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NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE POSITION OF ROMA POPULATION

Considering the objectives of the Roma Decade 2005-2015, the strategic goal presented by this document is defined as improvement of the position of the Roma population in Serbia, with the aim to reduce the existing, dramatic gap between the Roma and majority population.

National strategy for improvement of the position of the Roma population in its special chapters, deals with:

- education,
- living conditions,
- employment,
- displaced people,
- issues of obtaining personal documents,
- social insurance and social protection,
- health protection,
- position of women,
- information,
- culture,
- political involvement,
- discrimination and other issues of similar nature.

Chapters

Each chapter includes:

- international and national legal framework,
- description of the current conditions in a given area,
- summary of existing initiatives,
- recommendations for the further activities,
- prioritised activities.

The basic principles and values that the Strategy is based on include:

- Obligations of the government to ensure respect, protection and realization of the legal rights of the Roma,
- Complete and efficient inclusion of the Roma into all spheres of social life,
- Respect, recognition and promotion of the differences,
- Equal opportunities based on equal rights,
- Equality at birth,
- Prevention and struggle against all forms of discrimination,
- Enforcing measures of the affirmative action.

National strategy for improvement of the position of the Roma population and action plans



Organisational structure





Ministry of Education

Numbers and the progress



Ministry of Economy and Regional Development

	from 2009 budget	from 2010 budget	from 2011 budget
General labour issues			
Appropriation of the organizations of the mandatory social security The assets of the appropriation are meant for the transfers to the National Agency for the Active Employment Measures	255.000.000	476.000.000	700.000.000
TOTAL PROPORTION 15:	255.000.000	476.000.000	700.000.000

Ministry of Economy and Regional Development



Roma Coordinators working in local administrations



Involvement of Roma coordinators in local administrations



The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Planning

	from 2009 budget	from 2010 budget	from 2011 budget
Development of the localities			
Buildings and building structures	50.000.000	100.000.000	200.000.000
TOTAL PROPORTION 21:	50.000.000	100.000.000	200.000.000

Legalization of the Roma settlements



Municipalities that were selected, passed the decision or expressed interest in legalization of the Roma settlements

- 8 municipalities selected for legalization
- Municipalities that passed the decision
- Municipalities that expressed interest

Municipalities going through the process of legalization



Roma health mediators

Municipalities selected for implementation of the program to introduce Roma health mediators realized through the cooperation of OSCE Mission and the Ministry of Health

- Municipalities selected for 2008
- Newly selected municipalities



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The Decade of Roma Inclusion



For more information

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