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**On Survey of the community (population, business and NGO sectors)
of Adjara Autonomous Republic**

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General Analysis

In November of 2005 the Association of Protection of Landowners' Rights conducted the research of the Community in the Adjara Autonomous Republic within the scope of regional economic development planning. The purpose of the research was to study the public opinion regarding the current issues and the ways of their resolutions in the entire Adjara, as well as separate territorial units to be included in the Plan. The research covered all administrative-territorial units in Adjara and collected the opinion from all three public sectors, that is the Adjarian population, business and non-governmental organizations.

The different types of questionnaires were created within the scope of the research for three different sectors of the public (population, business, non-governmental sector). Total of 7000 questionnaires were distributed, including 5959 (85%) among the population, 849 (12%) among the representatives of businesses and 210 (3%) among the NGOs.

This table describes the distribution of questionnaires according to the territorial units and sectors.

Table 1

Territorial Unit	Population	Business Sector	NGOs
Batumi	1920	512	150
Kobuleti	1390	109	20
Khelvachauri	1440	117	15
Keda	315	26	6
Shuakhevi	345	25	7
Khulo	535	40	12
Total	5950	840	210

It should be noted that the advertising campaign was launched in November which explained the importance of participation of the public in the process of the research and increased their awareness. Video clip was financed by the Urban Institute and was aired on Adjara Television during one month. This campaign positively effected the results of the research. The number of collected questionnaires was 4904, that is 70% of the total number of questionnaires spread in the region.

This table shows the number of collected questionnaires according to the territorial units and sectors.

Territorial Unit	Population	%	Businesses	%	NGOs¹	%
Batumi	1300	67.7%	200	39%	20	13.3%
Kobuleti	1250	89.9%	37	34%	12	60%
Khelvachauri	1350	93.7%	70	60%	9	60%
Keda	200	63.5%	8	30%	1	17%
Shuakhevi	100	30%	15	60%	2	28.5%
Khulo	300	51%	23	58%	7	58%
Total	4500	75.6%	353	42%	51	25.5%

All the types of questionnaire contained a question about participation in the process of drafting the Economic Development Plan of the Adjara Autonomous Republic. It should be noted that representatives of all three sectors expressed interest to participate in the work of the advisory team. The absolute majority of the interviewees expressed the interest to participate in the process.

¹ The inactiveness in the NOG sector is explained by the low number of actually functioning NGOs (51) as compared to the number of NGOs that are officially registered (210).

Population of the Achara Autonomous Republic

Social and Demographic Conditions of the Interviewees

The interviewees are grouped according to the age:

Table 2

Territorial Unit	18-30 %	30-65 %	65 and more %
Batumi	19%	78%	2%
Kobuleti	10%	86%	4%
Khelvachauri	23%	68%	9%
Keda	20%	68%	12%
Shuakhevi	9%	90%	1%
Khulo	35%	60%	5%
Total	18.5%	70.5%	11%

Interviewees are grouped according to education

Table 3

Territorial Unit	Incomplete Secondary %	Secondary %	Secondary/ Technical %	High %	Incomplete High %
Batumi	10%	32%	19%	35%	4%
Kobuleti	17%	52%	14%	15%	2%
Khelvachauri	28%	48%	11%	10%	3%
Keda	30%	51%	9%	8%	2%
Shuakhevi	35%	48%	7%	8%	2%
Khulo	35%	51%	6%	6%	2%
Total	15%	44%	14%	24%	3%

Interviewees are grouped according to the social status:

Table 4

Territorial Unit	Student%	Pensioners %	Employed²%	Unemployed %
Batumi	4%	7%	57%	32%
Kobuleti	3%	4%	45%	48%
Khelvachauri	5%	5%	60%	30%
Keda	2%	6%	52%	40%
Shuakhevi	5%	15%	43%	40%
Khulo	8%	7%	62%	23%
Total	3.1%	4%	60.4%	32.5%

Relationship with the Governmental Agencies of the Adjara Autonomous Republic

In the question meant for the population, there is a question about their relationship with the Governmental agencies. This table describes the opinion of the Adjara population regarding this issue.

