

EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF MEETING (PROTOCOL)
OF THE SESSION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA
31 August 2017, No. 37

**17. ON APPROVING THE 2017-2021 ACTION PLAN FOR EFFECTIVE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIGRATION STRATEGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF
ARMENIA**

The Government of the Republic of Armenia hereby decides:

1. Approve the 2017-2021 Action Plan for effective implementation of the migration strategy of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as Action Plan) in accordance with Annex 1.
2. Establish that at the time of drafting the annual Action Plan of the Government of the Republic of Armenia the state administration bodies of the Republic of Armenia shall also take as a basis the migration policy-related actions for the given year specified in the Action Plan for the respective state administration.
3. To heads of relevant state bodies of the Republic of Armenia, at the time of planning the annual State Budget of the Republic of Armenia, consider the possibility of making relevant provisions in the State Budget of the Republic of Armenia for the purpose of ensuring the implementation of the activities provided for in the Action Plan.
4. To the Minister of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, submit, within two months, a draft Decree of the RA Prime Minister on establishing the interagency commission for monitoring of the Action Plan and approving its membership.
5. Assign the overall supervision over the implementation of the Action plan to the Minister of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, and the function of coordinating the work of the inter-agency commission to the Head of the State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia.
6. To heads of state administration bodies responsible for implementation of the Action Plan, submit annual reports to the interagency commission on activities undertaken by them by 15 February of the next year.
7. To the Head of the State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia - following the end of each year within two-month period submit progress report on implementation of the Action Plan to the Staff of the Government of the Republic of Armenia.

<p>PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA</p> <p>1 September 2017</p> <p>Yerevan</p>	<p>Karen Karapetyan</p>
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THE 2017-2021 ACTION PLAN FOR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIGRATION STRATEGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

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1. FACILITATION OF LEGAL MIGRATION							
OBJECTIVE. Improvement of the processes of legal migration by simplifying entry visa regime, adjustment of processes for granting residence status, regulation of conditions for conducting labour activity by foreigners in the Republic of Armenia and facilitating internationalization of education.							
1) Improve the current system for issuance of visas and granting residence status through adjustment of mechanisms for the issuance of visas, speeding up administrative processes and reducing the time-frames for issuance.	a. performance of functional analysis of the activity of the visa issuing authorized state bodies - development of proposal for identification of a single authorized body liable for the visa issuance process	functions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, Police of the Republic of Armenia with respect to issuance of visa are analysed, proposals for identification of a single authorized body liable for the visa issuance process are developed	1. Consultations on the revised draft Law of the Republic of Armenia "On Foreigners" provided that the requirements (regulation of types of the issued visas and granted residence status, procedure, means and terms for issuance and granting thereof, documents and conditions necessary for issuance and granting, grounds for refusal, general conditions for the entry into the territory of the Republic of Armenia, improvement of the issues relating to family reunification and family migration, as well as clarification of the rights of migrants) approved by the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia No 769-N of 17 July 2014 are completely taken into consideration	The draft law is reviewed and submitted to the Government of the Republic of Armenia	Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Upon entry into force of the new revised draft Law of the Republic of Armenia "On Foreigners" by the National Assembly of the Republic of	The draft Decree of the Prime Minister of the Republic of	Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional

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			Armenia, development of a draft Decree of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia on the action plan for implementation thereof	Armenia is submitted to the Staff of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs		funding from the state budget
			3. Development of secondary legislation arising from the new revised draft Law of the Republic of Armenia "On Foreigners" and provided for in the Decree of the Prime Minister, in accordance with the action plan approved by the Decree of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia ensuring the implementation of the Law	Draft legislation reviewed by the Inter-agency commission for the monitoring of the action plan (ICMAP). New types of residence status granting the right for residence in the Republic of Armenia have been put into effect, the mechanisms for the issuance thereof are approved	Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs	2018-2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			4. Performance of functional analysis of the process of visa issuance by the visa issuing authorized state bodies - detection of shortcomings, identification of repeated and unnecessary functions	Functional assessment report reviewed by ICMAP	Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Labour and	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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					Social Affairs		
			5. Study of international practice of institutional bodies responsible for visa issuance	Summary report on international practice reviewed by ICMAP	Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, National Security Service adjunct to the Government of the Republic of Armenia, State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Other sources not prohibited by law
			6. Development of recommendations for implementation of visa issuance process by a single authorized body and arranging discussions on these recommendations	Package of recommendations reviewed by stakeholder state administration bodies of the Republic of Armenia	Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia, State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. performance of an efficiency assessment of the	Recommendations for expansion and improvement of	1. Assessment of efficiency of the performance of Armenian electronic visa (e-visa) system, detection of shortcomings	Assessment report reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of	2018-2019	Other sources not prohibited by law

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	Armenian electronic visa (e-visa) system, development of recommendations for further development and expansion of the system	performance efficiency of the e-visa system are developed			the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)		
			2. development of recommendations and arrangement of consultations on further enhancement and expansion of the Armenian electronic visa (e-visa) system	Assessment report reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Other sources not prohibited by law
			3. Development of new terms of reference for the Armenian electronic visa (e-visa) system software and development of an implementation plan	Assessment report reviewed by ICMAP	Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the	2019-2020	Other sources not prohibited by law

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					Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)		
	c. study of international practices for granting the given state's citizenship to foreigners who have made an investment, exceeding certain limits, and submission of recommendations on expediency of introduction of the said system in the Republic of Armenia	Approval of the concept will encourage attraction of intensive foreign investments and generation of employment, ensure enhancement of opportunities proposed to foreign investors and generation of supplementary guarantees	1. Study of international practices of granting citizenship of the given state to foreigners who made investments exceeding certain limits	Summary report on international practices reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Drafting a Protocol Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On approving the concept of granting citizenship to foreigners who made investments exceeding certain limit" based on the study of international practices and submission thereof to the Staff of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	The draft concept is submitted to the Government of the Republic of Armenia	Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2) Improvement of conditions for conducting labour activity	a. revision of current legislative provisions	Current legislative provisions relating to labour permit for	1. Submission of recommendations on regulatory provisions for issuance of labour permit to foreigners in the Republic of Armenia based on the	Recommendations are submitted to the Government after being reviewed by	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from

