

RESULTS OF MONITORING OF ASSET DECLARATIONS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS OF KHONI, SACKHERE, AND CHIATURA

TI Georgia continues to [study](#) the asset declarations of public officials. This time we present information on those officials of the municipalities of **Khoni, Sachkhere, and Chiatura** 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 engage in activities incompatible with their positions.

We have studied the asset declarations of up to 75 public officials as part of the research, as a result of which **we revealed 5 cases of incompletely filled out asset declarations in the Khoni Municipality, 2 such cases in the Sachkhere Municipality, and 3 cases in Chiatura; we also discovered 2 cases where officials were engaged in activities incompatible with their positions in the Khoni 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 official 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 the requirements 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 enterprises to other persons for the duration of their time in office. **Three officials in the Khoni Municipality and 3 officials in Chiatura failed to transfer the management rights of their stakes in enterprises.**

THE KHONI MUNICIPALITY

Lado Jurkhadze
Mayor of Khoni



In a [declaration](#) filled out in January 2018, Lado Jurkhadze failed to indicate that he owns a 5% stake in [Energetikis Avtomatizatsiis Kartuli Kompania \(Georgian Energy Automation Company\) LLC](#). He indicated in the declaration that he is the owner of 100% stakes in [Makhauto LLC](#), [Batono Trevelidze LLC](#), and [Global Energy Solution LLC](#). Jurkhadze is also the director of these companies, which 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. In addition, he has failed to transfer the management right of his stakes to another person, which violates the requirement of Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Korneli Ugrekhelidze
Head of the Service of Military Registration and Conscription



Korneli Ugrekhelidze has held the position of the Head of the Service of Military Registration and Conscription since 2014. In 2015, he concluded a simplified procurement [contract](#) with the Khoni Municipality on the basis of which he leased his vehicle to the Khoni Municipality for ensuring the gathering of conscripts and reservists. The Khoni Municipality [paid](#) Korneli Ugrekhelidze GEL 700 for using the said car. This transaction contradicts the requirement of Paragraph 1 of Article 10 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#), which prohibits a public official from making property transactions with a budgetary institution in which he/she holds a position, except for cases provided for by the Georgian legislation.

Valeri Bakhtadze
Chairperson of the Town Council of Khoni



In a [declaration](#) filled out in 2017, Valeri Bakhtadze failed to indicate that his father, Misha Bakhtadze, owns a land plot with an area of [2,011 sq m](#) in Khoni.

Koba Kublashvili
Deputy Chairperson of the Town Council



The [declaration](#) that Koba Kublashvili filled out in 2017 fails to show that his brother, Bichiko Kublashvili, owns a land plot with an area of [2,721 sq m](#) in Khoni.

Jungli Goderidze
Chairperson of the Commission on Healthcare and Social Affairs at the Town Council



In a [declaration](#) filled out in 2017, Jungli Goderidze failed to indicate that he owns a 30% stake in [Teko LLC](#). He also failed to transfer the management rights of his stake to another person, which violates the requirement of Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Archil Sagaradze
Chairperson of the Georgian Dream – Conservatives faction



The [declaration](#) that Archil Sagaradze filled out in 2018 fails to indicate that he is the owner of a 30% stake in [loveli LLC](#), while his mother, Manana Sebuia, is the director of the same limited liability company and his father, Giorgi Sagaradze, owns a 20% stake in it. Archil Sagaradze has failed to transfer the management rights of his stake to another person, which is a violation of the requirement of Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Archil Sagaradze also failed to indicate in his declaration that his father, Giorgi Sagaradze, owns a 51.7% stake in [Parmatsia \(Pharmacy\) LLC](#).

Zaza Vashakidze
Chairperson of the Georgian Dream – Democratic Georgia faction



The [declaration](#) that Zaza Vashakidze filled out in 2017 shows that he is the director and member of the board of cooperative [RK Gubi](#). According to the Law of Georgia on Entrepreneurs, a registered cooperative is a business entity. Accordingly, by serving as the director of the said legal entity, Zaza Vashakidze violates the requirement of Paragraph 2 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

THE SACKHERE MUNICIPALITY

Tamaz Nadiradze
First Deputy Mayor



Tamaz Nadiradze failed to indicate in his 2017 [declaration](#) that his spouse, Khatuni Abutidze, owns agricultural lands plots with areas of [408 sq m](#) and [3,441 sq m](#) in the village of Orghuli, Sachkhere.