Table 5

Governmental Agencies	Persona 1 %	Public %	Information Center %	Live Show %
Chairman of the Autonomous Republic	35%	45%	5%	15%
Mayor/Gamgebeli	40%	51%	3%	6%
Local Agencies	42%	55%	2%	1%

Major Problems of the Region

In the research process, it was the priority to study the public opinion about the current problems in the region changes that the Government needs to implement. The

² Majority of interviewees were from villages, therefore most of the employed persons are self-employed, which is the explanation of the high rate of employment. The fact that unemployment rate is the problem in the region is shown in the fact that most of the interviewees named unemployment as the major problem in the region.

research envisioned the study of the public opinion about the problems not only in the entire region but also in the residential places of the interviewees (town/rayon/village). Thus, the interviewees had to name three problems on each level.

These tables describe the rayon and regional problems according to territorial units.

Batumi

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	1		2	3
Activation of enterprise	8	18	13	39
Development of traditional agricultural areas	5	4	6	15
Reduction of taxes	2	3	5	10
Adjustment of prices	1	2	5	8
Attraction of investments			3	3
Promotion of small business development	3	5	5	13
Tourism development		2	3	5
Credits accessibility		2		2
Unemployment	228	76	76	380
Social protection of population	25	32	32	89
Modest salaries	11	23	30	64
Meager pensions	6	15	17	38
Free medicare (on rebate)	7	10	12	29
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers		2	8	10
Education system reform	2	6	15	23
Free education		2	6	8
Aid to people damaged in disaster		2	4	6
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area			4	4
Restoration and development of infrastructure	75	75	48	198
Rehabilitation of roads	41	71	55	167
Improvement of logistics at schools	2	1	6	9
Construction of apartments		2	5	7
Repair of elevators and roofs in dwelling houses			8	8
Reconstruction of wrecking buildings in the region		4	17	21
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	4	10	10	24
Power supply	8		13	21
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	10	20	15	45
Improvement of sanitary conditions in the region		14	35	49
Rehabilitation of sewer system	60	74	53	187
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	120	80	71	271
Strengthening of coastline		8	2	10
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	2	2	5	9
Telephone network rehabilitation		3	5	8
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	3	7	38	48
Problems related to self-government and administration	3	6	6	15
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	5	5	2	12

Supremacy of law	6		1	7
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	4	10	8	22
Protection of human rights	1	1		2
Corruption		4		4
	643	601	649	1893

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	17	15	22	54
Activation of enterprise	19	16	7	42
Development of traditional agricultural areas	24	30	15	69
Reduction of taxes	2	1	2	5
Adjustment of prices		2	5	7
Attraction of investments	1	2	5	8
Promotion of small business development	5	7	17	29
Tourism development	8	12	16	36
Unemployment	187	63	38	288
Social protection of population	30	20	35	85
Modest salaries	10	18	17	45
Meager pensions	6	16	15	37
Free medicare (on rebate)	7	14	15	36
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers		13	10	23
Free education	1	11	6	18
Education system reform	1	4	8	13
Strengthening of coastline	6	5	3	14
Aid to people damaged in disaster	24	16	8	48
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area		33	6	39
Restoration and development of infrastructure	18	14	14	46
Rehabilitation of roads	26	35	35	96
Improvement of logistics at schools	2	2	7	11
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	1	11	8	20
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	5	3	1	9
Power supply	5	10	8	23
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	4	12	15	31
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	15	13	14	42
Rehabilitation of sewer system	11	10	13	34
Improvement of sanitary conditions in the region		10	3	13
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	1	7	13	21
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)	1	1	1	3
Problems related to self-government and administration	27	9	5	41
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	18	12	8	38
Protection of human rights	4			4
Supremacy of law	2	2		4
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	7	10	9	26
Corruption	2	5	5	12
	497	464	409	1370