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by foreign citizens in the Republic of Armenia	relating to labour permit for foreigners	foreigners have been revised based on the study of international practices and comparison of current state of affairs	analysis of legislation and international practices	ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia		the state budget
	b. consider the possibilities and development of recommendations for introduction of a system for issuance of labour permits for foreigners as per countries and occupations quota	Possibilities for the introduction of the quota system for issuance of labour permits for foreigners as per countries and occupations are considered	1. Develop recommendations based on the assessment of possibilities for introduction of a quota system for issuance of labour permits for foreigners	Elaborated recommendations are reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
3) Facilitate internationalization of the education sector	a. enhancement of legal framework for granting residence status to foreigners in the Republic of Armenia including researchers, school students	Implementation of scientific-research works, establishment of grounds for being accepted as school students engaged in student exchange programmes, voluntary trainers	a1. Drafting the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On making changes and amendments to the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On foreigners"" to ensure that researchers, school students engaged in student exchange programmes, voluntary trainers and volunteers are granted residence status in the Republic of Armenia	Draft Law is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	engaged in student exchange programmes, voluntary trainers and volunteers, and revision of conditions and criteria for granting permit for residence status	and volunteers as legal grounds for granting residence status in the Republic of Armenia	2. Provide information on the new procedure for granting residence on the web sites of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia and the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia and in other information portals.	References are posted on the web sites of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia and the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia and in other information portals	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Expansion of employment opportunities for foreign citizens of Armenian descent who graduated from Armenian higher and secondary vocational educational institutions to	b. Legal prerequisites are in place for enhancement of employment opportunities for foreign citizens of Armenian nationality who graduated from Armenian higher and secondary	1. Assessment of the structure of work places occupied by foreign citizens of Armenian nationality who graduated from Armenian higher and secondary vocational educational institutions	Assessment report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	encourage repatriation	vocational education institutions	2. Inclusion of foreign citizens of Armenian descent who graduated from Armenian higher and secondary vocational educational institutions in state-run employment programs	Number of foreign citizens of Armenian descent involved in state-run employment programs	Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
2. IMPROVEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION SYSTEM							
OBJECTIVE. IMPROVEMENT OF CURRENT LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK ON ASYLUM SEEKERS, REFUGEES AND STATELESS PERSONS IN THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA							
1) Improvement of legal framework	a. Specifying legal relations concerning granting of status to stateless persons, rights and obligations of persons who were granted such status through regulatory procedures	Procedures for application for receiving status of stateless person, for granting a person the status of stateless person have been adopted, the scope of rights and obligations of persons holding the status of stateless persons has been established	1. Development of a draft law on making changes and amendments to the RA Law on Foreigners in order to specify the regulatory framework for granting of status to stateless persons, as well as rights and obligations of such persons	Draft law is submitted to the RA Government Staff	Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	b. Bringing to conformity the term for the appeal against unfavourable judgements on the request for asylum made by the authorized body in a judicial proceeding with the term for filing a claim to the court provided for by the Administrative Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia	Unfavourable judgement on the request for asylum made by the authorized body can be appealed within two-month period instead of a 30-day period. Discrepancies available between the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On refugees and asylum" and the Administrative Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia have been eliminated	1. Comparative legal analysis of the Law of the Republic of Armenia "On refugees and asylum" and the Administrative Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia	Analysis report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
			2. Development of a draft law of the Republic of Armenia "On making changes and amendments in the Law of the Republic of Armenia on Refugees and Asylum"	The draft law is submitted to the Government of the Republic of Armenia.	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
	c. Bringing to conformity the provisions of legislation of the Republic of Armenia on non-refoulement of asylum seekers in the Republic of Armenia to competent authorities of foreign states		1. Study and analysis of normative legal acts of the Republic of Armenia on handing over of asylum seekers in the Republic of Armenia to competent authorities of foreign states in the context of compliance with European and international standards	Analysis report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	with the requirements of the Geneva Convention of 1951 on the Status of Refugees		2. Development of a draft law of the Republic of Armenia "On making changes and amendments to the Criminal Procedure Code of the Republic of Armenia" and other legislative acts regulating the handover issues	The draft law is submitted to the RA Government Staff	National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
	d. Submission of recommendations on the issue of capturing fingerprints of asylum seekers in accordance with conditions provided for by EURODAC regulations and the expediency of application thereof in the Republic of Armenia in	The expediency of capturing fingerprints of asylum seekers in accordance with conditions provided for by "EURODAC" regulations and the application thereof in the Republic of Armenia has been confirmed as a result of a comparative legal	1. Study of "EURODAC" regulations on capturing fingerprints of asylum seekers	Outcomes of studies are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia ICMPD in Armenia (upon consent)	2019-2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.

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	compliance with personal data protection legislation	analysis of the RA and European legislation on capturing fingerprints. In case the introduction of the system is deemed appropriate the proposal is submitted to the Staff of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2. Study of normative legal acts of the Republic of Armenia regulating issues of capturing fingerprints of foreign citizens	Outcomes of studies are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia ICMPD in Armenia (upon consent)	2019-2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			3. Based on the studies conducted, submission of recommendations on capturing fingerprints from asylum seekers in accordance with EURODAC regulations and feasibility of its introduction in Armenia	Study report reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	e. Development of recommendations for bringing to conformity the form of application for asylum in the Republic of Armenia filed by	The form of application for asylum in the Republic of Armenia complies with European standards	1. Study of European and international practices	Outcomes of studies are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	foreign citizens or stateless persons with European standards		2. Drafting of the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On making amendments to Decree No. 232-N of 7 March 2003 of the Government of the Republic of Armenia"	The draft of the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia has been submitted to the RA Government Staff	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
	f. Development and application of standard operating procedures (SOP) for the activities applied in the course of granting asylum	Standard procedures are applied for individual activities occurring in the course of granting asylum	1. Analysis of the available standard operating procedures (SOP) for the activities applied in the course of granting asylum	Outcomes of the studies reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
2. Identification of procedures requiring improvement and development of new procedures in cooperation with UNHCR			Identified activities that require regulation through SOPs	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law	
3. Development of new procedures for granting asylum			Procedures have been approved by the State Migration Service	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2018 - 2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.	

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	g. Discussion of the issue on arrangement of return of rejected asylum seekers to their country of origin with international organisations	Rejected asylum seekers can return to their country of origin if they are willing to do so	1. Conducting discussions with international organisations on arrangement of voluntary return of rejected asylum seekers, as well as persons who applied for asylum and refugees to their country of origin	Draft of the document elaborated based on the outcomes of negotiations is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Submission of recommendations on feasibility of signing an MoU with UNHCR-Armenia, IOM-Armenia and other international organisations on cooperation in arranging the return of rejected asylum seekers to their country of origin	Memo on feasibility of such an MoU is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent) IOM-Armenia (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Arrangement of discussions and submission of recommendations on ensuring protection of persons who were rejected asylum but who do not want to leave Armenia for various reasons	Report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	h. analysis of legislation of the Republic of Armenia related to application of alternative option instead of the arrest and/or detention of asylum seekers and submission of relevant recommendations.	Legislation of the Republic of Armenia related to application of alternative option instead of the arrest and/or detention of asylum seekers has been analysed and relevant recommendations has been submitted to the RA Government Staff	1. Analysis of legal normative acts of the Republic of Armenia related to issues of arrest and detention of asylum seekers in the context of compliance with European and international standards	Draft of the document on the outcomes of studies is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Development of relevant draft legislation based on results of the analysis	Draft legislation has been submitted to the RA Government Staff	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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2) Improvement of the institutional framework for granting asylum	a. Professional development of staff of state bodies, including staff of Russian border troops, dealing with issues of asylum granting, by arranging and conducting workshops, training courses through the involvement of UNHCR-Armenia	Workshops and training courses have been arranged and staff of state bodies dealing with issues of asylum granting is kept informed about national and international legislation on refugees and asylum	a1. Arrangement of workshops and training courses on "National and international legislation on refugees and asylum" topic for staff of state bodies dealing with issues of asylum granting, as well as exchange of experience and other forms of support (including within the framework of the Asylum Systems Quality Initiative in Eastern Europe and Southern Caucasus implemented by UNHCR-Armenia)	Timetable is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2017-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	b. Improvement of functions on obtaining information about the country of origin of asylum seekers	The scope of sources of information about the country of origin of asylum seekers has expanded. The quality of decisions taken on applications for receiving asylum	1. Review of current practices and methodologies for country of origin information gathering, identification of ways to improve the processes of collection of high-quality information and adoption of decisions on asylum applications	The study report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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		in the Republic of Armenia has improved	2. Conducting discussions with competent agencies of partner countries on providing access to their country of origin databases	Report on the outcomes of discussions is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Consideration of feasibility for development of materials on international protection to be included in introductory training programmes	Materials on international protection have been developed for the purpose of inclusion in the introductory training programmes held for the newly	1. Assessment of introductory training programmes designed for newly recruited staff of NSS Border Troops and conducting discussions on inclusion of topics on international protection in these programmes		State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	delivered to newly recruited staff of NSS Border Troops and for conducting training courses on the basis thereof	recruited personnel of the border troops of the National Security Service of the Republic of Armenia and the training course has been held on the basis thereof	2. Development of materials relating to international protection	Report received by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.
	d. Development of design and estimate documentation for the EU-funded construction near Yerevan of a new centre for temporary accommodation of asylum seekers in compliance with international standards;	Prerequisites are in place for construction of a new internationally compliant centre for temporary accommodation of asylum seekers near Yerevan	1. Examination of requirements for the temporary accommodation centre, performance of analysis to compare with the similar conditions available in the EU countries.	Analysis report received by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia ICMPD in Armenia (upon consent)	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Allotment of a landplot in the vicinity of Yerevan for construction of a new accommodation centre	Landplot is allotted	Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Development of design and estimate documentation for the construction of a new temporary accommodation centre	The package is developed	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia ICMPD in Armenia (upon consent)	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	e. Negotiations with various	The scope of involving possible	1. Identification of relevant international organisations to negotiate with	The report is received by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial	2017-2018	Does not require

