

Podujevë/Podujevo

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1. Introduction: Area and Population

Podujevë/Podujevo municipality is located north of Prishtinë/Priština. It covers 663 km² and is comprised of 78 villages, including the town of Podujevë/Podujevo.

The current population of the municipality is approximately 130,000 (about 99% Kosovo Albanian), including the approximate 35,000 inhabitants of Podujevë/Podujevo town. It is estimated that the number of Kosovo Serbs in the municipality used to be around 1,650, of which half were in Podujevë/Podujevo town. The only two elderly Kosovo Serbs living in Podujevë/Podujevo town after the 1999 conflict left in the beginning of 2001, while 21 Kosovo Serbs (8 families) live in a small enclave, Sekirača/Sekiraçë, a quarter of Metergoc/Medregovac village near the border with Serbia proper under Kosovo Force (KFOR) and KPS regular patrols.

Podujevë/Podujevo is home to both a Roma and Ashkali community, which are located in the main town and its surrounding areas. According to local Ashkali representatives, there has been no discrimination directed toward them and it considers itself an integral part of the existing Kosovo Albanian population of Podujevë/Podujevo municipality. As for Kosovo Serb community concerns, the municipality is making efforts to build grounds for their sustainable return. The employment of the Kosovo Serb – Municipal Returns Officer is giving its considered as a step toward promising future. In addition, municipality had endorsed the Municipal Return Strategy 2006, while MRO's are personally distributing pensions to the K-Serbs living in Metergoc/Medregovac village.

Table 1.1: Ethnic Composition, Including IDPs

Population	Kosovo Albanian		Kosovo Serb		Ashkali/Roma		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
January -1991	89,290	98.1	1,521	1.3	223	0.2	91,011	100
January 1999	Approx. 120,000	98	Approx.1,600	1	Approx. 1,200	1	Approx. 122,000	100
Current figure	Approx. 125,226A	99.1	21		721	0.7	Approx. 125.968	100

2. Civil Administration

The process of establishing new Municipal Assembly (MA) structures began after the last Municipal Elections of 26 October 2002. The first MA meeting took place on 21 November 2002, during which Municipal President, Mr. Agim Veliu (LDK), and Deputy President, Mr. Agim Kikaj (LDK) were elected. In December 2004, Mr. Agim Veliu was appointed PISG Minister of Education, Science and Technology. In February 2005 the MA elected Agim Kikaj as his successor.

The MA is made up of 41 directly elected members.

Table 2.1: Composition of the Municipal Assembly

Name of Municipal Assembly Member / Professional Background	Political Affiliation
Mr. Agim Kikaj	LDK / President
Mr. Hazir Raci	LDK / Deputy President
Ms. Adlie Hamiti	LDK / Member
Mr. Naim Qunaku	LDK / Member
Mr. Skënder Gashi	LDK / Member, Group Leader
Ms. Shpresa Çitaku	LDK / Member
Mr. Bahri Thaçi	LDK / Member
Mr. Idriz Bilalli	LDK / Member
Ms. Mynavere Abdullahu	LDK / Member
Mr. Avdi Jusufi	LDK / Member
Mr. Shefki Zeqiri	LDK / Member
Ms. Miradie Beqiri	LDK / Member
Mr. Fehmi Ismaili	LDK / Member
Mr. Qefser Sadiku	LDK / Member
Ms. Ilmie Ganiu	LDK / Member
Mr. Bajram Hoxha	LDK / Member
Ms. Skender Maloku	LDK / Member
Mr. Vehbi Rushiti	LDK / Member
Mr. Musli Muçiqi	LDK / Member
Mr. Mustafë Haliti	LDK / Member

Ms. Hyra Salihu	LDK / Member
Mr. Fahri Hoxha	LDK / Member
Mr. Ahmet Gashi	LDK / Member
Ms. Ibadete Syla	LDK / Member
Mr. Gani Asllani	LDK / Member
Mr. Naim Fetahu	PDK / Member, Group Leader
Mr. Osman Jashari	PDK / Member
Ms. Emine Sheholli	PDK / Member
Mr. Sylejman Gashi	PDK / Member
Mr. Nazmi Gashi	PDK / Member
Mr. Isak Shabani	PDK / Member
Mr. Ali Potera	PDK / Member
Mr. Faik Jashari	PDK / Member
Mr. Mexhit Hasani	PDK / Member
Ms. Selime Fejzullahu	PDK / Member
Ms. Shpresa Hyseni	PDK / Member
Ms. Sabrije Plakolli	PDK / Member
Mr. Faik Muçiqi	AAK / Member, Group Leader
Mr. Bajrush Ibishi	AAK / Member
Ms. Kosovare Sejdiu	PD / Member
Mr. Mehmet Breznica	BK / Member