Petre Chikhorია
Head of the Service of Infrastructure, Transport, and Municipal Improvements



In 2016 and 2017, the spouse of Petre Chikhorია, Pati Chikhorია, concluded [simplified procurement contracts](#) with Akaki Tsereteli Library of Sachkhere. The procurement object was real estate services.

Before taking this position, Petre Chikhorია also concluded [two simplified procurement contracts](#) with the Sachkhere Municipality with a value of GEL 77,191. The Municipality purchased construction works from him. It should be noted that Mr. Chikhorია took office on August 22, while he concluded the acceptance-delivery act on the provision of the said services with the Municipality only a day before – on August 21.

Malkhaz Shamanadze
Head of the Service of Military Registration and Conscription



The [declaration](#) filled out by Malkhaz Shamanadze fails to indicate four land plots under the co-ownership of his son, Vaso Shamanadze, and his spouse, Leyla Abashidze. The land plots – in particular, agricultural land plots with areas of [5,702 sq m](#), [300 sq m](#), [1,201 sq m](#) and [301 sq m](#) – are located in the village of Merjevi.

Malkhaz Shamanadze also failed to indicate three land plots owned by his spouse, Leyla Abashidze, which are located in the village of Chala: in particular, agricultural land plots with areas of [570 sq m](#), [440 sq m](#), and [651 sq m](#).

THE CHIATURA MUNICIPALITY

Akaki Samkharadze
Head of the Administration Service of the Town Hall



Akaki Samkharadze failed to indicate in his [declaration](#) that he is the owner of a 20% stake in [Georgian Technology LLC](#); he also failed to transfer the management rights of his stake to another person, which violates Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Mikheil Lezhava
Head of the Service of Healthcare and Social Protection



Mikheil Lezhava failed to indicate in his [declaration](#) that he is the owner of a 50% stake in [Kvirila LLC](#). He also failed to transfer the management rights of his stake to another person, which violates the requirement of Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Zurab Tsikarishvili
Head of the Service of Infrastructure and Area Improvements



The [declaration](#) filled out by Zurab Tsikarishvili indicates that his spouse, Maia Asanidze, is the director and owner of a 50% stake in [Giogio LLC](#). In the years 2012-2018, the said limited liability company has concluded several [simplified contracts](#) with Chiatura-based procuring organizations, including the Chiatura Town Hall and N(N)LE Service Center of Cleaning and Municipal Improvements of Chiatura. The main area of activity of Giogio LLC is the provision of various accessories, items, and construction materials. As a result of both simplified procurements and tenders won, the profits received by Giogio LLC has amounted to GEL 148,611, of which GEL 143,161 was received through simplified procurements.

Zurab Tsikarishvili has held the position of the Head of the Service of Infrastructure and Area Improvements at the Chiatura Municipality since February 7, 2018, while Giogio LLC concluded the last simplified procurement contract, with a value of GEL 28,300, with N(N)LE Service Center of Cleaning and Municipal Improvements of Chiatura on January 30, 2018. At the same time, the company still continues to conclude simplified procurement contracts with schools operating in Chiatura ([CMR180088085](#), [CMR180091108](#)).

Aleksandre Tsitskishvili
Chairperson of the Town Council of Chiatura



Aleksandre Tsitskishvili failed to indicate in his [declaration](#) that his spouse, Natela Gugunishvili, [owns an apartment](#) on Petre Iberi Street in Tbilisi.

Irakli Mermanishvili
Head of the Commission on Mandates, Procedures, Ethics, and Legal Issues



The [declaration](#) filled out by Irakli Mermanishvili indicates that he is the owner of a 50% stake in [Karis Tskali 2014 LLC](#), although he has not transferred the management rights of his stake to another person, which violates Paragraph 6 of Article 13 of the [Law on Conflict of Interest and Corruption in Public Service](#).

Verification of asset declarations of public officials is one of the most important 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.**