MUNICIPAL PROFILE 2018

GJILAN/GNJILANE REGION

KLOKOT/KLLOKOT



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The OSCE regional centre Gjilan/Gnjilane covers 11 municipalities, including Klokot/Kllokot, and has teams working in all of them.

AREA AND POPULATION



The municipality of Klokot/Kllokot (formerly called Klokot-Vrbovac/Kllokot-Vërbovc) is located in south-eastern Kosovo covering an area of approximately 24 km². It includes Klokot/Kllokot town and three (3) villages. According to the 2011 Kosovo Population and Housing Census, the total population is 2 556

Ethnic composition

1.Kosovo Albanians	1,362
2.Kosovo Serbs	1,362 1,177
3.Kosovo Roma	9
4.Kosovo Turks	1
5.Other	6
6.Not specified	1

(source: Kosovo Agency of Statistics)

Klokot/Kllokot was not a separate municipality in 1981 and 1991 and therefore data from the censuses conducted in these years are not available.

According to the UNHCR statistics, 90 displaced persons have returned to the municipality since 1999, of them 87 Kosovo Serbs and three (3) Kosovo Roma.

The current seat distribution is as follows:

GOVERNING STRUCTURES AND POLITICAL OVERVIEW

The total number of voters in Klokot/Kllokot municipality registered for the municipal elections held in 2017 (1^{st} round in October and 2^{nd} round in November) was 3,742 1 , including out-of-Kosovo voters. The voter turnout in 1^{st} round was 64.32% or 2,407 voters and in 2^{nd} round it was 56.57% or 2,117 voters (source: Central Election Commission).

The 2017 municipal assembly election results were as follows:

38.94%	SL Serbian List	6 seats
23.17%	GIKV KLOKOT-VRBOVAC Citizens Initiative	3 seats
14.45%	ISHK Albanian Initiative for Klokot/Kllokot	2 seats
7.36%	AGI Active Citizens Initiative	1 seat
5.00%	PDK Democratic Party of Kosovo	1 seat
4.18%	NISMA Social Democratic Initiative	1 seat
■ 3.95%	IQKM Citizens Initiative Kllokot/Mogill/Klokot/Mogil	1 seat

^{1.} The overall population figure presented above is taken from the 2011 census (or authoritative estimates where the census figure is not available), whereas the voters list is a reflection of all people with a civil registration entry in the municipality. In some cases, the voters list figure is higher than or similar to the overall population number due to insufficient updating of the civil registry or a significant proportion of people registered in the municipality but actually living elsewhere or abroad.

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LEGISLATIVE



The municipal assembly has 15 seats distributed among seven (7) political entities, ten (10) are Kosovo Serb and five (5) are Kosovo Albanian; four (4) are women. The Municipal Assembly Chairperson is Žarko Dejanović (GIKV) and the Municipal Assembly Deputy Chairperson for Communities in Klokot/Kllokot is Hidajet Ahmeti (ISHK)*.

*According to the Law on Local Self-Government, a municipality with more than ten (10) per cent of residents belonging to communities in numerical minority position in that municipality is required to appoint a deputy mayor for communities and a deputy municipal assembly chairperson for communities.

EXECUTIVE



Structure of municipal executive and the executive's political affiliations.

The municipality is headed by Mayor Božidar Dejanović (SL), elected for his first term mayor with 50.2% of votes in the second round of the 2017 municipal assembly elections*. In the previous term, the mayor was Srećko Spasić (SL), who was elected in the second round of the 2017 municipal elections with 54.80% of the votes. Deputy Mayor is Saša Mirković (GIKV).

There are (5) municipal departments. Three (3) departments are run by women directors: economy finance and budget (NISMA); agriculture, forestry and water management (PDK); and administration and public services (GIKV), two (2) departments are run by men directors: education, health, social services, culture, youth and sports (GIKV); and urban planning, cadastre and geodesy (GIKV). In the previous mandate (2013-2017), all directors were men (source: municipal assembly affairs officer and municipal website).

*In the first round of the 2017 elections, Mayor Dejanović was presented as the mayoral candidate from GIKV, and for the second round, he ran as an SL candidate.

JUDICIARY



There are no courts in Klokot/Kllokot. The Gjilan/Gnjilane Basic Court and Basic Prosecution Office cover the municipality (source: Gjilan/Gnjilane basic court).

SECURITY PRESENCE



The Kosovo Police station in Klokot/Kllokot has 25 police officers, 13 are Kosovo Serb and 12 are Kosovo Albanian; two (2) are women.

As for the international military presence, the United States KFOR covers the area (source: Kosovo Police).

ECONOMY



The economy of Klokot/Kllokot municipality is predominantly based on natural resources (mineral water), tourism (two (2) private SPAs), as well as agriculture and small businesses. There are approximately 29 registered private businesses operating in the municipality. There is no reliable data on the number of employees in the private sector (source: municipal directorate of urban planning, cadastre and geodesy).

PUBLIC SERVICES

Infrastructure



The overall status of the infrastructure in the municipality is assessed as good. All of the main roads connecting villages with the urban centre are asphalted. Out of four (4) villages, only Vrbovac/Vërbovc is not connected to water supply and sewage system. Power supply remains a problem due to an antiquated power grid (source: municipal development plan and municipal assembly affairs officer).

Health



Klokot/Kllokot municipality has two (2) Serbia-run healthcare facilities, one (1) in Klokot/Kllokot and one (1) in Vrbovac/Vërbovc. The health sector has 15 employees, including doctors, nurses and support staff; eight (8) women and seven (7) men.

All communities have access to health care and all health facilities (source: municipal directorate of education, health, social services, culture, youth and sports).

Education

There are three (3) primary schools with 397 pupils and 40 teachers, two (2) follow Serbian curriculum and one (1) follows Kosovo curriculum, one (1) secondary school with 89 students and 12 teachers and one (1) kindergarten with 43 children and three (3) teachers. There are nine (9) support staff in primary schools and three (3) in the secondary school (source: municipal directorate of education, health, social services, culture, youth and sports).

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RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL SITES



Klokot/Kllokot has four (4) Serbian Orthodox churches. The church in Grnčar/Gërnçar was destroyed after the 1999 conflict and was reconstructed in 2009. The other three (3) churches have been renovated. There is one (1) mosque in the village of Mogillë/Mogila. It was not damaged during 1999 and remains in USE (source: municipal development plan, religious representatives).

KEY FACTS



In Klokot/Kllokot there are:

- 15 seats in the municipal assembly distributed among 7 political entities
- 25 police officers
- No courts physically present in the municipality
- 55 teachers in 3 primary and 1 secondary schools and 1 kindergarten