The resignation of Shqipe Thaqi LDK member led to nomination of the new LDK member on the waiting list, Mr. Skender Maloku, followed by the respect of the CEC changing procedures. The Municipal Assembly has established the composition of the Policy and Finance Committee. Along with the Assembly President, Mr. Agim Kikaj, as Chairman of the Committee, the Assembly also appointed a further six members from the LDK, three members from the PDK and one from the AAK. The Communities and Mediation Committees were established in accordance with applicable law in March 2003. The Communities Committee has changed its chairperson and Ashkali representative took over the post of the Chairperson (according to the regulation). Mediation Committee did not held any meeting in 2006.

Table 2.2: Municipal Assembly Committees

Committee	Chairperson / Affiliation	Vice-chairperson / Affiliation
Policy and Finance Committee	Agim Kikaj, LDK	Not applicable
Mediation Committee	Mynavere Abdullahu LDK	Isuf Bajrami, Ashkali Community
Communities Committee	Shaban Ahmeti, PDASHK	Sylejman Gashi PDK
Health and Social Welfare Committee		
Housing and Reconstruction Committee	Agim Kikaj	Not applicable

Source: Municipality, UN Municipal Administration

Table 2.3: Chief Executive Officer, Board of Directors and Municipal Departments

Director / Professional Background / Affiliation (if any)	Municipal Department (Incl. Community Office, if any)
Mehmet Gashi	Chief Executive Officer
Hamit Shala	Directorate of General Administration
Isuf Latifi	Directorate of Budget and Finance
Shpejtim Bulliqi	Directorate of Education
Nexhmi Balaj	Directorate of Culture, Youth and Sport
Ejup Babatinca	Directorate of, Economy Planning and Development
Tahir Sahiti	Directorate of Cadastre, Geodesy and Property
Faik Berisha	Directorate of Agriculture and Rural Development
Hamdi Jaha	Directorate of Urbanism Public Service and Environment
Islam Revuqi	Directorate of Inspection
Ahmet Ahmeti	Directorate of Public Relations and Democratisation
Fadil Dabinovci	Directorate of Health and Social Policy
Fatmir Gashi	Directorate of Civil Protection and Emergency

Source: Municipality, UN Municipal Administration

3. Political Parties

The 26 October 2002 Municipal Elections resulted in changes to the political composition of the Assembly though the LDK retained its majority. The LDK continues to have a simple majority in the Municipal Assembly with 25 seats, although it lost 5.9% from the previous elections held in 2000. The PDK consolidated its second position with two additional seats and now has 12 seats. The AAK lost one seat and now has only two representatives. The PD and

another small Kosovo Albanian party BK (Balli Kombëtar/National Front), mainly known as a successor of Ballist separatist movement each gained one seat. There are no elected members from the Kosovo Serb or Roma and Ashkali communities present in the municipality.

Table 3.1: Political Parties

Party	Municipal branch leader	Kosovo-wide leader	2000 Vote	Seats in MA	2002 Vote	Seats in MA
Democratic League of Kosovo (LDK)	Agim Veliu	vacant	65.2 %	28	59.3%	25
Democratic Party of Kosovo (PDK)	Muhamet Latifi	Hashim Thaçi	22.8 %	10	27.5%	12
Alliance for the Future of Kosovo (AAK)	Faik Muqiqi	Ramush Haradinaj	8.3 %	3	5.6%	2
Liberal Party of Kosovo (PLK)	Ismet Duriqi	Gjergj Dedaj	0.9 %	-	0.4%	-
Social Democratic Party of Kosovo (PSDK)	Agim Veliu	Kaqusha Jashari	0.9 %	-	0.7%	-
Albanian Christian Democratic Party of Kosovo (PShDK)	Shaban Bajoku	Mark Krasniqi	0.6%	-	0.4%	-
Democratic Ashkali Party of Kosovo (PDAK)	Faik Miftari	Sabit Rrahmani	0.4 %	-	0.5%	-
Ashkali Democratic Party of Kosovo (PDAShK)	Shaban Ahmeti				0.4%	-
Albanian National Democratic Party (PNDSh)	Ali Povdorica	Rexhep Abdullahu	0.4 %	-	-	-
People's Movement of Kosovo (LPK)	Avdi Gjata	Emrush Xhemajli	-	-	-	-
National Movement for Liberation of Kosovo (LKÇK)	Valbonë Rrahmani	Fatmir Humolli	-	-	0.7%	-
Albanian National Unification Party (UNIKOMB)	Jusuf Ejupi		-	-	-	-
Justice Party (PD)	Kosovare Sejdiu	Sylejman Çerkezi	-	-	1.6%	1
National Front of Kosovo (BK)	Mehmet Breznica	Kajtaz Fazlia	-	-	1.5%	1
Coalition Return (KP)	Ivica Marković		-	-	0.6%	-

