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Goal 1.	Further improvement in the field of trade statistics				
Objective 1.1	Calculation of Foreign Trade Indices (Export-Import Unit Value Indices)				
1.1.1. Recalculation of imported goods value from CIF-type (Cost, insurance and freight) to FOB- type (Free on board)	The value of imported goods is calculated in FOR- type as well as CIF- type.	Statistical data about FOB-type value of imported goods are presented on the website: www.geostat.ge	National Statistics Office of Georgia	National Bank of Georgia	A methodology for calculating imported goods' value from CIF (Cost Insurance and Freight) prices to FOB (Free on Board) prices has been developed. Sampling of enterprises for the specialized one-time survey is finished and the final questionnaire is developed.
1.1.2. Introduction of the HS 2022 Commodity Nomenclature of Foreign Economic Activities in International Trade in Goods	Foreign trade statistics published in HS 2022 nomenclature	Geostat website: www.geostat.ge	National Statistics Office of Georgia		An updated version of the commodity nomenclature of foreign economic activities (HS 2022) has been introduced.
Goal 2.	Promoting exports to the EU				
Objective 2.1.	Diversification of export products within the EU				
2.1.1 Promoting the participation of Georgian companies in international events, exhibitions and trade missions in EU countries	Number of cases of co-financing of exporting companies participating in international events, exhibitions and trade missions - 70 Number of international events, exhibitions and trade missions in EU countries - 8	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia Enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL-Enterprise Georgia		In 2025, with the support of agency Georgian small and medium businesses participated in 10 international exhibitions in Germany, Italy, Portugal and France. In total, during 2025 the agency co-financed 65 cases of Georgian companies' participation in the above-mentioned events. Additionally, as of December 16 2025, 42 new contracts were signed for participation in events held in EU countries under the framework of the Individual Expo Grant Program.
Objective 2.2.	Improving access to finance for small and medium-sized businesses				
2.2.1. Support to the small and medium entrepreneurship within the programme of cofinancing of interest rate on loan/lease	Number of co-financed enterprises - 360	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL-Enterprise Georgia		As of December 16 in 2025, 434 loans/leases were approved for 378 enterprises within the universal program, with the total amount of GEL 352 mln. The projects entail investments of GEL 604 mln and plan to create more than 3,500 jobs.

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Objective 2.3.	Development of small and medium business export opportunities				
2.3.1. Training of export managers of small and medium businesses	Number of certified export managers - 50	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL-Enterprise Georgia	Selected higher educational institution	As of 2025, two export manager certification courses were held in Tbilisi and Ozurgeti, In total, 36 export managers were trained.
2.3.2. Implementation of technical assistance program for export promotion.	Number of supported export-oriented companies - 20	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL-Enterprise Georgia		As of December 16 2025, under the Export stimulation technical assistance program, contracts were signed with 15 beneficiaries in the third quarter of 2025.
2.3.3 Implementation of Lead Generation Program	Number of supported companies - 25	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL - Enterprise Georgia	UNDP	As part of the Lead Generation Program, a questionnaire was sent to potential beneficiary companies, based on which the participating companies will be selected. Within the framework of this program, a foreign consulting company conducts research and analysis of beneficiary companies and, based on their specific characteristics, connects them with foreign buyers. In total, 50 companies, both in agricultural and non-agricultural sectors, have benefited from this program (For the purpose of supporting the process, at this stage the Agency's role with respect to the project is limited to technical expertise and the sharing of information)
2.3.4 Implementation of the Mentorship Program	Number of supported companies - 50	Annual Report of Enterprise Georgia enterprisegeorgia.gov.ge	LEPL - Enterprise Georgia	UNDP	100 small and medium-sized enterprises were involved in the program at various stages, and 63 of them completed the full course and successfully completed all components of the program. Within the program, an individual mentoring plan was developed for each participating company, based on an assessment of their needs and readiness for export, which defined the company's learning objectives, relevant training topics and planned activities. The training process was carried out in online and face-to-face formats and combined group and individual sessions, and if necessary, companies benefited from back-office support activities provided by their assigned sector mentors. Back-office support included activities such as developing a database of potential buyers, improving company presentations and marketing materials, developing social media activities, etc.

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Goal 3.	Legislative and institutional approximation with relevant EU legislation and best practice in the field of technical barriers to trade				
Objective 3.1.	Elaboration of legislation that Georgia has undertaken to approximate in accordance with Annex III-A to the Association Agreement				
3.1.1. In accordance with the EU 2024 Enlargement Report, develop a strategy in the areas of standards, conformity assessment, accreditation, metrology and market surveillance with the aim of approximating Georgian legislation to that of the European Union	Developed strategy	Legislative Herald of Georgia - matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development		On April 17, 2025, by order of the Minister, an interagency working group was established to develop a strategy document on the approximation of legislation with the European Union in the areas of standards, conformity assessment, accreditation, metrology, and market surveillance. The initial draft of the strategy has been prepared and further work is underway on it.
3.1.2. Elaboration of technical regulation in accordance with European Parliament and European Council of 5 April of 2017 Regulation 2017/745/EU regarding medical devices and European Parliament and Council Regulation 2017/746/EU of 5 April 2017 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices.	Adopted technical regulation	Legislative Herald of Georgia - matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia		In order to approximate the regulations 2017/745/EU and 2017/746/EU, the draft law of Georgia "On medical devices" has been prepared by the The Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Health, Labour and Social Affairs of Georgia
3.1.3. Adoption of a by-law to fulfill the objectives of EU Regulation (No. 1025/2012) in the field of standardization	Order of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	Legislative Herald of Georgia Matsne.gov.ge	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM)	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	Based on the study of the experience of the national standardization bodies of the EU member states, the “Rules for the Establishment and Activities of the Standardization Council” were developed and approved by the Order No. 1-1/231 of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia dated June 26 of the current year. The composition of the Standardization Council and the members of the Council Secretariat were determined by the Order No. 65 of the Director General of the Agency dated September 5 of the current year.

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3.1.4 Preparation of the draft amendment to the Product Safety and Free Movement Code in accordance with Regulation 2019/1020 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019	amendment to the Product Safety and Free Movement Code	Matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	LEPL-Market Surveillance Agency	The draft of the amendment to the Code of Product Safety and Free Movement has been prepared, it is submitted to the Parliament of Georgia and is currently under discussion.
3.1.5 Preparation of technical regulations according to the Directive 2014/30/EU of the European Parliament and Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonization of the laws of the Member States on electromagnetic compatibility	Adopted technical regulations	Legislative Herald of Georgia Matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	LEPL-Market Surveillance Agency	Draft resolution of the Government of Georgia "On Approval of Technical Regulations on Electromagnetic Compatibility" has been prepared. After the consultations with relevant agencies, the draft regulation will be submitted to the Government of Georgia for approval.
Objective 3.2.	Institutional and infrastructural development necessary for technical regulation, standardization, metrology, accreditation, conformity assessment and market surveillance administration				
3.2.1. Continuation of the process of modernising the equipment of reference laboratories in priority directions in order to provide improved services	Increased number and range of services offered	Calibration certificates issued; Annual Report of the GEOSTM	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM)		<p>The following equipments were purchased for the Mechanics Reference Division of the Agency's Metrology Institute: a single-channel signal generator and an AC voltmeter and a weighing set for the Mass Reference Division, reference materials and mixed gases for Physico-Chemical Reference Division. X80-Ray device was installed in the division of radiation measurements, the installation of which was completed in August, from 27 to 31 October, training sessions were conducted for staff working with the same device, certificates were issued, and in November GEOSTM obtained a license for carry out respective activities.</p> <p>The process of calibration of the instruments and national standard of measurement unit has been completed. Calibration profecese conducted by respective organizations in Poland, the Czech Republic, and Germany.</p>

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3.2.2. Recognition of production of reference materials as a new direction in the field of metrology in accordance with ISO 17034:2016	Received recognition in the field of production of reference materials	Bureau International of Weights and Measures (BIPM) database www.bipm.org	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM)		Work on the QMS documentation required for the implementation of the standard has resumed.
3.2.3 Update/improve the existing status of GEOSTM in European Standardization Organizations CEN/CENELEC	More than 90% of European Standards adopted as Georgian standards	CEN/CENELEC report	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM)		<p>As part of the work on implementing the criteria established for membership in the European standardization organizations (CEN/CENELEC) (CEN-CENELEC Guide 22 "Guide on the organizational structure and processes for the assessment of the membership criteria of CEN and CENELEC" edition 5, 2021-12), in accordance with the requirements of the Quality Management System (EN ISO 9001:2015) implemented in the Standards Department of the Agency, periodic monitoring of the implementation of the aforementioned criteria is actively carried out. - On July 25, 2025, an internal audit was conducted in the Standards Department and further steps were planned.</p> <p>Development of the 2026 internal audit, as well as the training program, the risk and opportunities registry, and other defined documents is underway.</p> <p>According to the CEN/CENELEC report for the first three quarters of 2025, the rate of harmonization of Georgian standards with European standards is 89,77%.</p> <p>Within the framework of dynamic approximation to the EU legislation, as part of the procedures for reviewing the list of harmonized standards published by GEOSTM for the purpose of implementing the respective objectives of the resolutions of Government of Georgia, the list of 7 harmonized standards was updated.</p>
3.2.4 Creation of project for the implementation of the electronic risk assessment system	Developed technical specifications	DCFTA Implementation Report www.DCFTA.gov.ge	LEPL-Market Surveillance Agency		With the support of the European Union-funded twinning project (strengthening the capacities of the market surveillance agency in Georgia) for the implementation of the electronic risk assessment system the necessary technical specifications are being developed.

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3.2.5 Implementation of the notification system of the accredited conformity	Prepared/approved action plan for the implementation of notification system	Annual report of the accreditation center;	LEPL - Georgian National	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	<p>Curently, preparations are underway to find appropriate resources to implement the defined activties. In parallel, works is underway to select an EU country whose experience will be used to establish an appropriate system in Georgia. Work is underway to develop a job description, after which a relevant expert will be contracted to prepare recommendations for the establishment of a notification system. Based on these recommendations, an action plan will be developed.</p> <p>Under the PTB Project “Quality Standards for Increased Trade in the Eastern Partnership Countries” on September 3 of this year, another working meeting was held related to experiencies on implementation of the notification system by Moldova, Ukraine and Georgia. Within the framework of the workshop particopants shared experiencies and progress on development and implementation of notification system.</p>
3.2.6 Maintaining the recognition of the European Accreditation Cooperation (EA) and fully integrating the Accreditation Center into the daily activities of EA	<p>Number of EA workshops and technical committees organized in Georgia</p> <p>Organization of EA MAC meeting in Georgia</p>	<p>Accreditation Center website www.gac.gov.ge</p> <p>EA website https://european-accreditation.org/about-ea/who-are-we/</p>	LEPL - Georgian National accreditation body – Accreditation Centre	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	<p>Organisation of the event is underway. A relevant web-page for the registration of participants has been prepared and distributed among MAC member organizations. From May 6 to 8 of the current year, the Accreditation Center hosted the 52nd meeting of the Multilateral Agreement Council (MAC) of the European co-operation for Accreditation (EA). The meeting was attended by more than 60 representatives from accreditation bodies of 45 countries, including EU Member States, members of the European Free Trade Association, and EU candidate countries.</p> <p>The Deputy Director General of the Georgian Accreditation Center was elected to the EA Multilateral Agreement Council’s (MAC) Management Group. The main responsibilities of the group include preparing topics for discussion at MAC meetings and participating in peer evaluation processes among EA members. The Accreditation Center's representative was elected to serve in the group for a term of three years.</p> <p>Based on their respective areas of competence, the staff of the Accreditation Center were fully involved in the work of EA committees. In particular, during 2025, representatives of the Accreditation Center participated in the following committees and working meetings:</p>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EA Horizontal Harmonization Committee (HHC), held in Brussels, Belgium on March 5–6; • EA Horizontal Harmonization Committee (HHC), held in Brussels, Belgium, on September 10-11; • The EA non-scheduled General Assembly, held in Brussels, Belgium, on 12th September; • EA Inspection Committee, held in Budapest, Hungary on March 18; • EA Inspection Committee, held in Brussels, Belgium on September 18-19 • EA Certification Committee, held in Budapest, Hungary on March 19–20; • EA Certification Committee, held in Brussels, Belgium on September 16-17; • EA Laboratory Committee, held in Bratislava, Slovakia on March 26–27; • EA Laboratory Committee, held in Brussels, Belgium on September 24-25; • EA Environmental Protection Working Group meeting, held online on April 8–9; • EA General Assembly, held in Turkey on May 20–22; • EA Certification Committee Food Working Group meeting, held in Ankara, Turkey on June 3–4. • A meeting of quality managers from EA member countries was held online on September 2 of this year. The purpose of the meeting was to share experiences and discuss challenges and risks related to the activities of quality management. • EA Healthcare Working Group meeting, held in Thessaloniki, Greece, on 3–4 December; • The latest IAF/ILAC Annual Meeting, held in Bangkok, Thailand, on 17–25 October; • The 59th EA General Assembly, held in Vienna, Austria, on 19–20 November; • During 2025, staff members of the Accreditation Center participated in three EA peer evaluation processes.
Objective 3.3.	Facilitate the training and adaptation of stakeholders, including economic operators for the implementation of related legislation				
3.3.1. Organizing meetings/seminars in Tbilisi and regions for interested parties, including small and	At least 5 meetings /seminars to be held	DCFTA implementation report www.dcfta.gov.ge	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	On February 28, 2025 in Rustavi, and on March 21 in Gori, within the framework of the PTB project, an awareness-raising seminar was held on the topic: “Quality Infrastructure and Its Role in Business Development”, where employees of the Agency’s Standards Department and the Institute of

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medium-sized entrepreneurs, on the approximation of quality infrastructure with the EU			(GEOSTM) LEPL – Georgian National accreditation body – Accreditation Centre; LEPL Market surveillance agency		<p>Metrology, together with representatives of the LEPL Market Supervision Agency and the Unified National Accreditation Body - Accreditation Center, provided interested parties with information about the services available in the relevant field, news, future plans, and more.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On February 20-21, 2025, representatives of the LEPL Georgian National Agency for Standards and Metrology participated in the UNECE (United Nations Economic Commission for Europe) project “Enabling Inclusivity by Mainstreaming Gender Throughout the Quality Infrastructure for Trade”. • In February and March 2025, meetings were held with accredited laboratories in the fields of pressure, mass, temperature, and electricity, where representatives of the Agency's Metrology Institute shared information on international calibration guidelines with them. <p>In total, both events were attended by representatives of about 60 organizations.</p> <p>On September 23, 2025, an awareness-raising event and panel discussion on certification schemes — ISO 9001, GLOBALG.A.P., and BRCGS — was held. The event was organized by the Accreditation Center with the support of the German Metrology Institute (PTB). It brought together leading European experts, business associations, representatives from various ministries, and members of the private sector, in total the event were attended more than 60 participants from those organisations. Participants received comprehensive information on the significance of certification schemes, which help improve product quality and safety, facilitate access to international markets, and enhance overall competitiveness. During the event, participants also discussed those challenges which creates difficulties for the development of local certification infrastructure.</p> <p>LEPL - Market Supervision Agency organized one information meeting with relevant economic operators to familiarize them with the requirements of the Law of Georgia on Energy Labeling and relevant technical regulations. The mentioned technical regulations will come into force on December 31, 2025.</p>

