**Title:** Protection of nature from environmental degradation caused by hydropower plants in Deçan Valley

**Instrument:** Urgent grant

**Implementing entity:** OJQ Pishtarët

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**Duration of the grant:**
Start date: 01.10.2020
End date: 31.12.2020

**Total budget of the grant (EUR):** 5000.00 EUR

**Budget supported from EJA Kosovo program (EUR):** 5000.00 EUR

**Target groups:** Residents of the municipality of Deçan

**Geographical scope:** Deçan

**Summary of the grant:**
Our overall goal is threefold: to advocate and raise awareness about the environmental degradation caused by hydropower plants in Deçan Valley, owned by an Austrian company Kelkos Energy sh.p.k. To prevent the government of Kosovo from issuing an environmental permit to Kelkos Energy, without rehabilitating the environment and ultimately, to force Kelkos Energy to rehabilitate all environmental degradation that they have caused in Deçan Valley. The project will be implemented in the Municipality of Deçan. It will reach mainly the residents of Deçan and the surrounding villages that depend on the water that comes from the Deçan Valley-Lumbardhi River. We will create spaces for public discussion in social media; organize a small protest in Deçan Valley, and gather, review and analyze legal and scientific documents.