REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

NATIONAL ACTION PLAN ROMA INCLUSION DECADE 2005-2015

Goals	Targets	Activities	Responsible	Timeline	Financing		Indicators
Gours	Turgets	1100111005	authority		Funds	Sources	
		1. PRIORITY A	REA: <i>EDUCAT</i>	ION			
1. Guarantee the right to equal access to quality education to	1.1.Ensure legal guarantees for equal integration and institutional	1.1.1. Review of the legal basis of the education system, as well as the national legislation as a whole; development of proposals for amendments.	CoM; MES	2005 – 2006	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
children and pupils from the Roma ethnic	mechanism for the adequate integration of	1.1.2. Review and amendments to the legal basis on municipal level	Municipalities	2005-2006	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
minority	Roma children through amendments to the legal basis	1.1.3. Setting up of a specialized department at the MES, in charge of the coordination, the ongoing monitoring and the evaluation of the implementation of the Strategy for integration of children and pupils from ethnic minorities and the Action plan, incl. the Action plan for the Decade.	MES	2005	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
		1.1.4. Setting up of a Centre for educational integration of children and pupils from ethnic minorities	MES	2005	BGN 1 000 000	State budget	Number of schools and kindergartens in which educational integration is successfully realised
		1.1.5. Setting up of a Specialized fund for educational integration of children and pupils from ethnic minorities and preparation of a Regulation on its functioning.	CoM, MES	2005-2006		From the Republican budget and under projects	Adopted Law on a specialized fund and a Regulation on its application.
		1.1.6. Development and implementation of projects in line with the Decade National Action Plan	MES	2005-2015		Under projects	Improved quality of the educational process

	1.1.7. Inclusion of provisions in the regulations of kindergartens, schools and supplementary units, as well as clauses in the job descriptions of school personnel, aimed at ensuring tolerance towards Roma children and creating appropriate school environment.	Municipalities	2005-2006	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
	1.1.8. Opening semi-boarding school forms of education in the receiving schools and supply with resources the semi-boarding school groups (SBSG) in compliance with the requirement for quality education provision.	Municipalities	2005 –2008		State budget	Number of semi- boarding school groups /SBSGs/ formed
1.2. Desegregation of schools and kindergartens in the detached Roma quarters	1.2.1 Development of municipal programmes and action plans, incl. budgets, for educational integration of the children and pupils. Development of timetable for desegregation of schools and kindergartens in the detached Roma quarters.	Inspectorates on Education (RIE) in cooperation	2005-2007	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	Number of developed municipal programmes and plans
	1.2.2 Identification of receiving schools and kindergartens, to which the children from the desegregated schools will be directed.	RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2007	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	Number of integrated kindergartens and schools
	 1.2.3. Desegregation of the detached kindergartens and schools through: Moving the children out of the Roma quarters and closing the segregated schools and kindergartens. The necessary transportation will be provided taking into consideration the parents' preferences. Adequate integration and inclusion of Roma children in a multi-ethnic environment. 	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015		State budget	Number of closed segregated kindergartens and schools

		1.2.4. Delivery of textbooks and educational aids for preparatory, first, second and third grade, curriculum development, capacity building and improved material base in desegregated schools.	MES, NCCEDI in cooperation with the municipalities	2006-2009	€ 1 148 213	Phare programme 2003, Multi- annual planning under Phare programme 2004-2006, State budget	Improved quality of the educational process; Improved material base in schools and kindergartens
condition equality adaptate Roma condition pupils v	ons for y and tion of the children and within the	1.3.1. Moving the children who do not meet the requirements for enrollment out of these schools. Provision of education to these children in mainstream or professional schools.	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2009		State budget	Number of pupils that were moved from segregated educational institutions to integrated ones
new ed environ		1.3.2. Transformation of auxiliary schools	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2009		State budget	Number of transformed or closed schools and kindergartens
		1.3.3. Exercise control on the enrollment process in the auxiliary schools in cooperation with NGOs with the aim to avoid the enrollment of children without disabilities.	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
		1.3.4. Exercise control on the receiving kindergartens and schools to avoid segregated groups and classes.	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
		1.3.5. Specialized activities of the school psychologists and pedagogical advisors aimed at facilitating the adaptation of the Roma children and pupils to the new educational environment.	MES, RIE in cooperation with the directors of the kindergartens and schools	2005-2015	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
		1.3.6. Implementation of activities in the kindergartens and schools aimed at developing positive attitudes towards the educational integration of the Roma children.	MES, RIE in cooperation with directors, Boards of trustees and NGOs	2005-2015		Under projects	

1.3.7. Organizing seminars and other training forms for parents with the aim to overcome negative stereotypes and develop tolerant interrelations.	MES, RIE in cooperation with municipalities, schools and NGOs	2005-2015	From the Republican budget and under projects	Number of seminars for teachers' adaptation to teach in integrated environments and for increase of sensitivity to diversities; other forms of further qualification held
1.3.8. Training and employment of assistant teachers in the receiving kindergartens and schools with the aim to ensure better adaptation of the children and pupils of Roma origin.	MES, HEI in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015	State budget Phare programme 2003 Multi- annual planning under Phare programme 2004-2006, phase 1	Number of assistant teachers employed.
1.3.9. Elaboration and establishment of a National Information and Monitoring System	MES, NCCEDI	2007-2008	Multi- annual planning under Phare programme 2004-2006, phase 3 State budget	
1.3.10 Create conditions for social integration of young Roma through supporting them to get higher education	MES, NCCEDI	2006-2007	Phare programme 2004-2006, phase 1; National co-financing; Under projects	Number of young Roma admitted at universities and colleges after attending preparatory targeted courses

