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**“Access to Information in the Public Institutions”**

**October, 2013 – March, 2014**

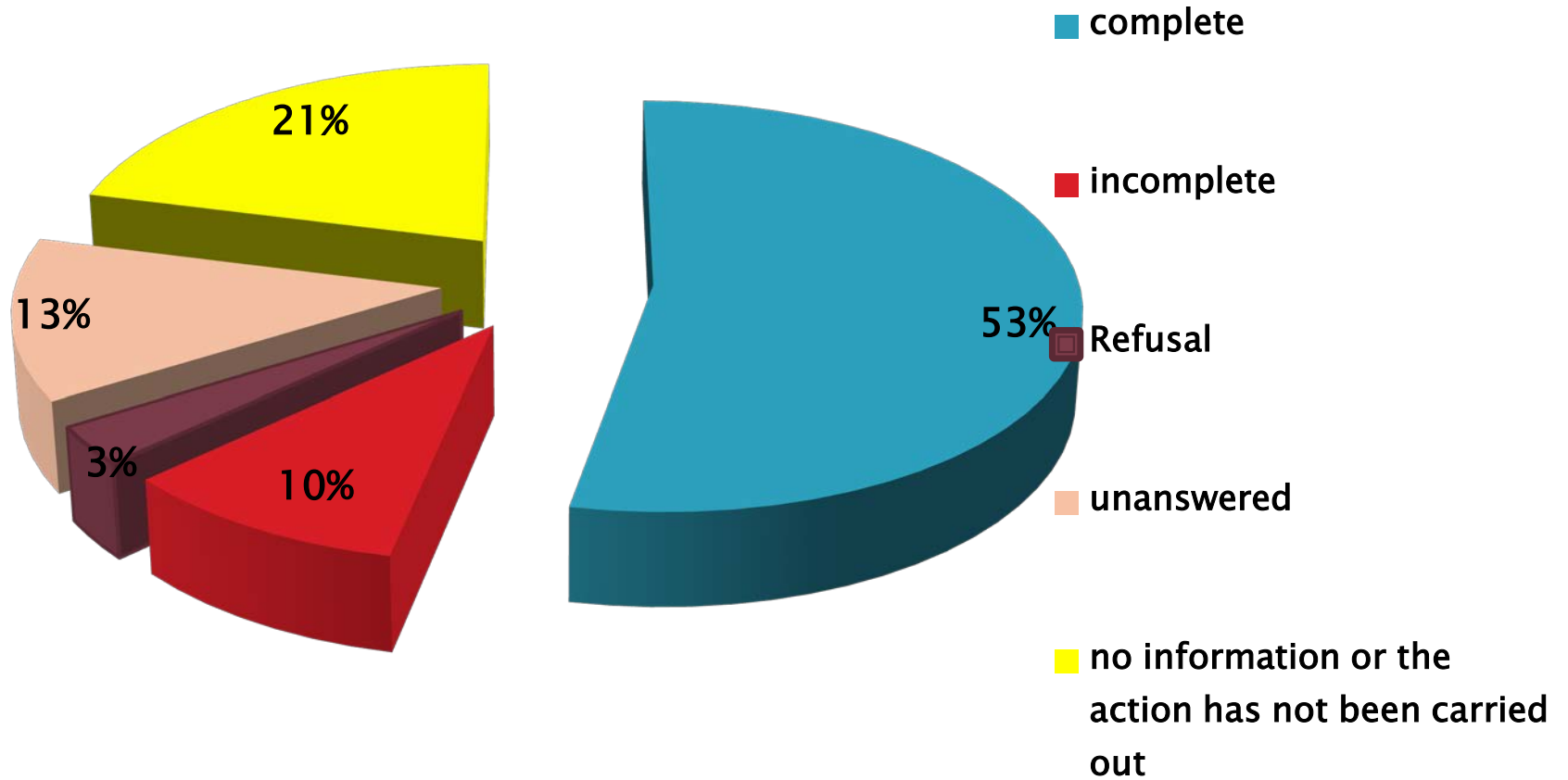
# Statistics of the Obtained Information

- ▶ Within the frames of the project (October 2013 – March 2014) sent **493 requests** of information to 29 public institutions; **444 requests** were responded

