



COMMISSION ON COMBATING CORRUPTION

Information of the Commission on Combating Corruption on the carried out measures in 2014 regarding the implementation of the National Action Plan (2012-2015) for Promoting Open Government

The major principles of the National Action Plan for Promoting Open Government for 2012-2015 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Action Plan') approved by the Order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan of 5 September 2012 are increasing the transparency and accountability in the activities of the state authorities, increasing public participation and application of new technologies in public administration. "National Strategy on increasing transparency and fight against corruption" has been implemented by Azerbaijan Republic in 2007-2011 for the purposes of development of harmonising the activities of state bodies to the modern standards. Azerbaijan is one of the first countries that joined Open Government Partnership.

According to the Order of the President of Azerbaijan Republic of 5 September 2012 on approval of Action Plan, the central and local executive bodies shall submit the information on the implementation of the activities envisaged in the Action Plan to the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Anticorruption Commission (hereinafter referred to as 'Commission') by 15 January of each year. Commission, beside the information provided by state authorities, also takes into consideration information in mass media, the researches, opinions and reviews of civil society institutions in the assessment of Action Plan. Commission reviews the information on the implementation of activities envisaged in the Action Plan and regularly makes public its results. Such as, according to the results of the assessment conducted for the year of 2012-2013, 64% of the actions envisaged in Action Plan were implemented by state bodies.

The current assessment provided by Commission covers the implementation status of activities carried out by central and local executive bodies for the year of 2014. Commission notes that, comparatively to previous year, the information provided by central executive bodies are more comprehensive and accurate according to recommendations made by Commission in previous assessment. In general, according to the results of the assessment conducted by the Commission, the state authorities fully implemented 76% of the actions envisaged for the year of 2014. More information on this has been published in the website of Commission.

Generally in the reporting year, the activities on facilitation of access to information by state bodies, on-going public information on activities of state institutions and improvement

of electronic services are fully implemented. The number of services provided by electronic government was increased, technical and functional capacities of e-portal were expanded. Public service delivery by state authorities was improved, the geography and services of “Asan service” (public service hall) were expanded and from 2014 regional restriction on public service delivery was lifted for the city of Baku. Furthermore according to the Law on Public Participation, establishment of public councils near state bodies, holding of public discussions and hearings and intense involvement of civil society institutions in the activities of state bodies were maintained.

The methodology of evaluation

The methodology for evaluation of implementation under the Action Plan comprises 2 phases. In the first phase, the evaluation determines full, partial or non-performance by relevant state authorities of 45 action types in 9 activity areas. Hence, the status of the implementation of 45 action types in the Action Plan are evaluated on a 0-2 scale where 0 means not implemented; 1 partially implemented and 2 fully implemented. Points for all action types are added separately for each state agency, and the average percentage of implementation in a given activity area is calculated and posted according to the non-, partial and full implementation of that action by the central and local executive bodies. In the second stage, the general implementation level of the actions envisaged for 2014 is determined based on the results of the initial evaluation. Following activities have been carried out for specific measures envisaged in Action Plan.

1. Facilitation of access to information	
1.1	Designation of employees in charge of access to information access at government agencies, adoption of internal procedural guidelines on freedom of information, and public information (implementation period: 2012-2014)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 80% of the state authorities; 14% implemented them partially and 6% not at all. Thus, in all central and most local executive bodies, responsible employees (focal points) were appointed, internal procedural guidelines were adopted and information on this has been released to public through official web pages of state institutions. Commission notes that, local executive bodies should increase attention to the requirements of this provision and maintain disclosure of information on this to public.</p>	
1.2	Conducting comprehensive trainings for responsible civil servants in order to ensure freedom of information (implementation period: 2012-2014)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 80% of the state authorities; 16% implemented them partially and 4% not at all. Specialized trainings were conducted by central executive bodies for designated persons in charge of ensuring freedom of information and report</p>	

<p>on this has been regularly submitted to Commission. Commission notes that, local executive bodies should increase attention to the requirements of this provision and regular trainings should be provided. For this reason, use of the existing training programs and methodological tools should be expanded for specialized trainings.</p>	
1.3	<p>Improvement of the structure of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) of the Republic of Azerbaijan in line with its role of overseeing the implementation of the Access to Information Act, specialized training of the relevant employees (implementation period: 2013-2014)</p>
<p>In order to ensure the implementation of this provision, activities have been carried out to improve the structure of the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the employees of Apparatus of Ombudsman have been involved to trainings. The implementation status of this provision is considered to be partly implemented.</p>	