4. Local and International NGOs

There is an extensive local NGO network in Podujevë/Podujevo, and there are various local associations (pedagogues, journalists, artists, and beekeepers) that are keen to be registered as NGOs.

"Red Cross -Podujevë/Podujevo" is among the most active NGO's. With a modest budget, it provides support to the vulnerable families with food and non-food items.

Handikos is an NGO dedicated to assisting disabled persons. It is considered to be a capable and professional organization that offers concrete assistance to the physically-challenged community and has provided: an education centre and programmes for children transport to international health centres, and assistance to advocate needs in administrative bureaucracies. The association has helped create awareness in the municipal administration about specific needs and is well respected in Podujevë/Podujevo municipality. A women's branch of Handikos has also been established.

The Pedagogical Association acts as a advisers in the fields of didactics and methodology and as a relay amongst the teaching profession, the municipal board, and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

Table 4.1: Local NGOs active in the Municipality

Name	Main focus	Contact Person	Headquarters
		(phone / fax / e-mail)	(phone / fax/ e-mail)
Women in Action (WIA)	Professional training, psycho-social assistance;	Igballe HAKIQI	Podujevë/Podujevo
Femrat në Veprim	small business support for women	044 171 166	
Handikos	Social and legal assistance, education programmes	Gani SHEQIRI	Prishtinë/Priština
	for the disabled	044 166 742	
Democratic Hope (SH.D.H)	Civil support, humanitarian aid, defence of minority	Agim HYSENI	Podujevë/Podujevo
Shpresa Demokratike	rights; economic development for Ashkalis	044 163 213	
5 Martyrs - 5 Dëshmorët	Professional training for women	Miradie QERIMI	N/A
Drita	Professional training for women	Fikrie Pajaziti	N/A
		044 152 265	
Mother Theresa	Humanitarian aid	Qazim MUSA	Prishtinë/Priština
Krapi	Represents fishermen	Bajrush IBISHI	Orllan
Shoqata e Artistëve Figurativ të	Support local artistic production and development;	Izeir MUSTAFA	Podujevë/Podujevo
Podujevës (SHAFP)	running of a permanent exhibition site	038 570 229	
(Artistic Association)			
Besa (SHGB)	Social, humanitarian and professional assistance to	Florie Behrami	Podujevë/Podujevo
	women	044 241 264	
Red Cross Podujeve/o	Support to the community	Abaz Llugaliu	Podujevë/Podujevo
IWC, Kuwait	Shelter, Social Welfare		Podujevë/Podujevo

Mlyshi (SHPS)	Developing fishing activities	Bardhyl HAJRULLAHU 038 571 291	Podujevë/Podujevo
Ardhmëria	Professional training for women	Valdete Jupolli 044 274 860	Shajkofc
"Llapi" Association of Beekeepers	Co-ordination of bee-keeper, individual training; control of the product	Raif Muqolli 044 171 555	Podujevë/Podujevo
Shoqata e Pedagogëve (SHPP) (Association of Pedagogues)	Defence of the pedagogues' profession, follow-up of school programmes; interface with the Education ministry	Jakup SHABANI 038 570 582	Podujevë/Podujevo
KMDLNJ	Protection of Human Rights	Ahmet Hasani	Prishtinë/Pristina
Asociacioni për interkomunikime publike dhe kulturore (AIPK) (Association of Journalists) – Press Club	Analysis of media, co-ordination of the journalists' work	Fadil HALIMI 044 163195	Podujevë/Podujevo
New Alternative	Psycho-social projects for youth	Islam DEMOLLI 044 170 217	Podujevë/Podujevo
Qëndrimi	Civil Support, defence to the minority rights	Isyf Bajrami 044 170 218	Podujevë/odujevo