Khelvachauri

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	52	58	45	155
Activation of enterprise	46	42	32	120
Development of traditional agricultural areas	54	60	56	170
Reduction of taxes	6	4	9	19
Attraction of investments	10	8	5	23
Promotion of small business development	15	32	28	75
Tourism development	4	13	28	45
Credits accessibility	5	9	12	26
Unemployment	346	147	112	605
Social protection of population	75	63	64	202
Modest salaries	32	50	38	120
Meager pensions	25	43	31	99
Free medicare (on rebate)	31	36	29	96
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers	14	16	11	41
Education system reform	3	1	5	9
Free education	9	12	9	30
Aid to people damaged in disaster	11	23	12	46
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	6	5	9	20
Restoration and development of infrastructure	37	42	40	119
Rehabilitation of roads	208	169	111	488
Improvement of logistics at schools	68	64	26	158
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	42	51	61	154
Power supply	5	12	9	26
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	14	26	42	82
Rehabilitation of sewer system	11	23	13	47
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	34	31	25	90
Strengthening of coastline	22	18	13	53
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	9	11	7	27
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	5	13	5	23
Problems related to self-government and administration	6	15	12	33
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	16	22	15	53
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	6	9	6	21
Protection of human rights	2	3	2	7
Corruption	4	7	2	13
	1233	1138	924	3295

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	42	50	38	130
Activation of enterprise	71	67	51	189
Development of traditional agricultural areas	38	32	36	106
Reduction of taxes	15	9	7	31
Adjustment of prices	18	13	14	45
Attraction of investments	17	12	9	38
Promotion of small business development	46	41	31	118
Tourism development	22	16	11	49
Credits accessibility	13	21	18	52
Unemployment	322	181	109	612
Social protection of population	72	59	53	184
Modest salaries	26	33	29	88
Meager pensions	23	37	32	92
Free medicare (on rebate)	14	30	28	72
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers	6	19	9	34
Free education	12	13	13	38
Strengthening of coastline	10	26	16	52
Aid to people damaged in disaster	5	10	12	27
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	6	7	3	16
Restoration and development of infrastructure	19	26	32	77
Rehabilitation of roads	81	78	73	232
Improvement of logistics at schools	29	39	34	102
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	34	31	36	101
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	18	7	16	41
Power supply	10	12	28	50
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	21	26	20	67
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	38	42	39	119
Rehabilitation of sewer system	4	16	17	37
Improvement of sanitary conditions in the region	11	5	4	20
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	12	17	14	43
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)	6	9	3	18
Installation of television tower	4	2	1	7
Problems related to self-government and administration	27	19	23	69
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	18	21	16	55
Protection of human rights	5	4	6	15
Supremacy of law	7	8	5	20
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	13	11	14	38
Corruption	12	8	6	26
	1147	1057	906	3110

Keda

Problems within the rayon scope	Number		Sum	
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	2	12	10	24
Activation of enterprise	6	15	6	27
Development of traditional agricultural areas	20	17	10	47
Reduction of taxes		2		2
Adjustment of prices	1	1		2
Attraction of investments	1			1
Promotion of small business development	1	3	3	7
Full privatization of land		1		1
Tourism development		2	1	3
Credits accessibility		2	4	6
Unemployment	72	34	17	123
Social protection of population	18	12	10	40
Modest salaries	4	5	8	17
Meager pensions	1	7	5	13
Free medicare (on rebate)	1	7	3	11
Education system reform	6	3	1	10
Free education		1		1
Aid to people damaged in disaster	1	1		2
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	2	2		4
Restoration and development of infrastructure	4	12	5	21
Rehabilitation of roads	9	21	14	44
Repair of schools	5	7		12
Improvement of logistics at schools	1	2	4	7
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	5	6	5	16
Power supply		1	6	7
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)			1	1
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water		3	4	7
Installation of television tower		1		1
Improvement of television transmission		2	1	3
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population		2	10	12
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers		13	7	20
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	5	3	3	11
Problems related to self-government and administration	6	4	4	14
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal			1	1
Supremacy of law		2		2
	171	206	143	520

