; in order to obtain timber resources, appropriate logging areas to be identified and logging to be conducted; production and sale of timber acquired through special logging.

Performed Activities

In 2018, within the scope of the Activity, 105.5 km of forest/farming roads were constructed/rehabilitated, out of which, 10.23 km of new roads were constructed and 95.3 km of roads were rehabilitated. More specifically: Imereti – 1.85 km of new forest/farming road was constructed, 26.07 km of roads were rehabilitated; Samtskhe-Javakheti – 10.076 km of roads were rehabilitated; Racha-Lechkhumi and Kvemo Svaneti: constructed – 6.17 km, rehabilitated – 14.4 km; Guria – 26.07 km was rehabilitated; Shida Kartli: constructed – 0.55 km, rehabilitated – 9.2 km; Mtskheta-Mtianeti: constructed – 1.66 km, rehabilitated – 29.7 km.

In 2018, 84,800 m³ of timber was processed and sold. From the above total, as a part of activities aimed at providing firewood to state-funded organizations, up to 2000 state institutions (kindergartens, schools and other) were provided with 49,200 cubic meters of timber. Additionally, agency sold (including direct sales) 35,600 m³ of timber for commercial purposes.

In order to sell timber acquired through special logging (logs and firewood) 526 electronic auctions were held; 16 auctions announced at the end of 2017, were finalized. In total 387 electronic auctions were completed with status “Sold”; sold timber totaled at 34,540 cubic meters.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, following were planned: in order to increase availability of the resources within the designated cutting areas, forest/farming roads between 65-90 km were to be additionally constructed/rehabilitated; timber resources between 450,000 m³ and 550,000 m³ were to be issued for social purposes (approximately 75,000 - 80,000 beneficiaries);

60,000 m³ timber resources were to be processed and sold. Within the reporting period, in order to increase availability of the resources within the designated cutting areas, 105.5 km of forest/farming roads were constructed/rehabilitated; 343,000 m³ of timber resources were issued for social purposes (approximately 49,000 beneficiaries); 84,800 m³ timber resources were processed and sold.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 6,339,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 6,776,100 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.4: Sustainable utilization of forest resources
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: In 2018: in order to increase availability of the resources within the designated cutting areas, forest/farming roads between 65-90 km were to be additionally constructed/rehabilitated; timber resources between 450,000 m ³ and 550,000 m ³ were to be issued for social purposes (approximately 75,000 - 80,000 beneficiaries); 60,000 m ³ timber resources were to be processed and sold.	Fulfilled: In 2018: in order to increase availability of the resources within the designated cutting areas, 105.5 km of forest/farming roads were constructed/rehabilitated; 343,000 m ³ of timber resources were issued for social purposes (approximately 49,000 beneficiaries); 84,800 m ³ timber resources were processed and sold.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>6,339,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>6,776,100 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating		X			
	Status	Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
			X			

- **Activity 3.1.5:** Forest care and restoration

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency

Aim of the activity: supporting ecological conditions of forests; establishing temporary plant nurseries within boundaries of forest areas selected based on their high priority, conducting forest restoration and planting activities in previously identified areas, including setting up plantations of fast growing tree species – which will ensure gradual decrease of pressure on forests and help satisfy a need for thin-stemmed assortments and public need for firewood; conducting forest pathology research and conducting appropriate measures against discovered pests and/or diseases; averting possible damage from forest fires by conducting fire prevention activities, more specifically: creating fire lines and firebreaks, creating information boards and warning signs for highly fire hazardous areas.

Performed Activities

In 2018, within the scope of Activity, maintenance and restoration activities were conducted on 206 hectares in 7 regions. From the abovementioned 160.4 ha of additional forest was planted. The increased number in comparison with the indicator targets in the action plan were caused by the forest restoration work that elaborated and initiated in Samtskhke-Javakheti region in an effort to restore forests destroyed in wildfires. This restoration work will continue in 2019. In Samtskhe-Javakheti various activities were conducted to restore territories adjacent to village Daba that were destroyed in August 20-26, 2017 wildfires.