<h2>2. On-going Publicity of the State Institutions Activity</h2>	
2.1	<p>Uploading and updating of information on a regular basis about activities of state institutions on their respective web-pages (implementation period: regularly)</p>
<p>The requirements of this article were implemented fully by 90% of the state authorities; 6% implemented them partially and 4% not at all. The information on activities of central executive bodies is updated on a regular basis in the web sites and accessibility of information was provided. Regarding the local executive bodies, information was partially updated in web pages and reports and other data of special importance for citizens were not prepared comprehensively. Commission notes that, the web pages of state institutions should be regularly updated and used as an efficient tool for establishing communication with citizens.</p>	
2.2	<p>Compiling annual reports by the state authorities and uploading them to their web-pages (implementation period: 2012-2015)</p>
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 90% of the state authorities; 4% did not implement them. Commission notes that, even though the annual reports were compiled by local executive bodies, however their disclosure on internet web pages has not been fully maintained. Additionally, this kind of information should be placed in easily accessible form in web pages.</p>	
2.3	<p>Holding of press conferences and other direct public communication events about their performance by state institutions (implementation period: 2012-2015)</p>
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 82% of the state authorities; 12% implemented them partially and 6% not at all. Reception of citizens was organized, their complaints and offers were registered and appropriate measures have been taken by most of central executive bodies. Videos and photos regarding these meetings have been published in</p>	

	<p>mass media and internet pages. Commission notes that, a number of visiting days for citizens and open-door events should be increased, use of electronic means for these purposes should be enhanced. Information on press-conferences and other open-door meetings should be notified to citizens in advance by local executive bodies and published in the web pages of state bodies. Even though several state institutions have published its annual reports in internet pages, but they have not held any direct public communication events regarding that.</p>
2.4	<p>Dissemination of reader-friendly versions of the legislation regulating activities of the state institutions, developing guiding principles and promotion of this information among citizens (implementation period: regularly)</p>
	<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 65% of the state authorities; 25% implemented them partially and 20% did not implement them. In accordance with this provision, The State Migration Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan published user-friendly booklets in azerbaijani, russian and english languages about temporary and permanent residence of foreigners and stateless persons in the Republic of Azerbaijan and information on their rights and freedoms and those booklets were disseminated among relevant persons. Additionally this information was published in the website of Migration Service. The Commission notes that this kind of information should be regularly developed, posted in the websites and visible places in the administrative buildings of state authorities and the accessibility of this information should be maintained. Besides, the state authorities should attach the developed guides and similar explanatory publications to the reports submitted to the Commission in soft or hard copies.</p>
2.5	<p>Development of internet portals about sectors covered by the state programs (implementation period: 2012-2014)</p>
	<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 75% of the state authorities; 15% implemented them partially and 20% not at all. In the current reporting year, information regarding the implementation of state programs has been updated in the state program section of the ministries of taxes, transport, economics and industrial, defence industry, youth and sport, culture and tourism and other state bodies. Commission on State Service near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan created www.opengov.csc.gov.az website regarding areas covering state programs, www.auksion.gov.az and www.kadastr.gov.az webpages were created by Commission on State Property of the Republic of Azerbaijan, www.azerkosmos.az internet portal was created by Ministry of Communications and High Technologies.</p>
2.6	<p>Identification of the uniform model and minimal conditions for the websites of the state authorities in accordance with modern standards (implementation period: 2013)</p>
	<p>According to the implementation of the requirements of this article as a result of joint activity of the Special State Protection Service and the Ministry of Communications and High Technologies “The requirements for the development and management of the internet data resources of the state authorities” were approved by the Cabinet of Ministers to identify the uniform model and minimal requirements for the websites of the state authorities. This provision is deemed to be implemented fully. The abovementioned document is published online (www.e-qanun.az) and is open to public.</p>

2.7	Inclusion of the information on measures taken in order to promote open government and combating corruption in the reports of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan (implementation period: 2012-2015)
Information about the activities carried out in this area was included in the annual reports of the Cabinet of Ministers to the Milli Majlis (Parliament) of the Republic of Azerbaijan.	

