

Humanitarian Aid

Vulnerable Household Rehabilitation in Zugdidi Region



Background

Georgia, a country in transition and suffering from the continuing unresolved conflicts over South Ossetia and Abkhazia, faces serious socio-economic problems, in that almost half of the population still lives below the poverty level. The Zugdidi district, bordering Abkhazia, hosts a substantial number of internally displaced persons (IDPs) from Abkhazia. Whereas some IDPs originate from the district of Gali, where the return for some is possible, others are coming from different districts of Abkhazia where return is not ever likely to take place in the foreseeable future. The plight of many IDPs in the Zugdidi district adds greatly to the already large numbers of local vulnerable and poor households with no resources to improve their living conditions.

General Information

Project region:

Georgia

Project duration:

2005-2006

Total budget:

CHF 195'000

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Objectives

1. To strengthen the capabilities of the relevant local representatives to assess and register the vulnerability of the population
2. To improve the housing conditions of approximately 100 of the most vulnerable households in Zugdidi town, and its districts, in West Georgia
3. To improve the economic capabilities of approximately 140 vulnerable households in Zugdidi town, and its districts.

Expected results and activities

- 10 representatives of relevant/responsible governmental structures have improved their skills and knowledge in vulnerability analysis and database maintenance.
- Approximately 100 vulnerable households (approximately 408 individuals) are supported with basic rehabilitation assistance in Zugdidi, and its districts, by the end of the project.
- Approximately 140 vulnerable local and IDP households are running sustainable businesses (e.g. petty trade, small scale agricultural activities, etc.) and as a result have better access to social services and/or are able to properly maintain housing conditions through increased incomes.

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