		1.3.11 Development of a grant scheme to support the education of Roma students in the higher institutes	MES, NCCEDI	2006-2008		Phare programme 2004-2006, phase 3; National co-financing	Number of young Roma receiving educational grants
2.Preservation and development of the cultural identity of the children and	2.1. Ensuring the educational conditions and resources, needed for the process of integration of the	2.1.1. Establishment of an electronic library and maintenance of an information database at the MES, including materials on intercultural learning, human rights, bilingual training and native language learning.	MES	2005-2015	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
pupils from the Roma ethnic minority.	Roma children and pupils and for the development of	2.1.2. Ensuring appropriate conditions for learning Roma native language	MES	2005-2007	BGN 2 500	State budget	Number of children, studying Roma language
	their cultural identity.	2.1.3. Development of school curricula in Roma language.	MES	2005-2006	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	Developed school curricula in Roma language
		2.1.4. Development and endorsement by MES of textbooks and school aids in Roma language.	MES	2005-2007		State budget	Approved textbooks in Roma language and other school aids for the two stages of the primary education
	2.2. Ensuring the necessary pedagogical and administrative staff for the implementation of	2.2.1.Development of a proposal for introduction and accreditation of a specialty "Romanology" at the level of the education-qualification degrees "Specialist", "Bachelor" and "Master" at the Higher Education Institutions (HEI)	HEI	2005-2009	No additional funding necessary*		Number of HEIs, having introduced the specialty
	programmes in intercultural learning, human rights, principles	2.2.2. Introduction of specializations in Roma language and culture into the specialties within the professional domains	HEI	2005-2009		State budget	Number of specializations on "Roma language and culture" at HEI
and	and values of the civil society.	2.2.3. Development and endorsement of school curricula and programmes for additional professional qualification of teachers in Roma language	MES, HEI	2005-2009		Under projects	

		.2.2.4. Organization of courses for acquisition of additional professional qualification in Roma language and culture by teachers.	MES, HEI	2005-2008	BGN 45 000 /BGN 11 250 per year/; BGN132 000	State budget Municipal budgets	Courses on "Roma language and culture" held
		2.2.5. Organization of courses for professional qualification of pedagogical advisors and psychologists in work with Roma children and parents.	MES, HEI	2005-2015		State budget and under projects	Courses held
		2.2.6. Annual organization of forums on topical problems related to training in multicultural and bilingual environment	MES, HEI	2005-2015		State budget and under projects	
3. Creation of pre-requisites for successful socialization of Roma children, pupils and youths.	3.1. Taking back to school and keeping in the educational system of drop-out pupils.	3.1.1. Implementation of different forms of work with parents, keeping their children away from the kindergarten or the school. Development of a programme for joint work of the Municipalities and the institutions from the mainstream educational system with representatives of the Roma community.	MES, RIE, EA, SAPC in cooperation with municipalities, NGOs and Board of trustees	2005-2009		Under projects	
	3.2. Professional realization and social integration of Roma youths	3.2.1. Development and introduction into the professional schools of a programme "Second chance", aimed at professional training and education of young people from Roma origin.	MLSP, MES in cooperation with municipalities and NGOs	2005-2015		Under projects	Number of Roma youths, having received professional education.
4. Transformation of the cultural diversity into a source of and a factor for	4.1. Promotion of the Roma culture and traditions.	4.1.1. Activities, aimed at getting to know the different ethno cultures, etc. Organization of competitions on Roma topics.	MES, RIE, MC, MYS in cooperation with NGOs, schools and municipalities	2005-2015		State budget and under projects	
knowledge of each other and		4.1.2. Organizations of fests of the Roma traditions and folklore.					

spiritual development of the young people. Establishment of an atmosphere of mutual respect, tolerance and		4.1.3. Organization of multicultural schools for children and parents.					
understanding.		4.1.4. Organising of seminars for 20 training teams, who will provide training for pedagogical staff in intercultural education and human rights	MES, RIE	2005-2006	BGN 7 200	State budget	20 training teams formed (20x2 trainers)
5. Formation of appropriate social-psychological	5.1. Improving the attitudes towards the Roma ethnos in the school	5.1.1. Review of the available textbooks and school aids for 4-12 grade and publication of new ones, in which the Roma culture is presented.	MES	2005-2009	No additional funding necessary*	State budget	
climate, favorable for the educational integration of children and pupils from the Roma minority.	community	5.1.2.Extracurricular and out-of-school activities: 1) Preparation of a calendar of the Roma ethno cultural holidays during the school year, in accordance with the specifics of the area; 2) Organization of discussion clubs on Roma and intercultural issues; 3) Organization of school newspapers, school radio or internet site on Roma and intercultural issues and tolerance; 4) Thematic excursions for getting acquainted with the Roma ethno culture; 5) Organization of competitions in native Roma language;	Schools and municipalities	2005-2015		State budget and under projects	

5.2. Promotion of	NCCEDI, DEDI	2005-2015	State budget
the ideas and the	at CoM; MES		and under
priorities of the			projects
Roma Inclusion			
Decade among the			
general public			
through the media,			
through national			
and regional			
forums.			