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	international organizations for fund-raising for construction of a new temporary accommodation centre for asylum seekers	financial resources has been identified. In case of availability of necessary financial resources the new temporary accommodation centre for asylum seekers shall be constructed	2. Negotiations with international organisations and foreign states on granting necessary financial resources for construction of a new temporary accommodation centre	Negotiation reports are reviewed by ICMAP	Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	additional funding from the state budget Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	f. Arrangement of discussions with stakeholder government agencies aimed at making provisions in the state budget for purchase of interpretation/translation services necessary for carrying out administrative proceedings on request for asylum.	Financial resources are earmarked in the state budget of the Republic of Armenia for rendering interpretation/translation services necessary for carrying out administrative proceedings on request for asylum.	1. Arrangement of discussions on earmarking budget funding for purchase of interpretation/translation services necessary for carrying out administrative proceedings on request for asylum	Report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
3) Improvement of mechanisms for data collection on asylum seekers, registration thereof and granting them asylum	a. Conducting studies and development of recommendations (including application of mobile devices for registration of biometric data) for the purpose of introduction of the system for registration of	Asylum seekers information database is updated and contains necessary data provided for by European standards. Asylum seekers information database complying with European	1. Study of European practices on registration of asylum seekers and refugees as well as level of access to the database by other government agencies	Outcomes of studies are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR – Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	biometric data of foreign citizens and stateless persons seeking asylum (including in the event of a massive influx) in the asylum seekers information database	standards is introduced	2. Development of an action plan for creation of an information database for biometric data of asylum seekers	Action plan reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR – Armenia (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Development of recommendations for on-line access by BMIS system and electronic database of the Passport and Visa Department of Police of the Government of the Republic of Armenia to data from the asylum seekers information database in compliance with personal data protection legislation;	BMIS system and the electronic database of the Passport and Visa Department of RA Police have on-line access to data from the asylum seekers information database	1. Discussion of possibilities for online exchange of information between the asylum seekers information database, BMIS and Passport and Visa Department database	The document drafted as a result of discussions is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia, Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2. Identification of mechanisms for data exchange and implementation of steps aimed at their application			Recommendations are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	

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	c. Consideration of possibilities and submission of recommendations for mechanical printing of ID cards for asylum seekers	Relevant equipment has been purchased and asylum seekers are issued machine-printed asylum seeker identification cards in the Republic of Armenia	1. Conducting negotiations with UNHCR and ICMPD in Armenia on acquisition of the required equipment	Report on negotiations is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Drafting the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On making amendments to Decree No. 285-N of 25 March 2010 of the Government of the Republic of Armenia"	Draft Decree is submitted to the Staff of the Government of the Republic of Armenia.	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
3. ASSISTANCE TO INTEGRATION OF LONG-TERM IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES AND RE-INTEGRATION OF RETURNING MIGRANTS							
OBJECTIVE: DESIGN A STATE POLICY FOR RE-INTEGRATION OF CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA RETURNED TO THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA AND ENSURING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE POLICY FOR INTEGRATION OF LONG-TERM IMMIGRANTS AND PERSONS RECOGNIZED AS REFUGEES IN THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA							
1) Improving the efficiency of assistance provided to citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia	a. Building the capacities of government agencies dealing with problems of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia	Charters of government agencies performing functions related to citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia are analysed, recommendations for making changes and amendments to the said charters and job descriptions of employees of	1. Analysis of charters of government agencies performing functions related to citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia	Analytical report is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Submission of recommendations for making changes and amendments to charters of government agencies performing functions related to citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia to ensure that competencies for settlement of core issues of returning citizens of the Republic of Armenia falling under the functions of the said government agencies are included in the charters thereof	Package of recommendations is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Organising training classes for staff of units of government agencies performing functions related to citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to	Number of training events conducted and lists of	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from

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		relevant structural units of the said agencies are submitted, the said employees are aware of problems and mechanisms applied for the settlement thereof	the Republic of Armenia	participants	Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia		the state budget
	b. Arrangement of a permanent forum, enhancement of co-operation between non-governmental organizations and government agencies supporting re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia;	A forum coordinating the activities of government agencies that support re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia and of non-governmental organisations is arranged, issues to be settled by means of the forum are clearly formulated, the	1. Arrangement of a permanent forum for non-governmental organizations and government agencies supporting re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia;	The forum is created	Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of	2019	<< Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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		scope of cooperation between relevant government agencies and non-governmental organisations is expanded due to involvement of international organisations	2. Involvement of international organisations in the forum's work	Number of international organisations co-operating with the forum	<p>Armenia</p> <p>State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Police of the Republic of Armenia,</p> <p>Non-governmental organisations (upon consent)</p> <p>International organisations (upon consent)</p>	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	c. Development of a policy concept for re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia	Comprehensive policy targeted at ensuring re-integration of migrants returning to the Republic of Armenia is in place	1. Study of influxes of migrants to the Republic of Armenia and their problems, as well as categorization thereof by economic, social, educational, cultural, psychological and other areas	Analytical report on influxes and problems of returning migrants is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2. Study of international practices on re-integration of returnees			Analytical report on international practices on re-integration of returnees is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	
3. Drafting of the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On approving the policy concept or re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia" and submission thereof to the RA Government Staff			Draft Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia submitted for approval to the RA Government Staff	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Armenia	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	

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					Police of the Republic of Armenia, Non-governmental organisations (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent)		
	d. Increasing the awareness among those willing to return and the returned ones regarding programmes and mechanisms addressing the core issues of returning migrants	Comprehensive information is provided both to those who are willing to return to the Republic of Armenia and the returnees about ongoing programmes and referral mechanisms	1. Dissemination of information through websites of relevant government agencies, mass media, diplomatic representations of the Republic of Armenia and partner agencies of foreign states dealing with issues of return	Regularly updated information	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Development of referral mechanisms for returnees to government agencies, non-governmental and international organisations implementing reintegration assistance programmes	Approved referral mechanism	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Non-governmental organisations (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Development of information leaflets on referral mechanisms and distribution thereof at border crossing points of the Republic of Armenia, as well as through mass media, social networks and web	Number of leaflets distributed	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state

