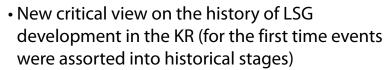




- Goal to formulate role of LSG in human development
- Tasks:
  - To evaluate how LSG helps people "to carry out free choice to live the life they appreciate»?
  - To study previous experience of reforms: what worked and what did not work and why?
  - To formulate Vision of LSG system for 2020 and 2030
  - To present strategic recommendations on how to proceed to reach this goal

#### 4 Novelties and Achievements of the Report



- Profound analytical research of the various aspects of LSG in the KR for the first time in many years
- Report on Human Development for the first time was calculated not on the country level but on the level of each LSG
- Successful attempt of authors' team to integrate concepts of LSG and human development



# LSG as an environment for human development



Local self-government is a right and real opportunity of local communities independently in their interests and at its responsibility to resolve issues of local significance guaranteed by the Constitution.

Human development includes in the list of human freedoms right of people to live long, healthy and creative life, to implement other goals that according to their opinion have values; to actively participate in providing fairness and sustainability of development on our mutual planet. People both individually and in groups are simultaneously become beneficiaries (goal – by authors' group) and moving force of the human development.

Integrated approach:

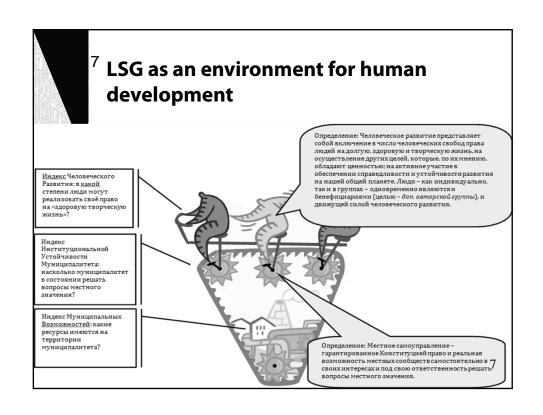
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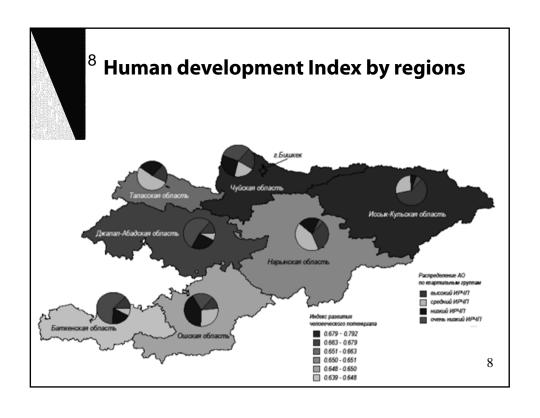
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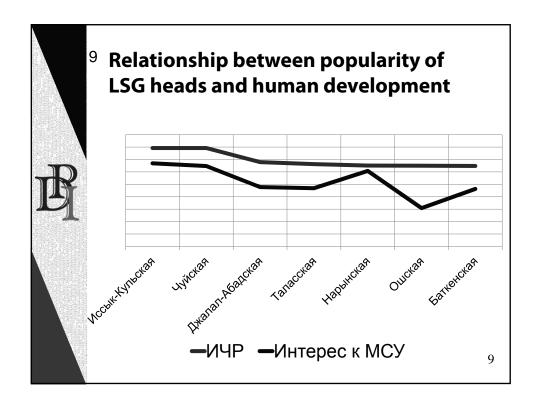
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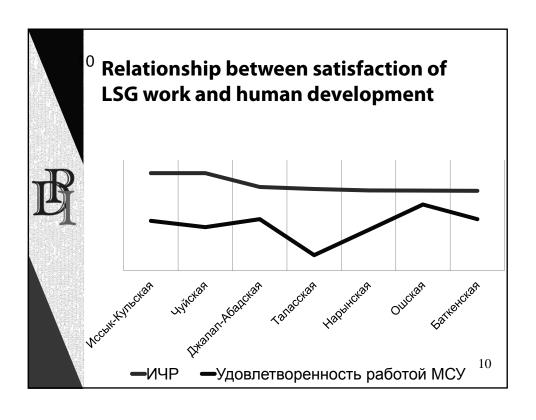