3. Improvement of the central legislative electronic database

3.1	Regular updating and ensuring operating state of the State Register for Legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan, as the official legal citation source (implementation period: regularly)
<p>1727 documents were transferred into an electronic version of the State Registry of Legal Acts during the reporting period (www.huquqiaktlar.gov.az), and 1756 documents were posted on the national legislation database (www.e-qanun.az). Both web pages are open for public, operating on free of charge basis and are regularly updated. Currently, the number of documents placed on these resources websites exceeds 19,878 and 28,606 respectively. Only the legislation database attracted 175,688 visitors in 2014, which is 14% more than from the previous year (154,568). Besides, during the reporting years the hardware and software and registration information system were improved to ensure their operability. This provision is regarded as implemented fully.</p>	

4. Enlargement of the public participation in activities of the state institutions

4.1	Involvement of civil society representatives in elaboration of draft legislation of public interest, organisation of public hearings by state institutions (implementation period: regularly)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 56% of the state authorities; 37% implemented them partially and 7% did not implement them. Most of the state authorities involved civil society representatives in elaboration of draft laws of public interest mainly in online mode. Commission notes that, preference should be given conducting public hearings in direct communication form, representatives of specialized non-government organizations of respective area should be actively involved to this process, and their experience should be used, their opinions and reviews should be learnt and findings of discussions should be open to public.</p>	

4.2	Establishment of the appropriate councils and/or cooperation networks to improve interaction between the civil society and state institutions rendering public services (implementation period: 2012-2013)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 48% of the state authorities whereas other respective authorities did not implement any activities of this kind. Commission notes that state bodies in a short time should establish public councils, implement necessary measures for the activity of respective cooperation councils and submit information on that to Commission. It should also be noted that required council and cooperation networks were established near by the Ministry of youth and sport, justice, labour and social protection of population, environment and natural resources, the State Agency for Public Services and Social Innovation near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the State Social Protection Fund and other state authorities.</p>	
4.3	Use of web-pages as means for involving the public in decision-making process on matters of public concern (receiving the comments and proposals of citizens, organising discussions, developing FAQ sections, etc.) (implementation period: regularly)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 85% of the state authorities; 7% implemented them partially and 8% did not implement them. Receiving proposals and reviews of citizens and responding to their questions have been carried out through email addresses, online appeal and question-answer sections by most of central executive bodies. Several state bodies responded questions on their activities that concern citizens by using their official accounts in social networks and maintained their active presence in their activities. State Agency for Public Services and Social Innovations near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, State Commission on Student Admission, ministries of taxes, education, youth and sport and other state bodies regularly updated their pages on social networks and carried out interactive question-answers activities. Commission notes that, 29th April 2015 dated Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on establishment of unified electronic information system for appeal of citizens in local executive bodies has a great importance for the full implementation of this provision by local executive bodies.</p>	
4.4	Organisation of the open-door public forums by state authorities (implementation period: regularly)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 78% of the state authorities; 10% implemented them partially and 12% not at all. Open-door public forums were intensively conducted especially in the regions and were welcomed by the citizens. Commission notes that, number of "Open door" meetings by state bodies should be increased and information on that should be released to citizens in advance through mass media and internet pages. Complaints and proposals of every person appealed to "Open door" forum should be heard and necessary measures should be taken. Beside that, state authorities should submit detailed information about the open-door public forums in their next reports (number of forums, the estimated number of participants, information published in the media, etc.).</p>	