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					<p>On September 16, 2025, an information meeting was held at the National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM) with representatives of organizations working in the field of construction, who received information about the process of registering Eurocodes as Georgian standards and the challenges in this process.</p> <p>On October 24, 2025, an information meeting was held at the National Agency for Standards and Metrology for private organizations operating in the field of quality infrastructure. Information was provided about the agency's services, technical regulations on "non-automatic weighing instruments" and "measuring instruments".</p> <p>On 29 October 2025, an informational meeting was held with organizations interested in the accreditation of certification schemes (including GlobalG.A.P., ISO/IEC 9001, and others) in the relevant scopes of accreditation. Participants in the meeting included the National Wine Agency, the Farmers' Association, the Georgian Wine Association, and the LEPL "Enterprise Georgia".</p> <p>On 25 November 2025, an informational meeting was held for organizations interested in accreditation in the field of biobanking. The meeting covered the sharing of European Union experience in biobank accreditation, an overview of the accreditation process, and a presentation of the ISO 20387:2018/2023 standard.</p> <p>On 28 November 2025, an informational meeting was held with accredited product certification bodies. The purpose of the meeting was to plan the activities required to align their certification schemes with the requirements of the EA-1/22 and IAF MD 25 documents.</p> <p>In order to further facilitate the adoption of EU standards as Georgian standards in the fields of construction and design, and in coordination with relevant stakeholders, the National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia GEOSTM established the 11th Standardization Committee „Eurocodes“ by the relevant order (No. 67, 17 September 2025).</p>

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3.3.2. Organize trainings for accredited conformity assessment bodies in the fields of standards related to their activities.	Number of organized trainings (3 at least)	Annual Report of the agency; www.gac.gov.ge	LEPL - Georgian National accreditation body – Accreditation Centre	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	During 2025, the Accreditation Centre organized and delivered training sessions for interested stakeholders on issues related to accreditation standards. During the reporting period, training sessions were conducted in the following areas: 1. ISO 15189:2012 – Medical laboratories — Requirements for quality and competence – 4 sessions, with a total of 64 participants (October–November); 2. ISO/IEC 17020:2012 – Conformity assessment — Requirements for the operation of various types of bodies performing inspection – 3 sessions, with a total of 47 participants (December); 3. ISO/IEC 17025:2017 – General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories – 2 sessions, with a total of 35 participants (December).
3.3.3. Awareness raising on accreditation rules and procedures among representatives of the executive, legislative and judicial bodies	Number of organized trainings and number of representatives of executive, legislative and judicial bodies	Annual Report of the agency; www.gac.gov.ge	LEPL - Georgian National accreditation body – Accreditation Centre	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	The implementation of the activity is planned for the upcoming quarters of 2025, depending on the availability of financial resources for its execution.
Objective 3.4.	Capacity building of the relevant state institutions				
3.4.1. Raising qualifications of the staff in the field of quality Infrastructure	Number of seminars/ trainings conducted (at least 5)	DCFTA Implementation report www.DCFTA.gov.ge	LEPL – National Agency for Standards and Metrology of Georgia (GEOSTM) LEPL – Georgian National accreditation body – Accreditation Centre; LEPL Market surveillance agency		Market Surveillance: Within the Twinning Project 'Advancing the Capacities of the Market Surveillance Agency of Georgia', the Agency's staff participated in a training on directive 2014/35/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits. In addition, in order to share best European practices, Polish and German experts conducted 2 training sessions for the agency's employees on communication with consumers, businesses and other stakeholders. February 25, presentation on the topic "Documented information in accordance with the SST EN ISO 9001 standard" for the persons involved in the Standards Department and the Quality Management System.

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					<p>On March 25-27, 2025, employees of the Agency's Standards Department and the Institute of Metrology and of the Accreditation Center visited the city of Chisinau, Moldova, for the PTB project "Quality Standards for Increased Trade in the Eastern Partnership Countries" Regional Seminar for EaP Countries on the topic: "Exploring the Potential for Future Regional Cooperation".</p> <p>Metrology: On January 23, representatives of the Institute of Metrology of the Agency participated in the online webinar “Current status of accelerator neutron source and dosimetry for boron neutron capture therapy”</p> <p>On January 24, February 10, on 28 April, 8 May seminars were held on the topic CABUREK Talk and Digitalisation – opportunities and challenges”</p> <p>On January 27-31, within the framework of a project funded by PTB, a visit of a German expert was carried out and training was conducted on the automation of measurements of the state standard of power and energy using the relevant ZERA software.</p> <p>On February 6, 2025, a training was held on the use of the KCDB 2.0 platform for international comparisons - online technical exchange.</p> <p>On February 10-13, a representative of the Institute of Metrology participated in the online training “Evolving needs in metrology. Metrology for Food and Food Safety” Representatives of the Agency’s Institute of Metrology and employees of the Accreditation Center participated in the training held on February 24-28 - “Proficiency Testing in Georgia – Introduction to EN ISO/IEC 17043:2023”</p> <p>On March 19, an online training “Building legal frameworks for a future-proof Quality Infrastructure” was organized by PTB/UNIDO.</p>

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					<p>On March 21, 2025, a meeting was held at the Accreditation Center of Georgia for invited experts on accreditation rules and procedures, where a representative of the Agency’s Institute of Metrology participated.</p> <p>On April 8–10, 2025, representatives of the Agency’s Metrology Institute participated in the EURAMET Technical Committee for Thermometry (TC-T) meeting held in Sarajevo. Within the framework of cooperation with the Metrology Agency of the Federal Republic of Germany (PTB), an online seminar was held on</p> <p>April 15 of the current year regarding the validation and verification scheme for greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>On April 28, 2025, the CABUREK-M4DT working meeting was held, in which a representative of the Metrology Institute participated.</p> <p>On May 7, an online training session was conducted under the guidance of a PTB expert on the topic “Establishment of PT Providers in Georgia.”</p> <p>On May 14, 2025, an online meeting was held on the topic “PTB EaP Working Group on Customer Surveys” within the framework of the BMZ-funded project “Quality Standards for Increased Trade in the Eastern Partnership Countries”, with participation from a representative of the Metrology Institute. A representative of the Agency’s Metrology Institute took part in the webinar “Updates on X-ray Imaging Dosimetry Practices” held on May 24.</p> <p>On May 28, 2025, an online Training of Trainers (ToT) session was conducted based on ISO/IEC 17043:2023, led by a PTB expert, in which representatives of the Metrology Institute participated.</p> <p>From May 27 to 30, within the framework of the PTB project “Quality Infrastructure for Value Creation, Productivity and Innovation in the Private Sector,” seminars were conducted at</p>

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					<p>the Agency for representatives of the Metrology Institute by a PTB expert on internal audits and laboratory comparisons.</p> <p>On June 3–6, 2025, a representative of the Agency participated in the EURAMET General Assembly held in Berlin. The next session of this Assembly will take place in Georgia in 2026.</p> <p>On June 3–6, 2025, in Lisbon, joint meetings were held for three subcommittees of the EURAMET Technical Committee for Electricity and Magnetism (TC-EM) and the European Metrology Network for Smart Electricity Grids (EMN-SEG). Laboratory comparisons in various areas were planned, with participation from a representative of the Metrology Institute.</p> <p>On June 26–27, a representative of the Metrology Institute participated in a meeting held within the framework of BIPM on “Discussion of EURAMET Projects in the Field of Pressure.”</p> <p>In August 2025, the Physico-Chemical Reference Division of the Institute of Metrology participated in the comparison within the framework of EURAMET “Calibration of glass volumetric flasks 500 ml and 5000 ml”.</p> <p>On September 23, 2025, representatives of the Institute of Metrology participated in the awareness-raising event on the topic “Certification schemes BRCGS GLOBAL G.A.P. and ISO 9001”</p> <p>On September 30, 2025, representatives of the Institute of Metrology participated in the EUROLAB – UNIDO webinar on the topic Rethinking Sustainability Ensuring the long term viability of laboratories.</p> <p>On 15–16 October 2025, the EURAMET Technical Committee on „Electricity and Magnetism“ meeting was held in Boros, attended by a representative of the Metrology Institute.</p> <p>From 3 to 7 November 2025, a theoretical and practical training was conducted for representatives of the Metrology</p>

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					<p>Institute with the involvement of PTB experts, focusing on strengthening internal audit procedures in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025:2017 requirements and developing professional competence.</p> <p>On 17–20 November 2025, the 5th working meeting of CABUREK was held in Bangkok, attended by a representative of the Metrology Institute.</p> <p>On 30 October and 7 November 2025, staff of the Standards Department participated in online workshops organized by IEC and CEN/CENELEC on „International Cooperation and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Standards“ and „Stakeholder Engagement for Conformity Assessment Bodies“.</p> <p>Standardisation: On May 30, 2025, the first external audit of the Quality Management System implemented in the Standards Department in accordance with ISO 9001:2015 was successfully completed.</p> <p>As part of the cooperation with the German Metrology Agency (PTB), an online seminar on the greenhouse gas emission validation and verification scheme was held on April 15 of this year.</p> <p>On June 17, representatives of Standards Department participated in an online meeting organized by PTB, together with representatives of Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries, where they agreed on the main topics and areas to be discussed at the “Standardization Forum” scheduled for September 2025.</p> <p>On June 24, a representative of the Standards Department participated in an online meeting organized by the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) on the topic: “The Benefits of IEC Membership and Its Role in Developing Quality Infrastructure.” In parallel, another representative of Standards Department participated online in the 11th WTO Thematic Session on “Procedures for the Exchange of Information.”</p>

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					<p>On June 26–27, 2025, representatives of the Agency participated in the General Assembly of European Standardization Organizations, as well as the “CEN/CENELEC Affiliate Members” working meeting held in Luxembourg.</p> <p>On June 24, 2025, employees of the World Trade Organization National Information Center participated online in the 11th workshop organized by the World Trade Organization (WTO) “11th Special Meeting on Information Exchange Procedures.”</p> <p>On September 2, 2025, PTB organized a "Standardization Forum", which was attended by employees of the Standards Department. Within the framework of this meeting, representatives of the national standardization bodies of the Eastern Partnership countries (EAP) made a presentation and reviewed their established practice on the issues of the establishment, formation, functioning and decision-making of the Standardization Council. Representatives of the national standardization bodies of Poland and Romania and an expert from the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) also shared their experience with the participants at the meeting.</p> <p>Accreditation: Within the reporting period, the employees of the Accreditation Center participated into the two events to improve their qualifications. The first one was held in Tbilisi and covered the topics related to accreditation of proficiency testing providers. Within the framework of the project, it is planned to develop an information manual related to the role of the organizations providing proficiency testing. Prepared manual will provide information to all accredited organizations how and why should they use proficiency testing services.</p> <p>Within the framework of the second event, the employees of the Accreditation Center were in the Republic of Moldova, where, together with representatives of the Eastern Partnership countries of the European Union, they participated into the discussions related to define priority directions for the accreditation systems in the coming years.</p>

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					<p>Both events were funded by the German Federal Institute of Metrology.</p> <p>On July 1–3, 2025, with the support of PTB, a training was conducted at the Accreditation Center on the use of the accreditation mechanism in the field of greenhouse gas validation and verification, in accordance with the requirements of international standards ISO/IEC 17029 and ISO 14065. The training was led by an invited expert, Andriana Lekakou from the Greek Accreditation Organization, and was attended by employees of the Accreditation Center, as well as representatives of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, and other invited experts.</p> <p>On 22–25 September 2025, advisory meetings in the field of certification were held at the Accreditation Centre for the staff of the Accreditation Centre. The consultations were conducted with relevant experts invited from the United Kingdom and Portugal.</p> <p>On 9 and 30 October 2025, an online workshop entitled “AI and Its Use by NABs” was organized by EA for the staff of the Accreditation Centre.</p> <p>On 5–6 November 2025, an EA-MAC Refresh Training for assessors was organized by EA. The training was attended by one staff member of the Accreditation Centre who is involved in EA peer evaluation process of its members.</p> <p>On 14 November 2025, the annual experience-sharing meeting was held. The meeting was attended by lead assessors, technical assessors, and technical experts of the Accreditation Centre, as well as representatives of the Accreditation Centre’s management. Issues related to the testing, calibration, medical, inspection, and certification sectors were presented and discussed during the meeting.</p> <p>On 1–3, 15, and 18 December 2025, additional workshops and training sessions were held on the application of the</p>

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					<p>accreditation mechanism in the field of greenhouse gas validation and verification. The events were conducted with the support of the German National Metrology Institute (PTB) and led by an invited expert, Andriana Lekakou, from the Hellenic Accreditation Body.</p>
Objective 3.5.	Enforcement of the market surveillance in accordance with DCFTA obligations				
<p>3.5.1 Conducting the market surveillance in the supervisory areas of agency based on risk analysis by the LEPL Market Surveillance Agency</p>	<p>At least 900 inspected products placed on the local market</p>	<p>DCFTA Implementation Report www.DCFTA.gov.ge</p>	<p>LEPL-Market Surveillance Agency</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 69 appliances burning gaseous fuel placed on the market were inspected; • 54 LVD products placed on the market were inspected; • lighter products placed on the market were inspected; • 5 boilers products placed on the market were inspected (according to the efficiency regulation); • 10 RED products placed on the market were inspected; • 344 Construction Products placed on the market were inspected; • 23 PPE Products placed on the market were inspected; • 2 Pressure Equipment Products placed on the market were inspected; • 5 Paint Products placed on the market were inspected; • Samples of 149 Construction Products were sent to the appropriate accredited laboratory. • Samples of 12 PPE Products were sent to the appropriate accredited laboratory. • Samples of 5 Paint Products were sent to the appropriate accredited laboratory. • Samples of 185 toys were sent to the appropriate accredited laboratory. • Samples of 30 LVD products were sent to the appropriate accredited laboratory. • Prior notices of import of 5194 Construction products; • Prior notices of import of 3739 Machinery products; • Prior notices of import of 1113 PPE products; • Prior notices of import of 4811 toys; • Prior notices of import of 2915 appliances burning gaseous fuel; • 96 ordinances were issued on the restrictive measures; • 129 ordinances were issued on the imposition of a penalty;