^{*}The necessary funding for salaries and additional personnel costs allocated in the MES budget are not indicated here.

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Strategic goal	: Reduction of mo	2. PRIORITY AR			tus of the Ror	na population.	
1. Reduction of infant mortality	1.1. Early registration and observation of pregnant women throughout the pregnancy period and timely hospitalization of lying-in women	1.1.1.Mediators active support for General Practitioner's efforts in screening women within the fourth month pregnancy by registering, obstetrician consultation and timely hospital entry for delivery	General practitioners	2005 – 2015			Pregnant women screening through examination and consultation with gynecologist within the fourth month of pregnancy and timely hospitalization of lying-in women as minimum 75% of women
		1.1.2. Realization of gynaecological examinations and consultations in health centers (incl. in mobile ones) functioning near areas with compact Roma population.	National Health Insurance Fund /NHIF/, experts in obstetrics and gynecology, GPs	2005 – 2008		PHARE Multi-annual Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 1	Number of factual examinations and consultations
		1.1.3. Provision of possibilities for ambulance access to houses of women in labour for their timely transportation to the specialized medical institution.	MRDPW in cooperation with municipalities	2005 – 2015			% of women in labour, transported to medical institutions by ambulances
	1.2. Reduction of pregnancy cases amidst teenagers and kindred marriages	1.2.1. Conduct of lectures targeted to young people and their parents regarding the preventive methods from unwanted and early pregnancy, early pregnancy risks for the mother and child, kindred marriages.	Mediators, SACP, GPs	2005 – 2015		Donor programmes, PHARE Multi-annual Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 1	Number of cases of early birth giving; Number of cases of kindred marriages; Number of early age abortions

		1.2.2. Conduct of genetic and selective screening and prenatal diagnostics – after getting an informed agreement and adhering to the principle of confidentiality. 1.2.3. Organization of consulting offices in the areas of predominating Roma population on the issues of family planning, ways of prevention of sexually transmitted infections.	MH and NHIF, GPs MH in cooperation with municipalities and NGOs	2005 – 2015 2005 – 2015	State budget and Donor programmes State budget, PHARE Multi-annual Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 1	Frequency of genetic diseases; Number of prenatal diagnostic analyses Number of operational consulting rooms opened
		1.2.4. Carry out lectures, discussions, film shows regarding the specificity of puberty and the sexually transmitted infections for 5-8 grade students and youths, dropped off school	MH, Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection, GPs	2005 - 2015	State budget, Multi-annual Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 1	Number of early age pregnancies; Number of people affected by sexually transmitted disease
2. Improvement of health care of newborns and children under school age	2.1. Timely registration of newborn babies and children at the General Practitioner	2.1.1. Accelerate the activity of the mediators for tracing children unregistered at the General Practitioner and clarifying the importance of their registration before the parents.	Mediators	2005 - 2015	Donor programmes	% of children, registered at the General Practitioner
	2.2. Broaden the vaccination range as per the National Immunization Calendar for	2.2.1. Carry out discussion and lectures with young mothers on the importance of immunization and their motivation for its regular implementation as per the National Immunization Calendar.	MH, Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection, mediators	2005 - 2015	State budget, Donor programmes	% of immunized out of liable to immunization
	newborn and children under age of 7 years.	2.2.2. Demonstration of audio and video clips on the importance of immunizations	MH, Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection	2005 – 2015	State budget	% of immunized out of the liable to immunization
		2.2.3. General Practitioner's active tracing back of newborn babies in domestic conditions and immunization with vaccines appropriate for their age.	General practitioners, mediators	2005 – 2015		% of immunized out of liable to immunization

of preventive activities amidst Roma population the National	3.1.Widen the vaccination range of Roma population as per the National Immunization	3.1. Carry out educational campaigns on the necessity of vaccination of the population by compulsory immunizations as per the National Immunization Calendar	MH, Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection, GPs, mediators		State budge Donor programme	country average
	Calendar	3.1.2. Disseminate information on the activities of HEI immunization offices via electronic media	MH - Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection	2005 - 2015	State budge	
		3.1.3. Carry out population immunization campaigns focused on children of incomplete immunization status	MH - Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection, Regional Health Center /RHC/, GPs	2005 – 2015	State budge Donor programme	immunized
		3.1.4. Carry out immunization against hepatitis A and hepatitis B aimed at Roma population risk groups (for people born before 1992.).	MH, RHC, NCCEDI, GPs	2005 – 2015	Donor programme Phare programme 2003	vaccinated with antihepatitis vaccine
		3.1.5. Carry out epidemiologic researches of immunization coverage of Roma children in line with the internationally adopted methodology (Research of nidus under the methodology 7X7)	MH – Hygiene Epidemiologic Inspection, mediators	2005 г. 2010 г. 2015 г.	State budge Donor programme	out of those liable
	3.2. Better coverage of Roma population with preventive examination	3.2.1. Conduct of screening researches in areas with predominating Roma population aiming at prevention and diagnostics and timely treatment of tuberculosis, mammary gland cancer, cervix cancer, cardiovascular diseases and other disease characteristic of the settlement.	MH, GPs, Mobile units	2005 – 2015	State budge Donor programme Multi-annua Phare Programme 2004 – 2000 phase 2	covered by s, screening research; l Level of tuberculosis morbidity,