## Public Institutions

- ▶ Staff of Parliament
- ▶ Chancellery of the Government of Georgia
- ▶ Administration of the President of Georgia
- ▶ Ministries
- ▶ Offices of the State Ministers
- ▶ Government of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara and Ministries
- ▶ Government of Abkhazia
- ▶ Administration of South Ossetia

# Received Responses



## Standard Requests

407

**COMPLETE**

205 (50%)

**Incomplete**

47 (12%)

**IGNORED**

40 (10%)

**Refusal**

10 (2%)

**No information/action  
was not carried out**

105 (26%)

## Different Requests

86

**COMPLETE**

64 (74%)

**Incomplete**

0 (0%)

**IGNORED**

9 (11%)

**Refusal**

2 (2%)

**No information/action  
was not carried out**

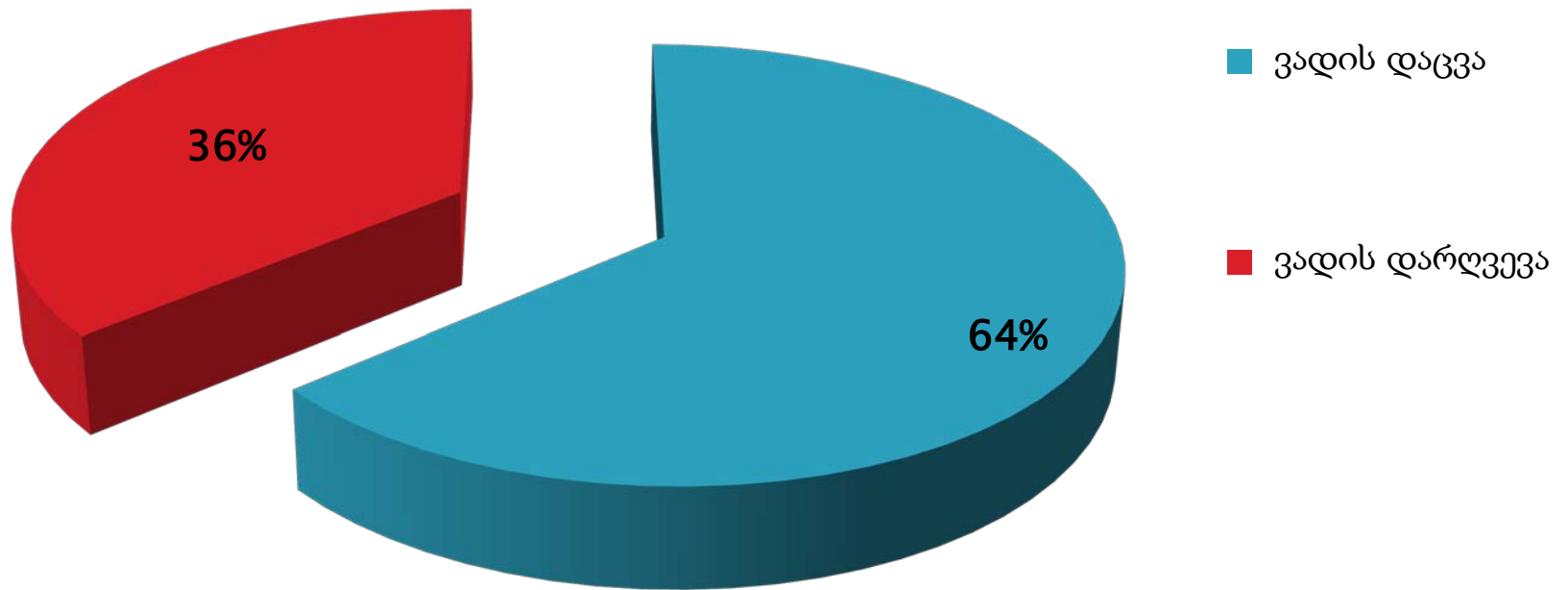
11 (13%)

# The most problematic and the most Accessible Requests

- ▶ The most **challenging** request for the public institutions turned out to be the request of copied of work-related **e-mail correspondence** of the high officials of the institution:
  - IGNORED- 32 %**
  - Refusal- 24 %**
- ▶ IDFI received the **highest rate of complete responses** on the requests of the **copies of higher education of the high officials** of institutions.