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3.5.2 Conducting the market surveillance and issuing relevant recommendations by the Agency in the recently approximated areas	Number of inspections performed (documentary and technical)	DCFTA Implementation Report www.dcfta.gov.ge	LEPL-Market Surveillance Agency		Since the implementation of this activity depends on the expansion of the supervisory area, recommendations will be issued during 2026 as new products are added
Goal 4.	Promoting trade in products subject to sanitary and phytosanitary measures and protecting the life or health of humans, animals and plants				
Objective 4.1.	Improvement of sanitary and phytosanitary, animal welfare and other legislative measures				
4.1.1. Approximation of Georgia's legislation to the relevant EU legal acts in accordance with Annex XI- B of the Association Agreement	Georgia's legislation is approximated to 16 EU legal acts, referred to in Annex XI-B;	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action Plan; www.DCFTA.gov.ge The Legislative Herald of Georgia matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia	LEPL National Food Agency	<p>1. It is no longer necessary to develop a new project based on Regulation (EU) 2020/1740, (COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/1740 of 20 November 2020 setting out the provisions necessary for the implementation of the renewal procedure for active substances, as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 844/2012 since the requirements of this regulation are already reflected in our legislation (Resolution of the Government of Georgia No. 22 of January 13, 2020 "On Approval of the Technical Regulation - Regulations on Registration Examinations, Expertise and Registration of Pesticides and Agrochemicals in Georgia" amending Resolution N 443 of December 31, 2013 of the Government of Georgia) and are in line with the requirements of the European Union.</p> <p>2. On the basis of Directive 2003/91/EC, COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2003/91/EC of 6 October 2003 setting out implementing measures for the purposes of Article 7 of Council Directive 2002/55/EC as regards the characteristics to be covered as a minimum by the examination and the minimum conditions for examining certain varieties of vegetable species, Decree of the Government of Georgia N441, of October 6th 2025 on amendments to the Decree of the Government of Georgia N587 of December 23th 2022 "On approval of the procedure for conducting tests on distinctness, uniformity and stability of new varieties of animals and/or plants" was approved.</p> <p>3. Decree of the Government of Georgia of 9 November 2015</p>

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					<p>No. 567 was prepared in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1881/2006 of 19 December 2006. Regulation No. 1881/2006 was repealed by the European Commission by Regulation (EU) 2023/915 of 25 April 2023, Accordingly, Decree of the government of Georgia №127 of 25th of april 2025 ““On approval of technical regulations on maximum levels of certain contaminants in food” was adopted.</p> <p>4. Based on Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/644 of 5 April 2017, and Commission Recommendations 2013/711/EU of 3rd of December 2013 and 2006/794/EC of 16th November 2006, on 30 May 2025, the Decree of the Government of Georgia No. 191 of 5th of May “Technical Regulation - On the approval of sampling and analysis methods for the control of the levels of dioxins, dioxin-like polychlorinated biphenyls and nondioxin-like polychlorinated biphenyls in certain foodstuffs” was adopted.</p> <p>5. In accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) No. 503/2013 of 3rd April 2013, Decree of the Government of Georgia - No. 545 of 16 December 2025 on amendments to the Decree of the Government of Georgia No. 549 of 16th of November 2018 was approved.</p> <p>6. Implementing Decision 2012/697/EU COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION of 8 November 2012 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of the genus Pomacea (Perry) (notified under document C(2012) 7803) (2012/697/EU) was repealed and replaced by Regulation (EU) 2024/2013, (COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/2013 of 23 July 2024 on measures to prevent the establishment and spread within the Union territory and to eradicate Pomacea (Perry) and repealing Implementing Decision 2012/697/EU) on the basis of which a draft Resolution of the Government of Georgia “On eradication measures to prevent the introduction and the spread within the county of the snails of the genus Pomacea (Perry)” was prepared. The project has been agreed with all relevant agencies and uploaded to the government platform.</p>

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					<p>7. Based on Commission Implementing Directives 2014/20 (COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DIRECTIVE 2014/20/EU of 6 February 2014 determining Union grades of basic and certified seed potatoes, and the conditions and designations applicable to such grades) and 2024/21,(COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DIRECTIVE 2014/21/EU of 6 February 2014 determining minimum conditions and Union grades for pre-basic seed potatoes) a draft Decree of the Government of Georgia on amendments to Decree of the Government No. 649 of 28 October 2020 “On the Approval of Conditions for Placing Seed Potatoes on the Market” has been prepared and uploaded to the government platform.</p> <p>8. Based on Commission Decision 97/125,(COMMISSION DECISION 97/125 of 24 January 1997 authorizing the indelible printing of prescribed information on packages of seed of oil and fibre plants and amending Decision 87/309/EEC authorizing the indelible printing of prescribed information on packages of certain fodder plant species) Decree of the Government of Georgia No. 439 of 6 October 2025 on amendments to the Decree of the Government of Georgia No. 336 of 13 June 2018 “On the Approval of the Rules for Labeling Seeds and Planting Material of Agricultural Crop Varieties Subject to Mandatory Certification” was prepared and adopted.</p> <p>9. Draft Decree of the Government of Georgia “On approval of the rules for the functioning of the State Control Information Management System and its system components” is prepared in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/1715 of 30 September 2019, which is uploaded to the government for approval.</p> <p>10. Regulation 2020/1770 (COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/1770 of 26 November 2020 on types and species of plants for planting not exempted from the traceability code requirement for plant passports under Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Directive 92/105/EEC) has been postponed to 2027, it will</p>

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					<p>be approximated with the Regulation (EU) 2016/2031.</p> <p>11. Approximation to the Directive 93/50/EEC, (COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 93/50/EEC of 24 June 1993 specifying certain plants not listed in Annex V, part A to Council Directive 77/93/EEC, the producers of which, or the warehouses, dispatching centres in the production zones of such plants, shall be listed in an official register) has been postponed to 2027. It will be approximated with the related Regulation 2016/2031.</p> <p>12. In accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/687 of 17 December 2019, a draft Resolution of the Government of Georgia “On approval of the rules for the prevention and control of certain listed diseases” has been prepared, which has been forwarded to the law department;</p> <p>13. In accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of 9th March 2016, a draft Decree of the Government of Georgia “on the approval of the animal health rules” has been prepared and forwarded to the law department;</p> <p>14. In accordance with the Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 of 16th December 2020, a draft Decree of the Government of Georgia on the approval of the animal health certificate, official certificate and models of animal health/official certificates for the entry of goods into Georgia and the certification rules is being developed.</p>
Objective 4.2.	Raising awareness of consumers and rights holders in business circles and civil society				
4.2.1. Increasing the awareness of the interested parties about the Georgian legislation approximated to the EU legislation, and supporting entrepreneurs in adapting to the new	Number of conducted trainings, informational meetings and other events	Annual report on the implementation of the action plan for the implementation of the DCFTA National Action Plan; www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia	LEPL National Food Agency	<p>1. On March 24, 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi with animal feed distributors on issues related to the rules for food additives used in animal feed and the rules for placing and labeling animal feed on the market. 11 business operators attended the meeting.</p> <p>2. On February 14, 2025, an online meeting was held with business operators on the Resolution of the Government of Georgia of November 10, 2015 N581 "Technical Regulations on Microbiological Indicators of Food". 4 business operators attended the meeting.</p>

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requirements					<p>3. On June 4-6, 2025, a meeting was held in Borjomi and Gori cities the for business operators involved in the fish production food chain. The meeting was attended by 57 business operators.</p> <p>4. On June 12, 2025, a meeting was held in Sachkhere for business operators involved in the honey production food chain. The meeting was attended by 27 business operators.</p> <p>5. On June 13, 2025, a meeting was held in Sachkhere on the following topic: Food Safety Principles in Public Catering Facilities. The meeting was attended by 23 business operators.</p> <p>6. On June 24, 2025, a meeting was held in Zugdidi on Food Safety Principles for hazelnut processing business operators. The meeting was attended by 18 business operators.</p> <p>7. In March-April 2025, the trainings were held in Tbilisi, Shida Kartli, Kvemo Kartli, Mtskheta-Mtianeti and Kakheti regions on the topic: “Authorization Issues and Procedures” - Decree of the Government of Georgia №7, dated January 16, 2023. The trainings on the approval of the authorization rule for establishments operating in the egg production sector were attended by 33 business operators.</p> <p>8. In March-April 2025, informational meetings were held in Kakheti, Shida Kartli and Kvemo Kartli regarding of Decree of the Government of Georgia №59 of February 29, 2024 - “Technical Regulations - on the approval of the content of undesirable substances in products intended for animal feed”. The meeting was attended by 12 business operators.</p> <p>9. In May 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi with veterinary drug producers and representatives of retail and wholesale trade, where the draft decree of the Government of Georgia “On veterinary medical products” was discussed. The meeting was attended by 18 business operators.</p> <p>10. On July 15, 2025, a meeting was held in Telavi with dairy processing business operators on the topic of food safety</p>

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					<p>principles. The meeting was attended by 16 business operators.</p> <p>11. On July 16, 2025, a meeting was held in Telavi with honey producing business operators on the topic of food safety principles. The meeting was attended by 21 business operators.</p> <p>12. On July 16 and 17, 2025, two meetings were held in the Kakheti region with the food service sector on the topic of food safety principles. The meeting was attended by 57 business operators.</p> <p>13. On July 24, 2025, an informational meeting was held in Akhaltsikhe with aquaculture producing business operators. The meeting was attended by 13 business operators.</p> <p>14. On August 19, 2025, In Kutaisi and on August 20-21 in Batumi, three informational meetings were held with food service business operators regarding the following requirements established by the legislation and food safety standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution №118 on approval of the Technical Regulation - Rules for labeling of beef and beef products. • Review of the animal identification/registration system. The meetings were attended by 82 business operators. <p>15. The following meetings were held to acquaint participants with the legislative documents that have entered into force in the field of beekeeping, as well as to introduce new methods for the prevention and treatment of bee diseases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On June 17-18 and 24-25, three meetings were held in Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti region, in the city of Zugdidi and the village of Khaishi, attended by 19 business operators and 9 NFA employees. • On July 2-3, two meetings were held in Imereti region, attended by 9 business operators and 5 NFA employees. • On August 27, a meeting was held in Tetrtskaro municipality, the meeting was attended by 6 business operators and 4 NFA employees.

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					<p>16. The issues of the new legislative regulation adopted in the field of aquaculture, in particular the implementation of the risk management system (Resolution of the Government of Georgia №594), as well as the measures taken in the direction of aquaculture and the results obtained were discussed at the following meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On July 22, a meeting was held in Gori, attended by 7 NFA employees and 13 business operators. • On July 25, a meeting was held in Akhaltsikhe, attended by 9 NFA employees and 16 business operators. • On July 29, a meeting was held in Batumi, attended by 6 NFA employees and 12 business operators. • On July 30, a meeting was held in Ozurgeti, attended by 5 NFA employees and 8 business operators. <p>17. On September 10-11, a training was held in Tbilisi, organized by the USA Poultry and Egg Council, on the topic of “Shelf life of poultry meat and eggs, methods for determining salmonella and campylobacter”. The training was attended by 18 NFA employees and 44 business operators.</p> <p>18. On September 16-17, a training was held in Ambrolauri, Oni and Tsageri to discuss the Resolution of the Government of Georgia N594 of December 28, 2017. 12 NFA employees and 3 business operators attended.</p> <p>19. On November 3-7, trainings were held in Batumi and Tbilisi on the topic - Food Safety Training Program for Aquaculture Products in Georgia. 16 NFA employees and 5 business operators attended.</p> <p>20. On November 10, a working meeting was held in Tbilisi on the Draft Resolution of the Government of Georgia “Technical Regulations - On coffee, coffee product substitutes”. The meeting was attended by 13 business operators.</p>

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Objective 4.3.	Strengthen the capacity and skills of the competent bodies				
4.3.1. Training of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary border control specialists, updating the manual on a specific procedural issue	Number of conducted trainings and Participating specialists; Adopted procedural manual	Annual Report of the Revenue Service rs.ge	Revenue Service (Border control direction)	LEPL National Food Agency	<p>1. On February 20, 2025, a working meeting was held in Tbilisi with the authorities of the Customs Service regarding the entry into force of the rule on food additives in animal feed.</p> <p>2. On March 26, 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi with the competent service of the Customs Service regarding the provision of information on imported antimicrobial agents. A legislative document should be prepared to ensure the resolution of this issue.</p> <p>ENPARD IV- Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, the following took place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On July 15-16, the Czech Development Agency (CzDA) organized a workshop on the "Initial NRL Workshop on NRL and OCL system in EU". (3 employees from the Revenue Service • On September 17-18, the second NRL seminar - Responsibilities and tasks of referral laboratories and the NRL system in the Czech Republic. (2 employees from the Revenue Service) • On September 29-30, a training on the "EU Regulatory Framework for Veterinary and Food Import Control" was held in Tbilisi ("Courtyard Marriott") and at the Tsetili Khidi border checkpoint, which was implemented within the framework of the project "Support to the Food Safety and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Sector in Georgia" under the ENPARD IV program, implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). (17 employees of the Revenue Service, 5 employees of the National Food Agency and 13 representatives of the private sector participated in the training.) • On September 20, 2019, the Government of Georgia In accordance with the September Resolution No. 463, the Revenue Service conducted an annual training: "Veterinary Border - Quarantine and Border Control of Food/Feed Safety of Non-Animal Origin and Introduction to Legislative Updates and Sharing Practical Experience Related to the Import of GMOs and GMO Products Derived

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					<p>from Them and the Transboundary Movement of Living GMOs.”</p> <p>Training Location - Western Georgia, Batumi, July 22 and 24 - 14 Veterinarians, 3 Sanitarians and 2 Heads of Departments were trained.</p> <p>Training Location - Eastern Georgia, Tbilisi, July 29 and 31 - 40 Veterinarians and 4 Heads of Departments were trained.</p> <p>Topic: Phytosanitary Border - To familiarize with legislative innovations and share practical experience related to border control of quarantine and non-animal food/feed safety and the import of genetically modified organisms intended for food/feed and genetically modified products derived from them, and the transboundary movement of living genetically modified organisms.</p> <p>Training location - Western Georgia, Batumi, July 23 and 25 - 20 phytosanitary officers and 2 department heads were trained.</p> <p>Training location - Eastern Georgia, Tbilisi, July 30 and August 1 - 34 phytosanitary officers and 4 department heads were trained.</p> <p>3. In March-April 2025, the trainings were held in Tbilisi, Shida Kartli, Kvemo Kartli, Mtskheta-Mtianeti and Kakheti regions on the topic: “Authorization Issues and Procedures” - Decree of the Government of Georgia №7, dated January 16, 2023. The trainings on the approval of the authorization rule for establishments operating in the egg production sector was attended by 33 business operators.</p> <p>4. In March-April 2025, awareness-raising meetings were held in Tbilisi, Shida Kartli and Kakheti regions on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Production, storage, transportation and placing on the market; • Specific requirements for animal feed business operators, a list of active substances of antimicrobial agents; • Specific requirements related to labeling - on the approval of the rules for the production, placing on the market and use of medicated animal feed, Decree of the Government of Georgia №22 of January 29, 2024. The meetings were attended by 28 business operators and state veterinarians.

