

Deputy Mayor for Communities

2021
January-October

The Deputy Mayor for Communities (DMCs) is a local protection mechanism obligatory in municipalities where non-majority communities constitute at least ten per cent of the municipality's residents. Upon the decision of the Municipal Assembly (MA), it can also be established in municipalities where the non-majority communities do not meet the ten percent threshold. The DMC candidate is proposed by the Mayor and approved by the MA. The DMC is mandated to provide advice and guidance to the Mayor on issues related to communities and should represent all communities residing in the municipality.

Key Documents

- Law on Local Self Government (No. 03/L-040, 2008);
- Administrative Instruction (MLGA) No. 02/2020 for the procedure of appointing Deputy Mayors in municipalities;
- DMC Terms of Reference.

* The Administrative Instruction (MLGA) No. 01/2014 was repealed with the entry into force of the Administrative Instruction (MLGA) No. 02/2020 for the procedure of appointing Deputy Mayors in municipalities on 21 September 2020.

Establishment

DMCs are established in 14 municipalities.

Established DMC posts *

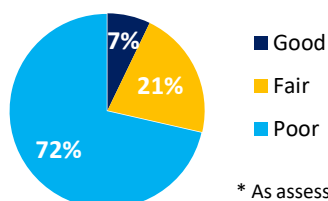
Dragash/Dragaš	Mamuša/Mamushë/Mamuša
Ferizaj/Uroševac	Novo Brdo/Novobërdë
Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje	Obiliq/Obilić
Gjilan/Gnjilane	Prizren
Kamenicë/Kamenica	Štrpce/Shtërpçë
Klokot/Kllokot	Zubin Potok ¹
Lipjan/Lipljan	Zvečan/Zveçan ¹

¹ Lack of official census data for these municipalities creates ambiguity regarding the establishment of the post. Therefore, resident estimates in the 2018 OSCE Mission in Kosovo Municipal Profiles were used for the purpose of this analysis. (Available at <https://www.osce.org/mission-in-kosovo/municipal-profiles>)

* **Bold** denote which DMCs are mandatory according to official census data.

NB. In Gračanica/Gračanicë and Mitrovica/Mitrovicë North, the DMC post has been vacant during the reporting period. Therefore, they are not reflected in the pie charts and the performance table.

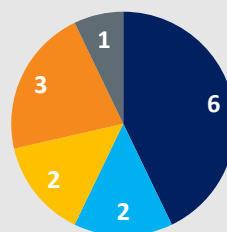
Access to Financial Resources *



* As assessed by DMCs

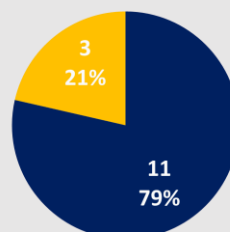
Communities and Gender Representation

Community Representation



■ Kosovo Albanian ■ Kosovo Serb ■ Kosovo Bosniak
■ Kosovo Ashkali ■ Kosovo Turk

Gender Representation



■ Women ■ Men

* The three municipalities with women DMCs are Klokot/Kllokot, Mamuša/Mamushë/Mamuša and Prizren

Performance 2021

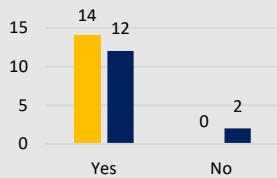
Selected Performance Indicators

Number of DMCs that undertook key activities and substantive duties outlined in the legal and policy framework, based on OSCE Mission in Kosovo field teams' regular monitoring and periodic specific reviews, as well as reports produced by municipalities.

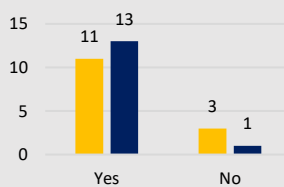
Note: the comparison is made between 12 months of 2020 and 10 months of 2021, due to municipal elections in October 2021.

1 – Advice, guidance and oversight

Provide advice and guidance to the Mayor on community issues

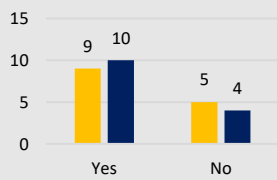


Consult with the Mayor on communities' needs and interests in the preparation of the budget



2 – Budget

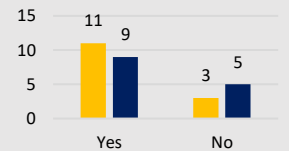
Ensure sufficient funds are allocated to municipal mechanisms in the interest of communities' rights



2021 2020

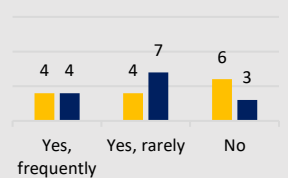
3 – Promotion of Inter-community dialogue

Engage in activities promoting inter-community dialogue

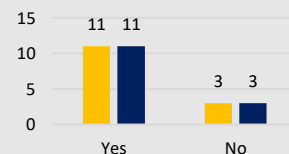


4 – Co-operation

Act as focal point for the implementation of CC recommendations by the MA

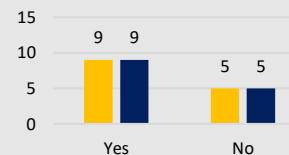


Promote direct involvement of communities in MA activities



5 – Reporting

Report to the Mayor every six months



Overall Performance

DMCs' performance scores are based on the aggregated results of performance indicators, which reflect key activities and substantive duties provided for in the relevant legal and policy framework. Performance is rated "High" when the aggregated score is above 66 per cent, "Moderate" when it ranges between 66 per cent and 33 per cent, and "Low" when below 33 per cent.

The OSCE Mission in Kosovo supports improved communities' participation in public decision-making and governance processes and institutions. To assist in this effort the OSCE Mission in Kosovo regularly monitors the performance of municipal communities' protection mechanisms. These information sheets aim to provide the relevant institutions with indicators that can assist in identifying gaps and improvement in compliance.

	Advice, guidance and oversight	Budget	Promotion of intercommunity dialogue	Cooperation	Reporting	Overall Performance
Dragash/Dragaš	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	85%
Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje	High	High	Moderate	High	High	89%
Klokot/Kllokot	High	Low	Moderate	High	Low	48%
Novo Brdo/Novobërdë	High	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	67%
Prizren	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	High	85%
Štrpce/Shtërpçë	High	High	Moderate	Moderate	Low	62%
Ferizaj/Uroševac	High	High	Moderate	High	High	86%
Gjilan/Gnjilane	High	Low	Low	High	High	64%
Kamenicë/Kamenica	High	High	High	High	High	98%
Lipjan/Lipljan	High	High	High	High	High	91%
Mamuša/Mamushë/Mamuša	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	1
Obiliq/Obilić	Moderate	High	Low	Moderate	Low	41%
Zubin Potok	High	Low	Moderate	Low	High	60%
Zvečan/Zveçan	High	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	38%
AVERAGE 2021	88%	59%	55%	59%	68%	66%
AVERAGE 2020	93%	66%	64%	58%	66%	70%