5. Improvement of e-services

5.1	Evaluation of the E-services and public disclosure of the results (implementation period: regularly)
<p>438 electronic services of 42 state bodies have been evaluated in the framework of management of e-service and evaluation of provision measures by the State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and public disclosure of the results has been maintained. E-services have been analyzed in the following criterias “Digitalization and connectivity level”, “Openness of information and level of logging” and “level of ease of use”. Reviews have been prepared for every state body regarding the current situation on management of e-services, shortcomings were noted and suggestions were given to every state body for the elimination of deficiencies and better quality of services. Currently measures are being taken to improve special program software of evaluation by the Agency and to carry out evaluation of through improved program software.</p>	
5.2	Public presentation on e-services rendered by state institutions within their area of activity, at least once a year (implementation period: 2013-2015)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 65% of the state authorities; 28% implemented them partially and 7% not at all. Most central executive bodies submitted the information about services rendered to the public and carried out the presentations and awareness raising activities and mass media has been widely informed. Such as, public presentations have been held regarding activities of www.icazeler.gov.az and www.b2b.az websites, 195-2 telephone information centers and e-services provided by ministry of economics and industry.</p>	
5.3	Establishment of the single system for workflow and exchange of electronic data between state institutions (implementation period: 2013- 2015)
<p>Electron Government State Information System was established in 2012-2013 and more than 40 state bodies joined to this system. More than 114 new e-services have been integrated to “Electron Government” in 2014. The number of e-services has been increased to 396 which are 40% higher comparatively to previous year’s results. The integrated e-services belong to ministries of taxes, communication and high technologies, labour and social protection of citizens, education, justice, ecology and natural resources, State Agency for Public Services and Social Innovations near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, State Service for Mobilization and Conscription, State Committee on Property issues and State Migration Service. The usage of e-services in 2014 was 5.8 million, the number of users in portal exceeded 1,1 million person.</p>	
5.4	Improvement of electronic payment of fees, taxes, administrative fines, utility bills and other administrative dues (implementation period: 2013-2014)
<p>In accordance with the implementation of this provision, the Government Payment Portal was established by the Central Bank for purpose of ensuring the payment of budget transfers through</p>	

bank or payment cards and currently more than 58 state bodies have joined to this payment portal. It is noted that, payments have been integrated to infrastructures of “Azerbaijan Post Office” LTD and 42 banks, payments could be made in cash in about 1,500 payment stations or could be made with payment cards in non-cash basis by using web resource of portal.

Beside that, the activity of multi-functional ASAN payment was provided and terminals were instructed in centres by State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan. Using the ASAN (“easy”) payment facility, citizens will be able to pay administrative fines and make payments in execution of court judgments via mobile devices, special terminals and in other ways. The capacity of www.asanpay.az which is already in use of citizens is planned to be improved more in 2015. In future, electron money wallet and internet banking services will be launched by improving payment methods.

5.5	Implementation of measures facilitating access to e-services in the regions (implementation period 2013-2014)
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In accordance with the implementation of this provision, “AzerPost” (a public postal entity under the Ministry of Communications and High Technologies - MCHT) established internet kiosks with broadband internet access in post offices in remote villages. At same time the activity of self-service kiosks in Sumqayit, Barda and Ganja “ASAN service” centres was maintained by State Agency for Public Services and Social Innovations near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and electron information kiosks were established. Also the activity of other payment kiosks and “ASAN Pay” was provided for the purpose of paying utility costs and other administrative payments in “Asan service” centres. Commission notes that the local executive authorities should focus their efforts in this area and establish computer kiosks for public use in the administrative buildings of the state authorities and other public places.

6. Increasing transparency in state financial control institutions

6.1	Delineation of powers of the state financial control (SFC) institutions and development of draft legislation to provide improved legal basis for the state financial control (implementation period: 2013- 2014)
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In order to ensure the implementation of this provision, a draft law (on the State Financial Control) was developed by Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Azerbaijan by taken into account international experience through researches and analyzes. The reviews of relevant state authorities on draft law sent to Cabinets of Ministers. The draft law covers provisions detailing duties and functions, as well as rights and powers of the state financial control institutions.