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					<p>5. In March-April 2025, informational meetings were held in Kakheti, Shida Kartli and Kvemo Kartli regarding of Decree of the Government of Georgia №59 of February 29, 2024 - “Technical Regulations - On the approval of the content of undesirable substances in products intended for animal feed”. The meeting was attended by 12 business operators.</p> <p>6. In May 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi with veterinary drug manufacturers and representatives of retail and wholesale trade, where the draft decree of the Government of Georgia “On veterinary medical products” was discussed. The meeting was attended by 18 business operators.</p> <p>7. On July 1-4, training sessions were held in Kakheti, Imereti, Samegrelo, and Adjara regions for veterinarians employed at animal slaughterhouses, on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring compliance with Critical Control Points under the HACCP system and the use of the “Non-Compliance Report N”; • “Approval of the Special Rule for Official Control of Trichinella in Meat.” The trainings were attended by 87 veterinarians. <p>8. On July 27, 2025, a training session was held in Tbilisi on the following topics:</p> <p>Review of the effectiveness of risk minimization measures developed by the NFA, based on the risk assessment of human health due to consumption of fish containing residues of Malachite Green, Leucomalachite Green, and Leuco Crystal Violet in Georgia;</p> <p>Discussion of the effectiveness of risk mitigation measures developed by the NFA, based on the risk assessment of human health resulting from consumption of milk and dairy products made from raw milk containing Aflatoxin M1 in 2022–2023. The trainings were attended by 8 authorized persons.</p>

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					<p>9. On August 7, 2025, a meeting was held to discuss issues related to charitable activities involving food. 5 authorized persons attended the meeting.</p> <p>10. On August 19, 2025, in Kutaisi, and on August 21, 2025, in Batumi, two informational meetings were held regarding legislative requirements and food safety standards applicable to public catering facilities. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Decree N118 – Technical Regulation: Approval of the Rules for Labelling Beef and Beef Products; - Overview of the Animal Identification/Registration System. 82 business operators and 5 authorized persons attended the sessions. <p>11. On August 27, 2025, an online training session was held on the topic of the Animal Identification/Registration System. 102 authorized persons attended the training.</p> <p>12. On August 14, 2025, a working meeting was held regarding the improvement of the state control electronic program. 6 authorized persons attended the meeting.</p> <p>13. On September 22 and 23, 2025, a training session was conducted on the topic: "Discussion of the Methodology for Identifying Priority Hazards for the Initiation of Food Risk Assessment and the Stages of Determining Priority Hazards."</p> <p>14. On September 10-11, a training was held in Tbilisi, organized by the US Poultry and Egg Export Council (USAPEEC), on the topic of "Shelf Life of Poultry Meat and Eggs, Methods for Determining Salmonella and Campylobacter". The training was attended by 18 authorized persons of the NFA.</p> <p>15. On September 23, a training was held in Tbilisi, on the topic of "Discussion of the Methodology for Determining Priority Hazards for Initiating Food Risk Assessment and the Stages of Determining Priority Hazards", the training was attended by 23 authorized persons.</p> <p>16. Training on the topic: "Standard Operating Procedures for Inspection, Supervision and Documentary Verification;</p>

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					<p>Review of Administrative Offense Cases in Courts and Administrative Bodies” was held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Tbilisi, October 1-2- 38 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Telavi, October 17,-11 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Gori, October 19- 7 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Kutaisi, November 26- 13 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Zugdidi, November 27- 8 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Batumi, November 28- 14 authorized persons of NFA attended • In Ambrolauri, December 18- 5 authorized persons of NFA attended <p>17. On November 13, an online training was held on the following topic: Resolution of the Government of Georgia N 223 of July 10, 2024 "On approval of the maximum level of coccidiostats or histomonostats in food, resulting from their unintentional, unavoidable transfer to animal feed". The training was attended by 21 authorized persons of NFA.</p> <p>18. The training was held to review the Resolution of the Government of Georgia N 594 of December 28, 2017 ““On approval of the rules for the health of aquaculture animals and their products and the prevention and control of certain diseases of aquatic animals”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Abasha, on October 7-28 authorized persons of NFA attended. • In Kutaisi, on October 7- 11 authorized persons of NFA attended. • In Kakheti region (Sagarejo, Telavi, Gurjaani), on November 18-19- 11 authorized persons of NFA attended. • In Kvemo Kartli, on November 20- 11 authorized persons of NFA attended.
4.3.2. Training of employees of the relevant competent authority in legal drafting and implementation	Number of conducted trainings and other events	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action Plan dcfta.gov.ge	The Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture	LEPL National Food Agency; LEPL – State Laboratory of	1. On February 20, 2025, an online meeting was held with specialists of NFA on the state control plan and its implementation. Moreover, new legislative requirements developed within the framework of the DCFTA and the rules for their implementation were discussed.

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				<p>Agriculture;</p> <p>LEPL- Revenue Service</p>	<p>2. The following international trainings were held for authorized persons of the National Food Agency (NFA) during the three quarter of 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On January 13-17, 2025, in Malta, the Head of the Food Safety Department attended the training on “Food Improvement Agents” (BTSF training course “Food Improvement Agents”); • On February 3-7, 2025, in Athens, Greece, the Head of the Animal Food Division of the Food Safety Department and the Head of the Trade and Public Catering Division of the same department attended the training on “Food Improvement Agents” (BTSF Training Course “Food Improvement Agents”); • On February 9-22, 2025, in Rome, Italy, the Head of the Non-Animal Food and Beverage Division of the Food Safety Department attended training on “Sampling and Analysis Methods in the Context of Food Safety Control” (BTSF Training Course on Mycotoxins, Phase 2); • On February 11-13, 2025, in Tirana, Albania, the Senior Specialist of the Animal Origin Food Division of the Food Safety Department attended the Regional Seminar on “Animal Welfare” (WOAH); • On February, 16-21, 2025, in Valencia, Spain, the Senior Specialist of the Non-Animal Origin Food and Beverage Division of the Food Safety Department attended the “Food Contact Materials” (BTSF Training Course); • On March 10- 21, 2025, in Madrid, Spain, a Senior Specialist of the Food and Beverages of Non-Animal Origin Division of the Food Safety Department attended the training on “Sampling and Analysis Methods in the Context of Food Safety Control” (BTSF Training Course Phase 2. Course 1 - Mycotoxins). • 25.05.2025-06.06.2025 In Germany, in Stuttgart, the Senior Specialist of the Food and Beverages Division of the Food Department attended a training course on

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					<p>“Sampling and analysis methods used in the context of official food and feed controls (BTSF)”;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14.09.2025-20.09.2025 In Spain, in Valencia, the Deputy Head of the Food and Beverages Division of the Food Department of the Food Department and the Senior Specialist of the same division attended a training on the topic: “Food hygiene and controls of meat” (BTSF); <p>3. On February 14 and 17, 2025, the meetings were held online, within the framework of which the Resolution of the Government of Georgia N581 dated on November 10, 2015 "Technical Regulations on Microbiological Indicators of Food" was discussed. The meetings were attended by 57 authorized persons of the NFA.</p> <p>4. On March 27, 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi, where the project for initiating a risk assessment due to the consumption of various categories of food contaminated with nitrates was discussed. The meeting was attended by 35 authorized persons.</p> <p>5. On March 21 and 31, 2025, the meetings were held in Tbilisi on the development of a methodology for determining the priority of hazards. The meetings were attended by 36 authorized persons.</p> <p>6. On March 20- 21- 31, 2025, In Tbilisi, the trainings session was held with hotline operators on the standard operating procedure (SOP) for responding to messages received on the hotline. The trainings were attended by 53 authorized persons.</p> <p>7. On February 14, 2025, a meeting was held in Tbilisi to discuss the scientific conclusion on the health risk assessment of the Georgian population due to the consumption of milk and dairy products produced from raw milk containing aflatoxin M1 in Georgia within 2022-2023 and the draft risk management recommendations based on it. The meeting was attended by 20 authorized persons.</p> <p>8. On February 28, 2025, the training was held in Gori on the following topics:</p>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Operating Procedure for Supervision • Standard Operating Procedure for Inspection • Standard Operating Procedure for Sampling • Standard Operating Procedure for Detection, Assessment and Determination of Sanctions for Violations • Standard Operating Procedure for State Food Safety Control <p>The training was attended by 21 authorized persons of the State Food Safety Service.</p> <p>9. On February 11, 2025, a training was held for authorized persons of the Tbilisi City Service on the topic - Functioning of State Control Mechanisms.</p> <p>10. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on February 4-7, 2025, the training conducted by Czech experts on the topic "Pesticide Statistics/Traceability and Data Records, with an emphasis on the requirements of Regulations (EC) No 1185/2009 and 2022/2379" was attended by employees of the Plant Protection Department of the National Food Agency.</p> <p>11. On February 7-9 and February 20-21, 2025, within the framework of the targeted sub-program, trainings were held in the regions of Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti and Mtskheta-Mtianeti for phytosanitary officers of the Tbilisi City Service and regional departments.</p> <p>12. On April 1-3 and June 26-27, 2025, the trainings were held in Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi and Kutaisi cities, regarding the standard operating procedure for responding to telephone messages from citizens received by the hotline. The trainings were attended by 44 authorized persons.</p> <p>13. On June 26-27, 30 and July 1-4, 2025, the trainings were held in Tbilisi, Kutaisi, Abasha, Kobuleti and Gurjaani, which concerned the control of compliance with the critical control points of the HACCP system, "Protocol of Non-Conformity N" and "On Approval of Special Rules for State Control of Trichinella in Meat". The trainings were attended by 158 NFA authorized persons.</p> <p>14. In May-June 2025, the meetings were held in the</p>

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					<p>Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti and Imereti regions on the implementation of authorization and procedures in accordance with the Decree of the Government of Georgia №594 of December 28, 2017 “Requirements for the health of aquaculture animals and their products and the rules for the prevention and control of certain diseases of aquatic animals”. The meetings were attended by 12 Official veterinarians and 16 business operators.</p> <p>15. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on April 15 of this year, in Shida Kartli region, the NFA authorized persons attended theoretical and practical trainings on the certification and calibration of pesticide spraying equipments, which is determined on the basis of the European Regulation 1107/2009.</p> <p>16. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on May 26-29 of this year, the authorized persons of NFA attended theoretical and practical trainings organized by Czech experts on the state control of plant protection products in Tbilisi and Shida Kartli region.</p> <p>17. 06.04.2025-15.04.2025 in Latvia. The Deputy Head of the Food Department visited Riga, Latvia, on a planned study visit in the direction of “Disposal/Management of Non-Food Products of Animal Origin (Animal Waste) in Accordance with International Standards” (sharing of experiences, Latvian Food and Veterinary Department);</p> <p>18. On July 16-17, 2025, a training was held on the EU regulatory framework: on genetically modified animal feed, medicated animal feed, animal waste and HACCP audit in animal feed enterprises. The training was attended by 18 state veterinarians.</p> <p>19. The new legislative regulation adopted in the field of aquaculture, in particular, the issues of implementing the risk management system (Government Decree №594 of Georgia) as well as the activities carried out and the results achieved in the aquaculture sector were discussed during the following meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On July 31, two meetings were held in the municipalities of Khelvachauri and Khulo, attended by 8 NFA regional

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					<p>employees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On August 15–16–17, three meetings were held in the municipalities of Ambrolauri, Oni, and Tsageri, attended by 12 NFA regional employees. <p>20. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on July 2–3, a working meeting was held between NFA employees and Czech experts to discuss the training program for professional pesticide users, as part of the „Action Plan for Measures to Achieve the Sustainable Use of Pesticides (2025–2029).“</p> <p>21. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on August 14 and 26, meetings were held for employees of the NFA and the Customs Service, with the participation of Czech experts, on the topic: “Review of Plant Health Capacity for Implementation of Plant Health Regulation in Georgia.”</p> <p>22. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on September 22 and 25, the NFA employees participated in a training session conducted by experts from the Czech Republic’s Central Institute for Supervising and Testing in Agriculture (UKZUZ) on the sustainable use of pesticides.</p> <p>22. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on 22 and 25 September of this year, NFA staff participated in the training of experts from the Czech Republic Surveillance and Research Institute (UKZUZ) on the topic of sustainable use of pesticides.</p> <p>23. On 5-11 October, 2 authorized persons from the Food Department attended a training on the topic: “Food Safety and Crisis Preparedness” in Tirana, Albania, in order to attend the (BTSE).</p> <p>24. On 13-17 October, an authorized person from the Food Department attended a training on the topic: “Legislation and Control of Geographical Indications and Designations of Origin” in Madrid, Spain.</p>

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					<p>25. On 17 November, A training was held in Telavi on the topic: Standard Operating Procedure for Responding to Citizens' Telephone Messages Called to the Hotline, attended by 11 authorized persons.</p> <p>26. Employees of the Plant Protection Department attended a training in Krakow, Poland, on the use of risk-based survey statistics for BTSF plant health surveillance, according to the EFSA (European Food Safety Authority) methodology.</p> <p>27. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on October 1-2 of this year, NFA employees participated in the training of experts from the Czech Republic Surveillance and Research Institute (UKZUZ) on the topic: "Review of the Capacities for the Implementation of Plant Health Regulations in Georgia".</p> <p>28. Within the framework of the ENPARD IV project, on 6-8 and 28 October of this year, NFA staff participated in a seminar of experts of the Czech Republic Supervision and Research Institute (UKZUZ) on the topic: Official Control in the Field of Plant Protection Products (PPP).</p> <p>29. On 8-12 December, in Poland, a BTSF training course on the topic: BTSF training course on Animal Welfare during Transport. 2 NFA staff attended.</p> <p>30. On 19-20 December, a training course on the topic: Fostering Responsible Dog and Cat Ownership and Welfare in Europe was held in Zagreb. 2 NFA staff attended;</p> <p>31. In January-March 2025, ten employees of the State Laboratory of Agriculture of the LEPL underwent training - Professional Testing in Georgia - Introduction to EN ISO/IEC 17043-2023</p> <p>32. One employee of the Laboratory's Animal Disease Diagnostics Department underwent training in Brescia, Italy, on the topic: Study of diagnostic methods for the Turkish virus; the training was organized by the European Commission and ISZLER (Lombardy and Emilia-Romagna Experimental Zoopractic Institute).</p>

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					<p>33. An employee of the Laboratory's Food Research Department underwent training in Stuttgart, Germany, on practical training in BTSF quality management requirements (GLP and ISO 17025) and laboratory research of nitrates and chemical residues in fruits and vegetables, organized by NSF Euro Consultants.</p> <p>34. An employee of the Food Research Department of the Laboratory underwent practical training in allergen research.</p> <p>35. An employee of the Plant Pests Department of the Laboratory participated in the training held at the Hubei (China) Vocational College of Biotechnology: "Agricultural Technologies."</p> <p>10 specialists from SLA have participated in the training - Proficiency Testing in Georgia -Introduction to EN ISO/IEC 17043-2023.</p> <p>One specialist from SLA's Animal Disease Diagnostic Department attended the training – “FMDV Disagnostic Methods,” organized by European commission and ISZLER, held in Bresha, Italy.</p> <p>One specialist from food safety department participated in the training organized by NSF Euro Consultants in Stuttgart, Germany. The training covered quality management requirements (GLP and ISO 17025) and practical activities in laboratory testing of nitrates and chemical residues in fruits and vegetables.</p>