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	10	13	4	27
Activation of enterprise	14	15	9	38
Development of traditional agricultural areas	12	15	9	36
Reduction of taxes	1	11		12
Adjustment of prices		1	5	6
Attraction of investments	1	1	3	5
Promotion of small business development	2	3		5
Tourism development	2	3		5
Credits accessibility	1	0		1
Unemployment	73	24	12	109
Social protection of population	7	10	13	30
Modest salaries	1	11	6	18
Meager pensions		7	5	12
Free medicare (on rebate)	1	2	2	5
Education system reform	5	4		9
Free education	2			2
Aid to people damaged in disaster	4	1	3	8
Restoration and development of infrastructure	3	1		4
Rehabilitation of roads	7	11	6	24
Improvement of logistics at schools		3		3
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	1	2		3
Power supply		4		4
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	2			2
Rehabilitation of sewer system		2		2
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region		1		1
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	1	2	8	11
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	1	3	5	9
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	4	7	5	16
Problems related to self-government and administration	5	4	2	11
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	1	1	5	7
	161	162	102	425

Shuakhevi

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	4	8	5	17
Activation of enterprise	5	13	2	20
Development of traditional agricultural areas	5	13	16	34
Attraction of investments			1	1
Promotion of small business development		1		1
Unemployment	25	13	2	40
Social protection of population	5	3	3	11
Modest salaries		1	1	2
Meager pensions	3	3	3	9
Free medicare (on rebate)	4		1	5
Education system reform	4			4
Restoration and development of infrastructure	4	2		6
Rehabilitation of roads	14	7	15	36
Repair of schools		3		3
Improvement of logistics at schools			6	6
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	6	1		7
Power supply	2	3	1	6
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	2			2
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population		1	2	3
Installation of television tower			3	3
Installation of telephone wire	2			2
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)	2		1	3
Problems related to self-government and administration	6	1	3	10
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	1	6	5	12
	94	79	70	243

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	2	3	1	6
Activation of enterprise	8	14	7	29
Development of traditional agricultural areas	8	13	16	37
Promotion of small business development	1	4		5
Tourism development		2		2
Full privatization of land	2	1		3
Credits accessibility		4	2	6
Unemployment	34	19	3	56
Social protection of population	9	5	5	19
Modest salaries		5		5
Meager pensions	2	6	1	9
Free medicare (on rebate)		2	2	4
Education system reform	5	1		6
Aid to people damaged in disaster			2	2
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	2	1		3
Rehabilitation of roads	8	9	3	20
Repair of schools		2		2
Improvement of logistics at schools	1	5	5	11
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	1	2	2	5
Power supply	4	4	1	9
Installation of television tower		2		2
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)			1	1
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers			3	3
Problems related to self-government and administration	5	3	2	10
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	2	4	6	12
Protection of human rights		1		1
	94	112	62	268