In Kvemo Kartli region, areas designated for forest restoration in Dmanisi and Sioni forestries in the 2018 action plan were surveyed. Maintenance was carried out in two temporary plant nurseries (0.4 ha each) located in Poladauri forestry territory of the Sioni forestry area. 2000 saplings of Georgian Oak were cultivated in the plant nursery of Poladauri territory of Sioni forestry area. These saplings were planted on 10 hectares of land designated for natural restoration assistance in Kvishkheti forestry territory of Khashuri forestry area.

In Shida Kartli region, area (10 ha) designated for natural restoration assistance was surveyed in Kvishkheti-Surami forestry; a project was elaborated and approved, and planned activities of the project were carried out (area was cleaned and fenced).

In Guria region, a project for natural restoration assistance was elaborated and approved for 2 ha area in Bakhmaro forestry territory of Chokhatauri forestry area.

In Imereti region, geological survey was conducted on 23.5 hectares of Satsire forestry of Tkibuli forestry area in cooperation with specialists from Geological Department of National Environmental Agency.

In Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti region, in temporary plant nursery set up within Kheta forestry of Kolkheti-Chkhorotsku forestry area, 6000 saplings of Colchis boxwood were propagated and

planted; maintenance of ash-tree seedlings located in the same plant nursery on 0.3 ha area was conducted.

Racha-Lechkhumi Kvemo Svaneti region: at Lentekhi forestry territory of Lentekhi forestry area, 0.13 ha temporary plant nursery was set up.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, forest was to be planted on additional 75-100 ha; compared to 2017, hazardous diseases progression was to be reduced by 10% and sanitary condition of forests was to be improved by 5%. Within the reporting period, additional 160.4 ha of forests were planted; in 2018, compared to previous year, hazardous diseases progression was reduced by 10% and sanitary condition of forests was improved by 5%.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 667,200 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 1,471,400 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.5: Forest care and restoration
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency
Performance Indicators	
Target: On the territory of state owned forests under the management of LEPL National Forestry Agency: In 2018: forest will be planted on additional 75-1000 ha; Compared to 2017, hazardous diseases progression will reduce by 10% and sanitary condition of forests will improve by 5%.	Fulfilled: On the territory of state owned forests under the management of LEPL National Forestry Agency: In 2018: additional 160.4 ha of forests were planted; Compared to 2017, hazardous diseases progression was reduced by 10% and sanitary condition of forests was improved by 5%.
Budget	
Estimated: <u>667,200 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>1,471,400 Lari</u>

	Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Rating	X				

Progress Evaluation		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.6:** Forest accounting and inventory

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency

Aim of the activity: Develop forest management plan that will reflect forestry-related activities aimed at protecting forests, improving sustainability, rational and multipurpose utilization and restoration of resources; update the outdated information on condition of forest resources, carry out inventory of forest resources, acquire and analyze data on forestry production, forestry resource indicators and quality; specify borders of state forest fund and prepare appropriate cartographic materials; improve existing material base of forest inventory and provide modern information processing software solutions.

Performed Activities

In 2018, clarification of methodology of inventorying new object was underway. Additionally, preparation of tender documentation was underway.

This activity was implemented under the budget support component of the ENPARD programme financed by the European Union.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, forest management plans were to be prepared for two additional forest sections (Lentekhi, Akhmeta) - total area 141, 400 ha. In total, updated forest management plan was to include approximately 29.1% of state forest fund area managed by the LELP National Forestry Agency; inventorying of Akhmeta municipality is projected for 2019 in cooperation with GIZ. Additionally, Lentekhi forestry area could not be inventoried either and the inventory is also projected for 2019. In 2018, the indicator was not completed.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 771,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 0 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.6: Forest accounting and inventory
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Forestry Agency
Performance Indicators	