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			sites		Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		budget
			4. Arrangement, in co-operation with mass media, of TV and radio programmes, discussions and meetings addressing actions undertaken for the settlement of core problems of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia, identified problems and returnee success stories	Number of programmes, consultations and interviews arranged	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Non-governmental organisations (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent)	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	e. Ensure continuity of re-integration support programmes for citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to Armenia within the framework of bilateral and multilateral agreements	Programmes are in place to support re-integration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia, which are implemented with the assistance of receiving countries and international organisations	1. Conducting negotiations with receiving countries on providing assistance for re-integration of persons who return from the said countries	Number of the programmes launched due to negotiations	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Enhancing co-operation with international organisations implementing re-integration support programmes for citizens of the Republic of Armenia returning to the Republic of Armenia	Number of events implemented in co-operation with international organisations	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the	2019-2021	

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					Republic of Armenia Non-governmental organisations (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent)		
2) Activities aimed at implementation of the Policy Concept for Integration of Persons Recognized as Refugees and Granted Asylum and Long-term immigrants in the Republic of Armenia	a. Study of international practices in the sphere of integration of immigrants	The practice of various countries in the area of integration of immigrants is studied and analysed in the context of issues relating to integration of immigrants in the Republic of Armenia	1. Analysis of systems operating in and programmes implemented in various countries with respect to integration of immigrants	Analytical report on systems operating in and programmes implemented in various countries with respect to integration of immigrants	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Study visit to an EU member state that has extensive experience in the field of integration of immigrants	Report on the integration system operating in and programmes implemented in the receiving country	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Development of the Action Plan for implementation of the Policy Concept for Integration of Persons Recognized as Refugees and Granted Asylum and Long-term immigrants in close co-operation with stakeholder government	Activities to be included in the Action Plan, possibilities and timeframes for implementation thereof and responsible agencies in charge are specified and submitted for approval to the Government of the Republic of Armenia	1. Arrangement of discussions with stakeholder government agencies, international and non-governmental organisations active in the field to clearly formulate the activities to be included in the Action Plan, possibilities and timeframes for their implementation and responsible agencies in charge	Responses to letters addressed to stakeholder government agencies, international and non-governmental organisations active in the field	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Culture of the	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	agencies, non-governmental organisations and international organisations				Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia State Urban Development Committee of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Civil Service Council of the Republic of Armenia Office of the Human Rights Defender of the Republic of Armenia, Non-governmental organisations (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent)		
			2. Drafting the Protocol Decree of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On approving the Action Plan for implementation of the Policy Concept for Integration of Persons Recognized as Refugees and Granted Asylum and Long-term Immigrants	The draft Protocol Decree is approved by the Government of the Republic of Armenia	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Implementation of measures provided for by Action Plan for implementation	Conditions necessary for the arrangement of Armenian language and civic orientation	1. Arrangement of Armenian language courses for persons recognized as refugees and granted asylum and of long-term immigrants in the Republic of Armenia	Course programme is developed and approved	Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	of the Policy Concept for Integration of Persons Recognized as Refugees and Granted Asylum and Long-term Immigrants	courses for persons recognized as refugees and granted asylum and of long-term immigrants in the Republic of Armenia are provided, proposals are made to develop of legal framework for providing the said persons with temporary accommodation			Development of the Republic of Armenia		Other sources not prohibited by law
2. Submission of a budgeting request to cover the costs of the free Armenian language course under the budgeting plan for the respective fiscal year			Budgeting request under the budgeting plan for the respective fiscal year is submitted	Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	
3. Arrangement of civic orientation courses for persons recognized as refugees and granted asylum and of long-term immigrants in the Republic of Armenia			Approved course programme and organization to implement the said programme	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law	
4. Submission of a budgeting request to cover the costs of the free civic orientation ucourse under the budgeting plan for the respective fiscal year			Budgeting request under the budgeting plan for the respective fiscal year is submitted	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	

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			5. Analysis of legislation of the Republic of Armenia on providing social housing, proposals for making changes and amendments to the said legislation and, if appropriate, development of a new legal act for the purpose of providing temporary accommodation to persons recognized as refugees and granted asylum in the Republic of Armenia	Analytical report	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia State Urban Development Committee of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent)	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

4. MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVE: DIRECTING THE ECONOMIC AND HUMAN POTENTIAL OF MIGRANTS TOWARDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY

1) Utilization of migration potential	a. Develop, jointly with international organisations, targeted programmes for ensuring utilization in the Republic of Armenia of skills, intellectual potential and expertise of highly-skilled citizens of the Republic of	Utilization of skills, intellectual potential and expertise of highly-skilled citizens of the Republic of Armenia residing overseas for the country's development	1. Carrying out analysis to assess the intellectual potential of highly-skilled citizens of the Republic of Armenia residing overseas and possibilities of utilizing it in Armenia	Submission of the analysis report to ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
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	Armenia residing overseas				Experts (upon consent)		
			2. Study of international experience and submission of recommendations on utilization of intellectual potential of highly-skilled citizens of the Republic of Armenia residing overseas	Report on international experience and recommendations are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia, Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			3. Conducting discussions with international organisations to obtain their support in implementing pilot projects on utilization of intellectual potential of high-skilled Armenian citizens residing abroad	Report made based on the discussions reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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					Armenia International organizations (upon consent)		
			4. Dissemination of success stories on investing intellectual potential of highly-skilled emigrants	Websites of government agencies, social networks and other media	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Develop and conduct financial literacy courses for emigrants and members of their families living in Armenia	Return on investments by emigrants and members of their families residing in the Republic of Armenia and facilitation of community development	1. Based on international experience, develop a training programme aimed at raising the financial literacy of emigrants and members of their families residing in the Republic of Armenia	Training programme is developed and reviewed by stakeholder agencies	Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2. Conduct financial literacy classes for emigrants residing in Armenia and members of their families based on the approved training programme			Number of trainees	Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget	

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					Republic of Armenia		
	c. Implementation of measures aimed at reduction of costs for remittances sent by emigrants	Emigrants are able to save money when making remittances	1. Ensure sustainable operation of sendmoneyarmenia.com on-line single integrated information system targeted at reduction of remittance costs	On-line information system is sustainably operated	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. dissemination of information about the system among emigrants and potential migrants	Awareness-raising campaigns	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2) Support to the development of circular migration	a. Enhancement of multilateral cooperation aimed at facilitation of circular migration of young and highly-skilled specialists	Creation of a basis for transforming brain drain into brain circulation, improvement of professional skills and, in general, of migration experience	1. Study of international practices on practical programmes for circular migration of young and highly-skilled specialists and development of recommendations in cooperation with international organisations	Report on international practices and package of recommendations reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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					Armenia Experts (upon consent)		
			2. Assessment of the demand for highly skilled foreign labour in EU member states in cooperation with international organisations	Analytical studies reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			3. Launching negotiations with partner EU member states to facilitate circular migration of young professionals, high-skilled specialists and other categories of labour force	Report on discussions and negotiations conducted is reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Implementation of relevant activities aimed at familiarisation of staff of government agencies dealing with	improvement of practical application of circular migration	1. Development, with the support of international organisations, of a guidebook on practical application of circular migration	Guidebook developed	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	arrangement of circular migration and of diplomatic representations and consular missions of the Republic of Armenia in host countries with the concept of circular migration and peculiarities of practical application thereof				Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)		
		2. Conducting round table discussions, workshops and other events for government agencies dealing with circular migration schemes	Number of round tables, workshops and other events and participants thereof	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law	
	c. Regular informing educational institutions in Armenia about the needs of labour markets in partner states and in main target countries of Armenian emigrants	Adaptation of professional education to demands of both the Armenian and global labour markets	1. Implementation, as appropriate and in cooperation with international organisations, of regular needs assessments of labour markets of main destination countries of Armenian emigrants and partner states and submission of outcomes to the RA Ministry of Education and Science	Needs assessment report reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Conducting discussions aimed at developing relevant professional education programs	Package of recommendations submitted to ICMAP	Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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					State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia		
3) Mobilization of the investment potential of migrants and returned migrants	a. With the assistance of international organisations, conduct an assessment of the investment potential and needs of emigrants and citizens of the Republic of Armenia returned to the Republic of Armenia	Unlocking the economic potential of emigrants and returned migrants	1. Development of recommendations on schemes for utilization of the investment potential of emigrants and returned Armenia citizens	Package of recommendations reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	b. Establishment of contacts between local communities and emigrant organizations located abroad for involving them in local community development programmes	Directing the economic potential of emigrants and returned migrants towards the development of the country	1. In cooperation with international organisations, develop of recommendations aimed at strengthening the links between local communities and diaspora organisations to facilitate their involvement in community development projects	Package of recommendations reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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					of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia International organisations (upon consent)		
	c. Ensuring access of emigrants to investment programmes meant for attracting financial resources thereof	Utilization of the financial potential of emigrants	1. Raising the awareness of migrants on web platforms developed to attract foreign investments (http://together4armenia.am/en , www.investmentprojects.am) as well as on other web resources (http://mtad.am/hy/marznardrum , http://lori.mtad.am/investments)	Recommendations on use of capabilities discussed with stakeholder government agencies	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	d. Development and implementation in co-operation	Mobilization of the financial potential of	1. Study of international experience and submission of recommendations on development and implementation of equal financing pilot projects targeted as investments by emigrants and returned	Report on international and national experience and package of	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the	2019	Does not require additional funding from