Khulo

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	3	14	20	37
Activation of enterprise	12	18	14	44
Development of traditional agricultural areas	1	9	5	15
Reduction of taxes	6		4	10
Adjustment of prices	3	3	2	8
Attraction of investments	2			2
Promotion of small business development	1		1	2
Full privatization of land		1		1
Tourism development	1		1	2
Unemployment	60	25	15	100
Social protection of population	15	15	27	57
Modest salaries	5	6	8	19
Meager pensions	2	11	4	17
Free medicare (on rebate)	2	2	2	6
Education system reform	3	5	1	9
Free education		1		1
Aid to people damaged in disaster	2	3	2	7
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	4	1	4	9
Restoration and development of infrastructure	7	15	14	36
Rehabilitation of roads	98	36	17	151
Repair of schools	6	31	10	47
Improvement of logistics at schools	2	1	10	13
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)		6	3	9
Power supply	2	7	4	13
Replacement of electric wiring		3	5	8
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	3	4	1	8
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)		2		2
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	1	1	1	3
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region			2	2
Installation of television tower		2	5	7
Improvement of television transmission	1	1	1	3
Radio circuit	1		2	3
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	4	11	6	21
Problems related to self-government and administration	5	4	4	13
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	10	13	12	35
Supremacy of law		2	2	4
Corruption	4	1	1	6
	266	254	210	730

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	10	5	6	21
Activation of enterprise	11	12	12	35
Development of traditional agricultural areas	10	5	6	21
Reduction of taxes	1	4		5
Adjustment of prices	6	1	1	8
Attraction of investments	8	3	2	13
Promotion of small business development			6	6
Tourism development	7	7	5	19
Credits accessibility	2	3		5
Unemployment	41	36	21	98
Social protection of population	22	20	31	73
Modest salaries	5	6	6	17
Meager pensions	4	6	7	17
Free medicare (on rebate)	2	7	3	12
Education system reform	3	7		10
Free education		1		1
Aid to people damaged in disaster	1	3	3	7
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	1	1		2
Restoration and development of infrastructure	4	14	8	26
Rehabilitation of roads	16	16	16	48
Repair of schools	1	5	5	11
Improvement of logistics at schools		1	1	2
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	3		1	4
Power supply	1			1
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water		2	1	3
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)	4	8	2	14
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population	4	3	2	9
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	2		1	3
Improvement of television transmission	1	1		2
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	2		2	4
Problems related to self-government and administration	29	11	6	46
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	3	18	13	34
Protection of human rights	5			5
Supremacy of law	2			2
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	1	2	2	5
Corruption	5	6	3	14
	217	214	172	603

Kobuleti

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	43	78	83	204
Activation of enterprise	37	50	7	94
Development of traditional agricultural areas	52	78	68	198
Adjustment of prices	1	3	10	14
Attraction of investments		1	5	6
Promotion of small business development	4	4	7	15
Full privatization of land	6	5	7	18
Tourism development	11	29	28	68
Credits accessibility		5	15	20
Unemployment	482	170	127	779
Social protection of population	51	79	60	190
Modest salaries	6	21	11	38
Meager pensions	5	18	10	33
Free medicare (on rebate)	4	16	25	45
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers	6	14	13	33
Education system reform	3	13	11	27
Free education	3	1	7	11
Aid to people damaged in disaster	1	3	4	8
Restoration and development of infrastructure	35	34	34	103
Rehabilitation of roads	166	197	114	477
Repair of schools	27	53	67	147
Improvement of logistics at schools		1	4	5
Strengthening of coastline	6	3	2	11
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	6	28	28	62
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	76	83	77	236
Rehabilitation of sewer system	14	17	13	44
Replacement of electric wiring		2	1	3
Power supply	78	85	74	237
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population			1	1
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	5	8	9	22
Improvement of sanitary conditions in the region		3	9	12
Installation of television tower		1		1
Improvement of television transmission		2	2	4
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	10	12	28	50
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	6	1	6	13
Problems related to self-government and administration	12	11	12	35
Supremacy of law	1	1	5	7
Protection of human rights			4	4
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	2	9	4	15
Corruption	4	4	2	10
	1163	1143	994	3300