**COMPLETE ANSWERS – 85%**

# უპასუხოდ დატოვებული მოთხოვნების ჩათვლით 10 დღიანი ვადის დარღვევა



### Coefficient of Assessing the Received Information

Information provided completely in compliance with 10 day period	<b>1</b>
Information provided completely, 10 day period violated	<b>0,99</b>
Information provided incompletely in compliance with 10 day period	<b>0,5</b>
Information provided incompletely, 10 day period violated	<b>0,49</b>
Information provided completely after administrative complaint	<b>0,6</b>
Information provided incompletely after administrative complaint	<b>0,3</b>
Request ignored	<b>0</b>
Unlawful refusal to providing information	<b>0</b>

## The Highest Percentage Rate of the Access to Information (Public Institutions)



- Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure – 100%
- Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection – 100%
- Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs of Georgia – 100%
- Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia – 100%
- Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport of Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 100%



# The Lowest Percentage Rate of Access to Information (Public Institutions)



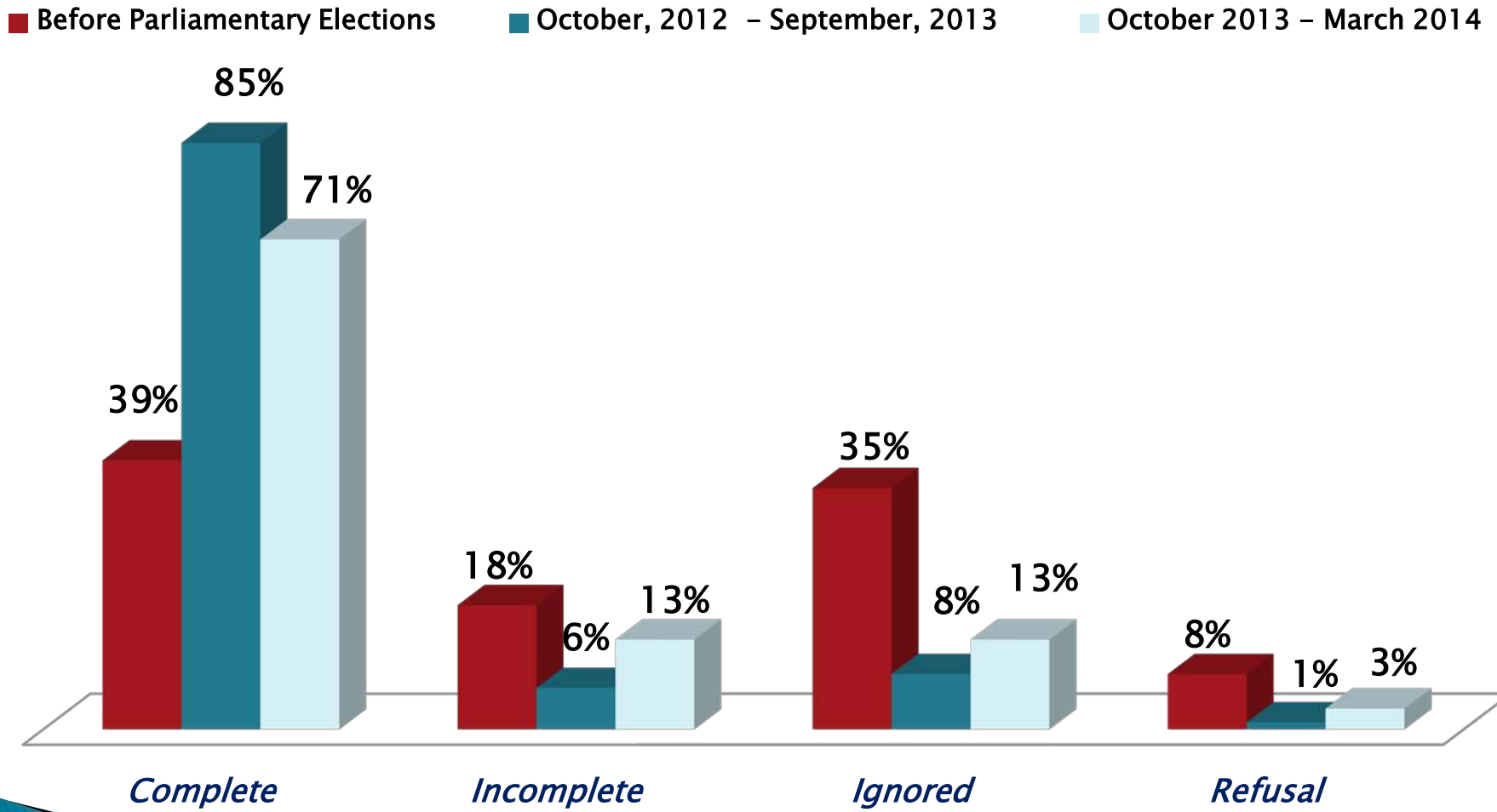
- Ministry of Internal Affairs – 30,5%
- Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia – 36,1%
- The Government of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 50%
- Ministry of Finance – 57%

