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2019-2020 National Action Plan on Combating Trafficking in Persons

Strategic Goal	Objective	Activity	Responsible Governmental Agency	Partner Organization	Indicator	Timeline
1. Development of the policy on combating trafficking in persons	1.1 Conducting of the research on the issues related to trafficking in persons (hereinafter TIP)	1.1.1 Studying and analyzing of the new trends of TIP and profiles of victims/statutory victims and perpetrators on the basis of existing cases	Leading: Interagency Coordination Council on Combating Trafficking in Persons (hereinafter TIP council) (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The State Fund for Protection and Assistance of (Statutory) Victims of Trafficking in Persons (hereinafter –State Fund);		Examined TIP cases; The Document of Analysis and the issues identified as a result;	Second half of 2020

		1.1.2. Elaboration of the Governmental Strategy aiming at protection of children working and/or living in the streets from all forms of violence, including TIP	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia; LELP Crime Prevention Center; LELP Social Service Agency.	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Elaborated Strategy;	Second half of 2019
2. Prevention of trafficking in persons	2.1. Raising public awareness on combating trafficking in persons	2.1.1 Elaboration of the 2019-2020 Action Plans for the information campaign on human trafficking;	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: All members of the TIP Council;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Elaborated Action Plan;	First and second half of 2019
		2.1.2. Teaching of TIP at schools and higher educational institutions	Leading: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of topics incorporated in civil education textbooks;	2019-2020

2.1.3 Transmission of informative video recordings on TIP through the media	Leading: The State Fund (within a social advertising) Supporting:	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	distribution area of broadcasted video recordings;	2019-2020
	The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;		Number of relevant TV clips with the reference of TV channels and time of launch	
2.1.4. Dissemination of informative radio recording on TIP	Leading: The State Fund (within a social advertising)	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Territorial coverage and distribution area of broadcasted radio recordings; Number of relevant radio recordings with the reference of radio waves and time of launch;	2019-2020
2.1.5 Distribution of printed materials (leaflets) at Public Service Halls, territorial	Leading:	Interested local NGOs and	Number of the printed materials and territorial	2019-2020

offices of Public Service Development Agency and Community centers; diplomatic representations and consular units of Georgia, as well as diplomatic representations and consular units accredited in Georgia (if they agree so), Diaspora organizations, information centers of tourism, state border crossing points, Reception centers for IDPs and Asylum seekers and at the other places and regions with high risk of TIP in Georgia.	The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund; Supporting: Ministry of Justice of Georgia (Public Service Development Agency, Training Center of Justice, Crime Prevention Center; Public Service Hall); The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia; Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia (Georgian National Tourism Administration);	international organizations	coverage of their distribution; Variety of distributed materials according to the target groups; Number of replies to set e- mail addresses of distributed materials; Number of calls to set hotline number of distributed materials	
2.1.6. Holding public discussions, information meetings and conferences on TIP in the secondary, higher and professional education institutions.	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); The State Fund; Supporting: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; LELP "Training center of Justice of Georgia"	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of discussions, information meetings and conferences; Territorial coverage; Number of participants	2019-2020

	2.1.7. Organizing of annual moot court competition on TIP in higher education institutions	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); LELP "Training center of Justice of Georgia"; Supporting: The State Fund; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;	ICMPD	The Moot Court is organized (two rounds); Number of participating students (min: 24 and max: 40);	2019-2020
	2.1.8. Holding information meetings on risks of TIP, for vulnerable groups, including: internally displaced persons, Asylum seekers, Ethnic/National minorities;	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund; Supporting: LELP Public Service Development Agency;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of meetings and participants; Published information on official web-site	2019-2020
	2.1.9 Holding information meetings on the risks related to forced labor and labor exploitation for private sector employers and employees	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of meetings and participants; Published information on official web-site	2019-2020

		Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of			
	2.1.10. Permanent updating of	Justice of Georgia); Leading:		Published information on	2019-2020
	TIP information on web-sites	TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);		web-site;	2017 2020
		Supporting: The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia;			
		The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;			
		The Ministry of Foreign Affairs 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 State Fund;			
	2.1.11. Organizing activities for European and World Anti- Trafficking Day (18 October, 30 July)	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Organized activities for European and World Anti-Trafficking Day	2019-2020

2.2. Identification of children in street situations and informing minors regarding the risks of TIP	2.2.1. Identification of Children in street situations and providing them with identification documents	Leading:MinistryofDisplacedPersonsfrom theOccupiedTerritories,Labor,HealthandSocialAffairsAgency.);Supporting:LELPPublicDevelopmentAgency;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations in agreement and coordination with government agencies	Number of identified homeless children; Number of granted identification documents;	2019-2020
	2.2.2 Informing identified children in street situations regarding TIP	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; (LELP Social Service Agency.); Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); LELP Crime Prevention Center; The State Fund;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations in agreement and coordination with government agencies	Number and type of informative meetings Number of participating children	2019-2020
	2.2.3. Elaboration of guidelines for the mobile groups working with children in street situations	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Elaborated Guidelines	Second half of 2020

	Supporting:			
	The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;			
	TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);			
	LELP Crime Prevention Center;			
	LELP Social Service Agency;			
2.2.4. Promoting the inclusion of children in street situations (which are not included in the school) in the formal education	Leading: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of included children in the educational programs	2019-2020
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	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; (LELP Social Service Agency.); LELP Crime Prevention			
	Center;			
2.2.5 Conducting information campaign aiming at protection of children in street situations from TIP		Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of informative meetings	2019-2020

			Georgia; (LELP Social Service Agency.) The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia;			
3. Protection of victims of TIP	3.1. Efficient functioning of shelters for victims of TIP	3.1.1 Monitoring of the shelters and developing of reports based on the monitoring	Leading: The State Fund;	Public Defender of Georgia is requested to monitor the shelters	Number of visits; reports developed based on the monitoring	2019-2020
		3.1.2. Consideration of the special needs of children (especially, those with disabilities) during providing services in shelters	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of shelters accommodated to needs of children	2019-2020
	3.2. Voluntary and safe return of TIP victims to place of their habitual residence and support of their rehabilitation	3.2.1 In case of necessity, providing temporary residence permits for TIP victims/statutory victims , who are citizens of foreign states or are stateless persons	Leading: Ministry of Justice of Georgia (Public Service Development Agency); Supporting: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The State Fund;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of victims/statutory victims who were provided with temporary residence permits	2019-2020

		3.2.2. Ensuring the safe return of TIP victims/statutory victims who are nationals of foreign states or stateless persons to the places of their habitual residence and Georgian victims/statutory victims to Georgia	Supporting: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund; The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia;	Leading: International Organization of Migration (IOM) Supporting: Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of victims/statutory victims who returned to the places of their habitual residence	2019-2020
		3.2.3. Supporting the rehabilitation and reintegration of TIP victims and statutory victims	Leading: The State Fund; Supporting: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia; TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of TIP victims/statutory victims and rehabilitation- reintegration programs provided to them	2019-2020
4. Effective Investigation and Prosecution of TIP	4.1. Implementation of proactive approaches and improvement of investigation techniques for TIP cases in line with international best practice	4.1.1 Joint consideration of concluded TIP cases by respective agencies involved in criminal proceedings for the purpose of revealing new trends of the crime	Leading: The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Judiciary; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); The State Fund;		Number of meetings and discussed cases; Revealed trends and relevant recommendations where needed;	2019-2020