Source: OSCE Regional Center Prishtinë/Priština

All international non-governmental organizations working in Podujevë/Podujevo are based in Prishtinë/Priština. These include Mercy Corps, Public Administration International, Care, UNHCR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and the International Committee of the Red Cross. Their work in Podujevë/Podujevo is concentrated on material aid and on assisting traumatised persons through various training programmes. Other NGOs have closed their branches in the municipality and most of them have reduced their activities within the last year.

5. Other Civilian International Presence

The first UN Administrator arrived in August 1999. The UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) operates from Prishtinë/Priština. The OSCE established a Field Office in Podujevë/Podujevo in September 1999, and since January 2002 the OSCE Office Prishtinë/Priština has covered the municipality. In September 2004, the OSCE began implementation of an extensive training programme for the Municipality's Policy and Finance Committee members on participatory budget and public financial management. The aim of the project being to develop the capacities of Policy and Finance Committee members to develop and execute the 2005 municipal budget in an effective, transparent, accountable and participatory manner. A brochure detailing the 2005 budget is printed and is available through the municipality's information officer. Since, January 2006, OSCE established Municipal Team in Podujevë/Podujevo composed of a team of five members, currently two internationals (DO and HRO) and two locals (SHRA and PA). UNMIK Pillar II had reduced their staff members and currently the UN office is ran by one international and two locals.

Table 5.1: The Pillars

Name	Number of Staff (nat.+int.)	Contact Person	Title	Phone / Fax / E-mail
UN Civil Adm.	Location in Pristina	Ismail Yilmaz	UN Municipal Representative for Pristina/ë & Podujevo/ë	+381 38 571 601
UN Civil Adm.	2 national; 1 international located in Podujevo/ë	Ravza Andzelich, Elmaze Bruncaj Avni Mucolli	Standard Coordinator and Municipal Monitoring Officer. Legal Assistant Language Assistant	504-604 ext 2331,
OSCE	2 internationals 2 locals	Deniz-Vardon Hoca Hannes Goegele Selvie Salihu Luaras Oseku	Democratization Officer Human Rights Officer Senior Human Rights Assistant Programme Assistant	038 570 221

Source: OSCE MT-PJ Office

6. Religion, Places of Worship, and Cultural Institutions

Islam is virtually the only religion practiced in Podujevë/Podujevo, given the population structure. Very few Serbian Orthodox affiliated persons remain. Within the municipality there are approximately 40 to 50 mosques and two Serbian Orthodox Churches. One of these churches, Church of St. Elias located in Podujevo/ë, was burnt down during the March 04 riots and partially reconstructed in the end of 2005 as the project of the second round of Reconstruction Implementation Commission programme is under way. The second, situated in Rakinica village 2 km N of Orlane/Orllan is partially ruined. There is also a Cultural Centre, which was established in 2000 with funding from International Medical Corps (IMC).

Table 6.1: Primary Religious Leaders

Name	Title	Religious Organisation
Idriz Billali	Imam	Islam
Osman Kurtolli	President of Islamic Community	Islam
Muhamet Demiri	Theologian	Islam

Source: Municipality

7. Media

There are no local newspapers published in Podujevë/Podujevo, but the municipality does publish a weekly Municipal Information Bulletin. Two commercial K-Albanian local radio stations located in the centre of the town began broadcasting in 2000. Radio Vizioni has e weekly programme for the K-Ashkali minority in the municipality.

Table 7.1: List of Primary Newspaper, TV/Radio Stations, etc.

Name of media	Type of Media (newspaper, radio, etc.)	Editor/Correspondent	Language of Programmes/News
Radio Llapi	Local radio	Bajrush Behrami	Albanian
Radio Vizioni	Local radio	Fazli Veliu	Albanian
Buletini	Weekly Municipal Magazine	Ahmet Ahmeti, Directorate for Public	Albanian
		Relation and Democr.	