# Rating of Access to Information in the Public Institutions

1. Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure –100%
2. Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection –100%
3. Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs of Georgia –100%
4. Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia – 100%
5. Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport of Autonomous Republic of Adjara –100%
6. Ministry of Agriculture of Georgia – 99,7%
7. Administration of South Ossetia – 99,5%
8. Ministry of Agriculture of Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 95,5%
9. Chancellery of the Government of Georgia – 94,4%
10. Ministry of Labor, Health and Social Care of Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 93,8%
11. Ministry of Defense – 91,6%
12. Ministry of Corrections of Georgia – 90,8 %
13. The Government of the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia – 88,2%
14. Ministry of Finance and Economy of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 86,4%
15. The Office of State Minister of Georgia for Reconciliation and Civic Equality – 85,7%

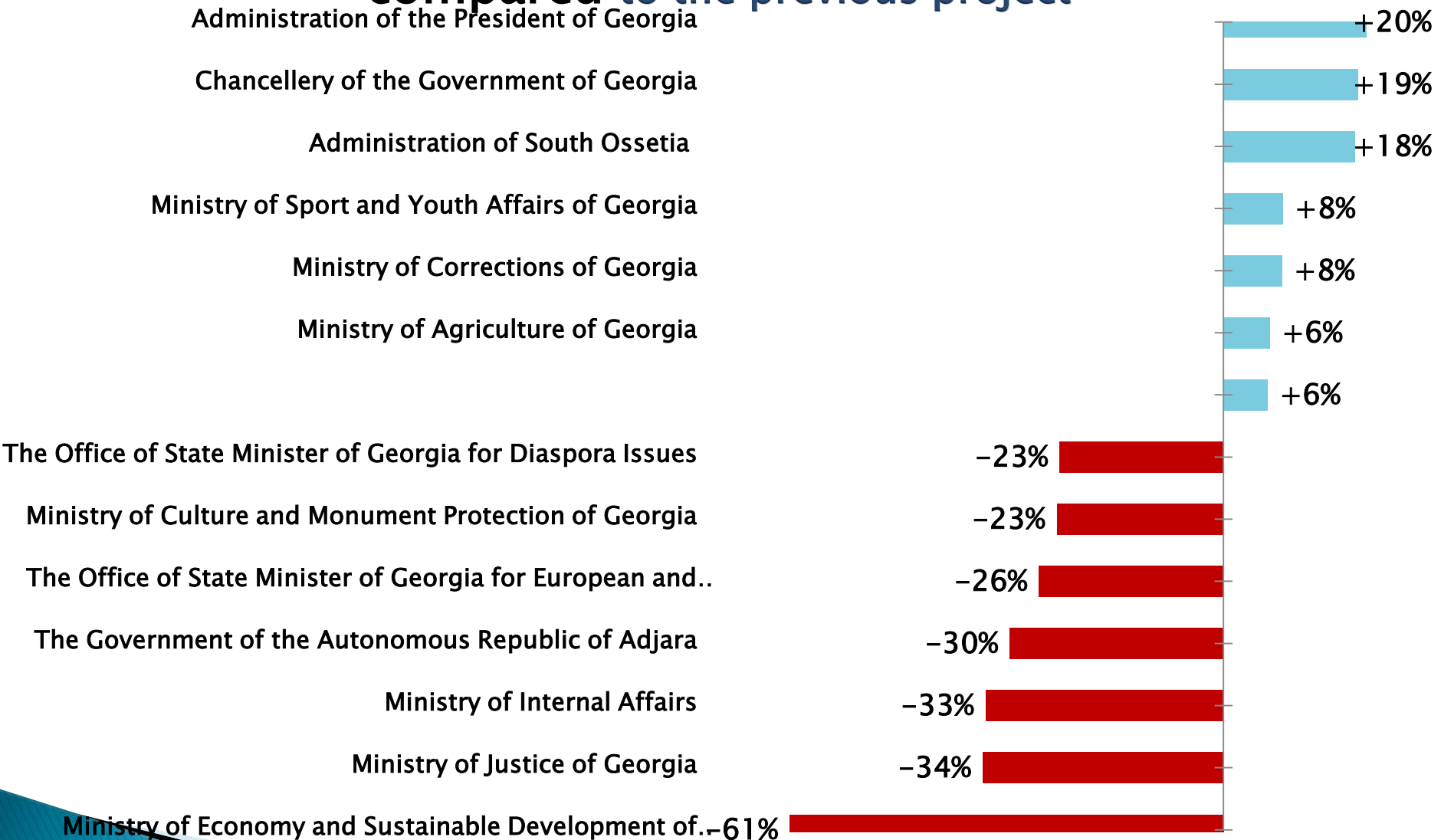
16. Parliament of Georgia – 85,6%
17. Administration of the President of Georgia – 78,9%
18. Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia – 78,7%
19. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia – 77,6%
20. The Office of State Minister of Georgia for Diaspora Issues – 74,6%
21. The Office of State Minister of Georgia for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration – 74,1%
22. Ministry of Health, Labor and Social Affairs of Georgia – 70,8%
23. Ministry of Energy of Georgia – 70,7%
24. Ministry of Culture and Monument Protection of Georgia – 67,6%
25. Ministry of Justice of Georgia – 63,6%
26. Ministry of Finance – 57%
27. The Government of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara – 50%
28. Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia – 36,1%
29. Ministry of Internal Affairs – 30,5%