	4.1.2.Efficient implementation of Standard Operative Procedures (SOPs) on identification of TIP victims elaborated for investigators and operative officers	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia;	Number of persons interviewed and institutions checked; Number of investigations and prosecutions launched on TIP	2019-2020
	4.1.3. Elaboration of guidelines on identification of cases of forced labor and labor exploitation for the staff of the Labor Inspection Department	0	Elaborated Guidelines	Second half of 2019
4.2. P identificatio TIP cases	Proactive 4.2.1. Increasing number of and functioning of the inspection mobile groups composed of representative of law enforcement agencies	The Ministry of Internal	Number of inspection mobile groups;	2019 - 2020
	4.2.2. Inspecting TIP related high risk places and interviewing persons employed there by the	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;	Number of inspected places and persons interviewed; Number of revealed facts of crime	2019-2020

inspection mobile groups and Task Force			
4.2.3. Conducting proactive investigations in case of absence of victims' testimony	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;	Number of Investigations started proactively	2019-2020
4.2.4. Enhancement of partnership between the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia to reveal the signs of forced labor and labor exploitation, to refer and timely respond to them.	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (Labor Inspection Department and LEPL Social Service Agency); The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia (the Central Criminal Police Department);	Number of organizations inspected by the Labor Inspection Department; Number of identified and referred alleged cases of labor exploitations. Number of investigations launched on labor exploitation cases based on referral of the Labor Inspection Department and LEPL Social Service Agency	2019-2020
4.2.5 Strengthening efforts for identifying legal entities, which might have committed TIP	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of	Number of inspected entities/places; Number of identified facts of crimes;	2019-2020

			Georgia (Labor Inspection Department)			
		4.2.6. Operating Segregated statistics on criminal cases, with the indication of sex, age, nationality of traffickers and victims/statutory victims, as well as with information on exploitation form	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: The Chief Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The State Fund;		Developed and published statistics	2019-2020
5. Capacity building of professionals dealing with TIP	5.1 Professional development of law enforcements to improve the investigation of TIP cases	5.1.1 Professional trainings for prosecutors and trainee- prosecutors and informing them regarding the new trends on TIP	Leading: The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained prosecutors and trainee - prosecutors; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
		5.1.2. Professional trainings for witness and victims' coordinators to promote their involvement in TIP criminal cases on TIP	Leading: The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained coordinators; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020

5.1.3. Professional trainings for the border police officers to implement new techniques for identification of victims/statutory victims and perpetrators of TIP	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.1.4. Systematic Professional trainings regarding the new trends of TIP for the staff of the Central Criminal Police Department, district police officers, patrol police officers, regional police unit officers of Ministry of Internal Affairs to improve the investigation of TIP cases and appropriate approach towards victims/statutory victims of TIP	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings; Evaluation forms filled by the participants and their content;	2019-2020
5.1.5. Professional trainings for members of Task Force on TIP and informing them regarding the new trends on identification of and treatment to alleged victims /statutory victims	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020

	5.1.6. Professional trainings on TIP for the staff of Migration Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.2. Professional development of the judiciary	5.2.1. Professional trainings on TIP for judges and their assistants	Leading: High School of Justice	Interested international organizations	Number of trained judges and assistants of the judges; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.3. Professional development of the employees of State Fund	5.3.1 Improving the skills and qualification of the employees of State Fund through trainings.	Leading: The State Fund	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.4 Professional development of the staff of Labor Inspection Department	5.4.1. Capacity building of the staff of Labor Inspection Department on TIP to promote the identification of forced labor and labor exploitation.	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: The State Fund	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained stuff; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.5. Professional development of staff of Consulates	5.5.1 Professional trainings for staff of consulates on issues related to assistance and	Leading: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020

	treatment of possible TIP victims/statutory victim				
5.6. Professional development of media representatives	5.6.1 Trainings for media representatives on TIP issues	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	Second half of 2020
5.7. Professional development of staff of LELP Legal Aid Service	5.7.1 Capacity building of the staff of LELP Legal Aid Service through trainings on TIP	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	Second half of 2020
5.8 Professional development of the staff of Public Service Halls, territorial offices of Public Service Development Agency and community centers	5.8.1 Capacity building of the staff of Public Service Halls, territorial offices of Public Service Development Agency and community centers through trainings on TIP	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: LELP Public Service Development Agency; LELP Public Service Hall;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	Second half of 2020
5.9. Professional development of medical service providers	5.9.1 Capacity building of medical service providers through trainings on TIP	Leading: Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	Second half of 2020
		Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);			