6.2	Enhancement of accountability of SFC institutions and disclosure of the results of the financial inspections, analyses and statistical data to the public (implementation period: 2013-2015)
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<p>State Financial Control Service of ministry of finance, ministry of taxes, Chamber of Accounts and other state bodies have maintained the disclosure of information on their activities to public on a regular basis through official web pages Provisions in connection with first par of this paragraph has been reflected in Article 6.1 of the draft law.</p>	
6.3	<p>Application of the IT in the SFC area and elaboration of the e-control system (implementation period: 2013-2014)</p>
<p>In connection with the implementation of this paragraph, "Treasury Management Information System" on the SAP platform (widely used and considered improved software in business administration) was applied in the direction of improving treasury system of ministry of finance. In 2014, the direct costs of the national and foreign currencies has been started to be implemented through this system. The activity of software which was developed by State Treasure Agency and other budget institutions was provided in Treasury Management Information System in order to improve the quality of the treasury services, increasing of transparency and strengthen the control in this direction.</p>	
6.4	<p>Organisation of reciprocal activities between SFC institutions, establishment of the SFC Central Database, development of the electronic data exchange (implementation period: 2013-2014)</p>
<p>Implementation of this provision has started in 2013 and measures are being carried out regularly in this direction. In connection with the implementation of this provision, the provisions about the data exchange with other financial control institutions and their use in elaboration of action plans of SFCS and its regional units were reflected in the "Regulations for planning, conducting, and documentation of the results of the control measures by the State Financial Control Service (SFCS) of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Azerbaijan" approved by the Resolution of the Board of the Ministry of Finance on 14 February 2013 and is currently applied in the operation of the Service. At present, the corresponding data exchange is carried out between the Ministry of Finance and Chamber of Accounts. At the same time, a single database exists in SFCS containing minimum information about control objects and date of the recent control measures and activities are being carried out in this direction.</p>	
6.5	<p>Improvement of the mechanism of control over the publication of financial reports developed by state institutions in accordance with the International Standards of Financial Reporting or the National Accounting Standards, along with the auditor's reports (implementation period: 2013-2014)</p>
<p>In connection with the implementation of this provision, within the competence of Ministry of Finance, according to the amendments to Article 12 and Article 16 of the Law on Accounting, Article 247.1 of the Code of Administrative Offences and as well as " Submission of annual financial reports and consolidated financial reports of commercial entities, reporting periods and publication rules" which is approved by decision of Cabinet of Ministers dated on 6 September 2012, control on publication of annual financial reports of state bodies with auditor review is provided.</p>	

6.6	Development of proposals on the mechanism and procedure of oversight over the drafting and execution of local budgets, including correspondence of expenditures to the approved budget indicators, as well as timely approval of financial reports of municipalities (implementation period: 2013)
<p>In connection with the implementation of the provision, relevant amendments were made to the Law on Accounting of the Republic of Azerbaijan and provisions on budget execution by the municipal authorities, submission of financial reports, reporting periods and their publishing have been reflected in above-mentioned amendments. At the same time, the relevant conditions were created by the Ministry of Finance to submit electronically the information on municipal revenues and expenditures, as well as quarterly and annual reports on the execution of local budgets to the Ministry.</p>	
6.7	Publication of the reports on the implementation of state budget and the relevant legislation drafts prior to referral to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan (implementation period: 2013-2015)
<p>It should be noted that the annual reports about the implementation of the state budget in 2013 and quarterly reports about the implementation of the state budget in 2014 were published in the official website of the Ministry of Finance in accordance with the Law on the Budget System. Beside that draft state and consolidated budgets for 2015 and indicators of consolidated budget for next 3 years were published at official web site of Ministry of Finance and social networks before being presented to Parliament.</p>	

7. Increasing transparency of tax control and examination

7.1	Provision of necessary information and taxpayer awareness raising (implementation period: 2012-2014)
<p>In accordance with the implementation under this provision, in the reporting year 3,2 million people visited the official website of Ministry of Taxes and 1414 questions were responded in “Questions-Answers” section. The mechanism on evaluation of answers by citizens to questions placed in “Questions-Answers” section was established. Project on “Quick Access Pay No Cash” was carried out to expand use of POS terminals and encourage non-cash payments. Up to 250 thousand requests of citizens were responded by 195 Call centre. Besides that, promotion materials on necessity of signing of employment contracts were placed on flight tickets, in different places of city, including large shopping centres.</p>	
7.2	Execution of measures in order to align the activity of the Tax institutions with the IMF Code of Good Practices on Fiscal Transparency (implementation period: 2012-2013)
<p>The activities continued to harmonize the operation of tax authorities to the International Monetary Fund Code of Good Practices on Fiscal Transparency in order to implement the</p>	