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	with donor organisations of equal financing pilot projects targeted at investments by emigrants and returned migrants, as well as provision of support through training programmes	emigrants	migrants	recommendations are reviewed by stakeholder government agencies	Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
2. Conducting discussions with international organisations on implementation of pilot projects			Number of discussions	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia International organizations (upon consent)	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law	
3. Conducting discussions aimed to facilitate the support to returned migrants through various training programmes			Number of discussions	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Economic Development and Investments Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the	2019	Other sources not prohibited by law	

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					Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		
			4. Publication of success stories of investments made by emigrants and returned migrants in local communities on websites of government agencies, in social networks and other media	Websites of government agencies, social networks and other media	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	e. Conduct of studies and development of recommendations to introduce a system for transfer of remittances directly from payment cards and bank accounts of migrants and instantly credit them to payment cards of their family members	Ensuring instant transfer of remittances for migrants	1. Study of international practices and national capacities for introduction of the system for transfer of remittances directly from payment cards and bank accounts of migrants and instantly credit them to payment cards of their family members residing in the country of origin and development of relevant recommendations	Report on international practices and domestic capacities and package of recommendations are reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) International organizations (upon consent)	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	residing in the Republic of Armenia						
5. PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF LABOUR MIGRANT CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA							
OBJECTIVE: INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEGAL LABOUR MIGRATION, ENSURING PROTECTION OF RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF CITIZENS ENGAGED IN LABOUR MIGRATION							
1) Increasing opportunities for legal labour migration	a. Conducting analysis of labour and employment legislation and labour market of host countries, including that in scope of the EAEU, and providing information, on a regular basis, to mediator employment agencies and labour migrants	Increasing legal employment opportunities for RA citizens in host countries, including EAEU Member States; preventing illegal labour migration	1. Sharing, on a regular basis, of information obtained from the analysis of labour and employment legislation and labour market of host countries, including that in scope of the EAEU, with employment agencies, stakeholder NGOs and mass media	Type of information, regularity of provision Number of recipient agencies, NGOs and media	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of International Economic Integration and reforms, State Migration Service of the Ministry of Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Providing necessary information and consultation on labour and employment legislation, as well as the labour market in foreign countries, to labour migrants	Number of recipients	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Implementing programs aiming at capacity building of private organizations performing mediation activities in relation to labour	Increasing opportunities for legal employment of RA citizens in host countries, including EAEU member states	1. Enhancement of cooperation with private organizations performing mediation activities in relation to labour migration	Report on activities for enhancement reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	migration and enhancing partnerships with government agencies				Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		
	c. Expansion of the migration resource center network and capacity building thereof	Supporting potential labour migrants on the spot	1. Capacity building of migration resource centres functioning under regional centres of the State Employment Agency	Assessment report and recommendation package reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	d. Undertaking appropriate steps and holding negotiations with regard to preparation of bilateral agreements on issues of protection of rights of labour migrants and their family members with countries that represent particular interest for Armenia from the perspective of labour migration	Extending bilateral and regional cooperation on protection of rights of labour migrants and their family members	1. Submit recommendations to countries representing particular interest for Armenia from the perspective of labour migration with the view to concluding bilateral agreements on protection of rights of labour migrants and their family members and engage in negotiations	Report on recommendations submitted and negotiations conducted reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
2) Improving the protection of rights and	a. Submitting the UN International Convention “On the Protection of	Guarantees of legal protection of labour migrants and their family	a1. Implementation of activities aimed at ratification of the UN Convention “On the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families” of December 18,	Report on activities reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from

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interests of citizens leaving for labour migration	the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families” of December 18, 1990, signed on September 26, 2013, to RA National Assembly for ratification	members	1990		Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development		the state budget
	b. Establish partnerships with Diaspora organizations having willingness and opportunity to provide legal and translation services	Enhancement of legal protection service; direct accessibility and availability of such service to recipients	b. Identifying Diaspora organizations that provide legal and translation services, and offering them partnerships	Partnership offers List of partners	Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Dissemination of information on the aforementioned organisations among labour migrants	Information available on the SMS website List is provided to labour migrants	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Organise, through migration resource centers, pre-departure briefings for	Increasing the level of legal awareness and legal protection of labour migrants	1. Arrangement, through migration resource centers, of pre-departure briefings for potential labour migrants	Number of briefings organised and participants thereof	Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of	2019-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.

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	potential labour migrants on general migration issues and specific host countries				Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora Ministry of Education and Science International organisations (by agreement)		Other sources not prohibited by law
	d. Organizing, in cooperation with international organizations, award ceremonies for mass media in regard to advocacy campaigns aiming at awareness raising of RA citizens about the procedure and conditions of labor activity in foreign countries	Involving mass media in dissemination of reliable and up-to-date information in the public	1. Arrangement of journalism contests for migration-related publications	Report on activities reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Diaspora of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia International organisations (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
3) Procedural simplifications and ensuring social protection and healthcare for labour migrants	a. Conducting negotiations with EAEU Member States on concluding bilateral agreements aiming at simplification of	Regulation of issues of free movement of citizens in the territories of other parties	1. Conducting negotiations aimed at signing bilateral agreements on simplification of current procedures for entry of citizens into the territories of the parties and registration thereof	Report on discussions conducted reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration	2017-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	current procedures for entry of citizens into the parties' territories and their registration				and Development		
	b. Signing of agreements on social security based on the reciprocity principle in scope of the EAEU, as well as with other host countries	International dialogue for social protection of labor migrants	1. Arrangement of discussions aimed at concluding social security agreements with host countries based on the reciprocity principle	Number of discussions	Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Healthcare of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Exercising, by Armenian labour migrants abroad, the right to safe and secure labor conditions, as well as to restoring violated health rights, and rights to receive free medical aid and services abroad	Labor safety and health maintenance for the RA citizens leaving abroad for labor migration	1. Undertake measures aimed at ensuring secure labour conditions and healthcare for Armenian labour migrants abroad	Report reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	d. Undertake measures to respond to problems		1. Undertake measures to respond to problems threatening the migrants' health condition, particularly communicable diseases, including HIV/AIDS	Report reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from