Source: OSCE MT-PJ Office

8. Judicial System

Podujevë/Podujevo has a Municipal Court and a Minor Offences Court, with Kosovo Albanian appointed judges. Even though there are still some difficulties such as lack of staff, the courts have been fully operational since 2001.

Table 8.1: Judges

Name	Title	Ethnicity
Aziz Podvorica	President of municipal court	Kosovo Albanian
Sahit Sylejmani	President of minor offences court	Kosovo Albanian

Source: UN Civil Administration

9. Police, Civil Protection, and Military Presence

The Czech/Slovak Battle group, as part of Multinational Task Force Centre (MNTF-C) is responsible for maintaining a safe and secure environment in this Municipality. Also a LMT group of 3-5 are based in municipality in a daily basis.

Although Kosovo Police Service got transition, UNMIK has only two police currently working in the Podujevë/Podujevo area. More than 116 Kosovo Police Service (KPS) officers and they perform many duties independently. Podujevë/Podujevo's crime rate is considered low.

The Kosovo Protection Corps (KPC) performs a variety of functions, such as rebuilding houses. They carry out different joint tasks with KFOR and receive training in fire and rescue operations.

Table 9.1: Police, Civil Protection, and Military Presence

Establishment	Local Commander/Contact	PHONE/FAX/EMAIL	Nos. of Officers, Troops	Ethnic Composition**	transition date	Gender Balance F/M
Kosovo Police Service	Hilmi Mehmeti, Acting Station Commander	038-571-804	116	113 Kosovo Albanian, 3 Ashkali	24.01.2005	F 15 – M 101
UNMIK Police Liaison Officers	Frimpong Seth Ozderim Mesut	VSAT 2311 or 038 504604 ext. 2311	2			
KFOR CZE/SVK Battle Group	Linda Dittrichova, Chief of LMT-7	Imt.czech@post.cz	450*			

^{*} This figure covers the municipalities of Obiliq/Obilić and Podujevë/Podujevo. (Source: KFOR, UNMIK Police)

10. Economics

The economic situation in the Municipality of Podujevë/Podujevo is deplorable. A high unemployment rate is a major problem faced by the municipality. In 2005 two biggest factories in municipality – the brick and metal factory were privatized, thus relieving the unemployment rate a bit.

The municipal civil service counts 266 employees. The selection of civil servants has to be closely monitored by OSCE and UNMIK.

Five private banks operate with branches in Podujevë/Podujevo: the Kasabank (opened in January 2002), the Bank for Private Business - BPB (April 2002), New Bank of Kosovo - BRK (2003) and Raiffeisen Bank (opened in January 2005) and Pro-Credit Bank.

10.1 Major Employers in the Region

Employer	Service/Products	Production continues?	Workforce Average
FAN	Metal factory	YES	250
FAPOL - Poliarm	Plastic factory	Yes	153
Euro Blok	Brick factory	YES	approx. 100
28 Nëntori	Wood factory	No	65 (four women)
Motel Besiana	Hotel	Opened	53 (26 women)
Municipality	Civil service	Yes	266
Llapi Enterprise	Various shops	Yes	90
Slaughterhouse	Meat and leather	Still under construction	15 (Ashkali; Kosovo Albanian)
Konstruktor	Building trade	Yes	-
Municipal Education sector		Yes	1384
Municipal Health Sector		Yes	262

Source: OSCE interviews

11. Infrastructure

Podujevë/Podujevo is one of the municipalities with the highest rate of damaged houses in Kosovo. Out of 14,605 houses, 5,225 houses were damaged in Category III and IV during the 1999 conflict, while 2,240 houses have been reconstructed under the European Agency for Reconstruction (EAR) programme for housing reconstruction and by NGOs in 2000. There is also a considerable private reconstruction activity. However, the problem of housing will remain a serious issue due to the ongoing repatriation of people.

The roads from Prishtinë/Priština to Podujevë/Podujevo are in good condition. In September 2005, municipality began implementation of capital projects, which include asphalting, sewage and pavement of all town roads.

Podujevë/Podujevo town aims to become the Ecological Town of Kosovo. The municipality is in possession of a professionally constructed landfill site, which allows the municipality to run an effective garbage collection system. KFOR is playing an important role in organising support for waste management and is, together with OSCE, helping clean up initiatives in villages.