<p>requirements of this provision and relevant proposals were submitted to the Cabinet of Ministers of Azerbaijan Republic. Public was informed on development of project regarding making additions and amendments to this Code by IMF. The final version of document was prepared based on reviews and recommendations regarding the project and was submitted to Executive Board of IMF for approval. After approval, its publication is expected.</p>	
7.3	<p>Execution of measures in order to improve electronic payment of taxes and other mandatory payments (implementation period: 2012- 2013)</p>
<p>In connection with the implementation of this provision, payments of taxes and other obligatory payments in electronic form was continuously improved. The Ministry of Taxes facilitated payment of most types of taxes in electronic form. The internet tax office was refitted to provide opportunity to taxpayers to have debts on VAT percentages in their VAT accounts automatically transferred through a special subaccount and this system was commissioned for use in 2013. At same time, several necessary measures were taken to increase the diversity and amount of electronic services for the use of civil society and business structures by Ministry of Taxes. Electronic payment system of taxes and duties was created by the joint measures of Ministry of Taxes and National Bank.</p>	

<p>8. Increasing transparency in Extractive Industries</p>	
8.1	<p>Continued cooperation by the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan with local and foreign companies engaged in extractive industries and civil society institutions in order to ensure implementation and development of the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative in Azerbaijan (implementation period: 2012- 2015)</p>
<p>Regular activities have been implemented by State Oil Fund for the implementation of this provision. During the reporting period, regular meetings were held with the participation of the representatives of government, private sector and civil society. At same time, new Memorandum of Understanding on "Implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative in the Republic of Azerbaijan" was signed between NGO Coalition for Improving Transparency in Extractive Industries and local/foreign extractive industry companies operating in Azerbaijan in 10 June 2014. With the signing of the Memorandum a next reporting cycle in accordance with the EITI Standard was launched in the country.</p>	
8.2	<p>Continued disclosure of information on total revenue obtained by the Government from the extractive industries (implementation period: 2012- 2015)</p>
<p>In connection with the implementation of this provision, annual reports according to requirements Standards of Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative were prepared by the State Oil Fund and submitted to Multilateral Group in 3rd October 2014. It is expected to disclose the final version of report during the current year.</p>	

8.3	Disclosure of the annual reports of the implementation of the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative in Azerbaijan (implementation period: 2012-2015)
<p>The annual report of the State Oil Fund covering 2013 related to the implementation of the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative in Azerbaijan was made available to the public.</p>	

<p>9. Awareness raising and cooperation in the field of Open Government Initiative</p>	
9.1	Evaluation of implementation of the Action Plan and disclosure to the public of its results on the annual basis (implementation period: 2012 – 2015)
<p>By the Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan of 5 September 2012, the state authorities submit annual reports to the Cabinet of Ministers and Commission on implementation of activities envisaged in the Action Plan, and the Commission has provided public disclosure of information on the situation of implementation of Action Plan for year of 2014.</p>	
9.2	Publication of educational materials on the Open Government Initiative and their dissemination among the public (implementation period: regularly)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 81% of the state authorities; 15% implemented them partially and 4% did not implement them. Commission notes that, state bodies should maintain the publication of promotion materials in social networks and web pages by using capacities of modern technology.</p>	
9.3	Continued actions within the framework of implementation of commitments under the Open Government Partnership (implementation period: 2012 -2015)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 75% of the state authorities. Thus, adopted annual action plans and reports about the carried out activities by state authorities were made available to the public. The Commission notes that the state authorities should follow Open Government principles in their activities and regularly disclose information about their activities to the public. This process should also involve joint organisation of workshops, conferences and roundtables and meetings in other formats with civil society representatives.</p>	
9.4	Provision of the financial support to the civil society institutions for the implementation of the measures foreseen in the Action Plan (implementation period: 2012 -2015)
<p>The requirements of this provision were implemented fully by 33% of the state authorities. For this purpose, ministry of youth and sport, culture and tourism, economics and industry, labour and social protection of citizens, communication and high technologies, Azerbaijan Youth Foundation near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, State Agency for Public Services and Social Innovation near the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Commission on Combating</p>	

Corruption, the Council of State Support to Non-Governmental Organizations under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and some other state authorities allocated funds to the civil society. Commission notes that after the adoption of decision on allocation of state fund to non-governmental organizations by Cabinet of Ministers, support in this area should be increased and cooperation should be in a regular form and number of joint projects should be increased.



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