		3.2.2. Conduct of chemoprophylaxis for people sociable with tuberculosis ill people	MH, GPs	2005 – 2015		State budget Donor programmes	Share of sociable people treated with chemoprophylaxis
		3.2.3. Delivery of: 5 mobile units for preventive healthcare services, 2 mobile flourographs, 2 preventive care units equipped with mobile digital X-ray devices, 2 mammography units, 2 ultrasounds units (cancer screening), 4 paediatric and 4 genecology units, and other specialized healthcare devices.	MH, NCCEDI	2006-2008	€ 5 156 070 €1 712 565	2003 Phare project and Multi-annual Phare Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 1,2&3 national co-financing	
		3.2.4. Conduct of preventive examination on the spot in the areas predominantly inhabited by Roma population by mobile units with specialized equipment.	MH, mediators, GPs, NHIF	2005 – 2015		State budget, 2003 Phare programme Multi-annual Phare Programme 2004 – 2006, phase 2&3	Number of people covered by prophylactic examination
		3.2.5. Conduct of educational campaign on the importance of the preventive examination amidst Roma population	MH – RHC, GPs in cooperation with NGO and mediators	2005 – 2015			Reduction of morbidity rate among Roma population
		3.2.6. Conduct of purposeful preventive activities for Roma population being a risk group as per the national and regional preventive programmes	MH, GPs, NHIF	2005 – 2015		State budget, Donor programmes	Reduction of morbidity among Roma population
4. Increase of health awareness and level of information of	4.1. Education of the Roma population about their rights and obligation as	4.1.1. Providing information to the Roma population on their health insurance rights and obligations as patients	Mediators, GPs	2005 – 2015		Donor programmes	% Roma people, observing their obligations in their capacity of health insured individuals
the Roma population	patients	4.1.2. Organization and conduct of health and informational events at detached Roma quarters on specific issues	GPs	2005 – 2015	BGN 5 000 per year	State budget, Donor programmes	

Roma on pre	Training of the a population evention from lost frequent ses	4.2.1. Organization and conduct of campaigns for the introduction of prevention methods against most widely spread contagious and non-contagious diseases (with focus on cardiovascular diseases)	MH – RHC, mediators and GPs	2005 – 2015	BGN 10 000 per year	State budget, Donor programmes	Reduction of infectious and non- contageous diseases frequency among Roma population
		4.2.2. Increased number of radio and TV health programmes focused on prophylactics	MH – RHC, in cooperation with public and private media	2005 – 2015	BGN 5 000 per year	State budget, Donor programmes	
		4.2.3. Development and broadcasting of audio and video clips on health subjects addressed to Roma population	MH – RHC, in cooperation with public and private media	2005 – 2015	BGN 5 000 per year	State budget, Donor programmes	
		4.2.4. Periodical conduct of lectures, carried out by health experts and mediators dealing with the harm of the most widely- spread risk factors – smoking, alcohol abuse, drug abuse, hypertonia and the advantages of healthy life style	MH – RHC, in cooperation with public and private media	2005 – 2015			Decreased frequency of risk factors
		4.2.5. Purposeful introduction of health education in schools of predominant Roma population areas in the Period of the class or introduction of a special Free Choice Subject or Obligatory Choice Subject.	MES, MH	2005 – 2015		State budget, Donor programmes	Share of Roma youth aware of the health issues, following healthy lifestyle behaviour
		4.2.6. Stimulation of extra curriculum activity focused on health education of Roma children- clubs, scout groups, sports sections	MYS in cooperation with municipalities and NGOs			State budget, Donor programmes	Number of students involved in extra curriculum activities of health education and sports

	4.3. Training of mediators focused on the most frequent diseases amidst Roma population	4.3.1. Periodical conduct of mediators' training carried out by qualified medical experts	MH-RHC in cooperation with mediators and GPs	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes, Phare programme 2003, Multi-annual Phare Programme 2004- 2006, phase 2&3	Number of health mediators trained
		4.3.2. Implementation of curriculum for mediators' training and its introducing it in the medical colleges	MH in cooperation with the medical colleges	2005-2015	State budget Donor programmes	Number of mediators trained in the new curriculum
		4.3.3. Providing of professional realization to the mediators	MLSP, MH in cooperation with municipalities	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes	Number of health mediators employed
5. Improvement of access to health services	5.1. Bringing the practices of primary and specialized aid to areas with predominant Roma population	5.1.1. Opening and equipping primary health care centres in areas predominantly inhabited by Roma. Provision of condition for attracting cardiologists, pediatricians and specialists in pulmonary diseases for scheduled work in the health centers	Municipalities, NGOs	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes	Number of practices opened in areas with predominant Roma population
	5.2. Increase the number of ambulances with	5.2.1. Investigation of the need in ambulances of high road ability for certain areas	МН	2005	State budget, Donor programmes	Defined needs of ambulances of high road ability
	high road ability in Emergency Medicine Centres	5.2.2. Purchase of equipment for ambulances of high road ability in Emergency Medicine Centres	МН	2005 - 2010	State budget, Donor programmes	Number of purchased ambulances
	5.3. Effective communication training of the personnel working with Roma population aiming	5.3.1. Inclusion in the educational programmes of the medical universities and colleges by attending specialized classes /courses/ forming capabilities for work with the Roma community	Medical universities and colleges	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes PHARE programme 2003	Number of students trained and capable to work with Roma population

