PROJECT FACTSHEET

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GREEN Guria: Supporting Local Democracy and Rural Development for Inclusive and Resilient Green Growth



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Georgia

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Implementer:
Caucasus Environmental NGO Network (CENN)

Website(s): cenn.org/

Project description:
Project Green Guria - Supporting Local Democracy and Rural Development for Inclusive and Resilient Green Growth is a 3 year project implemented by CENN in the Guria region of Georgia, explicitly targeting Ozurgeti, Lanchkuti, and Chokhatauri Municipality. The project partners are the Young Pedagogues' Union, the Institute of Democracy, and Keda LAG. The project aims to reduce poverty, improve the economic and social environment, and enhance the living conditions of vulnerable rural communities in disadvantaged regions of Georgia through strengthening civic participation, inclusive rural development, and green growth. Specifically, the project aims to contribute to building robust, climate-resilient, and green communities in Guria via diversification of rural opportunities, fostering competitive economic, agricultural, and environmental practices, and engaging civil society, vulnerable groups (VGs), women, and youth in participatory and bottom-up dialogue and planning. The target and beneficiary groups of the project include community institutions of Ozurgeti, Lanchkuti, and Chokhatauri Municipalities, local communities, local authorities, regional authorities, farmers, enterprises, tourist service providers, educational institutions and youth, tourists and visitors, and media organizations at local and regional levels.

Expected results:
- Improved participatory bottom-up mechanisms for sustainable rural and territorial development.
- Improved policy dialogue and participatory implementation of rural development approaches.
- Greener and diversified rural economy, increased areas with climate-smart forest and land management.
- Empowered rural population and improved access for rural citizens to public services and infrastructure.