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4.3.3 Establishment and/or expanding the field of accreditation of new laboratory diagnostics methods in sanitary and phytosanitary direction	15 testing methods established and/or accredited in the laboratory, which will later be added to the list (price list) of laboratory services (tests)	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action Plan dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection And Agriculture of Georgia	LEPL – State Laboratory of Agriculture	<p>17 methods were established in Plant Disease Diagnostics Department:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Morphological identification of <i>Anoplophora cinensis</i> 2. Morphological-morphometric characterization and identification of <i>Xiphinema vuittenezi</i> 3. Morphological identification of Henbane (<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i> L). 4. Identification of <i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i> by polymerase chain reaction method 5. Detection of Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV) using a double antibody sandwich enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (DAS ELISA) 6. Identification of <i>Pseudomonas viridiflava</i> by polymerase chain reaction method 7. Detection and morphological identification of <i>Diaporthe vaccinii</i> 8. Detection and morphological identification of <i>Neofabraea alba</i> and <i>Neofabraea malicorticis</i> 9. Morphological-morphometric characterization and identification of the citrus root-knot nematode <i>Meloidogyne indica</i> 10. Morphological identification of peach fruit moth - <i>Carposina sasakii</i> 11. Identification of harmful moths 12. Detection of Prune dwarf virus (PDV) using double antibody sandwich enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (DAS ELISA) 13. Morphological identification of <i>Amaranthus retroflexus</i> L. 14. Detection and morphological identification of <i>Phymatotrichopsis omnivora</i>, the causative agent of Texas root rot. 15. Morphological analysis of corn silkworm (<i>Fallopia convolvulus</i> (L.) Á.Löve); 16. Detection and morphological-biochemical identification of <i>Curtobacterium flaccumfaciens</i> pv. <i>flaccumfaciens</i>; 17. Identification of Pepino mosaic virus by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) method. <p>5 new methods were established in Food Testing department:</p>

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					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Determination of aflatoxin B1 in animal feed 2. Determination of fluoroquinolone antibiotics in honey using a triple quadrupole mass spectrometer coupled to a liquid chromatograph (TSQ QUANTIS); 3. Determination of pesticide residues in animal feed of plant and animal origin using the QuEChers method using GC/MS/MS and LC/MS/MS; 4. Determination of aflatoxin M1 in milk powder using high-performance liquid chromatography; 5. Determination of toluidine dye in food products using high-performance liquid chromatography. <p>4 methods were established in Animal Disease Diagnostic Department:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Qualitative Determination of Borelliosis Antibodies in animal serum by ELISA method 2. Double antigen ELISA for detection of antibodies 3. Swine vesicular disease – ELISA method 4. Bee Tropilaelaps – PCR method
Objective 4.4.	Implementation of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary border control				
4.4.1 Implementation of sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary border control procedures	Number of border Phytosanitary control procedures carried out 25,000; Veterinary control - 17,000 Non-animal food/animal feed safety control - 4,500	The results of the implemented procedures are reflected in the control acts - in the corresponding software module	Revenue Service	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia. National Food Agency	Veterinary border control – 19924 consignment Phytosanitary border control – 34626 consignment Border control of food/feed of non-animal origin – 4915 consignment

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Goal 5.	Approximation with the EU legislation and the EU best practice in the field of customs				
Objective 5.1.	Further approximation of the Georgia’s Authorized Economic Operators (AEO) program with that of the EU				
5.1.1. Capacity development of the AEO program	Technical assistance meetings organized for the purposes of the AEO program capacity development	Annual Report of the Revenue Service rs.ge	Revenue Service		<p>Process is underway to identify development partner organizations for the purposes of organizing AEO program capacity development technical assistance meeting. Five new AEOs (including two AEO-S) were registered in the first three quarters, and at the current stage, 30 AEO companies are registered in the program, including 22 AEO-S.</p> <p>Study visit of Eastern Partnership Countries’ customs representatives to Lithuanian customs was organized through 7 to 8 October of the current year in Vilnius, Lithuania. During the event Georgian Customs representatives had an opportunity to gain insights into the functionality and benefits of the Authorised Economic Operator (AEO) programme of the Lithuanian customs administration.</p>
Objective 5.2.	Legal and procedural support for accession to the Common Transit Procedures (CTC) and the Single Administration Document (SAD) and the implementation of the New Computerized Transit System (NCTS)				
5.2.1 Launch of the “New Computerized Transit System (NCTS)”	The “New Computerized Transit System (NCTS)” is launched	Annual Report of the Revenue Service; www.rs.ge https://www.ncts.rs.ge/#/home	Revenue Service	Ministry of Finance of Georgia	Transit shipments to and from countries that are members of the Common Transit Procedures (CTC) convention are carried out through the New Computerized Transit System (NCTS) from February 1, 2025.
5.2.2 Upgrade of “New Computerized Transit System (NCTS)” (Phase 6)	The “New Computerized Transit System (NCTS)” has been updated according to Phase 6 specifications	Annual Report of the Revenue Service www.rs.ge https://www.ncts.rs.ge/#/home	Revenue Service	Ministry of Finance of Georgia	NCTS Phase 6 is operational from August 20, 2025
Goal 6.	Legislative and institutional approximation in the field of establishment, trade in services and e-commerce with relevant EU legislation				
Objective 6.1.	Develop a legal framework in line with European best practices in telecommunications, e-commerce and postal services and promote the development of the postal market				
6.1.1. Update Annex XV-B and Annex XV-C of the Association Agreement	Updated Annex XV-B and Annex XV-C	matsne.gov.ge dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	National Communications Commission of Georgia	An agreement has been reached with the European Commission to amend XV-B Rules applicable to telecommunication services) and XV-C (rules applicable to postal and courier services) of the Association Agreement. A decision has been made by both parties regarding the

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					amendments. However, the further legal procedures for reflection of the amendments have been suspended
6.1.2. Approximation of Georgia's electronic communications legislation to the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC)	Elaborated drafts of legislative changes	dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia	National Communications Commission of Georgia	<p>Draft of amendments to the Georgian Law "On Electronic Communications" has been prepared, with The aim of aligning it with the European Parliament following directives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2002/58/EC of 12 July 2002 concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector (Directive on privacy and electronic communications); • 2002/20/EC of 7 March 2002 on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services (Authorisation Directive); • 2002/19/EC of 7 March 2002 on access to, and interconnection of, electronic communications networks and associated facilities (Access Directive); • 2002/21/EC of 7 March 2002 on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services (Framework Directive). <p>Herewith, a draft amendment to the Georgian Law "On Electronic Communications" has been prepared in accordance with the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC) in order to introduce universal telecommunications service.</p> <p>However, following to the negotiations with the European Commission it is planned to update Annex XV-B, under which the issues defined by the above Directives will be implemented in accordance with the European Electronic Communications Code (EECC). A decision has been made to update Annex XV-B. However, further legal procedures for reflection of the amendments have been suspended.</p>
6.1.3 Implementing the recommendation of the European Commission's 2024 Enlargement Report (to develop an overarching digital strategy, in line with the EU strategies Shaping	Approval of the 2025-2027 National Strategy for the Development of the Digital Economy and Information Society of Georgia for 2025-2030	The Legislative Herald of Georgia matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		The Strategy for the Development of the Digital Economy and Information Society of Georgia for 2025-2030 and "Action Plan for the Implementation of the Strategy for the Development of the Digital Economy and Information Society of Georgia for 2025-2030 for 2025-2027 were prepared and approved by the Resolution of the Government of Georgia No. 49 of February 21, 2025 "On approval of the Strategy for the Development of the Digital Economy and

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Europe’s Digital Future and the ‘Digital Compass’)	and the 2025-2027 Action Plan for the Implementation of the National Strategy.				Information Society of Georgia for 2025-2030 and the Action Plan for the Implementation of the Strategy for the Development of the Digital Economy and Information Society of Georgia for 2025-2030 for 2025-2027". The Strategy and its Action Plan have been elaborated in accordance with the EU strategies - Shaping Europe's Digital Future and the "Digital Compass".
6.1.4 Approximation of the postal legislation of Georgia to the legislation of the European Union.	Adopted the law of Georgia „on Post”	The Legislative Herald of Georgia matsne.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development		<p>Following to the negotiations with the European Commission an agreement has been reached to update Annex XV-C (a decision has been made, and further legal procedures for reflecting the amendments were planned, which have been suspended), under which Georgia would undertake harmonization commitments on cross-border parcel delivery services Regulations ((EU) 2018/644, (EU) 2018/1263) in addition to the Directives 97/67/EC amended by Directives 2002/39/EC, 2008/6/EC. However, within the framework of the TA of the Facility for the Implementation of the EU – Georgia Association Agreement, the latter has already been reflected in the draft Postal Law.</p> <p>The draft Postal Law and its accompanying laws are planned to be submitted to the Government of Georgia in the nearest period</p>
Goal 7.	Legislative and institutional approximation in the field of public procurement with relevant EU legislation and institutional capacity building				
Objective 7.1.	Adopt a new law on public procurement and by-laws and develop guidelines, methodological guidelines and instructions on this topic				
7.1.1. Implementation of legislative changes in the field of public procurement in accordance with the Annexes, XVI-C, XVI-D, XVI-E, XVI-F, XVI-G XVI- H, XVI-I, XVI-J, XVI-K of the Association Agreement	Adopted legislative amendments	The Legislative Herald of Georgia matsne.gov.ge	LEPL SPA, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development	LEPL PPP Agency	<p>Prior to the entry into force of the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, and with the aim of approximating Georgia’s public procurement legislation to the EU acqee, amendments to the Law on StateProcurement were initiated and adopted by the Parliament of Georgia on 12 November 2025.</p> <p>According to the amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional exemptions from the Law on State Procurement were introduced for arbitration, mediation and various types of legal services.

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 1 January 2026, market research will become mandatory for contracting authorities. Furthermore, amendments related to the determination of time limits for conducting electronic tenders and to the prevention of artificial splitting of procurements will enter into force. These changes will apply to public procurements announced from 1 January 2026. As of June 1, 2026, a new Legal Entity the Central Purchasing Body will be established, and the legislative provisions regulating its functioning will enter into force. These provisions will apply to consolidated tenders announced from 1 June 2026 onwards.
7.1.2. Development of secondary legislation - subordinate normative acts based on the Law on Public Procurement	Drafted relevant secondary legislation - subordinate normative acts	procurement.gov.ge; spa.ge	LEPL SPA		<p>As a result of active efforts of the State Procurement Agency and with the support of an international expert, 33 subordinate normative acts have been elaborated under the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, which will take effect as of January 1, 2027. In order to align these normative acts with the EU directives and to address the remarks made by the European Commission a working group has been established.</p> <p>According to the requirements determined by the Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection and Law of Georgia on Public Procurement and its normative acts, SPA has adopted a Policy Document on Personal Data Protection. The objective of the Policy Document is to ensure that personal data processing/protection within the Georgian E-procurement system is carried out pursuant to the law, in line with the best European practices and in compliance with the norms prescribed by law and contemporary requirements.</p> <p>On July 9, a working meeting with the organizations responsible for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) was held as part of the working group on the business sector under the Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Committee of the Parliament of Georgia. Among other topics, participants underscored the need for coordinated efforts in the development of a subordinate normative act aimed at ensuring Sustainable Public Procurement in line with the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement.</p>

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7.1.3. Based on the law on Public Procurement, developing of manuals, methodological guidelines and instructions	Published methodological guidelines, manuals and instructions	E-Newsletter of the SPA; procurement.gov.ge; spa.ge	LEPL SPA		State Procurement Agency consistently pursues to develop new manuals, methodological guidelines, and instructions that aim to raise awareness of new procurement procedures and instructions, as well as new provisions for both economic operators and contracting authorities.
Objective 7.2.	Modernization of the unified electronic system of public procurement				
7.2.1. Development of new e-services, procedures and tools of the Unified System of Public Procurement (e-Procurement)	Additional services, e-modules and opportunities introduced in the Unified System of Public Procurement;	Test mode of the Modernized Unified System of Public Procurement (e- Procurement; Electronic Government procurement system); Annual Report of the State Procurement Agency; E-Newsletter of the SPA; procurement.gov.ge; spa.ge	LEPL SPA	LEPL Digital Governance Agency of the Ministry of Justice; LEPL Financial-Analytical Service of the Ministry of Finance	<p>Development of new e-services, procedures and tools of the Unified System of Public Procurement (e-Procurement) has been continuously ongoing. It envisages to further advance existing electronic system and ensure adoption of best European practices.</p> <p>A questionnaire for evaluating trainings and trainers has been added to the training center’s examination program. Further efforts are made to develop diagram visualizations of the results and statistics. In addition, Training Center’s evaluation questionnaire was updated, browser management was restored and the process of upgrading and rewriting the new website, emarket.spa.ge, has commenced.</p> <p>Taking into account the best European practices, a new digital market research module has been introduced in Georgian e-Procurement system. This enables procuring entities to conduct market research directly within the electronic system, thereby further facilitating the efficient conduct of Georgian public procurement over time.</p> <p>In the eProcurement system, specific market research announcements, published by contracting authorities, option to reflect market research information, submitted by non-registered suppliers via email has been introduced. In addition, non-resident and non-registered suppliers are able to complete a simplified registration process directly from the main page of the electronic procurement system and participate in market research procedures.</p> <p>In the E-Procurement System, notifications related to favourite CPV codes, selected by suppliers have been divided into two categories. Notifications related to market research</p>

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					<p>have been transferred to the Market Research Module, while notifications related to tenders and other procurement procedures remain available on the main page.</p> <p>Furthermore, a dedicated web portal for construction works pricing has been launched at cpp.procurement.gov.ge. Through this portal, any interested party may access recommended per man/hour rate. At the initial stage, the portal is in a developmental phase, and information will be updated on both a quarterly and annual basis.</p>
Objective 7.3.	Human resource development in the field of public procurement				
<p>7.3.1. Conduct training sessions for the relevant employees of the State Procurement Agency according to the requirements of the new Law on Public Procurement</p>	<p>Number of trained employees of the State Procurement Agency, 20 employees in total.</p>	<p>Annual Report of the State Procurement Agency; E-Newsletter of the SPA; procurement.gov.ge; spa.ge</p>	<p>LEPL SPA</p>	<p>GIZ</p>	<p>Representatives from the State Procurement Agency participated in the MATRA Rule of Law Training Program in Hague, Netherlands in March 10-21, 2025. The program is supported by Helsinki Committee, Leiden Law School and The Hague Academy, which aims to strengthen institutional capacity in the field of rule of law.</p> <p>In 18–21 November 2025, a mission from the Public Procurement Authority of the Republic of Türkiye (KIK) visited the State Procurement Agency of Georgia. The purpose of the visit was to exchange best practices and advanced experience in the field of public procurement between the two institutions. During the visit, working meetings were held, within the framework of which the parties became acquainted with the electronic public procurement systems of both countries, as well as ongoing reforms and best practices.</p> <p>It is noteworthy that the visit was supported by the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA). Within the framework of this support, a reciprocal visit of the State Procurement Agency to the Republic of Türkiye is also planned, as well as the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding aimed at further strengthening partnership relations between the two institutions.</p> <p>In 26–27 November 2025, senior officials of the State Procurement Agency participated in the international seminar “2025 International Procurement Workshop of the Asia Pacific Public Procurement Network”, held in Seoul, Republic of Korea. The seminar was organized by the Asian</p>

