INCOMPLETE ASSET DECLARATIONS AND ACTIVITIES INCOMPATIBLE WITH OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BAGDATI AND KHARAGAULI

TI Georgia continues to study the asset declarations of public officials. This time we present information on those officials of the municipalities of **Bagdati and Kharagauli** who filled out the asset declarations incompletely in the years 2017-2018 – in particular, those who failed to include information about their and/or their family members' participation in commercial activity and, also, those who are engaged in activities incompatible with office.

We have studied the asset declarations of up to 50 public officials as part of the research. As a result, **we revealed 4 cases of incompletely filled out declarations in the Bagdati Municipality and 1 such case in Kharagauli, as well as 2 cases where officials were engaged in activities incompatible with office in the Bagdati Municipality.** This violates the requirements of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service, according to which a public servant may not perform any kind of paid work (except for scientific, pedagogical or creative activities) or hold a position in another budgetary institution or a legal entity of private law.

The study has revealed one more violation of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service, which obliges public servants to transfer the management rights of their stakes in business entities to another person for the duration of their time in office. **Four public officials in Bagdati and 1 official in Kharagauli have failed to transfer the management rights of their stakes in enterprises.**

The Bagdati Municipality

Kakha Enukidze
First Deputy Mayor

In a declaration filled out in 2018, Kakha Enukidze indicated that he owns a 100% stake in Kap Grupi (Cap Group) LLC and is also the director of the same company, which is a violation of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service, according to which a public official may not be the head of a business entity. Kakha Enukidze has also violated the requirement of Article 13 of the same law, because he failed to transfer the management rights of his stake in the company to another person.

Piruz Burjanadze
Deputy Mayor

In a declaration filled out in 2018, Piruz Burjanadze failed to indicate that he owns a 15% stake in Georgia Set Company – 2 LLC; he also failed to indicate that he is the owner of a 50% stake in Georgian Sand Company LLC. Piruz Burjanadze has not transferred the management rights of his stake to another person, which violates the requirements of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service.

According to the data of the State Procurement Agency, on February 2, 2018, Georgian Sand Company LLC concluded a simplified procurement contract with a value of GEL 1,600 with N(N)LE Service Center of Cleaning and Municipal Improvements of Chiatura, whose procurement object was the provision of sand.

Shalva Mshvildadze
Chairperson of the Town Council

In a declaration filled out in 2018, Shalva Mshvildadze indicated that he owns a 10% stake in general partnership (GP) Mamuka Mdinaradze, Giorgi Gelashvili, Shalva Mshvildadze Company, although Mr. Mshvildadze is also the director of the said business entity, by which he violates a requirement of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service, according to which a public official may not be the head of a business entity. Shalva Mshvildadze owns a stake of 15% rather than 10% in the GP, and, at the same time, he has not transferred the management rights of his stake to another person, which is also a violation of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service.

Gabriel Gibradze
Chairperson of the Georgian Dream – Greens faction

In a declaration filled out in 2017, Gabriel Gibradze failed to indicate that he owns the following land plots:

- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Tsitelkhevi – 4,003.0 sq m;
- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Vartsikhe – 1,183.0 sq m.

Gabriel Gibradze also failed to indicate in his declaration that his son, Irakli Gibradze, is the director and owner of a 33% stake in D.A.G. Consulting LLC.

Zaza Zivzivadze
Deputy Chairperson of the Georgian Dream – Greens faction

Zaza Zivzivadze indicated in his declaration that he is the owner of a 100% stake in Persati – 1914 LLC, although he has not transferred the management rights of his stake to another person, which is a violation of the requirements of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service.

Murad Burjanadze
Deputy Chairperson of the Georgian Dream faction

In a declaration filled out in 2017, Murad Burjanadze failed to indicate that he owns the following land plots:

- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Pirveli Obcha – 4,498.0 sq m;
- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Pirveli Obcha – 701.0 sq m;
- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Pirveli Obcha – 2,800.0 sq m.

Maia Kbilashvili
Chairperson of the Georgian Dream faction

Maia Kbilashvili has failed to indicate in her declaration that she owns the following land plots:

- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Dimi – 2,000 sq m;
- The Bagdati Municipality, the village of Dimi – 2,100 sq m.

The Kharagauli Municipality

Rusudan Giorgadze
Deputy Chairperson of the Town Council

In a declaration filled out in 2018, Rusudan Giorgadze failed to indicate that she owns a 50% stake in "Kldekari" Summer Recreation, Sports and Wellness Camp LLC. In addition, she has not transferred the management rights of her stake to another person, which is a violation of the requirements of Article 13 of the Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service.

In addition, Rusudan Giorgadze failed to include in her declaration that her spouse, Besarion Chichinadze, is the director and owner of a 100% stake in D Group LLC.

Verification of asset declarations of public officials is one of the major instruments for combating corruption. **Accordingly, TI Georgia requests the Civil Service Bureau to start monitoring of asset declarations of the individuals mentioned in the study on the basis of the presented information.**