	at strengthening the mutual trust	5.3.2. Conduct of seminars introducing the ethnic and cultural peculiarities of the Roma population aimed at the medical personnel	Medical universities and colleges	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes PHARE programme 2003;	Number of medical experts trained and capable to work with Roma population
6. Assessment and monitoring of the health status of the Roma population	6.1. Development and implementation of mechanisms of monitoring and assessment of the	6.1.1. Conduct of purposeful sociological research in area of predominant Roma population.	MH in cooperation with NGOs	2005 – 2015	State budget Donor programmes	Number of Roma health status monitoring researches and surveys implemented
	health status of the Roma population	6.1.2. Conduct of qualitative research with focus groups.	MH in cooperation with NGOs			Number of researches carried out
		6.1.3. Elaboration of monitoring mechanisms and development of information and monitoring system.	МН	2007-2009	Multi-annual Programme 2004- 2006	Roma health status monitoring system established and operational
		6.1.4. Monitoring the efficiency of the effected measures for mortality and morbidity reduction amidst the Roma population.	MH in cooperation with NGOs			
		6.1.5. Monitoring the objective health status of the Roma population	MH in cooperation with NGOs			
		6.1.6. Provision of conditions of data collection about the morbidity and mortality rate amidst Roma population	MH National Statistic Institute /NSI/ National Center for Health Information /NCHI/	2006	State budget, Donor programmes	Roma health status system of data collection established and operational

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Strategic goal	3. PRIORITY AREA: HOUSING Strategic goal: Sustainable improvement of the living conditions for Roma population in the Republic of Bulgaria.										
stag Effe Diss Imp Ror	ges of the National active coordination semination of information of information of information population	dination of the activities implemented Action Plan; and cooperation between the governmentation to the public incl. to all the stake formation and popularization programs ent opportunities for Roma – short and	ental, non-govern eholders on the p for the opportun	mental and norogress in the	nunicipal admir e implementations ss to houses of	nistrations and on of the Nations' and housing	l organizations; onal Action Plan; credit among the				
1.Providing of opportunities for access to houses in compliance with the state standards in areas with predominant Roma population	1.1.Synchronizing the Decade Action Plan targets with the goals and priorities of the National Housing Strategy, National Regional Strategy and the National Development Plan	1.1.1.Revision of enforced legislation on housing policy and its alignment with the set goal	MRDPW	2005-2006г.		State budget	Revised and newly adopted acts of legislation				

1.2.Inclusion	of 1.2.1. Implementation of programs related	Municipalities	2005г.	Municipal	Number of
measures for	he to the improvement of the living conditions	1		budgets	development
housing neo					municipal plans
satisfaction a	nd				elaborated, incl. in
improvement of	he				areas with
housing condition					predominant Roma
for Ro					population;
population as	an				Number of
integral part of					programs explicitly
municipal					targeting Roma
development pla	ns				population
					included in the
					municipal
					development plans
	1.2.2. Development and setting up of a	MRDPW in	2006-2008	State budget,	An established
	National Information System for	cooperation with		Phare	National
	disadvantaged ethnic minorities housing	municipalities		programme	Information
	issues			2002,	System for
				Municipal	disadvantaged
				budgets	ethnic minorities
					housing issues
	1.2.3.Zoning maps implementation and	MRDPW in	2005-2010	State budget,	Number of
	upgrading, elaboration of cadastral and	cooperation with		Phare	cadastral maps and
	urbanization plans	municipalities		programme	plans developed
				2002,	and filed;
				Municipal	Number of detailed
				budgets	zoning maps
					elaborated.

of bui add	3. Improvement existing and ilding of new equate technical d social frastructure for oma	1.3.1. Preparation of reports on the results from the completed evaluation on the existing houses and adjoining infrastructure in regions with predominant Roma population. These reports can be used for the elaborations of terms of reference to the detailed zoning maps projects.	Municipalities	2005-2007г.	Municipal budgets	Number of elaborated and submitted reports on the conditions of the houses and their adjoining infrastructure in areas predominantly inhabited by Roma population
		1.3.2. Finding of solutions to the land ownership and illegal construction issues in areas with high concentration of Roma population based on the amendments in the respective legislation	MJ, MRDPW, MF	2006-2012г.	State budget, Municipal budgets	Number of legalized Roma houses which cover the respective technical and legal standards
		1.3.3.Reconstruction and further building of existing technical and social infrastructure, and building of new one in areas inhabited by Roma population	MRDPW, NCCEDI in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015г.	State budget, Municipal budgets, donor programs, Phare programme 2002, MAP Phare programme 2004-2006	Reconstructed or rebuilt existing or/and new technical and social infrastructure in municipalities inhabited by Roma population, measured by specific indicators