Planned: In 2018: forest management plans was to be prepared for two additional forest sections (Lentekhi, Akhmeta) - total area 141, 400 ha. In total, updated forest management plan was to include approximately 29.1% of state forest fund area managed by the LELP National Forestry Agency	Fulfilled: In 2018 the indicator was not completed.
Budget	
Planned: <u>771,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>0 Lari</u>

		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Progress Evaluation	Rating				X	
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.7:** Carrying out annual geological monitoring

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency

Aim of the activity: Create GIS zoning maps of Georgia’s geological hazards. Collect basic data needed for minimization and prevention natural disasters risks.

Performed Activities

In 2018, due to occurrences of geological disasters, geodynamical conditions of 1,245 houses, land plots and adjacent territories in 587 settlements were evaluated. Also, possibility of threats coming from geological disasters was identified and appropriate recommendations on immediate actions were issued.

In an effort to evaluate geological disaster processes (landslides, flash floods, rock falls etc.), annual geological survey was conducted in all regions of Georgia – 1,057 settlement were evaluated.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, geological monitoring areas of residential settlements were to be increased by 5%. Within reporting period, in comparison to 2017, geological monitoring areas of residential settlements were increased by 10%.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 8,400 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 6,894 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.7: Carrying out annual geological monitoring
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency
Performance Indicators	
Planned: Annually, geological monitoring areas of residential settlements will increase by 5%	Fulfilled: In 2018, comparison to previous years, geological monitoring areas of residential settlements was increased by 10%.
Budget	
Planned: <u>8,400 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>6,894 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.8:** Carrying out geological survey

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency

Aim of the activity: geological survey, creation of geological GIS maps of Georgia, improve risk assessment capabilities

Performed Activities

In 2018, laboratory study of geological fund samples was underway; in order to create 1:200 000 scale map, and corresponding report, of Jvari-Kazbegi geological plate, laboratory study of samples collected during geological field research was commencing.

In 2018, geological report and maps (1:200 000 scale) of Kazbegi geological plate (K-38-XV) were created. Within reporting period, geological field survey and laboratory study of Rustavi and Lagodekhi geological plates (K-38-XXII and K-38-XXIII) were underway.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, Jvari-Kazbegi geological plate survey was to be finalized. Within reporting period, geological report and maps (1:200 000 scale) of Kazbegi geological plate (K-38-XV) were finalized.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 900 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 12,880 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.8: Carrying out geological survey
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency
Performance Indicators	
Planned: In 2018 Jvari-Kazbegi geological plate survey will be finalized	Fulfilled: In 2018 Jvari-Kazbegi geological plate survey was finalized
Budget	
Planned: 900 Lari	Actual: 12,880 Lari

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
	Status	Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed

- **Activity 3.1.9:** Carrying out monitoring of groundwater

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency

Aim of the activity: Collect information regarding quantities and qualitative characteristics of drinking groundwater in Georgia. Prepare reports on alteration dynamics of quantities and qualitative characteristics of groundwater.

Performed Activities

In 2018, in order to increase the number of monitoring/observation waterpoints, identification of technical parameters for the purpose of initiating the tender procedure for state purchase was underway; purchase and installation of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints was also conducted.

Monitoring of drinking fresh groundwater was improved. In comparison with 2017, in 2018, the number of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints increased by 4. There are 55 waterpoints (49 borewells and 6 springs) in groundwater monitoring network. Data is being automatically received and controlled. Inspection and maintenance of groundwater monitoring network borewells is ongoing.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, in comparison to previous year, number of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints was to be increased by 5. Within reporting period, in comparison to previous year, number of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints was increased by 4.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 85,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 45,300 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.9: Carrying out monitoring of underground waters
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency
Performance Indicators	
Planned: Annually, number of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints will increase by 5	Fulfilled: In 2018, in comparison to previous year, number of groundwater monitoring/observation waterpoints was increased by 4
Budget	
Planned: 85,000 Lari	Actual: 45,300 Lari

	Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
Rating		X			

Progress Evaluation		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.1.10:** Environmental pollution monitoring

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency

Aim of the activity: Collect data on condition of quality of the environment and disseminate appropriate information.