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					<p>Development Bank and the Public Procurement Authority of the Republic of Korea. Participants discussed contemporary trends, challenges, and developments in the field of public procurement.</p> <p>In 8–11 December 2025, within the framework of the Budapest Diplomatic Dialogue, representatives of the State Procurement Agency participated in the fourth round of seminars held in Budapest. The initiative aimed to strengthen professional and diplomatic relations between Georgia and Hungary, as well as to familiarize participants with Hungary’s best practices in the fields of public administration, economic development and European integration.</p> <p>Representatives of the State Procurement Agency examined Hungary’s experience following its accession to the European Union. Within the framework of the seminars, discussions covered the management of EU Structural Funds, financial assistance mechanisms, tax policy, anti-fraud measures, as well as institutional and budgetary frameworks.</p>
7.3.2. Conduct training sessions for the procuring organizations, economic operators and other interested parties according to the new Law on Public	Number of trained staff of procuring authorities, economic operators and interested parties: 15 classes during 2025 academic year, total of 320 participants	Annual Report of the State Procurement Agency; E-Newsletter of the State Procurement Agency; procurement.gov.ge; spa.ge	LEPL SPA	GIZ; Chamber of Commerce and Industry, business associations	<p>In 2025, 15 training courses on the "State Procurement Course" were held at the training center of the State Procurement Agency.</p> <p>Within the scope of above courses, total of 341 specialists were trained, who operate as procurement specialists at various public authorities and its’ subordinate LEPL’s and LTD’s, at local self-government bodies and its’ Non-Entrepreneurial Non-Commercial Legal Entities. After completion of the courses based on the written test results, participants were awarded with Certificates of attendance.</p>
Goal 8.	Approximation to the EU standards and best practices in the field of intellectual property				
Objective 8.1	Ensuring access to justice in the field of intellectual property				
8.1.1 Conduct trainings on intellectual property rights for representatives of relevant government or executive agencies,	Number of organized trainings (At least five trainings/seminars/working meetings.)	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”	LEPL High School of Justice	On the initiative of the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia - Sakpatenti, a Trilateral Memorandum was signed in Geneva between the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Kutaisi International University (KIU) and Sakpatenti on 27th of February, 2025. Based on the Memorandum the joint International Master’s Program

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private sector, as well as, for judges and lawyers					<p>“Intellectual Property, Innovation and Entrepreneurship” has been introduced in Georgia for the first time.</p> <p>The program is designed to train highly qualified specialists in the field of intellectual property and is intended for, among others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representatives of government and executive entities; • Judges; • Lawyers and • Other interested professionals. <p>The first cohort of the program (20 students) started their studies on September 22, 2025.</p>
8.1.2 In accordance with the 2024 EU Enlargement Report on Georgia, negotiations are to begin for accession to the European Patent Convention.	Request sent to the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation regarding the initiation of negotiations	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		<p>Sakpatenti has clarified the procedure for launching negotiations, which was also discussed in general terms during the working meeting with the European Patent Office (EPO). Internal procedures concerning the expression of interest in acceding to the Convention have begun within the country. Specifically, on 22 April 2025, Sakpatenti addressed the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia to ask support for the process within its area of competence. The European Patent Convention, along with its integral legislative acts and protocols, has been translated into Georgian and certified officially.</p> <p>On 26 June 2025, Sakpatenti officially addressed the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia to implement the necessary domestic legal procedures for acceding to the European Patent Convention. Upon completion of the domestic procedures, which entails obtaining opinions and conclusions from the relevant administrative bodies regarding the European Patent Convention and its integral documents. Taking into account the presented conclusions, a letter of interest to accede to the European Patent Convention was sent to the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation.</p>
Objective 8.2.	Institutional strengthening of the LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – Sakpatenti				

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8.2.1. Holding trainings and workshops for Sakpatenti employees; Organizing bilateral meetings and seminars with third country governments and industrial associations to share best practices and experience of developed countries	Number of meetings and trainings organized for employees (at least 5 trainings/working meetings/seminars)	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		<p>On February 7-8, 2025 the closing event of the joint Georgian-Swiss Intellectual Property Project (GESIP) was held. The event was attended by representatives of the National Intellectual Property Center – “Sakpatenti”, the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the National Food Agency of Georgia, the Georgian Accreditation Center, the National Wine Agency of Georgia and the Embassy of Switzerland. At the event the importance of improvement of user services in the field of intellectual property protection and development of effective mechanisms of protection of geographical indications was highlighted, attention was also focused on the success achieved as a result of close cooperation within the project and the role of institutional strengthening of intellectual property in the socio-economic development of the country. During the meeting, the representative of the Swiss Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) spoke about Swiss experience related to coordination between the offices involved in registration and management of GIs.</p> <p>On February 26, 2025, in order to take into account the requirements of new Law of Georgia “On Personal Data Protection” and to ensure the uniform practice of personal data protection, a one-day training session was held at Sakpatenti, implemented in cooperation with the Personal Data Protection Service. The training was attended by 21 staff members, including Sakpatenti Personal Data Protection Officer and the top and middle management officials.</p> <p>On April 10, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in the Information Session on Copyright and Generative Artificial Intelligence, held at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva. During the session, the participants discussed the approaches of the participating countries to balancing various interests that may be affected by AI development. At the event, the Sakpatenti representative presented Georgia’s experience in the field of copyright and artificial intelligence, highlighting the reforms implemented to enhance copyright protection and improve the collective management of copyright in the country.</p>

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					<p>On April 14-16, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in The First Session of the WIPO Information and Communication Technology Leadership Dialogue (WILD), held at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva. At the session the following themes were discussed: Emerging technologies - key challenges and opportunities; Digital business strategy and best practices, etc. During the event, the representative of Sakpatenti delivered a presentation on “Digital Transformation and Key Challenges” and introduced to the participants the ongoing projects pertaining to digital transformation at Sakpatenti.</p> <p>From April 30 to May 2, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in the symposium “Women and IP Symposium for IPOS”, held at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva. During the symposium, discussions were held on key themes such as: advancing women’s leadership and careers within IP offices; the impact of mentoring programs; innovative practices to support young women entrepreneurs; emerging data methodologies and policymaking to identify and address challenges women face in innovation and IP. Special attention was paid to strategies for evaluating and sustaining initiatives that benefit women innovators. At the event, the representative of Sakpatenti introduced to the symposium participants the vision of the office on empowerment of women and their involvement in the field of intellectual property protection at the level of internal institutional policy. Attention was focused on Sakpatenti practice in the direction of collecting and analyzing gender data.</p> <p>From May 4 to 11, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in a study tour on geographical indications in Switzerland and France, organized within the framework of the Georgian-Swiss Intellectual Property Joint Project (GESIP). The overall objective of the study visit was to share with producers and state agencies good Geographical Indications (GIs) practices. The main topics addressed during the visit were: control and certifications of GIs, food safety standards and in particular flexibility and derogation regulations, market surveillance and fight against fraud,</p>

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					<p>marketing and promotion of GIs, relation between GIs and rural tourism, examination of application for PDO and PGI registration, as well as sensory analysis and sustainable farming.</p> <p>From May 5 to 11, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in the International Advanced Certificate Training Program for Patent Examiners, held in Hyderabad, India. The event was organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Academy, the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks of India and the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIPM). Within the training program the patent system of India, legal and institutional structure as well as processes related to assessment of patentability criteria of inventions and stages of granting a patent were covered. The participants studied in detail main criteria of patentability – novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability. Special attention was also paid to legal procedures of consideration of applications and stages of application proceedings from drafting a search report to the final decision. The representative of Sakpatentii in her presentation introduced to the program participants’ information about the functioning of the patent system of Georgia and the search techniques used in the examination process.</p> <p>From May 27 to 28, 2025, examiners of the European Patent Office (EPO) conducted coaching for the staff members of the Chemistry-Medicine and Biology Division, Department of Inventions and New Varieties and Breeds, Sakpatenti. The coaching was aimed to share patent examination practices on inventions related to virus strains. The main objective of coaching was professional development of Sakpatenti examiners and to introduce to them the tools used by the European Patent Office at the examination stage.</p> <p>From June 12 to 13, 2025, representatives of Sakpatenti participated online in the oriGIn’s Expert Meeting 2025. The meeting featured prominent speakers who explored the latest trends and key challenges in the protection and enforcement of geographical indications (GIs), with a special focus on technological innovation. The meeting discussed issues such</p>

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					<p>as: the implementation of international GI agreements; technology for GI protection, enforcement, traceability, communication and sustainability; curative mechanisms for GIs in TLDs; trademark applications in conflict with geographical indications; craft and industrial GIs, challenges and opportunities.</p> <p>On October 16, 2025, staff members of Sakpatenti participated in the online training session of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). The topic of the training session was use of eLisbon platform and legal procedures relating to registration of appellations of origin and geographical indications. During the session the participants discussed in detail the Lisbon System procedures, including the rules of implementation of the Geneva Act.</p> <p>On October 18, 2025, Chairman of Sakpatenti visited the People’s Republic of China, where he participated and delivered a speech in the 22nd Shanghai International IP Forum. This year the theme of the Forum was “Intellectual Property and Artificial Intelligence”.</p> <p>On November 19, 2025, the National Webinar: “Understanding the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) System: National Webinar for Georgian Applicants” was held, organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in cooperation Sakpatenti. The objective of the webinar was to introduce to Georgian inventors, applicants and other interested parties the PCT system. Up to 90 participants attended the webinar.</p> <p>On November 20, 2025, representatives of Sakpatenti and “OriGIn – Georgia”, participated in the Fifth Regional Consultation on Geographical Indications (GIs) in Europe and Central Asia, held online. The participants of the consultation considered the role of GI systems in the economic, social and environmental development of countries, also discussed the opportunities for strengthening cooperation between the state, business and international organizations.</p> <p>On December 1-5, 2025, the 47th session of the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR) of the</p>

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					<p>World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) was held in Geneva, Switzerland, in which representative of Sakpatenti participated. The Committee sessions are held to discuss ongoing challenges and developments in the field of copyright and related rights, to further develop international standards, and to harmonize related policies.</p> <p>On November 5 and December 5, 2025, within the framework of the Unified Program of the State Language, two-stage training was held at Sakpatenti Head Office in Mtskheta, aimed to introduce to the staff the rules of transcription-transliteration of foreign languages developed by the State Language Department and the updated norms of the literary language. 14 staff members from various structural units of Sakpatenti participated in the session</p> <p>On December 8 -12, 2025, Sakpatenti representatives participated in the Training Workshop on Intellectual Property, held within framework of the “Belt and Road” initiative organized by the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), in Chongqing, the People’s Republic of China. During the workshop, intellectual property sessions were held, where the participants presented the latest achievements of their countries regarding the legislation, policy development and strategic protection.</p>
8.2.2 Scientific-technical processing of material documents formed in the process of Sakpatenti activity in 1992-2017 and digitization.	Processing/digitization of documents will be implemented in 3 stages: III stage by the end of 2025 scientific-technical processing of 100% of the total number of documents of the Department of Inventions and New Varieties and Breeds of 1997-2007 (10 years), including 100% digitization, 100% processing and	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		<p>During the reporting period (January-December) document processing/digitization was underway according to the plan. Namely, the following was carried out:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scientific and technical processing of documents of the Department of Inventions and New Varieties and Breeds for 1997-2007 – a total of 8334 applications (6136 files), the scientific processing of 1489 unarchived applications existing at the Department of inventions. Whereas 3779 applications (1899 files) were processed technically; 2. Digitization of documents of the Department of Inventions and New Varieties and Breeds for 1994-1995 – in total, 788 files (458794 files). 3. Scientific and technical processing of documents of the Department of Trademarks for 1995-1996 - 2620 applications (873 files).

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	80% digitization of documents of the Trademark Department of 1994-1996 (3 years).				
Objective 8.3.	Reforming Patent attorneys' qualification system				
8.3.1 Determination of regulatory framework regarding the qualification examination of patent attorneys in accordance with the European best practice	Determination and approval of the form, rule and program (examination issues) of conducting the qualification examination by the order of the Chairman of Sakpatenti. Organization of qualification exam (at least 1)	Sakpatenti.gov.ge Matsne.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		The following were approved by the orders of the Chairman of Sakpatenti: 1. Order №13 of the Chairman of the Legal Entity of Public Law – National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – Sakpatenti of January 31, 2025 “On Approval of the Rule, Conditions of Compulsory Insurance of Professional Responsibility of the Patent Attorney of Georgia and the Minimum Insurance Amount”; 2. Order №12 of the Chairman of the Legal Entity of Public Law – National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – Sakpatenti of January 31, 2025 “On Approval of the Rule of Keeping the Register of Patent Attorneys of Georgia, the Form and Rule of Issuing the Certificate of Patent Attorney of Georgia”; 3. Order №11 of the Chairman of the Legal Entity of Public Law – National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – Sakpatenti of January 31, 2025 “On Approval of the Form, Rule of Conducting the Qualification Examination of Patent Attorneys of Georgia and the Examination Program, the Form and Rule of Issuing the Document Confirming Passing the Qualification Examination of Patent Attorneys of Georgia – Certificate”.
Objective 8.4.	Raising awareness in the field of intellectual property				

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8.4.1 Conduct trainings, information meetings and workshops to raise public awareness	Number of conducted trainings and workshops (at least five trainings/information meetings)	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		<p>On February 20, 2025, Sakpatenti participated in the Youth Literary Camp. Within the Youth Literary Camp, held in Telavi, Head of Sakpatenti Legal Department, delivered a presentation for the participants of the Camp and spoke about the importance of Sakpatenti activity and intellectual property. Debates were held on the issues related to copyright protection as well as the legislative changes carried out at Sakpatenti recently and ongoing reforms.</p> <p>On February 6, 2025, Sakpatenti awarded the finalist team “BEES” of the Millennium Innovation Award 2024. Sakpatenti is actively engaged in implementation of various events aimed at the development of innovations and technologies, including the Millennium Innovation Award. Sakpatenti cooperates with the Millennium Foundation over the years and from 2014 – establishment of the competition – is represented in the jury and has participated in evaluation of the challenge projects and selection of the winning teams.</p> <p>On January 24, 2025, International Excellence School (IES) was opened at Kutaisi International University (KIU), dedicated to Intellectual Property Rights. Mr. Soso Giorgadze, Chairman of Sakpatenti, attended the opening event of the International Excellence School (IES) at KIU, and addressed the audience. The international and local experts invited to the academic area of the International Excellence School discussed the role and importance of intellectual property, workshops and practical sessions of various types were also delivered.</p> <p>On April 30, Sakpatenti celebrated the World Intellectual Property Day. Celebration of this day aimed to raise awareness of general public on intellectual property, to popularize this sphere and arouse interest in it. The event was held in hotel “Paragraph Tbilisi”. One of the objectives of the event was aimed to support creativity in music, to honour the contributions of musicians who continue to develop new sounds, styles and technologies, shape the future of music, evoke powerful emotions and make us feel the beat and rhythm of music in our everyday lives.</p>