1.3.4. Defining of new terrains for house construction by the municipalities; implementation of cadastral maps, incl. on the basis of existing cadastral plans, land plans, etc.; Implementation of detailed urbanization plans for them and building of technical and	Municipalities	2005-2012г.	Municipal budgets, Donor programs	Number of Roma families which have been provided with the opportunity to build their own houses in regulated
social infrastructure as a ground for housing construction.				municipal plots which have the necessary infrastructure.
1.3.5. Adoption and implementation of municipal housing programs and instruments for socially disadvantaged Roma families with an active participation of the Roma community.	-	2005-2015г.	Municipal budgets	Number of Roma families covered by the social assistance programs
1.3.6. Organizing of information and educational campaigns among the Roma population on the opportunities for access to good quality houses and living environment.		2005-2015г.	Donor programs, Municipal budgets	

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	4. PRIORITY AREA: EMPLOYMENT									
1. Improvement of the competitiveness of Roma population on the labour market, incl. in modern spheres of labour activity	1.1. Improvement of the qualification and employability of unemployed Roma people	1.1.1. Organizing of training courses for unemployed people such as: a) motivation for active seeking of job opportunities; b) professional orientation; c) literacy; d) professional qualification; within the annual qualification programmes under the National Action Plan for Employment /NAPE/ and other plans.	MLSP, EA, ASA, MAF, MEW, MES in cooperation with the municipalities.	2005-2015		State budget, Donor programmes	Number of Roma people who attended courses in: 1. In the period 2005-2007: a) motivation—3 000; b) professional orientation-3 000 c) literacy-1 000; d)professional qualification - 4000; 2. In the period 2005-2010: a) motivation—5 000; b) professional orientation-4 000 c) literacy-2 000; d)professional qualification - 6000; 3. In the period 2005-2015: a) motivation—8 000; b) professional orientation—8 000; b) professional orientation—6 000 c) literacy-3 000; d)professional qualification — 10 000;			
		1.1.2. Organizing of vocational training of Roma in construction skills	NCCEDI, DEDI, UNDP, MLSP in cooperation with municipalities and	2004-2007		2002 Phare project, MAP Phare programme	Number of trained Roma who passed re- qualification programs – 1 000			

			NGOs		20	2004-2006	
	1.2. Providing of employment opportunities for those Roma people actively seeking for work	1.2.1. Employment promotion through programs and measures employment in line with the Employment Promotion Act within the annual qualification programmes under NAPE and other plans.	MLSP, EA, MES, regional administrations in cooperation with municipalities and potential employers	2005-2015	D	State budget, Donor programmes	Number of Roma people employed: 1. In the period 2005- 2007: 15 000; 2. In the period 2005- 2010: 25 000; 3. In the period 2005- 2015: 35 000.
		1.2.2. Implementation of temporary employment programmes in the electricity distribution companies where debtors can pay off their debt through repair and construction works.	MEER	2005-2006		State budget	Number of Roma people employed
	1.3. Creation and providing of opportunities for retaining and improving the employment rates and carrier development	1.3.1. Encouragement of employers to improve the qualification level of the labour force (within the annual qualification programmes under NAPE and other plans)	MLSP, EA, MES, municipal and regional administrations	2005-2015	de fo	tate budget, lomestic and oreign donor orogrammes	Number of employed Roma, who attended on the job training courses: 1. In the period 2005- 2007: 3 000; 2. In the period 2005- 2010: 4 000; 3. In the period 2005- 2015: 6 000.
2. Encouragement of entrepreneurship, start-up and management of own business activities	2.1. Improvement of the entrepreneurship culture of Roma people	2.1.1. Organizing of motivation courses. (within the annual qualification programmes under NAPE and other plans)	MLSP, EA, ME in cooperation with municipalities	2005-2015	D	State budget, Donor programmes	Number of Roma who attended courses for business skills development: 1. In the period 2005-2007: 1 000; 2. In the period 2005-2010: 2 000; 3. In the period 2005-2015: 5 000.
	2.2.Supporting Roma	2.2.1. Training in	MLSP, EA, ME,	2005-2015	S	State budget,	Number of Roma,

individuals to start up	business management	SIDA			Donor	who attended the
their own family					programmes	courses:
business					programmes	1. In the period 2005-
Cusiness						2007: 1 000;
						2. In the period 2005-
						2010: 2 000;
						3. In the period 2005-
						2015: 5 000
	2.2.2 Providing of	NCCEDI, MLSP in	2003-2006	€ 220 000	Phare	Number of trainees
	2.2.2. Providing of	,	2003-2006	E 220 000		involved in courses
	business training and	cooperation with			programme 2002	for business skills
	opportunities for the	municipalities and			2002	
	starting up of own	UNDP				development;
	business within the					Number of leasing
	'Business Support'					contracts with Roma
	component of the Phare					start-up businesses
	Project Urbanisation and					Number of bank
	Social Development of					loans disbursed to
	areas with disadvantaged					Roma businesses
	minority populations					
	2.2.3. Implementation of	MAF	2005-2006		State budget	Number and scope of
	a joint programme by the					implemented projects
	Agriculture and Forestry					targeting the
	municipal units for					improvement of
	providing of consultant					Roma businesses
	services to the small					competitiveness and
	business in the field of					employment
	agriculture and forestry					opportunities
	2.2.4. Preparation of list	MAF in cooperation	2005-2006		State budget	Number of Roma
	of Roma who wish to	with municipalities				who were granted
	receive land and to					land for developing
	cultivate it; free of					own agricultural
	charge renting of land.					production
	2.2.5. Establishment of	MAF in cooperation	2005-2006		State budget	Number of co-
	experimental pilot Roma	with municipalities				operations and unions
	farm co-operations and					established,
	unions					Number of Roma
						employed in them
	2.2.6. Establishment of	MAF in cooperation	2005-2006		State budget	Number of
	small family farms	with municipalities				established farms,