		The State Fund;			
5.10. Professional development of the staff of Tax Monitoring Department of Revenue service of Georgia	5.10.1 Capacity building trainings for the staff of Revenue service for identifying Traffickers	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	Second half of 2020
5.11. Professional development of the Georgian troops serving in the international peacekeeping missions	5.11.1. Professional trainings for Georgian troops serving in the international peacekeeping missions for identification of and treatment to alleged victims/statutory victims and perpetrators of TIP	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: Ministry of Defence of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trained persons; Number and subject of trainings;	2019-2020
5.12 Organizing joint workshops of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia to prevent TIP among children in street situations	5.12.1 Discussing/analyzing the applicable legislation and practice in the field of combating TIP aiming at elaborating common view.	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia;		Number of meetings and subject discussed.	2019-2020

	5.13. Organizing joint capacity building activities for the General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia and the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (Labor Inspection Department, LELP Social Service Agency) for the purpose of revealing cases of forced labor and labor exploitation	5.13.1 Conducting joint trainings on protection of victims and on revealing cases of forced labor and labor exploitation	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Number of trainings and participants;	2019-2020
6. Partnership and internal coordination	6.1 Collecting information on implementation of commitments taken under the National Action Plan by State Agencies	6.1.1Providing the Secretariat of the TIP Council with information on implementation of commitments taken under the National Action Plan by State Agencies once a year or earlier upon the request of the TIP Council in order to prepare and publish periodic report	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: Ministry of Justice of Georgia (Public Service Development Agency, Training Center of Justice, Crime Prevention Center; Public Service Hall);		Prepared and published periodic reports;	2019-2020

	The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia; Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia; Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The State Fund; The Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development (Georgian National Tourism Administration);		
6.1.2 Proactive notification of the Secretariat of the TIP Council regarding the new investigations/ prosecutions of TIP cases, TIP convictions and granting the status of TIP victim/statutory victim to the persons.	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia; The State Fund	Developed and published statistics;	2019-2020

6.2 Enhancement of partnership with civil society organizations	6.2.1. Enhancement of partnership between the Governmental agencies and civil society organizations through joint events	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: The State Fund; The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; The General Prosecutor's Office of Georgia;	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Joint events organized by the Governmental agencies and NGOs;	2019-2020
	6.2.2 Partnership with NGOs on TIP though updating and/or concluding memorandums of cooperation	Leading: The State Fund; Supporting: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs	Updated/concluded memorandums of cooperation;	2019-2020
	6.2.3 Establishment of the NGO Platform on human trafficking to promote involvement of NGOs in counter-trafficking activities	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	The NGO Platform set up with the involvement of NGOs;	Second half of 2019

6.3. Further development of international cooperation on TIP	6.3.1Further development of international cooperation/starting negotiations with partner states, especially with neighboring states to develop transnational cooperation	Leading: The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia; Supporting: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia; TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia);	Interested international organizations	Number of intergovernmental meetings; Number of concluded agreements;	2019-2020
6.4. Drafting and adoption of the new national action plan	6.4.1. Establishment of working group for the elaboration of draft Anti- Trafficking national action plan; drafting the action plan and submission to the TIP council for adoption	Leading: TIP council (Ministry of Justice of Georgia); Supporting: All Governmental Agencies members of the TIP Council, Public Defender's Office of Georgia, Invited members of Parliament, US State Department, NGOs and International organizations.	Interested local NGOs and international organizations	Established working group; Draft of national action plan; Adopted national action plan;	Second half of 2020