



PROJECT ON INCREASING JURIDICAL CULTURE OF THE POPULATION

PROJECT TIMEFRAME: SEPTEMBER 2006 – AUGUST 2007

FINAL ACTIVITY REPORT

PROJECT GOAL:

Creating an adequate framework for the general public's awareness raising, legal informing and education, as well as strengthening the capacities of interested stakeholders (representatives of NGOs, education and law institutions, local authorities) to address the problem of human rights protection and promotion.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES:

Funds have been requested for:

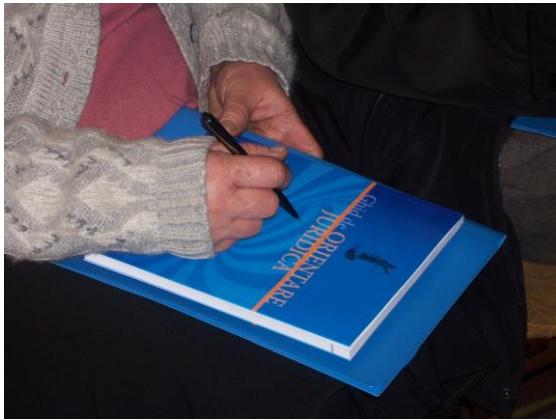
1. Elaborating and publishing the **Guide of Juridical Orientation**, and
2. Carrying out **16 follow-up trainings** in the localities where CPD has implemented the project on population's legal education, sponsored by USAID via ABA/CEELI).

1. "GUIDE OF JURIDICAL ORIENTATION"

The main tool in achieving our project goal is the **Guide of Juridical Orientation** that we elaborated along with a small group of national legal experts.

We are glad to notice that the idea to avoid publishing only a theoretical edition, and to offer to the Guide a dynamic and interactive allure was a good one. Thus, we consider that the biggest part of the success of the edition is due to the component dedicated to the answers to concrete questions having legal aspect, and the clear and simple explanation of a series of national and international legal norms and stipulations in different fields. The increasing number of addressing demonstrates the fact that people became more and more active and interested in various legal issues. As they see in the Guide an informative support based on the law, the persons are more open, they do not fear to ask, to put a question if they have a problem or hesitate in their actions.

The fact that the Guide of Juridical Orientation will be kept in the offices of local administration and the village public and school libraries will offer the readers the possibility to benefit from it for a longer period of time. We think that the Guide will not become outdated, given that it reflects issues of general interest.



As we expected, the readers of the Guide represent different categories of population, both from rural and urban areas all over the country. The way they learnt information about our publication differs from case to case: there are persons who heard the information broadcasted on radio and TV, others addressed to the mayor of the village or to the Center for Human Rights of Moldova with a personal problem; some of them, especially young women, went to the library and consulted our guide there; others, especially students, are periodically visiting our center's library and after having read the guide advised their colleagues and friends to come to our office to consult it. There are also persons who participated in the promotional meetings we organized in a series of localities, and then shared their impressions and opinions with other people.

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BENEFICIARIES:

Direct beneficiaries:

- Community stakeholders (16 localities throughout the country): local public authorities, teaching staffs, heads of schools, kindergartens, libraries, houses of culture.
- NGOs dealing with issues related to human rights promotion and protection.

Usually, citizens from a particular community come with their problems to the local public administration offices. In this context, panel discussions and training with LPA employees assisted them in solving citizens' problems. Most of LPA representatives lack a suitable legal training, thus the participation in our meetings offered them the opportunity to get informative support and methodological sources.

Indirect beneficiaries:

- Citizens who address various questions, based on particular or specific cases;
- People who obtain various information and support from the direct beneficiaries, and their family members;
- Readers of school and community libraries where the Guide of Juridical Orientation is kept.



