

## Performance Report of Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sport of Georgia within Rural Development Strategy of Georgia 2017-2020 and Action Plan for 2019

Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia, within Rural Development Strategy of Georgia 2017-2020 and Action Plan for 2019 approved by the Government of Georgia on December 30, 2016, is presented in the fields of education, culture, and sport.

The 18 activities noted in the Action Plan for 2019 include providing various social services to rural people - in the fields of education, culture, sports, as well as the development of educational, cultural and sports spaces infrastructure and rehabilitation of cultural heritage sites.

Remarkably, the number of activities of the Ministry has decreased from 20 to 18 compared to previous years, as a result of the abolition of the structural unit of the Ministry - "Department of Youth Management Policy" and establishment of the LEPL "Youth Agency" according to the decision of the Government of Georgia. Consequently, 2 activities which were under the Ministry's competence until 2018 that were aimed at promoting youth in rural areas, shifted to the competence of the Youth Agency from 2019.

The activities under Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sport of Georgia, out of the three Strategic Priority Areas of Rural Development Strategy (economy and competitiveness, social conditions and living standards, environmental protection and sustainable management of natural resources) are presented in two Priority Areas: 1. Economy and Competitiveness; 2. Social Conditions and Living Standards.

The estimated total budget for 18 activities carried out by the Ministry was **GEL 105,998,000**. During the reporting period, due December 31, 2019, the total actual spending was **GEL 85,973,880**.

### Activities Performance Indicators for 2019 under the responsibility of Ministry:

Objective	Activity	Budget estimate for 2019 (GEL)	Budget expenditure for 2019 (GEL)
Objective 1.3 The development of tourism in rural areas, based on rural specificity and unique cultural identity	1.3.3. Supporting culture in the regions	1,517,000	1,679,036.18
	1.3.4. Cultural Heritage Protection	3,101,000	14,198,767
	1.3.5. Cultural Heritage Protection and Streamlining of the museum system	983,000	1,159,000
Objective 2.1 Raising awareness in innovation and entrepreneurship. Also, the promotion of cooperation through contributing to the	2.1.2 Professional Development of Vocational Education Teachers	9,000	25,000
	2.1.3 Support for the Development of Vocational Education	5,800,000	8,088,426

skills development and employment issues (especially for young people and women).	2.1.4 Professional Training of National Minorities	2,205,000	2,320,830
	2.1.8 Art development activities	4,248,000	3,040,716
	2.1.9 Promoting arts education	480,000	479,708
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.	2.2.1. Developing the Infrastructure of Secondary Educational Institutions	40,761,000	21,061,597
	2.2.2 Developing the Infrastructure of Vocational Educational Institutions	2,090,000	4,258,355
	2.2.3 Providing transportation to public school students	20,100,000	24,664,509
	2.2.4 Providing Information and Communication Technologies to Educational Institutions	2,000,000	3,582,146
	2.2.5 Providing psycho-social services to students	534,000	The activity was realized with administrative resources
	2.2.6 Offering various camps for school students	1,300,000	986,000
	2.2.7 Supporting School Activities for the Establishment of an Interesting and Amusing Environment and Strengthening of Public Schools	400,000	187,630
	2.2.10 Installation of Open-air Training Equipment in the Regions of Georgia	220,000	0
	2.2.11 Development of sports infrastructure	20,000,000	0
	2.2.12 Financial assistance of trainers employed in the field of sports in the high mountainous settlements	250,000	242,160
		<b>105,998,000</b>	<b>85,973,880</b>

In 2018-2019, the total number of modular vocational education program graduates (registered in rural areas) is 4,571. In 2017, the total number of modular vocational education graduates (registered in rural areas) was 474.

In 2018-2019, 519 people (registered in rural areas) were enrolled in work-based learning programs.

Detailed information on the activities of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sport of Georgia is provided in the “Monitoring Report for 2019 of Rural Development Strategy of Georgia 2017-2020”.