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					<p>On May 5, a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between Sakpatenti and Tbilisi City Hall. Within the Memorandum, it is planned to hold joint training and educational events, including seasonal schools, youth camps, conferences, training sessions and seminars, as well as to organize and implement other activities.</p> <p>The spring session of the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL101GE25S1) began on May 13 and ended on June 23. Of 197 registered participants, 90 took the final test. Of these, 89 participants passed the text successfully.</p> <p>The autumn session of the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL101GE25S1) began on November 10 and will end on December 21. 120 participants are registered for the course, the final test will be held on December 22-23.</p> <p>On May 21, a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti” and the Kindergarten Management Agency of Tbilisi. The cooperation is aimed to arouse interest in creative thinking among children of preschool age, as well as to develop creative skills and stimulate perception of novelties. Within the Memorandum, the fairy tales published with the participation of Sakpatenti and printed in its publishing office, which contain funny stories on intellectual property subject-matters and are of cognitive character, will be handed over by stages to up to 200 kindergartens in Tbilisi.</p> <p>On May 23, 2025, Sakpatenti representatives participated in the Employment Forum of the Georgian Technical University, where Sakpatenti representatives introduced to students the activity of the office, employment and internship opportunities.</p> <p>On June 2, 2025, a representative of Sakpatenti participated in the Entrepreneurship Education Conference organized by Junior Achievement Georgia. The event aimed to deepen cooperation between educational institutions, businesses, and local organizations, and to enhance access to education. The conference also focused on equipping youth with skills</p>

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					<p>necessary for the labour market and supporting them in establishing their own social enterprises.</p> <p>On June 2, 2025, pupils of Tbilisi Kindergarten №30 visited Sakpatenti. The event was implemented within the Memorandum of Cooperation signed between Sakpatenti and the Kindergarten Management Agency of Tbilisi and was dedicated to the International Children’s Day.</p> <p>On June 3, 2025, Sakpatenti participated in the Bolnisi Protected Designation of Origin Wine Festival, which took place for the third time with the slogan “Bolnisi – the Town of Golden Wine”. At the festival, more than 60 wineries from different regions of Georgia were represented, including wines of appellations of origin of large producers, small and medium-sized enterprises and family-owned wineries. The festival aims to popularize wines marked with appellations of origin, demonstrate the advantages of wines having this status and raise public awareness about them.</p> <p>On June 16, 2025, Sakpatenti participated in the graduation event of school-age pupils of Batumi municipal kindergartens. Within the event, a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed between the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia and Batumi Kindergartens Union. Mr. Soso Giorgadze, Chairman of “Sakpatenti” handed over to Batumi kindergartens the fairy tales created on the topic of intellectual property, which contain funny stories on intellectual property subject-matters and are of cognitive character.</p> <p>From June 30 to July 4, 2025, a 5-day summer camp “Intellectual Property and Innovations” was held in the village of Misaktsieli, Mtskheta Municipality. The event was organized by: the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”, the Municipal Department for Culture, Education, Sports, and Youth Affairs of Tbilisi City Hall and N(N)LE “Tbilisi Sports and Youth Center”. 37 winners of the National Educational Olympiad, aged 15-18, participated in the event. The program of the camp was aimed to introduce to the teenagers the intellectual property field.</p>

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					<p>On July 21-25, 2025, the International “ELSA Summer School on Intellectual Property Law” was held in cooperation between Sakpatenti and the European Law Students’ Association Georgia (ELSA). 24 students of the Faculty of Law from various European universities participated in the Summer School.</p> <p>On September 29 to October 3, 2025, the International Advanced Certificate Training Program on Geographical Indications of Sakpatenti and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) was held, in which representatives from 17 countries participated. The course was led by international and local experts. Ultimately, implementation of the program helps popularization and positioning of Georgia in international professional circles.</p> <p>On October 13, 2025, the Gurjaani Wine Festival was held with the support of Sakpatenti. In Akhtala Park, 546 winemakers and entrepreneurs were gathered who presented in one area various wines.</p> <p>On October 27, 2025, with the support of Sakpatenti, the Traditional Chacha Festival was Held in Telavi.</p> <p>On November 11, 2025, the Professional Day of Intellectual Property (IP) Examiners was celebrated at the initiative of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). Sakpatenti joined WIPO’s initiative and participated in the project “Celebrating and Empowering IP Examiners”, initiated by Saudi Arabia within the framework of WIPO’s Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP). The celebration of IP Examiners’ Professional Day represents another important activity supporting WIPO’s global campaign, which, in turn, contributes to promoting the field and strengthening professional standards.</p>
8.4.2. Publication of information booklets and flyers	Number of published information materials	Published booklets and flyers	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		<p>During the reporting period (January - December), the publication and printing of informational and educational materials continued. Namely, in total, 6689 items of informational materials were printed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Journal “Georgian Appellations of Origin and Geographical Indications” (English version) – (21X27, 160 pages) - 144 copies;

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					<p>2. Booklet “Creative Diary” – (A4, 28 pages) - 65 copies;</p> <p>3. Booklet “Registered Appellations of Origin in Georgia” (A4, 40 pages) – 200 copies</p> <p>4. Small-format brochure fairy tale “Umbrella” (A5, 16 pages) – 1500 copies;</p> <p>5. Small-format brochure fairy tale “Washing Machine” (A5, 16 pages) – 1500 copies;</p> <p>6. Small-format brochure fairy tale “Compass” (A5, 12 pages) –1500 copies;</p> <p>7. Small-format brochure fairy tale “Doremus Solasi” (A5, 12 pages) - 1500 copies;</p> <p>8. Booklet “The History of the Creation of Lego” (A4, 4 pages) – 40 copies;</p> <p>9. Information sheet “How much time has passed since the emergence of intellectual property from ancient times to the present day?” – A3, 40 copies.</p> <p>10. Children’s collection “Stories of the Sun’s House” (A4, 24 pages) – 200 copies.</p>
Objective 8.5.	Implement effective measures against counterfeit and piracy				
8.5.1. Conducting workshops and seminars for owners of intellectual property rights and stakeholders to raise awareness	Number of workshops and trainings for owners and stakeholders (at least 3 trainings/seminars and/or working meetings);	Sakpatenti.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		A working meeting was held with the Collective Management Organization of Economic Rights - Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPOA), with the aim of discussing issues related to combating counterfeiting and piracy.
Objective 8.6.	Intellectual property legislation harmonization with EU’s standards				
8.6.1. Harmonization of the Law of Georgia “On Design” with Directive 98/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 1998 on the legal protection of designs	Preparation of Draft Law of Georgia “On Making Amendments to the Law of Georgia “On Design” and submission to the Government for initiation	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		On November 11, 2025, the Parliament of Georgia approved the Draft Law of Georgia “On Making Amendments to the Law of Georgia “On Design”, by means of which, recommendations were reflected in the Law of Georgia “On Design” and the legislation fo Georgia was harmonized with Directive 98/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 1998 on the legal protection of designs and the Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 of 12 December 2001 on Community designs.

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8.6.2. Preparation of Gap analysis and draft amendments to be made to the Law in order to approximate the Law of Georgia “On Copyright and Related Rights” with the EU legislation related to protection of copyright and related rights	Preparation of Gap analysis document. Preparation of the Draft Law of Georgia “On Making Amendments to the Law of Georgia “On Copyright and Related Rights” and submission to the Government for initiation	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	LEPL National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia – “Sakpatenti”		On December 9, 2025, the Parliament of Georgia supported the Law of Georgia on Amendments to the Law of Georgia “On Copyright and Related Rights”, by means of which, recommendations were reflected and the legislation of Georgia was harmonized with Directive 2019/790/EU on Copyright and Related Rights in the Digital Single Market in that part that concerns the determination of the liability of intermediary service providers for acts infringing copyright, related rights and rights of makers of databases and the grounds for exemption from liability. In the process of preparation of the draft Law, Directive 2000/31/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (Electronic Commerce Directive) was also used.
Goal 9.	Develop competition and trade remedy fields in line with EU best practices				
Objective 9.1.	Raising awareness on competition policy and trade remedies among public and private sector representatives				
9.1.1. Organizing seminars and meetings on the current issues of competition policy	Number of seminars and information meetings held (at least 3)	Annual report of the agency, www.gcca.gov.ge	LEPL Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency		<p>In 2025, organized by the Agency and supported by the Ministry of Education, Science, and Youth, representatives of the Agency held 44 meetings in schools across Tbilisi and various regions of Georgia. These meetings aimed to raise public awareness regarding competition and consumer protection policies. The outreach included 2 meetings with students with disabilities, 6 meetings in villages located near the dividing line of the occupied territories, and 7 meetings with students representing ethnic minorities in the regions.</p> <p>On November 3, 2025, the Agency hosted students from various universities to introduce them to current issues in competition and consumer protection policy.</p> <p>From November 13–15, 2025, the IV International Conference on Competition and Consumer Rights Protection was held. The conference was jointly organized by the Agency, the National Bank of Georgia, GNERC (Georgian National Energy and Water Supply Regulatory Commission), the State Insurance Supervision Service, and the Communications Commission. As part of the event, heads of competition and consumer protection authorities from up to 20 countries visited Georgia, along with representatives from major international organizations (World Bank, UNCTAD,</p>

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					OECD, ICN, ICPEN, and Consumers International). The conference featured 10 panel discussions involving local and international experts, including three international sessions and the presentation of one sectoral research study.
9.1.2. Organizing seminars and meetings for representatives of the private sector on the use of anti-dumping measures	Number of seminars and information meetings held (at least 1)	Annual report of the agency, www.gcca.gov.ge	LEPL Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency		In November 13–15, 2025, during the IV International Conference on Competition and Consumer Rights Protection, a panel session was dedicated to the implementation and enforcement of anti-dumping policy in Georgia. Specifically, the session covered the Agency's activities regarding anti-dumping measures and presented the results of the study: "Assessment of Sectors Vulnerable to Possible Dumping Imports and Damage in Georgia." The primary objective of this study was to identify and evaluate the most relevant sectors within the context of anti-dumping policy enforcement.
Objective 9.2.	Improving the qualification of employees				
9.2.1. Organizing trainings / seminars / study visits on current issues of competition policy	Number of trainings / seminars / study visits conducted (at least 3)	Annual report of the agency, www.gcca.gov.ge	LEPL Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency		Throughout 2025, representatives of the Agency participated in 15 events related to current competition policy issues, 12 of which were organized by international partners—UNCTAD, ICN, OECD-GVH, OECD, and the World Bank; additionally, Agency representatives attended a training session regarding personal data protection in the process of administrative proceedings (including during case investigations). Additionally, a two-week Excel course was held for 30 employees of the Agency, organized by the Agency's Training Center. Within the framework of cooperation between the Agency and the Hungarian Competition Authority, staff members of the Agency conducted a study visit to the Hungarian Competition Authority in Budapest, where the parties discussed the situation and challenges in online trade and various business sectors regarding the activities of competition authorities, concentration control and enforcement mechanisms, unannounced inspections (dawn raids) for detecting cartels, and topics related to behavioral and structural measures.

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9.2.2. Raising the qualification of the Agency staff in relation to the use of anti-dumping measures	Number of trainings / seminars / study visits conducted (at least 1)	Annual report of the agency, www.gcca.gov.ge	LEPL Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency		In order to improve their qualifications in the application of anti-dumping measures in 2025, the agency's representatives completed modules of the World Trade Organization (WTO) course (i-trade), which deal with practical aspects of implementing the anti-dumping investigation procedure.
Objective 9.3.	Approximation regulatory acts of competition policy with EU legislation				
9.3.1 Implementing amendments to regulatory legal acts in the field of competition policy (primary and secondary legislation) to ensure harmonization with EU legislation	Amended/Adopted Legal Acts	Georgian legislative herald, Annual report of the agency, www.gcca.gov.ge	LEPL Georgian Competition and Consumer Agency		<p>On June 13, 2025, by a legal act (order) of the Chairman of the Agency, a guidance document on the application of interim (temporary) measures during the investigation of competition cases was approved. This adopted guideline is in line with the EU acquis, including Regulation (EC) No 1/2003 and various communications and case law from the Commission and also reflects the ECN Recommendation on the use of interim measures.</p> <p>On December 22, 2025, by a legal act (order) of the Chairman of the Agency N 04/1537, the methodology for determining fines was updated, which is in line with the basic principles of the methodology existing in the European Union (2006/C 210/02).</p>
Goal 10.	Promoting sustainable development				
Objective 10.1.	Sustainable management of natural resources and contribution to the conservation				
10.1.1 Conducting research on priority species in the Black Sea area (European anchovy, Trachurus, Merling, Black Sea turbot, Rapana, Mullus) within the framework of close and continuous cooperation between the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture and	Number of studies carried out within the BlackSea4Fish project on relevant fish species, assessment of the degree of uniformity of hydro acoustic survey methods and the success of the process, as a result of the harmonization process, improvement of the monitoring system and standardization of data	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA Action Plan Report www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia	LEPL National Environmental Agency; State Sub- Agency Department of Environmental Supervision	Under the framework of the Grant Agreement signed on September 11, 2024, between the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the National Environmental Agency of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, two 4-day marine expeditions were conducted in January-February and May 2025. The expedition involved bottom trawling using a standardized demersal trawl to study populations of red mullet, whiting, turbot, and dogfish in Georgian waters (GSA 29). Biological data were collected on the above-mentioned species, and a database was prepared. The final technical report of the experimental demersal trawl survey was submitted to the GFCM Secretariat and the project coordinators.