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	threatening the migrants' health condition, particularly communicable diseases, including HIV/AIDS				National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development		the state budget

6. FIGHT AGAINST ILLEGAL MIGRATION

OBJECTIVE: EFFECTIVE FIGHT AGAINST ILLEGAL MIGRATION

1) Improve border management mechanisms	a. Develop an action plan for management of migration flows resulting from major disasters or military operations	Availability of an action plan to be implemented at the Republic of Armenia state border crossing points and border zones in emergency situations	a. Develop an action plan for management of migration flows resulting from major disasters or military operations	Availability of a document titled "Action plan for management of migration flows resulting from major disasters or military operations" reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
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					of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Transport, Communication and Information Technologies of the Republic of Armenia UNHCR-Armenia (upon consent) UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (upon consent)		
2) Improvement of legal framework and mechanisms for counteracting illegal migration	a. Review of relevant national legislation and develop an action plan to bridge the gaps existing in the processes related to deportation and safe, dignified and informed return of foreigners	Legislative gaps identified in the process of deportation and voluntary return of foreigners are bridged	1. Analysis of relevant RA legislation and processes regulating deportation and voluntary return of foreigners, identification of existing problems	Report on the result of the analysis of RA legislation regulating deportation and voluntary return of foreigners	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Develop an action plan for settlement of issues related to with deportation and voluntary return of foreigners	Developed action plan approved by stakeholder government agencies	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	b. Develop and implement measures aimed at increasing the protection level of RA citizens' passports containing biometric data	Protection level of the RA citizens' passports containing biometric data is improved	1. Review of issues related to issuance of RA passports in order to ensure final transition to the system of issuance of passports containing biometric data	Report on results reviewed by ICMAP	Police of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Engage in negotiations for the purpose of signing readmission agreements with countries of illegal migration origin for the RA	Reduction of volumes of illegal migration	1. Submission of recommendations to countries of illegal migration origin for the RA with the view to signing readmission agreements and conducting negotiations	Number of negotiated agreements	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	d. Improve cooperation between government agencies involved in activities aimed at identification of illegal migrants entering	Increasing the level of cooperation between government agencies involved in the fight against illegal migration	1. Organise discussions and develop appropriate recommendations on issues related to collection of information on foreign citizens staying illegally in Armenia, and submitting thereof to competent bodies	Report on developed recommendations	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	into and staying in Armenia; undertake measures aimed at enhancing information exchange and development of joint SOPs				Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		
			2. Perform joint operative-preventive operations to identify illegal migrants in the territory of Armenia	Performed joint operative-preventive operations	Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	e. Arrangement of discussions with competent authorities on issues related to capturing fingerprints of persons illegally staying in Armenia, and submission of appropriate recommendations	Improved mechanisms for counteracting illegal migration are in place	1. Study of international practices related to capturing fingerprints of migrants staying illegally in the territory of Armenia	Report on international practices	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Develop recommendations on introducing a system of capturing fingerprints of migrants based on international practices	Report on recommendations developed based on international practices	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget.

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					Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia		Other sources not prohibited by law
	f. Organize, with the support of international organizations, training courses for officials of border and other law enforcement bodies focusing on introduction of latest international practices and methods of document security	Increasing the efficiency of fight against illegal migration	1. Organize, with the support of international organizations, training courses for officials of border and other law enforcement bodies focusing on introduction of latest international practices and methods of document security	Number of trained officials from border and law enforcement agencies; number of workshops organized to this end	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia ICMPD in Armenia (upon consent) UNDP (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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7. ENHANCEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF MIGRATION							
OBJECTIVE: CREATE CONDITIONS FOR FREE MOVEMENT OF RA CITIZENS AND ENSURE PROTECTION OF THEIR RIGHTS AND INTERESTS IN THEIR ACTIVITIES IN DESTINATION COUNTRIES							
1) Ensuring fulfillment of international obligations assumed by the RA in the sphere of migration arising from accession to the Treaty “On the Eurasian Economic Union”.	a. Conduct negotiations with EAEU Member States to sign readmission agreements for persons not having the right of residence and take practical steps to implement such agreements	The procedure and conditions regarding readmission of persons are clearly specified with the Republic of Belarus and the Republic of Kazakhstan	1. Conduct negotiations with Belarus to agree on the texts of the Agreement on Readmission between the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Belarus and Draft Protocol on the procedure for its implementation.	Report on negotiations conducted reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Conduct negotiations with Kazakhstan to agree on the texts of the Agreement on Readmission between the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Kazakhstan and Draft Protocol on the Procedure for Implementing the Agreement on Readmission between the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Kazakhstan.	Report on negotiations conducted reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	b. Review of agreements signed with EAEU Member States on mutual visa-free regime	For nationals of the parties, a more favorable regime is established to enter and stay in their territories as opposed to citizens of states that are not members of the Eurasian	1. Conduct negotiations with Belarus to agree on the text of the Draft Protocol on Making Amendments to the Agreement on Mutual Visits of Citizens of the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Belarus between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Republic of Belarus dated 6 June 2002.	Report on negotiations conducted reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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		Economic Union	2. Conduct negotiations with Kazakhstan with regard to agreeing on the text of the Draft Protocol on Making Amendments to the Agreement on Mutual Visits of Citizens of the Republic of Armenia and the Republic of Kazakhstan between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 6 November 2006.	Report on negotiations conducted reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Conduct consultations with competent government agencies of EAEU Member States regarding adjustment of lists of documents authorising to citizens' entry, exit, residence and movements	Positions of the Parties with regard to feasibility of amending the list of documents authorising entry, exit, residence and movement of the Parties' citizens in the territories of other Parties are clarified	1. Conduct consultations with competent government agencies of the Republic of Kazakhstan on making amendments to the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan on Mutual Visits by Citizens dated 6 November 2006, with the view to including the Armenian national identification card in the list of documents authorising entry, exit, residence and movement within Republic of Kazakhstan for citizens of the Republic of Armenia, as well as to including the Republic of Kazakhstan identification card in the list of documents authorising entry, exit, residence and movement in within the Republic of Armenia for citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan	Report on the results of consultations	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	d. Undertake measures aimed at signing the Agreement on the Pension Scheme for Employees of Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union and its enforcement	A uniform mechanism of the pension scheme for labor migrants representing citizens of Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union is in place	1. Undertake measures aimed at signing the Agreement on the Pension Scheme for Employees of Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union and its enforcement	Report on measures undertaken reviewed by ICMAP	Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of International Integration and Reforms of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2) Awareness raising of RA citizens and foreign citizens about their rights and obligations arising from agreements signed within the framework of the EAEU	a. Ensure, on an ongoing basis, provision of information to RA citizens about specificities of entry into, stay, engaging in labor activity, making use of the social security,	RA citizens are informed about the specificities of entry into, stay, engaging in labor activity, making use of the social security, pension, educational and healthcare systems in Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union	1. Develop publicly accessible notices and leaflets on rights and obligations of RA citizens arising from agreements signed within the framework of the EAEU	Amount of materials developed	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Experts (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	pension, educational and healthcare systems in Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union		2. Posting of developed materials on websites of relevant Government agencies, dissemination of selected information through social networks, mass media and NGOs	Report on activities undertaken reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Development of mechanisms of rapid response to cases of violation of Armenian labour migrants within the framework of implementation of the EAEU Agreement	Recommendations mechanisms for receiving, registration and responding to alerts of migrant rights' violation	Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state
	b. Ensure, on an ongoing basis, provision of information to citizens of Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union about specificities of	Citizens of Member States of the Eurasian Economic Union are informed about specificities of entry into, stay, engaging in labor activity, making use of the social security, pension,	1. Develop information leaflets and publicly accessible notices on rights and obligations of foreign citizens in RA arising from the EAEU Agreement	Amount of materials developed	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Experts (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	entry into, stay, engaging in labor activity, making use of the social security, pension, educational and healthcare systems in the Republic of Armenia	educational and healthcare systems in the Republic of Armenia	2. Posting of developed materials on websites of relevant Government agencies, dissemination of selected information through social networks, mass media and NGOs	Report on activities undertaken reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Health of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
3) Further enhancement of cooperation on migration issues with the EU, its Member States, as well as other countries	a. Develop a roadmap for launching a dialogue on visa regime liberalization with the EU; elaborate and implement capacity building programs for government authorities to be potentially incorporated in the Armenian negotiating team	Appropriate steps to be taken by RA for enhancement of mobility opportunities for RA citizens are identified	1. Study of the experience of countries that signed visa free travel agreements with the EU, identification of the phases of the process and the range of requirements to be posed to Armenia	Report on the study and the scope of requirements	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development International organisations (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. In order to facilitate the process, ensure capacity building of staff of competent government agencies involved therein through round-table discussions, workshops and study visits to other countries	Number of events conducted	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia International organisations (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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	<p>b. Develop and introduce a readmission case management electronic system with the view of efficient fulfillment of commitments undertaken under the readmission agreement signed with the EU.</p>	<p>Readmission requests from EU countries are received and responses thereto are sent via an readmission case management electronic system</p>	<p>1. Establish a working group to undertake the work on development and introduction of the electronic readmission case management system and develop the system's terms of reference</p>	<p>ToR developed</p>	<p>State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development</p> <p>Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>International organisations (upon consent)</p>	<p>2017</p>	<p>Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law</p>
			<p>3. Undertake measures required for launching of the readmission case management electronic system</p>	<p>Required technical and software changes are made</p>	<p>State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development</p> <p>Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>International organisations (upon consent)</p>	<p>2018</p>	<p>Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law</p>

