



## **Information Memo**

**Project title:** Open ICT Education for Youth Employability

**Subject:** Information Memo on the State of Schools, where the project is being implemented, in

Kurbin and Lezha Municipalities, following the earthquake of 26 November 2019

**To:** Alessandra Frontoni, Programme Manager, Delegation of European Union to Albania

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## **Notes:**

The "Open ICT Education for Youth Employability" Project, Grant Contract no. 2017/394-533, implemented by ODK and AIS, scheduled to last from 15 January 2018 until 15 February 2020, targets beneficiaries/educational institutions from Kosovo and Albania. More specifically, high schools from Kurbin and Lezha Municipalities are among the targeted beneficiaries. Following, you may find some information about the damages caused to the project beneficiary schools by the natural disaster, namely the earthquake of 26 November 2019:

- 1. The secondary school "Arif Halil Sula", located in Mamurras, Kubin Municipality, has had serious structural damages. The school is closed. Civilians not mobilised in the emergency response are not allowed to enter. Results of final expertise are expected. The earthquake has affected the school walls, structures, furniture, and equipment. The computer cabinet is damaged. A decision is expected to be taken by Kurbini Education Office to transfer the school process to a different building. This school has officially 453 students. The illustrative photos and videos for this school are taken by the project implementation staff and illustrate the damages on the internal and external part of the building. This school is located 4.9 km away from Thumana, one of the most seriously affected inhabited areas both materially and in casualties in humans.
- 2. The "At Shtjefën Gjecove" school in Lac of 722 students has had damages primarily in its stairs, and wall plasters. Damages have also affected classroom walls and the school gym. Teachers are not allowed to enter the building. Experts' opinion is expected to determine the level of damage. This school is thought to return to normality in a few days.
- 3. The high school "At Shtjefen Kurti" has had minor damages on the superficial payers of the walls and furniture. The school is generally in a satisfactory state, although it was built many years ago. It's expected to go back to its normal daily operation in a few days.
- 4. The high school of Milot has had minor damage on the superficial layers of its walls and furniture (falling). The school is generally in a satisfactory state, although it was built many years ago. It's expected to go back to its normal daily operation in a few days.
- 5. The vocational school Kolin Gjoka, Lezhë, has had minimum damage, mainly in its multifunctional classrooms built above the gym. This is where the lab, where our project activities take place, is located. A more complete description of the damage is expected.

This report is not based on any technical expertise. It was drafted with the help of Technical Leads and the Regional Project Officer based on external and internal inspection of the buildings.









This memo will be followed by a more detailed report in the second week of December.

Below some photos of the damage in these schools buildings.

"Arif Halil Sula" High School















## Video:

- https://ldrv.ms/v/s!AolaQBW8UldogaxpgLTkHB2uky6eWA
- https://ldrv.ms/v/s!AolaQBW8Uldogaxrb4M3Gcn1djhKCg
- https://ldrv.ms/v/s!AolaQBW8UldogaxqzKL2n78BZiREsg









"At Shtjefën Gjecovi" High School









Milot High School:













"At Shtjefën Kurti" High School:



"Kolin Gjoka" Vocational High School



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