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IndustryUpdate

Environmental Protection Expenditures for 2012 are planned to reach 0.1% of GDP

On February 17, 2012, the Committee on Budget and Finance of the JogorkuKenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic with support from the European Union and UNDP Legal Reform Project held the public parliamentary hearings to discuss the draft Law «On Republican Budget of Kyrgyz Republic for 2012 and Forecast for 2013-2014».

The review showed that environmental protection expenditures for 2012 will amount to KGS 419, which is KGS 44.8 million or 9.7% lower than that envisaged in the 2011 budget, including KGS 219.9 million of budgetary funds and KGS 199.1 million of special funds. It is estimated that such expenditures will constitute 0.1% of GDP or 0.4% of total budgetary expenditures.

The budgetary expenditures for the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry in the republican budget for 2012 are envisaged to be KGS 404.1 million, which is 91% of the clarified budget for 2011, including KGS 209.7 of budgetary funds and KGS 194.3 million of special funds.

Integrated approach to development of climatically favorable economies of countries of Central Asia

The meeting dedicated to the start of the new project called Integrated Approach to Development of Climatically Favorable Economies of Countries of Central Asia was held on February 6-7, 2012 in Berlin, Germany.

The project will be carried out during 2012-2013

LegalUpdate

Government Resolution «On Public Administration Bodies and Other Organizations of Government of Kyrgyz Republic» of January 12, 2012 года N 12

The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic adopted the said resolution in furtherance of the Decree of the JogorkuKenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Structure of Government of Kyrgyz Republic" of December 23, 2011 N 1452-V and in connection with the ongoing reform of the public administration bodies.

The said resolution defined the public administration bodies of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic. In particular, it is envisaged that the Government will include and control the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic and the State Inspectorate for Ecological and Technical Safety of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Order of Prime Minister of Kyrgyz Republic of January 19, 2012 N 80

By this order, AtadjanovSabirSadykjanovich is appointed as the director of the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Order of Prime Minister of Kyrgyz Republic of January 19, 2012 N 70

By this order, ArtykbaevOsmonbekMambetjanovich is appointed as the director of the State

and funded by the International Climate Protection Initiative of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety.

The main goal of the project is to help the countries of Central Asia develop comprehensive industry measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. To achieve this goal it is proposed to use an integrated approach which includes:

- the development of sectoral and national strategies, nationally acceptable plans of reduction of greenhouse gas emissions for the countries of Central Asia, not included in Annex 1 of the Kyoto protocol – Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan; as well as the green growth strategy for Kazakhstan, in cooperation with national experts and taking into account respective recommendations of the governments.
- the development of packages of instruments (plans) for sectors which will be determined in the target countries as the most suitable for the low carbon development;
- strengthening regional cooperation in the area of energy efficiency by raising expert potential – trainings, seminars, etc. – and conveying respective knowledge and technologies.

The meeting was attended by the German Institute of Economic Research (DIW Econ), German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia as one of the main partners of the project as well as the representatives of the Ministry of Environmental Protection of Kazakhstan, State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry of Kyrgyzstan, Ministry of Ecology and Emergency Situations of Kyrgyzstan, State Department of Hydrology of Tajikistan, Ministry of Economy of Uzbekistan etc.

Kyrgyzstan held public hearings on amendments to the Law «On Sustainable Development of Issyk-Kul Eco-Economic System»

Public hearings on the draft law “On amendments to the Law on Sustainable Development of Issyk-Kul Eco-Economic System” were held with support from the UNDP Program called «Environmental Protection for Sustainable Development» on February 7, 2012.

The hearings were attended by the members of the Parliament, representatives of civil sector, scientific community, international projects and local communities of territories adjacent to Issyk-Kul lake.

Inspectorate for Ecological and Technical Safety of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Government Resolution «On Approval of List of Authorized Bodies Eligible to Conduct Inspections of Business Entities» of March 9, 2012 N 166

This resolution approved the list of state bodies eligible to conduct inspections of business entities. Thus, for instance such bodies include the State Inspectorate for Ecological and Technical Safety of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

The resolution was submitted to the Jogorku Kenesh of the Kyrgyz Republic for approval and will enter into force after its approval by the Jogorku Kenesh.

Law of Kyrgyz Republic of March 1, 2012 N 11 «On Amendments and Supplements to Law of Kyrgyz Republic "General Technical Regulation on Ecological Safety in Kyrgyz Republic" of May 8, 2009 N 151

The proposed changes prescribe that hazard categories be determined for each enterprise separately by emissions, discharges and waste disposals. The hazard indicator for determining reporting and control periodicity shall be determined by the highest hazard category. In the previous version of the law, there were no provision that hazard category indicator was to be determined by the highest category.

Annex 1 of the said Law lists the types of economic activity subject to mandatory ecological review. Annex 2 specifies the criteria of hazard category. Hazard category of business entity and other activity shall be determined by the State Agency for Environmental Protection and Forestry.

Kyrgyz grazing sector development program for 2012-2015

This program is approved by the Government Resolution of February 10, 2012 N 89 and envisages a set of measures to protect and

The main change proposed by the new draft law is to extend the area of lake shore on which the capital construction is prohibited by 300 meters. The amendments were initiated by the MP Maksat Sabirov. The currently effective law allows capital construction on the area 100 meters close to Issyk-Kul lake which is too close, in the MP's opinion.

Besides, the new draft law prohibits any activities directed at the removal of trees and bushes with boggy areas which serve as natural filters of the lake purifying all streams flowing into it from the surface of the Issyk-Kul hollow.

conserve pastures in Kyrgyzstan.

Environmental aspect of the Program includes the use of pasture resources on the basis of communities' pasture management and use plans developed by jaiyt committees and local keneshes with the active participation of other entities using pastures.

Order of Prime Minister of Kyrgyz Republic of February 14, 2012 N 232

This order approves the procedure for distribution of functions among the Prime Minister, First Vice Prime Minister and Vice Prime Ministers of the Kyrgyz Republic in respect of the coordination of activities of state bodies subordinate to the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

In particular, the control and supervision over ecological and technical safety as well as activities of respective responsible agency – State Inspectorate for Ecological and Technical Safety of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, - are coordinated by the first Vice Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic – KarashevAalyAsimovich.



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