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FAO/GFCM. Research on demersal species across the Black Sea within the framework of the FAO/GFCM BlackSea4Fish project. Start the process of harmonization of hydroacoustic survey methods. Conduct regional trainings within the framework of cooperation with FAO/GFCM	collection methods. Intensity of cooperation with FAO/GFCM countries and their support for the implementation of the methods, number of meetings and trainings, experience gained				<p>Apart from the above-mentioned, a hydroacoustic survey of anchovy was conducted, and stock assessment database on biological data of commercial fish was prepared.</p> <p>As a result of the studies carried out on the mentioned priority species within the framework of the BlackSea4Fish project, accurate and up-to-date data on the distribution, number, ecological status, migration and habitats have been accumulated. Common standards for hydroacoustic methods have been developed. GFCM's Data Collection Platform (DCRF) is regularly loaded with all available requested data.</p> <p>On March 4-7, 2025, a working meeting was held in Batumi with the support of the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM). The purpose of the meeting was to initiate the harmonization of hydroacoustic survey methods among Black Sea countries. The event took place at the Batumi office of the LEPL National Environmental Agency, with active participation from the Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Aquatic Biodiversity Department staff.</p> <p>On March 18-19, 2025, staff from the Fisheries, Aquaculture, and Aquatic Biodiversity Department of the LEPL National Environmental Agency participated in a seminar focused on implementing a legislative framework for registering the small-scale fishing (SSF) fleet in Georgia and improving data collection processes.</p> <p>On May 26–30, 2025, specialists from the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Biodiversity Department participated in a workshop organized by the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) in Trabzon (Turkey), which focused on methodologies for age determination of whiting (<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>), a Black Sea priority fish species.</p> <p>On June 2–4, 2025, employees of the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Biodiversity Department of the National Environmental Agency took part in a technical meeting held in Burgas (Bulgaria), which was organized by the GFCM and</p>

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					<p>dedicated to the implementation of technical measures for turbot (<i>Scophthalmus maximus</i>) fishing in the Black Sea.</p> <p>On June 9–13, 2025, employees of the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Biodiversity Department of the National Environmental Agency participated in the meeting of the Subregional Group on Stock Assessment of the Black Sea (SGSABS), held in Batumi (Georgia). The event focused on the preparation of data for stock assessments in the Black Sea. With the support of the GFCM, representatives from Germany, Italy, Spain, Bulgaria, Turkey, and Ukraine attended the meeting.</p> <p>On 7-11 July, 2025, employees of the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Water Biodiversity Department of NEA participated in the meeting of the Subregional Group on Stock Assessment for the Black Sea (SGSABS), held in Burgas, Bulgaria. The event was organized and financed by the GFCM.</p> <p>On 22-25 July, 2025, an employee of the Fisheries, Aquaculture and Water Biodiversity Department of NEA participated in the 11th meeting of the Working Group on the Black Sea (WGBS) and the meeting of the BlackSea4Fish Project Steering Committee.</p> <p>The Letter of Agreement between FAO and NEA for provision of “Monitoring, data collection and awareness raising in Georgian Black Sea Fisheries” was concluded on July 11, 2025. Within the framework of the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GFCM experts conducted a training of trainers’ session on “Safe Handling and Release of Piked Dogfish and Sturgeons in the Black Sea” at the Batumi office of NEA on 11 September 2025. Relevant guidelines were discussed with specialists from NEA’s Fisheries, Aquaculture and Water Biodiversity Department; - A stakeholders’ meeting was held at NEA’s Batumi office on 12 September 2025, during which issues in the fisheries sector were discussed. Special attention was given to the challenges faced by coastal fishermen. Besides, special emphasis was placed on the importance of collecting of socio-economic data, enhancing cooperation between fishermen and other stakeholders, and ensuring transparency. GFCM

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					<p>experts, fishermen, and representatives of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia and its Environmental Supervision Department participated in the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From 22 to 24 July 2025, a representative of the Environmental Supervision Department participated in the 11th meeting of the Black Sea Working Group (WGBS), held in Constanța, Romania, and organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM). - On 29 October 2025, the second stakeholder meeting was held at the Batumi Office of the LEPL National Environmental Agency. Within the framework of the event, the key challenges and ongoing issues in the fisheries sector were discussed. As part of the meeting, a training session was also conducted in accordance with the guidelines developed by the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) on the topic: “Safe handling and release of sturgeon species and Black Sea spiny dogfish when caught as bycatch in the Black Sea.” The event was attended by representatives of the Coast Guard Department of the Border Police of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia. - During the period from 1 September to 31 October 2025, a staff member of the Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Biodiversity of the NEA participated in an internship program at the National Institute of Oceanography and Applied Geophysics (OGS) in Trieste, Italy, titled “Integration of the spatial distribution of commercial resources and oceanographic environmental variables to support the sustainable management of marine resources and fisheries in the Black Sea of Georgia.” - From 4 to 8 November 2025, a workshop was held at Batumi office of the LEPL National Environmental Agency, with the support of the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM). The purpose of the workshop was to harmonize the methodology for age determination of Black Sea horse mackerel. The staff of the Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic

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					<p>Biodiversity of the National Environmental Agency and international experts attended the training.</p> <p>From 17 to 22 November 2025, with the support of the General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean (GFCM) and the BlackSea4Fish project, a training course was held in Mersin, Republic of Türkiye, aimed at harmonizing hydroacoustic survey methods among Black Sea countries. Two staff members of the Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture and Aquatic Biodiversity of the LEPL National Environmental Agency attended the training.</p>
10.1.2 Promotion of trade in wood products produced as a result of sustainable forest management	15 additional business yards are functioning in the country	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia	LEPL National Forestry Agency	<p>For the proper functioning of business service yards, 15 business yards were fully staffed in three regions of Georgia: Guria, Kakheti and Tianeti. 105 employees are employed in the mentioned business yards in the following positions: manager, operator, assistant specialist (driver), assistant specialist (worker), and guard. This activity has been completed fully.</p> <p>Moreover 7,929 cubic meter of timber resources is stored in Kakheti, Guria and Mtskheta-Mtianeti regions, specifically in following municipalities: Akhmeta, Dedoplistkharo, Telavi, Kvareli, Lanchkuti, Ozurgeti, Chokhatauri, and Tianeti. During the current reporting period, the volume of timber resources sold from BSY in the relevant municipalities of Kakheti, Guria, and Mtskheta-Mtianeti amounted to 48,655 cubic meters.</p>
Objective 10.2.	Fulfillment of the International Obligations/Agreements related to Climate Change				
10.2.1 Preparation of the 2024 implementation report of the Climate Change Action Plan (2024-2025) for the implementation of the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)	Yearly report of the Climate Change Action Plan (2024- 2025) is presented to the Administration of the Government of Georgia.	Website of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia www.mepa.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia		<p>The 2024 report on the implementation of the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) Action Plan (2024–2025) has been prepared and submitted to the Administration of the Government of Georgia. Received comments were reflected in the document and after that the report was uploaded on the Ministry’s web-site.</p>

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10.2.2 Kick off the updating of Georgia's Climate Change Action Plan (2026-2028)	At least 2 working groups are formed. First draft of Action Plan is elaborated.	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia		<p>The updated Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan of Georgia are instruments for achieving the goals set out in the 3rd cycle of Georgia's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0). Accordingly, the direct development of these documents will begin after the approval of NDC 3.0. In addition, an agreement was signed with the United Nations Office of Project Services (UNOPS) to update the Georgian Climate Change Action Plan (2026-2028), and within the framework of the project - the Initiative for Climate Change Transparency (ICAT) - the Ministry will receive technical support in developing the document.</p> <p>At this stage, in cooperation with ICAT, the selection of an organization that will develop the updated Georgia Climate Change Action Plan (2026-2028) is underway.</p>
10.2.3 Initiation of updating of Georgia's Climate Change 2030 Strategy for the implementation the updated NDC 3.0	Experts have been selected for the update of the Georgia's Climate Change 2030 Strategy At least 2 working groups have been formed.	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia		<p>The updated Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan of Georgia are instruments for achieving the goals set out in the 3rd cycle of Georgia's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0). Accordingly, the direct development of these documents will begin after the approval of NDC 3.0. In addition, an agreement was signed with the United Nations Office of Project Services (UNOPS) to update the Georgian Climate Change 030 Strategy, and within the framework of the project - the Initiative for Climate Change Transparency (ICAT) - the Ministry will receive technical support in developing the document.</p> <p>At this stage, in cooperation with ICAT, the selection of an organization that will be tasked with updating Georgia's 2030 Climate Change Strategy is underway.</p>
10.2.4 Development and Adoption of the updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0)	Updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0) is presented to the United Nations Framework Climate Change Convention (UNFCCC) Secretariat	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia		<p>The draft version of the document for the 3rd cycle of Georgia's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0) has been developed. Meetings were held with relevant state agencies to present the background for the development of the document and to agree on the messages outlined in the document. A public meeting was held on April 25 where NDC 3.0 were presented to various stakeholders.</p> <p>As the next step, the document will be presented to the Climate Change Council and after their approval, it will be submitted to the Government of Georgia for adoption.</p>

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10.2.5 Start the development of the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) on Climate Change	<p>A detailed work plan for the preparation of the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) for climate change has been developed.</p> <p>A governance and coordination mechanism has been established</p> <p>An institutional and legislative analyses have been conducted.</p> <p>Assessments of medium- and long term risks and vulnerabilities to climate change have been initiated.</p> <p>The development of climate change adaptation strategies has commenced.</p>	Annual report on the implementation of the DCFTA National Action plan dcfta.gov.ge	Ministry of Environment Protection and Agriculture of Georgia		The project has gone through internal procedures to develop a National Adaptation Plan (NAP) and has received approval from the Government of Georgia for its implementation. The development of the project's terms of reference has been completed the tender underway to select a company (consortium) that will implement the project.
Objective 10.3.	Ensuring the protection of labor rights in accordance with international standards				
10.3.1 Awareness raising of employers and employees about Labour Norms	<p>Number of consultations provided through information/working meetings and hotline (1575);</p> <p>Number of prepared thematic materials;</p>	Annual report of the Labour Inspection office - www.lio.moh.gov.ge	LEPL - Labour Inspection Office	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia	<p>Within the framework of raising awareness on labour norms in Georgia, By LEPL-Labour Inspection Office 3824 information meetings were held during the reporting period of 2025, which affected more than 35,000 people.</p> <p>In addition, 17 thematic leaflets prepared within the framework of the EU Twinning Project were translated (into English, Azerbaijani, Armenian and Russian) and distributed within the framework of information meetings. Also, the mentioned leaflets were posted publicly and are available on the official website of LIO (lio.moh.gov.ge)</p>

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					<p>In addition, LIO prepared and distributed 25 videos related to labour standards. The videos are available on social networks (FACEBOOK; YouTube) and the website (lio.moh.gov.ge) administered by LIO.</p> <p>In addition, LIO's Consultation Center/Hotline (15-75) provided consultation to 14,432 incoming calls;</p>
10.3.2 Raising the awareness of employers and employees about child labour	Number of information meetings held to raise awareness about child labour, number of printed and distributed booklets. Within the mandate, facts of violations of labour rights of minors are recorded and relevant administrative offense reports developed	www.lio.moh.gov.ge	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia	LEPL - Labour Inspection Office	<p>LEPL - Labor Inspection Office carried out 7 111 activities (initial and follow up inspections until the elimination of violations, monitoring), which covered 3733 facilities within the scope of primary/first inspection. The activities also include control over the implementation of labour rights of minors, as a result of the inspections, violations of the labour rights of minors were identified in 16 workplaces against 26 minors. Out of these, violations of the norms specified by the Labor Code of Georgia were identified in 15 workplaces, where a fine was determined as a penalty, in the total amount of 75,900 GEL, and 79 instructions were issued in accordance with the identified violations. For violation of OSH norms at 1 workplace, the penalty for the work of a minor in a dangerous working environment was the suspension of the work process.</p> <p>In addition, during the reporting period, 3,824 information/working meetings were held to raise public awareness of labor norms, including child labour, which affected more than 35,000 people.</p> <p>In addition, 17 thematic leaflets prepared within the framework of the EU Twinning Project were translated (into English, Azerbaijani, Armenian and Russian) and distributed within the framework of information meetings. Also, the mentioned leaflets were posted publicly and are available on the official website of LIO (lio.moh.gov.ge)</p> <p>It is noteworthy that LIO prepared and distributed 25 videos related to labour standards, including those on the labour rights of minors. The videos are available on the social networks (FACEBOOK; YouTube) and on the website administered by LIO (lio.moh.gov.ge).</p>

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					In addition, the LEPL Labor Inspection Office Consultation Center/Hotline (15-75) provided consultations to 14,432 incoming calls, out of which 86 calls were directly related to the labour rights of minors;
10.3.3 Institutional development of the LEPL- Labour Inspection Office	<p>Number of measures taken to increase the capacity of labour inspectors</p> <p>Number of measures/events carried out for the capacity building of the labour inspectors (guidelines, trainings)</p>	Annual report of the Labour Inspection Office - www.lio.moh.gov.ge	LEPL - Labour Inspection Office	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia	<p>Taking into account the 2025 state budget, for the purposes of institutional strengthening of the LEPL-Labor Inspection Office, in order to effectively implement the increased supervisory mandate, LIO underwent structural changes and was refined into separate specialized departments, as a result of which the staffing of the agency was determined at 190 units, where the number of persons responsible for carrying out labour inspections, taking into account labor inspectors, amounted to 143 units.</p> <p>In addition, during the reporting period, an electronic training course developed on work that is harmful to the health of pregnant, newborn and nursing women and poses a special risk was technically implemented and made available to labor inspectors.</p> <p>It is also worth noting that during the reporting period, 4 trainings were conducted on 4 thematic issues, including the technical regulation adopted by the Resolution of the Government of Georgia No. 135 of May 1, 2025 "On minimum requirements for safety and health protection when using work equipment in the workplace"</p> <p>In addition, a study visit on the topic: "Strengthening the capacities of labor inspectors in identifying and referring victims of human trafficking caused by the humanitarian crisis" was organized and financed by the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) in Vienna, Austria.</p>
10.3.4 Functioning of the LEPL - Labour Inspection Office in accordance with the extended mandate defined by the legislation	Not less than 2000 inspections are carried out and as a result of the inspections workplaces are inspected	Annual report of the Labour Inspection Office - www.lio.moh.gov.ge	LEPL - Labour Inspection Office	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social	<p>LEPL - Labor Inspection Office carried out 7,111 activities (initial and follow up inspections until the elimination of violations, monitoring), which covered 3,733 facilities within the scope of primary supervision.</p> <p>As a result of the inspections conducted, 28,348 violations were identified, and instructions were issued and 3,479 administrative violation protocols were drawn up.</p>

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	Scheduled and unscheduled inspections are carried out at workplaces as a result of inspections relevant recommendations and administrative offense reports are issued			Affairs of Georgia	
10.3.5 Functioning of the Tripartite Social Partnership Commission and discussing the issues envisioned by the action plan	Number of commission and working group meetings	Minutes of the meeting of the Tripartite Social Partnership Commission	Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia	Member Agencies / Organizations of the Tripartite Social Partnership Commission	On March 19, 2025, a meeting of the Tripartite Commission on Social Partnership was convened. During the session, among other agenda items, the Commission reviewed and approved the 2025–2026 Action Plan of the Tripartite Commission on Social Partnership.
Goal 11.	Ensure effective coordination and communication about the DCFTA implementation				
Objective 11.1.	Disseminate information about the benefits, opportunities and benefits of the DCFTA				
11.1.1. Effective functioning of the DCFTA website	Number of website visitors; Number of published draft legislative acts	www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		During the first quarter of 2025, the website was visited by 4500 new users. In addition to Georgia, visitors came from the United States, Germany, China, Turkey, and other countries. The visits were made to the website www.dcfta.gov.ge
11.1.2. Organizing meetings of the DCFTA Consultative Group to engage and inform civil society, business representatives and non-governmental organizations in the DCFTA implementation process	At least 1 meeting to be held	Annual report on Implementation of DCFTA national action plan www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		No requests were made by the DCFTA Consultative Group to organize a meeting

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11.1.3 Thematic meetings with representatives of business, NGOs, local authorities, academia and other interested parties to raise awareness about the DCFTA	Number of meetings held	Annual report on Implementation of DCFTA national action plan www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		The activity is planned to be implemented in the upcoming quarters of 2025
Objective 11.2.	Improving the functioning of a coordination mechanism for timely and successful implementation of the undertaken obligations				
11.2.1. Development of annual plans for the implementation of the DCFTA medium-term plan for 2024-2026	DCFTA Implementation 2026 Action Plan adopted	www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		The activity is planned to be implemented in the 4 th quarter of 2025
11.2.2. Publishing the quarterly and annual reports on the 2025 DCFTA Implementation Action Plan	Reports on adopted DCFTA Implementation Action Plan	www.DCFTA.gov.ge	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia		The activity is planned to be implemented in the upcoming quarters of 2025