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	55	107	65	227
Activation of enterprise	85	76	63	224
Development of traditional agricultural areas	92	76	49	217
Reduction of taxes		2	1	3
Adjustment of prices		8	6	14
Attraction of investments	3	8	7	18
Promotion of small business development	10	18	12	40
Tourism development	33	66	38	137
Full privatization of land	11	8	7	26
Credits accessibility	3	7	14	24
Unemployment	461	191	99	751
Social protection of population	48	69	82	199
Modest salaries	27	42	25	94
Meager pensions	39	47	34	120
Free medicare (on rebate)	14	39	28	81
Improvement of logistics at hospitals and health centers		2	5	7
Education system reform	8	14	9	31
Free education		7	7	14
Aid to people damaged in disaster	12	10	4	26
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area		4	1	5
Restoration and development of infrastructure	6	4	14	24
Rehabilitation of roads	50	88	62	200
Repair of schools	13	23	21	57
Improvement of logistics at schools	5		1	6
Strengthening of coastline	7	8	4	19
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	4	21	24	49
Power supply	21	28	37	86
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	11	25	30	66
Rehabilitation of sewer system	9	5	4	18
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	6	4	11	21
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	3	8	35	46
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	12	13	12	37
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)	4	2	2	8
Problems related to self-government and administration	40	38	23	101
Protection of human rights	1		8	9
Supremacy of law	8	3	12	23
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal	10	13	8	31
Corruption	6	9	20	35
	1117	1093	884	3094

Business Sector of the Adjara Autonomous Republic

Interviewees are grouped according to the organizational-legal forms:

Table

	Individual Enterprise	LTDs	Joint Stock Company
Autonomous Republic of Achara	50%	44%	6%

In the questionnaire meant for the business sector, there was a question about the obstacles and problems hindering the business development in Georgia as well as in the region. Each interviewee had to name 3 problems on the level of Adjara and the level of Georgia.

The problems named by the business sector are described in the following table:

Business Sector

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	3	4	4	11
Activation of enterprise	12	8	7	27
Development of traditional agricultural areas	10	3	5	18
Reduction of taxes	14	10	9	33
Improvement of Tax Code	21	12	13	46
Adjustment of prices	1			1
Attraction of investments	3	3	2	8
Promotion of small business development	4	6		10
Full privatization of land	2			2
Tourism development	3	2	2	7
Credits accessibility	21	19	12	52
Low level of purchasing capacity	13	7	6	26
Support provided to businessmen by the state (Financial, informational)	21	14	4	39
Improvement of Customs Code	6	5	3	14
Creation of a consultation center for entrepreneurs	5	4	3	12
Simplification of license and permits issue procedures	4	3	3	10
Activation of anti-monopoly law	2	2	2	6
Inefficient use of natural resources	2			2
Bureaucratic barriers	1	2	2	5
Obsolete logistics (outdated methods)		3		3
Export promotion		6	5	11
Falsification			2	2
Unemployment	20	15	10	45
Social protection of population		1		1
Meager pensions		3		3
Free medicare (on rebate)	1	2	3	6
Restoration and development of infrastructure	4	7	5	16
Rehabilitation of roads	2	5	3	10
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)		2	2	4
Replacement of electric wiring			2	2
Power supply	1			1
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region	1			1
Rehabilitation of sewer system		2	2	4
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water		2		2
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	7	4	2	13
Installation of television tower		1		1
Problems related to self-government and administration	2	1	2	5
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal			3	3
Protection of human rights	1			1
Corruption	5	3	4	12
	192	161	122	475