Larga, Briceni

OVERVIEW:

Nr.	Locality	Date	Nr. of participants
1.	Cucuruzeni, Orhei	03/21/2007	18
2.	Step-Soci, Orhei	03/22/2007	15
3.	Selemet, Cimislia	03/23/2007	18
4.	Poganesti, Hincesti	03/26/2007	24
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10.	Bacceaia, Causeni	04/13/2007	19
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12.	Vadul-Rascov, Soldanesti	04/25/2007	20
13.	Vasieni, Telenesti	05/03/2007	21
14.	Enichioi, Cantemir	05/10/2007	26
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Total: 318 participants

 **LEGAL ISSUES discussed during the meetings**

**CUCURUZENI
District Orhei**

1.	Legal Succession. Testamentary succession
2.	Social assistance: compensation for single retiree
3.	Rues of getting Romanian citizenship
4.	Exhumation and changing the place of interment
5.	Re-introduction in the school curricula of the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
6.	Value share in constructions
7.	Disbursement of debts of kolkhozes by means of real estate and impossibility to privatize the establishment
8.	Work relations between employers and employees. Labor agreement
9.	Consequences of the inadequate use of the land
10.	Payment of dividends by the Investment Funds
11.	Litigations between neighbors

**STEP-SOCI
District Orhei**

1.	State taxes and local taxes
2.	Re-introduction in the school curricula of the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
3.	Medical insurance policy for land owners

4.	Possibility of discharge of fee for school test books for vulnerable families
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SELEMET
District Cimislia

1.	Necessity of including the position of a lawyer in the staff of the Village administration
2.	Medical insurance policy
3.	Different kinds of agreements (lease, labor agreement)
4.	Inventory of the leasehold
5.	Benefits for retirees
6.	Local agencies of monitoring the process of respecting the legislation
7.	Requirements and rules toward the structure and stipulations of the lease
8.	Land-related issues
9.	Re-introduction in the school curricula of the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
10.	Labor migration. Trafficking in human beings
11.	Impediments in finding a job for young people
12.	Gender-based discrimination in the labor market
13.	Possibility to create Consulates of Romania in Balti and Cahul

POGANESTI
District Hincesti

1.	Possibility to get double citizenship (Moldova and Russia)
2.	Possibilities to get humanitarian aids
3.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
4.	Procedure of filing a petition
5.	Land-related issues (how to manage a territory without official owner)

VALEA PERJEI
District Cimislia

1.	Reform of the pension system (indexation, recalculation of pensions)
2.	Indemnities for young specialists
3.	Existence of gender gaps in textbooks
4.	Land-related issues
5.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"

LARGA
District Briceni

1.	Payment of dividends by the Investment Funds, enterprises, Trust companies
2.	Who takes a decision in a corporation
3.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
4.	Falsifications in official papers (illegal use of identity data in making procurement documents)
5.	Procedure of retiring on a pension for public servants (local public administration) and elected representatives of the people
6.	Taxes for tenancy
7.	Necessity of launching a national TV program regarding legal issues
8.	Necessity of including the position of a lawyer in the staff of the Village

	administration
9.	Land auction (How to establish criteria of eligibility?)
10.	Positions that are included in the list of public servants
11.	Procedure of getting indemnities for descendants of the 2 nd World War
12.	How to manage the tenancy – property of defunct
13.	Conditions of revoking a testament
14.	Procedure of registering a local NGO
15.	Land inheritance (case of heir-apparent)

BAHMUT

District Calarasi

1.	Procedure of getting Romanian visa
2.	Procedure of serving of a sentence
3.	Way of formal judicial error recovery
4.	Medical insurance policy for persons employed in more places
5.	Inheritance of spouses' joint property
6.	Necessity of including the position of a lawyer in the staff of the Village administration

GEAMANA

District Anenii Noi

1.	Property-related litigation between land owners and village administration
2.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
3.	Opportunity to get indemnities for children whose parents do not discharge their parental obligations
4.	Process of lands consolidation
5.	Legality of some decisions taken by the Local Council
6.	Ways to force individuals to pay land-taxes
7.	Payment of dividends by the Investment Funds
8.	Value share
9.	Obligatory insurance for vehicles

FUNDUL-GALBENEI

District Hincesti

1.	Opportunity to get indemnities for education of 2 children (vulnerable family)
2.	Rehabilitation of victims of political repressions
3.	Law on Education (discussions concerning enrolment)
4.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
5.	Legal bodies
6.	Possibility to work after having retired
7.	Taxes to Social Fund