	2.3. Encouragement of the traditional Roma crafts development	2.3.1. Implementation of special programmes.	MLSP, EA in cooperation with UNDP	2005-2015	State budget, Donor programmes	employing Roma and/or belonging to Roma; Number of Roma people employed in the established farms Number of Roma supported: 1. In the period 2005-2007: 500; 2. In the period 2005-2010: 1 000; 3. In the period 2005-
3. Capacity building for Roma employment promotion.	3.1. Improvement of the administrative services delivered to job-seekers and potential employers.	3.1.1. Organization of training courses in intercultural communication targeted to the labour offices employees.	EA	2005-2015	State budget	Number of state employees trained in specific skills necessary to manage cultural and ethnic diversity challenges
		3.1.2. Employment of Roma community representatives in the EA local structures in regions with compact Roma population	MLSP, EA	2005-2015	State budget	Number of employed Roma in the EA at local and national level
4. Fostering of the social and public dialogue in relation to Roma employment.	4.1. Providing of support to Roma organizations who wish to implement initiatives and campaigns fostering the public dialogue in relation to Roma employment.	4.1.1. Organizing of seminars, meetings, round tables, discussions, media campaigns.	MLSP, EA	2005-2015	Donor programmes	Number of implemented initiatives at local and national level fostering the public dialogue in relation to Roma employment Coverage of the initiative
	4.2. Opening of NGOs cooperation and partnership centres.	4.2.1. Implementation of centre establishment projects	MLSP, EA	2005-2015	Donor programmes	Number of cooperation and partnership centres established

Goals	Targets	Activities	Responsible	Timeline	Fin	ancing	- Indicators			
Guais	rargets	Activities	authority	Timenne	Funds	Sources	indicators			
5. PRIORITY	5. PRIORITY AREA: PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION AND GUARANTEEING OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES									
1. Improvement of the police officers work effectiveness in a multicultural environment, adhering to standards and regulations on human rights protections	1.1.Improvement of police officers qualifications for working in a multi-ethnic environment	1.1.1. Organization of 20 one-week training courses with the topic 'Police officers work with people belonging to ethnic minorities'(1140 police officers will attend the training)	MI	2005 2006	BGL 36 460 BGL 36 460	State budget	Number of officers who attended the training for skills necessary for working in a multi- ethnic environment			
		1.1.2.On the job training of police officers in human rights protection and ethnic issues	MI	2005-2015		State budget	Number of conducted training events; Number of trained officers possessing the skills necessary for working in a multi-ethnic environment			
2. Encouragement of tolerant interethnic relation through sport initiatives	2.1. Implementation of programmes and projects aimed to the encouragement of tolerant interethnic relation between Roma and non-Roma young people	2.1.1. Organizing of a campaign called 'I want to be' in order to provoke sympathy towards young Roma people; Involving of prominent sportsmen to participate in the media campaign.	MYS in cooperation with UNDP	2005 -2004	BGN 15 000	State budget and a project	Number of children – Roma and non-Roma, who participated in tolerance and interethnic relations campaign Number of organized events within the campaign			
3. Increase of Roma people presence at all levels of the public administration	3.1. Increasing the number of employed Roma people in the public administration at a national and local level and improvement of the qualifications of	3.1.1.Periodical training courses for the regional and municipal experts on ethnic and demographic issues	CoM, NCCEDI	2005-2015		State budget	Number of training courses preparing Roma for public administration employment			

	those who are already employed.						
		3.1.2.Set-up and support of a database providing information on young Roma interested to work in Public Administration and open positions	NCCEDI, EA	2005-2015		State budget	Number of Roma people employed in the PA
		3.1.3. Implementation of active internship programme in government institutions and/or the NCCEDI for young Roma university graduates	NCCEDI, MLSP, EA	2005-2015		State budget	Number of Roma who worked under internships programmes in the PA
4. Higher effectiveness of the social assistance system achieved through improvement of the social workers qualification to work in a multi-ethnic environment.	4.1. Improvement of the skills and qualifications of social workers necessary to work in a multi-ethnic environment.	4.1.1. Providing of training targeted to employees of the Social Assistance Directorates.	MLSP, EA	2005-2015	BGN 10 000 for the year 2005	State budget	Number of courses held; Number of social workers trained

