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The Project for Strengthening Capacities for Implementation of Environmental Legislation at Local Level commenced on 20th January 2015 and will run for 18 months until 20th July 2016. The Project has now entered the second year and its final implementation period.

This is the fifth project newsletter. Previous newsletters have focussed on the project team and project outputs whereas this newsletter addresses the involvement of the project stakeholders in a range of project activities.

The Project Stakeholders are:

Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning

Ministry of Local Self-Government

State Environmental Inspectorate

ZELS

City of Skopje

Municipality of Aerodrom

Municipality of Gjorce Petrov

Municipality of Tetovo

Municipality of Gostivar

Municipality of Jegunovce

Municipality of Makedonski Brod

Municipality of Ohrid

Municipality of Debarca

During the period meetings concerning noise mapping, institutional analysis, public awareness raising, information systems and B- Permitting were held. These meetings were initiated by the project experts and included at least one meeting with each of the nine pilot municipalities. In addition to their technical content, the meetings were used to inform participants about progress in the Project.

The main Beneficiary the MoEPP was involved in a meeting in relation to noise mapping and in late January organised a technical meeting with the Project Team to discuss project outputs with a view to speeding the approval process while meeting the needs of the Project Beneficiaries.

A meeting was held with the Director of ZELS and regular contacts have been maintained with SEI particularly through interactions with the Inspection Twinning Project.

The workshop held on 15th December to discuss the outline of the Programme of reform was significant for attendance not only by the nine pilot municipalities but also by ten other municipalities. The participants in the workshop played an active role in the discussions which provided many ideas subsequently included in the Programme of reform.



The Programme of reform as drafted will be further discussed at a workshop planned for 23rd February.



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Field Visits to Municipalities

KE 1, KE2 & IPPC Expert

The Team Leader, Deputy Team Leader and Project IPPC Expert accompanied by local inspectors and permit writers visited 10 B installation sites during the period December 2015 – January 2016. The sites visited include:

LTH Foundry in Ohrid:

The main issue in this installation is the water management. There are needs for improvement in the storage area for chemicals and also with redirection of the rain water which washes out pollutants and ends in the soil.

Bastum Poultry Farm in Debarca:

The representative of the “Bastum” poultry farm made short introduction of the installation and future plans. According to the Municipality of Debarca, this Installation has fulfilled the obligations of its Adjustment plan.

Quarry in Makedonski Brod:

The quarry is located high above the village of Suvi Dol approximately 5 km from M. Brod. It started exploitation in 1987 with a planned duration of 20 years. The approved capacity in 1987 was 100.000 t/y but with the extension the full capacity is now 450.000 t/y. There are 27 employees in the quarry.

Meeting in ZELS: The Team Leader, Deputy Team Leader Project Coordinator met with the Executive Director of ZELS Mrs. Dushica Perishic. On the meeting it was pointed out that ZELS should be a single channel of communication between the MoEPP and Municipalities with a nominated person for environmental issues. The Director of ZELS considers that having one such person in the MoEPP for environmental issues will not successfully cover all environmental issues. Different persons per particular area/scope of work within ZELS should be appointed (air, waste, water, etc).

Noise Team

Senior Noise Expert during the period of December 2015 – January 2016 visited MoEPP, City of Skopje, Municipality of Bitola, Kumanovo, Tetovo, Ohrid and Shtip.

The first meetings were in MoEPP and City of Skopje with aim to discuss Noise Mapping Guidelines in accordance with the needs of the City of Skopje.

These were followed with meetings in Tetovo, Kumanovo and Bitola, the three other municipalities that are required to prepare strategic noise maps with aim to acquire more complete overview of the Macedonian legislation related to noise issues. Further information was gained from meetings with Public Enterprise for State Roads the National Cadastre and with the noise monitoring group in the University of Stip.

Institutional & Financial Team

In December the Institutional Expert visited pilot municipalities Tetovo and Jegunovce to complete the assessment based on the questionnaires circulated previously.

PR & DATABASE Team

PR & Database experts met with municipality of Aerodrom, Gjorce Petrov, Tetovo Jegunovce and Gostivar. They also met ZELS and SEI.