Problems within Georgia scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	4	3	5	12
Activation of enterprise	11	12	9	32
Development of traditional agricultural areas	9	5	5	19
Reduction of taxes	17	18	13	48
Improvement of Tax Code	37	19	17	73
Adjustment of prices	2	1		3
Attraction of investments	2	1	3	6
Promotion of small business development	5	5	7	17
Full privatization of land	3	2	1	6
Tourism development	2	1	3	6
Credits accessibility	20	19	15	54
Low level of purchasing capacity	11	13	10	34
Support provided to businessmen by the state (Financial, informational)	22	12	7	41
Improvement of Customs Code	9	15	6	30
Creation of a consultation center for entrepreneurs	3	2	1	6
Simplification of license and permits issue procedures	3	3	1	7
Activation of anti-monopoly law	2	6	4	12
Inefficient use of natural resources	3			3
Bureaucratic barriers	1	3	5	9
Obsolete logistics (outdated methods)		3	2	5
Falsification		3		3
Export promotion	2	1	3	6
Unemployment	16	10	7	33
Social protection of population			3	3
Modest salaries		1	2	3
Free medicare (on rebate)	1	2	1	4
Restoration and development of infrastructure	5	2	2	9
Rehabilitation of roads	7	10	1	18
Repair of schools		1	1	2
Power supply	2	3	4	9
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	1			1
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)	1	3	2	6
Creation of sports and cultural-entertainment centers	3		2	5
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)	1			1
Problems related to self-government and administration		1		1
Anti-drug addiction and anti-criminal		3	2	5
Supremacy of law	1			1
Corruption	7	2	1	10
	213	185	145	543

Non-Governmental Sector of the Adjara Autonomous Republic

Interviewees are grouped according to the organizational-legal forms:

Table

	Foundation	Union	Association
Achara Autonomous Republic	3%	67%	30%

In the questionnaire about the Non-Governmental Sector, there was a question about the main problems in the region that require immediate decision. Each interviewee had to name 3 problems on the level of specific rayon and the entire region.

The problems named by the Non-Governmental sector are described in the following table:

Non-Governmental Sector

Problems within the rayon scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	1	1	2	4
Activation of enterprise	2	1	2	5
Development of traditional agricultural areas	3	6	2	11
Attraction of investments		1		1
Promotion of small business development		1	2	3
Adjustment of prices	1			1
Full privatization of land	1			1
Tourism development	1		3	4
Credits accessibility		1		1
Improvement of Tax Code	1		2	3
				0
Unemployment	7	4	5	16
Social protection of population	1	2	6	9
Meager pensions			1	1
Free medicare (on rebate)	1		1	2
Resettlement of population from the landslide-risk area	2			2
Aid to people damaged in disaster	1	1		2
Restoration and development of infrastructure	2	3	2	7
Rehabilitation of roads	4	5	1	10
Repair of schools		1		1
Power supply	1	2	1	4
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water	2	1	1	4
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)		1		1
Rehabilitation of sewer system	2	1		3
Gasification and natural gas supply to the region			1	1
Creation of long-term development plans of cities		1		1
Problems related to self-government and administration	4	2		6
Eco Problems (illicit deforestation)		1		1
Corruption	2	1		3
Protection of human rights	1		1	2
Supremacy of law	1		2	3
Promotion of non-governmental sector development		1		1
	41	38	35	114

Problems within the AAR scope	Number			Sum
	I	II	III	
Sale of agricultural products (citrus, tea)	1	2	2	5
Activation of enterprise	4	2	1	7
Development of traditional agricultural areas	4	3	1	8
Promotion of small business development			2	2
Tourism development		2	1	3
Adjustment of prices	1			1
				0
Unemployment	6	5	2	13
Social protection of population	3	2	7	12
Free medicare (on rebate)			1	1
Education system reform	1	1	1	3
Free education		2		2
Aid to people damaged in disaster		1		1
Restoration and development of infrastructure	4	1	1	6
Rehabilitation of roads	4	5	3	12
Repair of schools		1		1
Improvement of logistics at schools		1		1
Improvement of traffic in villages (soft-rate public transport)			2	2
Power supply		3	1	4
Improvement of supply and quality of fresh water		1		1
Rehabilitation of sewer system		2		2
Provision of low-price heating devices to the population			1	1
Strengthening of coastline			1	1
Complete development of water resources in the Region (construction of micro-HPPs)			2	2
				0
Problems related to self-government and administration	2	1	1	4
Demographic problems	1			1
Corruption	5	1	1	7
	36	36	31	103