Performed Activities

In 2018, monitoring of pollution of surface waters of Georgia was underway. Also, samples taken for the purpose of monitoring soil contamination were being studied in laboratories.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, number of surface water monitoring objects (rivers and lakes) was to be increased from 158 to 166; Number of residential areas with soil contamination analysis would increase from 45 to 50. Within reporting period, surface water (rivers and lakes) monitoring was conducted on 166 objects and soil contamination analysis was conducted in 50 settlements.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 581,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 664,339 GEL.

Objective 3.1. Water, forest and other resources. Improve the management of water, forest and other resources in targeted rural areas.	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.1.10: Environmental pollution monitoring
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency
Performance Indicators	
Planned: In 2018, number of surface water monitoring objects (rivers and lakes) was to be increased from 158 to 166; Number of residential areas with soil contamination analysis would increase from 45 to 50.	Fulfilled: In 2018, surface water (rivers and lakes) monitoring was conducted on 166 objects and soil contamination analysis was conducted in 50 settlements.
Budget	
Planned: 581,000 Lari	Actual: 664,339 Lari

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

Objective 3.2 Waste management. Promote sustainable systems of waste management in rural areas

In order to fulfill Objective 3.2, one activity – Solid Waste Management was conducted in 2018. The Activity of the Objective was conducted by the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia.

The budget for the activities planned under Objective 3.2 was estimated at 20,000,000 GEL.

As a result of the activities conducted towards fulfillment of the Objective, in 2018:

⇒ 1 new regional landfill construction started

Projected budget for the planned activities under Objective 3.2 was estimated at 20,000,000 GEL. In 2018, the state expenditure for the accomplishment of the Objective was 6,500,000 GEL.

- **Activity 3.2.1: Solid waste management**

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/Ltd. Solid Waste Management Company of Georgia

Aim of the activity: Construction of new, sanitary landfill in accordance with European standards and closure of the existing landfill

Performed Activities

In 2018, tender procedures aimed at selecting of a company to implement the Imereti regional landfill construction project, were completed. Contract was signed. In December of 2018, infrastructural work began.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, 1 new regional landfill construction was to start. Within reporting period, new landfill construction in Imereti region has started.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 20,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 6,500,000 GEL.

Objective 3.2 Waste management. Promote sustainable systems of waste management in rural areas	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.2.1 Solid waste management
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia/Ltd. Solid Waste Management Company of Georgia
Performance Indicators	
Planned: In 2018, 1 new regional landfill construction was to start.	Fulfilled: In 2018, 1 new regional landfill construction has started.
Budget	
Planned: <u>20,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>6,500,000 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating	X				
		Implementation Process Not Yet Started	Implementation Process Ongoing	Implementation Process Suspended	Implementation Process Terminated	Implementation Process Completed
	Status		X			

Objective 3.3 Climate change. Activities used to mitigate the negative impact of climate change

In order to fulfill Objective 3.3, two activities in total were conducted in 2018, including carrying out hydrometeorological observation, expanding of the observation network and agricultural insurance measures. Both Activities of the Objective were conducted by the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia and its agencies.

The budget for the planned activities under Objective 3.3 was estimated at 9,342,000 GEL.

As a result of the activities conducted towards fulfillment of the Objective, in 2018:

- ⇒ 3 automatic meteorological and 5 hydrological observation stations were installed and set up
- ⇒ 11,557 hectares of agricultural land were insured

Projected budget for the planned activities under Objective 3.3 was estimated at 9,342,000

GEL. In 2018, the state expenditure for the accomplishment of the Objective was 5,328,986 GEL.