# Dynamics of Received Responses from the Public Institutions in 2012–2014



# Change in percentage of access to information

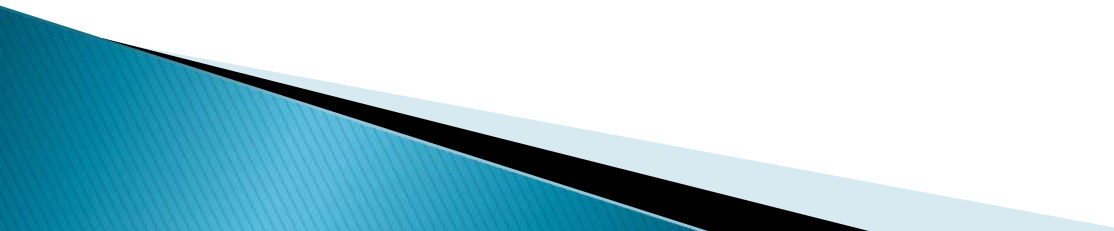
compared to the previous project



In order to illustrate the change of attitudes towards releasing the public information among the public institutions, we provide the comparison of the received answers from the same institution on the same request in previous and current projects.

- ▶ In case of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, during the previous project, institution provided the detailed information about the bonuses of high officials; this time, request is ignored.
- ▶ Previously, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development provided the detailed information about the business trip costs of each high official, while during the current project Ministry just provided the summarized amount.
- ▶ Ministry of Finance of Georgia provided the detailed information about the bonuses of each high official separately, while during the current project Ministry just provided the summarized amount.
- ▶ The Office of State Minister of Georgia for Diaspora Issues provided the detailed information about the bonuses of each high official. During the current project this information was not provided as according to the institution, this information contains personal data.
- ▶ Unlike the previous project, Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs provided complete information about the bonuses and supplements.

# Decisions Appealed by the Organization within the frames of the Project

- ▶ **Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia**  
Organization has not yet been informed about the decision of the ministry after examining the complaint
  - ▶ **Ministry of Finance**  
Ministry refused to examine the complaint. IDFI appealed to the Tbilisi City Court with the administrative complaint.
  - ▶ **Ministry of Energy**  
Based on the order of the Minister of Energy, Administrative Department was obliged to release the complete information. Organization received the complete responses to number of requests.
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