



Report on the meeting of the Mayor with the municipal directors

Prizren executive branch allocates scholarships for students of Public Universities

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EC Ma Ndryshe, within the “Online Transparency of Prizren Municipality” project, during this week has partaken in the meeting of the mayor, Mr. Ramadan Muja, with municipal directors, in which a number of decisions have been rendered.

Prizren municipal government in its subsequent meeting has approved the announcement of the open call for student scholarships for the calendar year of 2013. Based on the approved request of the Directorate of Education and Science (*hereinafter MDES*) the eligible ones for obtaining the scholarship shall be only the students of public universities, excluding those studying abroad or in private universities. MDES, as per this year, has foreseen the allocation of only 80 scholarships in the amount of €40,000, whereas the amount of €10,000 is foreseen to be granted to the children of KLA war martyrs. The executive branch has also received the request for the appointment of the Committee for dealing with the preparation of the open call, amending the Regulation on scholarship beneficiaries, to review application submissions and the selection of candidates. The municipal executive has rendered the decision on travel expense exemption for pupils of several elementary schools and orphan pupils of Krusha e Vogël village, a project amounting €950, while some other requests have been also approved for interventions in the existing infrastructure of several schools in Prizren municipality.

Local Government has also passed the proposal coming from the Department of Labour and Social Welfare on allowing funds for covering the rental expenses (€200 per month) for soup kitchens (**breadline*) of “Jetimët e Ballkanit (“*Balkan Orphans*”) Charitable Association, which provides a meal for persons in difficult economic situation.

Prizren executive has agreed with the proposal of the Directorate of Tourism and Economic Development to allow the announcement of the tender for the lighting of monumental buildings in the Historic Centre of Prizren (estimated €20,000), with the purpose to attract visitors in evening hours and for providing panoramic sights and artwork. The decision has been also approved to allow the announcement of the tender for the treatment of the façades in the Historic Centre of Prizren (estimated €30,000), as well as the project of drawing up the Tourism Development Strategy in Prizren (€10,000). In addition, the request for the third phase of works in the Business Park Zone has passed, namely construction of road infrastructure, sewage and electric installation.

At the meeting of the Mayor with the directors, additional details were requested regarding the proposal of the Directorate of Health for construction of Family Medicine Centre in Kurillë neighbourhood. The decision for the announcement of the tender is postponed for the next meeting. Meanwhile, the announcement of the tenders for construction of Family Medicine Health Centres in Krajk and Velezhë villages were approved.

Financial support for 33 patients who are on medical treatment had been also approved.

Municipal government has approved the request of the Directorate of Public Services for the announcement of the tender for the construction of several local roads, water supply and sewerage networks, with citizens' financial participation.

The proposal of the Directorate of Culture, Youth and Sports (DCYS) has also been approved on allowing the announcement of the tenders for implementation of six capital projects related to cultural and sports infrastructure, namely the regulation of the city stadium (football arena), construction of the sports hall in Prizren's Sports Centre, construction of culture and sports centres in Lubizhdë of Prizren and Lubizhdë of Has, the sports ground in Sërbicë and organization of traditional festivals/events.

The Directorate of Agriculture and Rural Development has been granted with the approval on its request for allowing funds for vaccination/immunization of dogs against rabies and the announcement of the tender for elimination of stray dogs.

The project of EC Ma Ndryshe on transparency monitoring of the executive branch shall continue on publicizing monitoring findings through regular press releases and project's website, where the findings are posted directly from the monitoring staff. By now, all the monitoring findings, including regular press releases and other information relative to local government of Prizren, are published on regular basis on the project's website: www.online-transparency.org.

Thank you for your cooperation,

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