BACCEALIA

District Causeni

1.	Parental misconduct: ways to make parents discharge their parental obligations to their children. Annulment
2.	Marriage contract
3.	Possibility to go to kindergarten for 1 st degree invalid
4.	Inheritance in case of a child whose parents legally abandoned him
5.	Donation contract

6.	Possibility of inheritance if the property was bought before marriage
7.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"

VARVAREUCA
District Floresti

1.	Modality of collecting State taxes
2.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
3.	Possibility to have a village museum
4.	Necessity of including the position of a lawyer in the staff of the Village administration

VADUL-RASCOV
District Soldanesti

1.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
2.	Shortage of informative tools (Official Monitor, Internet access, juridical editions etc.) in public administration
3.	Procedure of leave regulation for employees of a private employer (land owner)
4.	Procedure of concluding and canceling a labor agreement with a leaseholder
5.	Value share
6.	Ways to force individuals to pay land-taxes
7.	Employment scheduling and over-time work of medical employees. Possibility to exclude the lunch time
8.	Parental misconduct: ways to make parents discharge their parental obligations to their children

VASIENI
District Telenesti

1.	Right of individuals to invest in foreign agricultural enterprises (registered and placed abroad)
2.	Possibility for foreigners to purchase land in Moldova
3.	Possibility to return the land that has been transmitted to another forestry
4.	Possibility for the administration of the school (director, head of studies etc.) to benefit by one-year unpaid leave
5.	Value share
6.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
7.	Work relations between the land owner and the leaseholder
8.	Discussions regarding the opportunities to sell agricultural products
9.	Possibility to get State indemnities for planting vine
10.	Possibility to work after having retired
11.	Payment of State taxes by retirees who continue working
12.	Payment of dividends by the Investment Funds

ENICHOI
District Cantemir

1.	Medical insurance policy for leaseholders
2.	Medical insurance policy for participants in the Transnistrian and Afghanistan armed conflicts
3.	Value share

4.	Possibility to inherit pension in Moldova
5.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
6.	Election of 1 st and 2 nd grade secretary in the local administration. Opportunities of career development
7.	Discussion regarding the Election Code (art. 13)
8.	Facilities for persons with disabilities

ZBEROAIA District Nisporeni

1.	Value share
2.	Discussions concerning the obligatory medical insurance
3.	Drawing up of will in case of persons with disabilities
4.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
5.	Modifications of pension age
6.	Annulment (case of a citizen of Romania)
7.	State institutions responsible of solving litigations related to the security in the work place

FRASIN District Donduseni

1.	Possibility to draw up a testament in the place of residence (namely, in village administration office)
2.	Discussions regarding the courses "We and Law" and "Civic Education"
3.	Beneficiaries and ways of getting nominal compensations
4.	Inheritance of the second part of the common real estate (case of a widow)

PROJECT IMPACT:



1. Increase in citizens' level of knowledge about their social, economical and cultural rights stipulated in the national and international legislation.
2. Raised public awareness regarding the protection and observance of women's human rights, based on national and international documents.

Frasin, Donduseni

3. Society's mobilization and encouragement to implement policies designed to protect women and children's rights.
4. Enhancement in population's informing on the latest amendments operated in the national legislation.
5. Increase in the level of women's participation.
6. Consolidation of NGOs' capacities to build partnership with the local public administration for carrying on activities designed to protect and promote human rights.

CONCLUSIONS:

Taking into consideration the fact that people, especially in rural area, meet problems concerning legal informing and access to legal bodies, we consider as absolutely necessary the meetings of the community stakeholders with professional lawyers. In the framework of these activities people benefit by information and juridical training, get the Guide of Juridical Orientation, legal counseling, including the possibility to address with particular problems of the community. We are sure that those meetings will continuously demonstrate their necessity and usefulness for the community. The fact that the NGOs and the local authorities are motivated to participate in the project activities will offer to other citizens the opportunity to benefit later by juridical informing and training.



Moreover, the Guide will constitute a long-term didactic support for all the direct and indirect beneficiaries of the project. It is kept in the libraries, offering to readers the possibility to benefit from the information included there for a longer period of time. It will not become outdated, given that it highlights issues of general interest.

Enichioi, Cantemir