



Project Title

Full operational capacity of Bajram Curri water supply system

Project Type

Economic Development/ Public Services/ Quick Start Project

Project Location

Bajram Curri, Margegaj, Shoshan, Kocanë, Fushë Lumë, Cernicë, Sopot, Dojan and Bujan

Total Pre-Estimated Budget

20,000,000 ALL

Project Background and Analysis

Water supply service is one of the main public services. The analysis of Tropojë Functional Area has identified the water supply service as a main concern and important recommendations are included:

- Improvement of water supply management must be priority of the local authority;
- It is necessary to install metering device and determine the water pay-rate and the plan for its collection;
- The implementation of a feasibility study on the water supply and sewage system for the entire territory of Tropojë and development of a plan on water management and sewage network.

The water supply service quality of consumers is poor. Consumers fail to be periodically supplied (inhabitants of the city are supplied three times a day with 4 hours a day each, whereas inhabitants of villages are supplied three times a day with 1 hour each time) and the duration of water supply is reduced instead of being increased. The performance for the administration and management of running water is poor due to the lack of plans on management of running water and sewage service, low intake revenue rate and high service cost (mainly due to low efficiency, high amortization, high administrative expenditures, debts owed to the water supply enterprises by the customers). The low intake revenue rate is related to the lack of metering device and a credible and modern system of invoicing and cashing, as well as low pay-rates. For family consumers, it has been set a service pay-rate for every subscriber amounting to 160 ALL/monthly per person (according to the family status certificate). The reason is that water meters fail to function and/or to exist. This pay-rate is collected at about 35% and covers costs in roughly 35-40%. It is necessary to install meters and determine the water pay-rate and the plan for its collection. Likewise, it is necessary to enhance community awareness on the use of water and payment of pay-rates.

Specific Objectives of the Project

Improvement of water supply service for the inhabitants of functional area through a more effective management of the water supply system.

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Expected Results and Project Indicators

1. Running water supply infrastructure for the inhabitants of Bajram Curri and surrounded villages is operational.
 2. Income generated from service taxes are increased contributing positively to the cost coverage.
 3. Local governance has a feasibility study on the management of running water supply.
 4. Community is aware about the water supply public service and the need for an effective use of running water.
- Beneficiaries to this project are around 13,000 inhabitants of Bajram Curri Municipality and communes of Bujan, Margegaj, Tropojë and Llugaj. The beneficiary population from this project is some 30% of the functional area (where some 45 % of the population is concentrated).

Project Activities

1. Repair of infrastructure elements (manholes, etc) according to the required technical standards, in order to make possible installation of water-meter devices.
2. Installation of about 2000 qualitative water-meter devices for water consumption of families, businesses and institutions.
3. Feasibility study, approval of fiscal package and review of the regulation of service operations.
4. Activities of community awareness for an effective use of running water and necessity of payment of reviewed tariffs (public meetings during the implementation of the projects, design and distribution of promotional leaflets/flyers for the community).

Project Maturity

The project is in the initial phase of inception. An important investment is previously made for the water supply system of Bajram Curri, which is being finalized. The result of data gathered from the study show that water-meter devices are either not installed or inexistent. On the other side, no more money is available for the investment mentioned above and installation of water-meter devices.

Financial Resources and Implementation Partners

Potential funds for the implementation of this project can be provided by the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, Bajram Curri Municipality and other potential donors. The project will be implemented by the Water Supply Enterprise (installation of water-meters) in cooperation with specialised companies (feasibility study and review of service management regulation) and civil society organizations (related to community awareness).

Project Cost

- Total cost of the project is around 20,000,000 ALL, including the following activities:
1. Repair of infrastructure elements (manholes etc) according to the required technical standards, in order to make possible the installation of water-meter devices. (4,800,000 ALL)
 2. Installation of some 2000 qualitative water-meter devices of water consumption by families, businesses and institutions. (14,000,000 ALL)
 3. Feasibility study, approval of fiscal package and review of the regulation of service operations. (1,000,000 ALL)
 4. Activities of community awareness for an effective use of running water and necessity of payment of reviewed tariffs (public meetings during the project implementation, design and distribution of promotional leaflets/flyers for the community) (200,000 ALL).