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	c. Conduct negotiations aimed at signing implementation protocols for readmission agreements signed with EU Member States	The conditions for implementation of the EU-Armenia readmission agreement are coordinated on a bilateral basis	1. Conduct negotiations with EU Member States aimed at signing the implementation protocols and signing of these protocols	Number of signed protocols	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2017-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	d. Enhancement of cooperation with the EU for the purpose of introducing integrated border management system based on the Single Window/One-Stop Shop concept	Comprehensive implementation of migration-related international treaties within the legal framework of the Republic of Armenia	1. Ensure proper implementation of EU-Armenia migration-related treaties through adoption, as appropriate, of relevant national legislative acts	Number and objective of international treaties and amended national legislative acts as stipulated by these agreements	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2019 - 2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	e. Conduct negotiations with specific EU countries on simplified conditions of entry and further stay in the parties' territories for particular categories of persons (young and high-skilled	Movement of people pursuing development goals is facilitated; in the meantime, issues related to the fight against illegal migration remain in the center of attention	1. Submit recommendations to specific EU countries on initiating negotiations on cooperation in the field of population mobility	Number of negotiable agreements	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	professionals, university graduates, artists, etc.)						
	f. Negotiations with appropriate agencies of specific countries on establishing visa-free entry regime for citizens based on the reciprocity principle.	Population mobility with various countries is facilitated	1. Submit recommendations to specific countries on commencing negotiations on establishing visa-free entry regime for citizens based on the reciprocity principle.	Number of negotiable agreements	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

8. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE MIGRATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

OBJECTIVE: IMPROVE THE MIGRATION POLICY PLANNING THROUGH CONSOLIDATION OF STATISTICAL DATA ON MIGRATION IN ARMENIA, IMPROVEMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCES DISPLAYING THE COMPLETE MIGRATION PICTURE (PROFILE) OF THE COUNTRY, AS WELL AS COLLECTION OF INFORMATION FROM ALTERNATIVE SOURCES

1) Establish a uniform data collection and statistics methodology in the RA migration sector and develop recommendations for its application	a. Study the requirements for statistical data from data bases and statistical indicators in the migration sector collected by EU Member States and provided to Eurostat, as well as for appropriate uniform statistical data collected in EAEU member	A uniform methodology in the migration sector is established; recommendations for its application are developed	1. Study the requirements for statistical data from data bases and statistical indicators in the migration sector collected by EU Member States and provided to Eurostat, development of recommendations for their adaptation in Armenia	Report on developed recommendation reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
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	states, and development of recommendations				National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)		
			2. Study of the system for collection of uniform migration statistical data existing in EAEU member states, development of recommendations for their adaptation in Armenia	Report on the results of investigation and developed recommendations reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
2) Complement the collection of statistical data in the migration sector by following fields: “International migration, usually (permanently) resident	a. Analysis of statistical indicators in the following fields “International migration, usually (permanently) resident population and acquisition of	The system of statistical indicators applied in the migration sector in EU Member States is analyzed	a1. Analysis of statistical indicators in “International migration, usually (permanently) resident population and acquisition of citizenship” section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007	Preparation of a report based on the analysis reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Office of the President of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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<p>population and acquisition of citizenship”, “Prevention of illegal entry and stay” and “Returns”</p>	<p>citizenship”, “Prevention of illegal entry and stay”, “Returns” sections defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council, dated as of July 11, 2007</p>				<p>Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Police of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Experts (upon consent)</p>		
			<p>2. Analysis of statistical indicators in the Prevention of illegal entry and stay section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007</p>	<p>Preparation of a report based on the analysis reviewed by ICMAP</p>	<p>State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development</p> <p>Office of the President of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)</p> <p>Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Police of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia</p> <p>Experts (upon consent)</p>	<p>2018</p>	<p>Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law</p>

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			3. Analysis of statistical indicators in the “Returns” section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council, of 11 July 2007	Preparation of a report based on the analysis reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Office of the President of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	b. Based on the results of the analysis of statistical indicators of sections contained in Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007,	Statistical indicators of the migration sector that correspond to appropriate indicators approved by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007, are specified	1. Adaptation of statistical indicators in the “Prevention of illegal entry and stay” section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007, to identical statistical indicators applied in Armenia	Report on indicators reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	adaptation thereof to identical statistical indicators applied in Armenia				Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia		
			2. Adaptation of statistical indicators in the “Return” section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007, to identical statistical indicators applied in Armenia	Report on indicators reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Adaptation of statistical indicators in the “International migration, usually (permanently) resident population and acquisition of citizenship” section defined by Regulation No. 862/2007-N of the European Parliament and of the European Council of 11 July 2007, to identical statistical indicators applied in Armenia	Report on indicators reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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					the Government of the Republic of Armenia		
	c. Software modifications within BMIS that would ensure the receipt of output data (tables) to produce statistical indicators	Output data of statistical indicators (tables) from BMIS electronic system are available	1. Perform, with the support of international organizations, software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables) to formulate statistical indicators of the “Prevention of illegal entry and stay” section	Perform software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables) to produce relevant indicators	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) Police of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2017-2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Perform, with the support of international organizations, software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables) to formulate statistical indicators of the “Return” section	Perform software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables) to produce relevant indicators	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			3. Perform, with the support of international organizations, software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables) to formulate statistical indicators of the “International migration, usually	Perform software modifications within BMIS to receive output data (tables)	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2019-2020	Does not require additional funding from

