

ZEWSGES Beach Litter Monitoring No. 04 – Bulgaria (TDCNM Partner)

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Places visited	POMORIE SANDSPIT BEACH, Burgas Region
Objective/purpose of field visit:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting invited participants of the Clean-up campaign • Instruction of participants • Clean- Up Campaign • Beach litter monitoring
<p>Summary: On 30.09.2019 the project team Mr. Konstantin Lefterov (BSB CBC ZEWSGES Project coordinator), Ms. Sonya Enilova (Ecosystem Education Programme Coordinator) and Ms. Fani Semerdjieva (Marine Environment Coordinator) organised the Second Beach Clean- up campaign. In the campaign for a second time participated 17 teachers and 99 students from Primary School “Hristo Botev” Pomorie , 18 students from Secondary school “Aleko Konstantinov” Pomorie, 6 representatives of NGOs, 3 representatives of the cleaning company of Pomorie and 6 residents of the town. The participants were explained what the purpose of the event and instructed for their safety on the beach. The total number of the participant was 149 people. During the clean-up campaign the project team conducted the fourth monitoring of the beach. The beach litter was described and weighted- 360 kg.</p>	
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The **fourth Marine litter monitoring** campaign in Burgas region, Bulgaria was organised together with the Second Beach Clean-up campaign, an action in the framework of the "Zero Waste Strategy for Good Environmental Status (ZEWSGES) – BSB257" project.

During the second monitoring campaign held in April 2019, there was a beach clean- up campaign. And on 11.07.2019 the Pomorie Sandspit Beach was only monitored /the third monitoring/.

In order to reach project objectives following activities have been carried out:

- ✓ **On 27/09/2019 training** with the students was held in Primary school “Hristo Botev” and Secondary School “Aleko Konstantinov” and they were instructed for their safety on the beach.
- ✓ **On 30/09/2019 at 12.00 started the Beach Clean- up campaign.**

The participants in the campaign were students from a primary school in Pomorie, age between 7-14 years old and student form Secondary School “Aleko Konstantinov” age between 14-16 years. In the event participated also representatives NGOs- Local Initiative fisherman Group in Nessebar and TDCNM, residents of Pomorie and representatives of cleaning company. In total 149 people. The project team conducted the Fourth Monitoring of the beach.

The students from the Secondary School with the representatives of NGO and the residents of Pomorie were responsible for collection of heavy and large litters and dispose them in the specialised track. The students and their teachers collected small pieces of litter.

It is possible the information in the forms to be not quite precise, but it gives a total picture of the origin of the litter on the beach.

All the collected litter was transported with a specialized transport **and** weighted and the result **was 360 kg**. The trash was disposed into the Municipal landfill.

Predominant was the plastic waste, but there was a lot of construction material, ceramics and wood which increased the weight of the litter.







Conclusion and results

- ✓ The beach monitoring and clean-up actions have been organized in collaboration with Municipality of Pomorie, NGO, school teachers, students and residents of the town.
- ✓ Due to the high littering of selected beach and intensive human activities during the summer period in the area, it could be concluded that the most of the litters comes from the people visiting the beach.