Defining the state strategy on combating early marriages and awareness raising (2015-2016)



## Informational meetings in public schools

The informational meetings regarding early marriages were held in the public schools of the Marneuli (Sabirkendi, Didi Munghalo, Damia-Giaurarkh) and Kakheti (Lagodekhi, Kabala) regions. Lawyer and Psychologist of Sapari discussed psycho-social and legal outcomes of early marriages with 150 students and 70 teachers in total.

## Leaflets

Leaflets regarding early marriages, were prepared and printed in Azeri and Georgian languages and distributed in public schools. Students took the leaflets at home to show it to their parents. Number of leaflets was left in schools, in order to be distributed to parents by teachers. In total 500 leaflets were distributed. You can see the leaflet in Azeri and Georgian languages.



### Video

Union "Sapari"

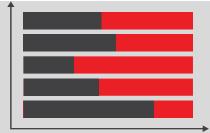


Each informational meeting started with the screening of the informational video available in Georgian and Azeri languages. The video was prepared by the Chaikhana and Georgian Women's Movement. The graphic video addresses the problems and statistical data regarding early marriages in Georgia. You can see the video in Azeri and Georgian languages.

# The webpage and the informational campaign

In the scope of this project, a special section was developed on our webpage www.sapari.ge, to spread necessary information in the general public regarding the problem of early marriages. With the aim of increasing informational awareness regarding the dangers of early marriage, the problem of the early marriage was covered several times by different media sources in 2015-2016 with active participation of Sapari.





Research and strategy development

During the project draft state strategy against early marriages was developed by Sapari. In the document we discussed the status quo in Georgia and the best practices of the foreign countries regarding early marriages. The document was discussed with gender advisor of the Prime Minister of Georgia. Sapari continues advocacy for the development of the state strategy against early marriage.

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