Goals	Targets	Activities	Responsible authority	Timeline	Financing		Indicators	
					Funds	Sources	- Indicators	
6 PRIORITY AREA: CULTURE								
Strategic goal: Providing of condition identity.	s for the preservation	of the Roma cultural id	entity and its develo	opments as an	n intrinsic ele	ement of the na	tional cultural	
Ensuring of sustainability and steadiness of the cultural integration	1.1. Gradual achievement of targets stipulated in the Culture section of The Framework Programme for Equal Integration of Roma in the Bulgarian Society (FPEIRBS)	1.1.1. Amendments to the adopted by the MC strategy for implementation of the state policy on equal integration of Roma in the Bulgarian national culture in accordance with the FPEIRBS	MC, NGOs, RPCCD	2005-2015		State budget	Adoption of the amended Strategy	
		1.1.2. Elaboration and implementation of programmes and projects for cultural and social integration of Roma people at a local level	MCin cooperation with NGOs and the National Association of the Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria /NAMRB/	2005-2015		State budget donor programmes	Number of projects implemented Average budget of the projects implemented	
2. Development of ethnic minorities' cultures as a specific ones and as a part of the national one	2.1. Establishment of cultural and educational centres for artistic activities and additional education	2.1.1. Opening of new libraries, Internet clubs, artistic groups/clubs, courses and schools.	MC in cooperation with NGOs	2005-2015		State budget	Number of newly- established structures for cultural activities	
	2.2. Institution building of community centres and providing of new opportunities in support of the spiritual and cultural development of the	2.2.1. Building, maintaining and supporting the community centres in the Roma quarters.	MC in cooperation with NGOs	2005-2015		State budget	Number of community centres	

Roma community.						
·	2.2.2. Establishment of a Roma resource centre in Sofia, which can provide an opportunity for the development of a Roma community centre network and offering of consultations services, training, and exchange of information.	MC in cooperation with 'Nevo Drom' community centre, Sofia and other community centres	2005-2007			Roma resource centre centre at 'Nevo Drom' community centre in Sofia established; Number of people who benefit from the community centres services
2.3. Research activities focused on preservation and popularization of the Roma culture and folklore	2.3.1. Establishment and strengthening of the Roma musical theatre	MC, NCCEDI	2005-2006 г.	BGN 50 000	State budget	Number of performances staged by the Roma community centres and/or other institutions supporting Roma culture; Average number of spectators per performance
	2.3.2. Create a collection of audio-visual records of prominent Roma talents performances and works in the field of Roma musical, singing and dancing arts and set up a database for traditional skills and crafts	MC, Folklore Institute at BSA, community centres, NGOs	2005-2015		State budget	Genuine Roma music and other oral culture artefacts records collection created A database for traditional Roma skills and crafts set-up and operational
	2.3.3. Recognition of key cultural events related to Roma culture and identity presentation within the national cultural calendar	MC, RPCCD, NCCEDI, NGOs	2005-2015		State budget	Number of cultural events organized and held
	2.3.4. Organizing of meetings, seminars, conferences, symposiums	MC, RPCCD, NCCEDI, NGOs	2005-2015		State budget	

		on cultural diversity				
		issues, Roma culture, art				
		and education	MG PROCE	2005 2015	G 1 1 .	
		2.3.5.Presentation and	MC, RPCCD,	2005-2015	State budget	
		advertising of	NCCEDI, NGOs			
		successfully				
		implemented models and				
		practices related to Roma				
		culture and cultural				
		opportunities for social				
		inclusion of Roma				
		2.3.6. Design and support	MC, NGOs,	2005-2006 г.	Under projects	Number of web-site
		of a Internet site for				visitors
		Roma culture				
	2.4. Providing support	2.4.1. Establishment of a	MC, NCCEDI	2005-2006 г.	State budget	Number of supported
	to talented young	Roma Culture Fund				by the Fund projects
	Roma people.					
		2.4.2. Promotion of the	MC, RPCCD,	2005-2015	State budget	
		cultural exchange with	NGOs			
		international and foreign				
		similar organizations				
		aimed at popularization				
		of the artistic				
		achievements and works				
		of young Roma artists				
		and authors.				
3. Improvement of the	3.1. Providing of better	3.1.1. Ensuring of	MC, NCCEDI	2005-2015 г.	State budget	Roma cultural events
Roma public image in	opportunities for Roma	opportunities and support				reflected and covered
the society esp. in the	culture presentation	to enlarge the frequency				in the media;
media	and popularization	of prominent Roma				Roma cultural events
		experts, authors and				aired through national
		artists appearances and				and regional
		publications in the				electronic media
		national media				

General remarks:

- 1. The necessary financial funds for each of the stipulated in the Decade Action Plan activity will be planned within the annual planning procedure for the State Budget Act, which is adopted every year by the Parliament.
- 2. The monitoring and controlling mechanism will be established by the National Council on Ethnic and Demographic Issues at the Council of Ministers with the help of its the regional experts on ethnic and demographic issues.
- 3. The specific anti-discriminative activities related to the functions of the Commission for Protection against Discrimination will be included in the 5th priority section of the Decade Action Plan 2005-2015 after the establishment of the Commission.

Abbreviations:

AE Agency for Employment CoM Council of Ministers

DEDI Directorate 'Ethnic and Demographic Issues"

HEI Higher Education Institutions

ME Ministry of Economy

MES Ministry of Education and Science

MF Ministry of Finance
MH Ministry of Health
MJ Ministry of Justice

MLSP Ministry of Labour and Social Policy

MI Ministry of Interior

MRDPW Ministry of Regional Development and Public works

MYS Ministry of Youth and Sports

NCCEDI National Council on Ethnic and Demographic Issues

NHIF National Health Insurance Fund NGO Non-governmental organization NSI National Statistical Institute

RIE Regional Inspectorates on Education

RPCCD Roma Public Counsel on Cultural Diversity
SAPC State Agency for the Protection of Children
UNDP United Nations Development Programme