- **Activity 3.3.1:** Carrying out hydrometeorological observation and expanding the observation network

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency

Aim of the activity: expansion of standard hydrometeorological observation network, collecting data from stationary network and providing customer information regarding probable extreme hydrometeorological events in Georgia.

Performed Activities

In 2018, system of hydrometeorological services was improved; environmental disaster/catastrophe early warning system was developed. Continuous and uninterrupted observation of 147 hydrometeorological stations and watchtowers was conducted.

During 2018, the following stations began operating: 3 automatic meteorological stations (cities of Batumi, Poti and Gori); 5 river water monitoring stations (rivers Gubazeuli, Natanebi, Khobistskali, Bzhuzhi, Nenskra).

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, compared to 2017, 5 additional meteorological and 4 hydrological observation stations were to be purchased and installed. Within reporting period, 3 automatic meteorological stations and 5 hydrological (water monitoring) stations were installed and set up.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 342,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 541,519 GEL.

Objective 3.3 Climate change. Activities used to mitigate the negative impact of climate change	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.3.1: Carrying out hydro meteorological observation and expanding the observation network
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LEPL National Environmental Agency
Performance Indicators	
Planned: In 2018 compared to 2017, 5 additional meteorological and 4 hydrological observation stations were to be purchased and installed.	Fulfilled: In 2018 3 automatic meteorological stations and 5 hydrological (water monitoring) stations were installed and set up.

Budget	
Planned: <u>342,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>541,519 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating		X			
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	Status		X			

- **Activity 3.3.2:** Agricultural insurance measures

Responsible Agency: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/
Agricultural Projects Management Agency

Aim of the activity: Develop insurance market in agricultural sector; support agricultural activities; increase competitiveness of individuals employed in agricultural businesses; maintain income levels and reduce risks of individuals involved in agricultural businesses.

Performed Activities

In 2018, changes were introduced to the program. As a result of these changes, only the land plot registered in the public registry was allowed to be insured under the program. In April, contracts were signed with seven insurance companies. Visits to various regions of Georgia were conducted, where local population was informed in details of the 2017 results of agro-insurance project and changes implemented in 2018. Another aim of visits to regions was to observe the damage assessment process. Documental monitoring of insurance policies was conducted and state subsidy was transferred. Consultations with insurance companies and international consultants regarding possible changes to 2019 agro-insurance program and creation of new insurance products were initiated.

As a result of the activities conducted in 2018, the following was accomplished:

- ✓ Number of issued insurance policies - 12,574;
- ✓ Cost of insured crops - 85,781,348 GEL;
- ✓ Area of insured crops - 11,557 ha;
- ✓ Agency's share of insurance premium (agency's cost-share) - 4,474,889 GEL.

Indicator completion and budget expenditure

As a part of 2018 planned activities, approximately 20,000 hectares of agricultural land was to be insured. Within reporting period, 11,557 ha of agricultural land were insured. Discrepancy

between indicator's planned and implemented amounts was caused by changes introduced to the project in 2018, due to which, only the land plots that were registered in the public registry were allowed to be insured under the program.

The budget for the planned activities was estimated at 9,000,000 GEL, while the actual budget expenditure was 4,787,468 GEL.

Objective 3.3 Climate change. Activities used to mitigate the negative impact of climate change	
Activity Number and Name:	Activity 3.3.2: Agricultural insurance measures
Responsible Agency:	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia/LELP Agricultural Projects Management Agency.
Performance Indicators	
Planned: In 2018 approximately 20,000 hectares of agricultural land was to be insured	Fulfilled: In 2018 approximately 11,557 hectares of agricultural land was insured
Budget	
Planned: <u>9,000,000 Lari</u>	Actual: <u>4,787,468 Lari</u>

Progress Evaluation		Fully Completed	Mostly Completed	Partially Completed	Not Completed	
	Rating		X			
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