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			(permanently) resident population and acquisition of citizenship” section	to produce relevant indicators	National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)		the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	d. Publication of official migration statistics by the RA National Statistical Service	Migration statistics is incorporated in the information report on Armenia's social-economic situation published by the RA National Statistical Service.	1. Submission of recommendations for publication of statistical indicators from the “Prevention of illegal entry and stay” section.	Recommendations submitted to the RA National Statistical Service	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Submission of recommendations for publication of statistical indicators from the “Return” section	Recommendations submitted to the RA National Statistical Service	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) National Security Service of the Government of the	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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					Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia		
			3. Submission of recommendations for publication of statistical indicators from the “International migration, usually (permanently) resident population and acquisition of citizenship” section	Recommendations submitted to the RA National Statistical Service	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia	2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
3) Institutionalise the collection of migration related information displaying the full migration picture (profile) of the country, including also data from alternative sources	a. Ensure conduct, on a regular basis, of representative sample surveys to study migration flows in Armenia	Representative surveys of migration flows are conducted on a regular basis	1. Identification of urgent topics for representative sample surveys of migration flows in Armenia	List of topics for sample surveys is in place	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent) International organisations (upon consent) NGOs (upon consent)	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Conducting representative surveys of migration flows with assistance of international organizations	Published reports on the results of representative surveys	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state

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	b. Development of Armenia's migration profile based on survey results and administrative statistical data	Recommendations for development of Armenia's migration profile are formulated	1. Based on international practices on profile development, formulate and coordinate the statistical indicators included therein with appropriate government agencies	Developed and coordinated with appropriate government agencies	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Submission of a draft Government Decree in order to organize the migration profile works in an institutionalised manner and on a permanent basis.	Draft Decree developed and reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Statistical Service of the Republic of Armenia (upon consent)	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
4) Improve the administrative registration system for emigrants and immigrants by developing mechanisms ensuring their administrative registration, and introducing normative regulations	a. Study the current mechanisms for registration of the absence period of Armenian citizens staying abroad for a period exceeding 6 months	Current system for registration of absence of citizens from Armenia for a period exceeding 6 months is reviewed; gaps and deficiencies are identified	1. Review of current mechanisms of registration of the absence period of Armenian citizens staying abroad for a period exceeding 6 months: identify gaps and deficiencies, develop recommendations	Report on the results of the study and package of recommendations	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Police of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	b. Develop recommendations on creation of mechanisms for de-registration of		1. Develop recommendations on creation of mechanisms for de-registration of citizens of the Republic of Armenia in cases when they emigrate from the country/leaving for permanent residence abroad	Report on the results of the study and package of recommendations	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state

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	citizens of the Republic of Armenia in cases when they emigrate from the country/leaving for permanent residence abroad				Police of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)		budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	c. Discussing the conditions of capturing the entrance and exit of RA citizens at RA border crossing points, opportunities for integrating those with the registration system of the State Registry of Population and the necessity of adoption of relevant normative regulations in that regard.	A data system to register the volume of short-term and long-term emigration is created	1. Review of current conditions (procedures) for capturing the entrance and exit of RA citizens at RA border crossing points with regard to the absence of citizens from Armenia for a period exceeding a certain time limit and develop recommendations thereon; appropriate software modifications that will enable identification of citizens being absent from Armenia for a period exceeding a certain time limit	Report on the study and recommendations	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
			2. Organise discussions on opportunities for integrating the data on emigration cases being captured by BMIS with the registration system of the State Registry of Population and on normative regulations required in that regard, as appropriate	Package of recommendations reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development National Security Service of the Government of the Republic of Armenia Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia Police of the Republic of Armenia Experts (upon consent)	2020	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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9. MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE STRATEGY							
OBJECTIVE: ENHANCE THE INSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM FOR THE MONITORING OF THE MIGRATION STRATEGY AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION ACTION PLAN FOR 2017-2021							
1) Improve the evaluation system of the migration strategy and the Action Plan for 2017-2021	a. Develop monitoring indicators for the evaluation of the migration strategy implementation action plan	Indicators for evaluation of the migration strategy implementation action plan are developed and complete, and efficient implementation of the program is ensured.	1. Elaboration of evaluation indicators for the migration strategy implementation action plan based on indicators presented by each responsible agency	Evaluation indicators for the migration strategy action plan are approved by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	b. Bring the self-evaluation methodology of the migration strategy report into compliance with benchmarks and objectives set forth in the action plan	The self-evaluation methodology of the migration strategy report is brought into compliance with benchmarks and objectives set forth in the action plan	1. Bring the self-evaluation methodology of the migration strategy report into compliance with benchmarks and objectives set forth in the action plan	Methodology is approved by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development Experts (upon consent)	2018-2019	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law
	c. Organise training courses for representatives of agencies responsible for implementation of the migration policy	Representatives of the agencies responsible for implementation of the migration policy are aware about the action plan evaluation indicators and self-evaluation methodology for the migration	c. Organise training courses for representatives of agencies responsible for implementation of the migration strategy action plan	Number of organized training courses and participants thereof	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018	Does not require additional funding from the state budget. Other sources not prohibited by law

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		strategy report.					
	d. Introduce an external evaluation system for evaluation of the migration strategy results, as applicable and as possible	The need of an external evaluation system for the migration strategy results, as well as the opportunities available for its implementation, is identified	1. Conduct a review and a targeted discussion on the need for an external evaluation of the migration strategy results	Report reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2020-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Discuss external evaluation opportunities with international organizations involved in the migration sector	Report on the results reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	e. Conduct, at the end of each year, evaluation of activities under the action plan; submit recommendations to the RA Government based on detected shortcomings, gaps and lessons learnt	Develop recommendations addressing the review of specific activities and actions listed in the action plan on the basis of detected shortcomings, gaps and lessons learnt	1. Evaluation of activities listed in the migration strategy implementation action plan in the first quarter of the next year, as well as producing a report on implementation of the action plan	Annual progress report on implementation of the migration strategy action plan reviewed by ICMAP	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
			2. Develop recommendations based on gaps detected in the migration strategy implementation action plan as per the report results and lessons learnt; making changes and amendments to the Government Decree concerned	Submit the draft decree on changes and amendments to the RA Government Decree concerned to the RA Government	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2018-2021	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
2) Increase the status of the Interagency Commission for Monitoring of the migration strategy and the Action Plan (ICMAP)	a. Assign general supervision of the Action Plan implementation process to the RA Minister of Territorial Administration and Development, and leave the function of coordinating the	Full-scale and efficient implementation of the Action Plan is ensured	1. Develop the RA Government Draft Decree “On approving the 2017-2021 Action Plan for implementation of the strategy for migration policy of the Republic of Armenia”.	Draft decree submitted to the RA Government Staff	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget

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	activities of the Interagency Commission up to the Head of State Migration Service						
	b. As stipulated by the procedure for establishing the Interagency Commission, set forth the requirements for awareness on the responsibility for implementation of policies, strategies, program development and implementation for representatives of agencies responsible for implementation of the migration policy, as well as for knowledge of the current state of affairs on issues incorporated in the agenda of bilateral relations	Representatives of responsible member agencies incorporated in the Interagency Commission, who are well-informed about the migration problems	1. Forward to agencies appropriate notices on the requirements for inclusion of responsible member agency candidates into the Interagency Commission	Notices are forwarded to agencies	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state budget
	c. Envisage membership of NGOs and individual experts	Involvement of the representatives of international organizations and civil society, and	1. Develop the RA Government Draft Decree “On approving the 2017-2021 Action Plan for implementation of the strategy for migration policy of the Republic of Armenia”.	Draft decree submitted to the RA Government Staff	State Migration Service of the RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Development	2017	Does not require additional funding from the state

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	specialized in the migration sector, as well as representatives from international organizations, in the Commission	individual experts in implementation of the migration strategy action plan					budget