Telecommunication is theoretically possible by landline telephones. Since December 2000 mobile telephones are also working. The electricity situation depends on the two major power stations. The water supply in the municipality from Batllava Lake is good, although high concerns are increasing due to a further decrease of the water level.

12. Social Services, Health, and Education

Social Services and Health:

Given the high unemployment figures, the demands on the social services have been and still are tremendous. The Centre of Social Work (CSW) employs 18 workers in three sectors: Social services, Social assistance and the Administrative/Financial sector. The CSW provides social services for 1.700 families including 78 families from minority communities. New facility is fully operational thanks to the donation (grant) of the World Bank, building currently meets the needs of the CSW workers.

Podujevë/Podujevo town has one hospital with 256 doctors and nurses, an emergency clinic, dental clinic, maternity clinic, general hospital, and 20 "ambulantas" that provide primary health outside of the town. Podujevë/Podujevo hospital provides medical services for approximately 125,968 citizens.

The few Kosovo Serbs living near the administrative boundary line to Serbia proper in Metergoc/Medregovac village receive primary health care from the Centre of Family Medicine in Orllan/Orlane and the Czech KFOR.

Education:

In Podujevë/Podujevo municipality there are 36 schools, including one preparatory school, thirty two primary and three secondary schools and the special education school for the children who suffer from mental and physical disabilities. Although the vast majority of schools in the municipality were damaged during the 1999 conflict, they all are operational. A progress has been made with regard to construction of a new school buildings and renovation of the damaged ones. The total number of municipal educational staff is 1,384 and the total number of pupils is estimated to be 21,671.

Podujevë/Podujevo municipality has the following educational institutions:

- 1. The preparatory school "Drita" with in total 55 pupils
- 2. A new school for special education for children with mental and physical disabilities performs activities in one compound of the Primary School "Kongresi I Manastirit" and accommodates 22 pupils.
- 3. In the Podujevë/Podujevo municipality there are 32 primary schools, 4 in Podujevë/Podujevo town proper and another 28 within the municipal district.
- 4. There are 3 Secondary schools in Podujevë/Podujevo municipality
 - One general Grammar School (Gymnasium) with a total number of 1,456 pupils
 - One secondary technical school with total number of 1.344 pupils
 - One Secondary Economic School with total number of 1.065 students

The number of pupils not attending school has been decreased evidently thanks to the assistance of the Municipal Directorate of Education.

(Source: MT-PJ office)

13. Returns

In comparison with other municipalities, the displaced population originally from Podujevë/Podujevo is not that significant. According to UNHCR information, there are currently 3.691 persons displaced in Serbia & Montenegro and 64 persons in the FYR Macedonia. There is little demand for return to this municipality from Ashkali and Roma IDPs, since most of those who wanted have meanwhile returned. Until the end of 2003, 70 Ashkali returned to this municipality. The Ashkali and Roma are fully integrated into the society and do not face security problems throughout the municipality. There are no Kosovo Serbs in the municipality with the exception of 21 elderly people in Sekirača/Sekiraçë village.

In 2002, a group of Kosovo Serb IDPs, who had expressed an interest to return, was identified but due to the precarious security situation not much has been achieved to facilitate their return. A Municipal Working Group on Returns (MWGR) was established on 12 August 2003, to facilitate and co-ordinate possible returns of Serb IDP. In conjunction with this, two 'Go-and See-Visits' (GSV) were organized to this municipality, which led to the establishment of the Task Force (TF) on organizing the GSV. After the March events last year the work of both MWG and TF was suspended. After a short period of time, the MWG resumed its activity with renewed vigour, being able to approve the Municipal Returns Strategy 2004. Among the first municipalities in Kosovo, Podujevë/Podujevo appointed two Municipal Returns Officers, one Albanian and one Kosovo Serb member, and also has approved the Municipal Returns Strategy for 2005 and 2006. Two concept papers (CP) of return are in process: CP of return in Livadicë/Livadice and an urban return in Podujevë/Podujevo

Currently, emphasize was put on the interethnic dialogue group, that has been created from CARE to prepare the IDPs presently displaced to the town of Kuršumlija in Serbia proper to return to the Livadicë/Livadica village. In last few months, this group has very successfully met several times. The return of some 20 Serb IDP families is expected in the first half of the year 2006. Until now there has been no IDP family return in Podujevë/Podujevo.