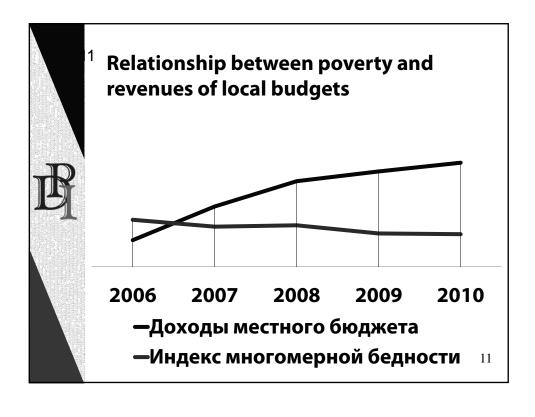
- 2 new indexes Index of Institutional Sustainability of Municipality and Index on LSG Opportunities
- Existing statistical data made possible to calculate only Index of LSG Opportunities but both new indexes together with Human Development Index present well-balanced and effective tool to measure level of LSG development as an environment for human development



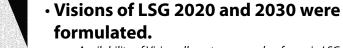


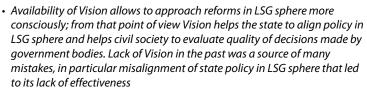




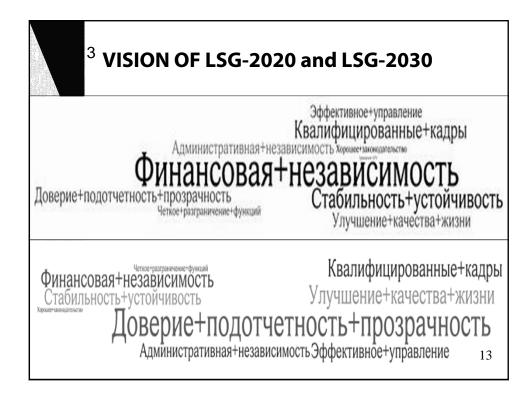


# Novelties and Achievements of the Report









#### **Creation of Developed LSG System**



#### Steps by the State

- Define HORIZONTAL of state territorial government
- Define its position with regards to LSG (reformatting state authorized body, rearrangement of state responsibilities regarding LSG, permanent victim of negotiation process)
- · Act logically and consciously
- Develop LSG Development Strategy till 2020



#### **Creation of Developed LSG System**

### Steps by political establishment and LSG bodies

- · Strengthening political influence through:
  - Lobbying LSG interests by influential policy makers and political parties:
  - Amended elections system: as a result strong municipal policy-makers will appear and by joining their forces they could effectively protect LSG interests;
  - Reformatting role of LSG Union.

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#### Critical issues at the start

- How many levels of LSG are needed: one (rural and urban level) or two (rural and urban + rayon level)?
- Is there a need for LSG to be introduced on specific territories (borderline or under populated remote territories) to preserve state security interests, is there a real opportunity for such communities to implement LSG?
- How to strengthen role and broaden importance of local councils?
- Must mechanism of executive LSG bodies formation be unified for the whole country or non-mandatory way of such formation could be implemented?



#### Critical issues at the start

- Is it possible to have efficient financial decentralization without simultaneous increasing political and administrative autonomies?
- How to introduce new individual approach in the sphere of delegated state functions?
- How to harmonize and increase status of local self-government legislation?
- · How to strengthen financial capacity of LSG bodies?
- How to promote improvement of municipal property institute and expansion of LSG bodies' rights to manage assets located on the territory of local community?

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## Principles of future Decentralization and LSG Development Strategy

- · Coordinated and integrated approach
- Taking into account local characteristics
- Preliminary approbation of all innovations
- Effective usage of legal, cadre and material resources available at the moment
- Step-by-step implementation
- Consistency



#### **Report Development Tools**

- Sociological survey of 1700 respondents (sampling by the National Statistics Committee)
- 6 focus-groups with local community representatives as well as LSG bodies from Chuy, Jalal-Abad, Osh, Batken, Issyk-Kul, Talas and Naryn oblasts
- 15 intensive interviews with leading experts in LSG sphere and LSG bodies' staff
- All work on index calculation in the Report was done together with the National Statistics Committee
- Human Development Index for country and by oblasts was developed for the first time in Kyrgyzstan by the order of authors' team

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#### **Process of Report Development**

- Development of Report became political process with involvement of many interested parties:
  - Presentation and discussion with wide range of interested parties on presentation event (in Hayat hotel, about 70 participants)
  - Internet, TV, publishing mass media, resulted in great number of information reports and articles
  - Competition on posters and photos, dedicated to Report development
  - 2 «round tables» «Strong LSG basis for stability, interethnic agreement and creation of conditions for living and human development in the KR» in Bishkek and Osh
  - Publication «Local self-government in the KR: today, tomorrow and after 20 years. Analytical notes based on round table results
  - Presentations on Parliament's hearings, conferences
  - Meetings of Supervisory council, expert group and discussion among expert society



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