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IPARD Obligations Must Be Settled Before Submitting the Final Payment Request

The Serbian Ministry of Agriculture's Directorate for Agrarian Payments has urged recipients of IPARD incentives to carefully check and settle all due tax liabilities before submitting a request for final payment in order to avoid rejection. Previous Measure 1 and Measure 3 projects under the IPARD III programme showed that some requests had been rejected because of outstanding debts. Before submitting a request, beneficiaries must review their status with the Tax Administration and local tax authorities, including principal, interest and other costs.

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New Developments in Food Donation

The Ministry of Finance has accepted key NALED proposals concerning tax legislation, including retaining incentives for employing persons with disabilities and newly hired workers, as well as corporate income tax exemptions for companies engaged in vocational rehabilitation and the employment of persons with disabilities. Donations of food approaching its expiry date, subject to prescribed conditions, will not be treated as taxable supplies for VAT purposes, while special bylaws will regulate implementation and record-keeping. Other proposals, such as a tax credit for investments in start-ups and incentives for investments in alternative investment funds, were not accepted, while an increase in the lump-sum taxation threshold is still under consideration.

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Serbia Zijin Copper Delivers 17 Tonnes of Gold to NBS in Seven and a Half Years

Serbia Zijin Copper delivered 17 tonnes of gold, or 1,356 gold bars, to the National Bank of Serbia over seven and a half years. This amount equals Serbia's entire gold reserves from ten years ago. From 2019 to mid-2026, the company continued the gold sales model that had existed before the takeover of RTB Bor, under which every quantity of gold produced is first offered to the National Bank of Serbia, which has the right of first refusal.

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Housing subsidies; How to acquire a first home; Ministry assistance for mothers

Decisions were presented at the Palace of Serbia to another 55 mothers who secured housing with state childbirth subsidies. More than 1,700 families have used the measure since its launch in 2022, with around EUR 28 million invested. The competent ministry notes that mothers must not own property in their own name, applications must be submitted to the local authority by the child's first birthday, and income during the three months preceding the application must not exceed two average salaries. The maximum subsidy is EUR 20,000. The ministry says it provides full assistance with documentation to prevent applicants from losing entitlement, and the next commission meeting is scheduled for August 10.

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Public-private partnership agreement; Club ownership structure; Funding for the youth academy

An agreement signed in Leskovac between Millennium Team and the City of Leskovac changed the ownership structure of GFK Dubočica, creating the first public-private partnership in Serbian sport. Under the agreement, Millennium Team becomes the majority owner while the City retains a 30% stake. The City committed to funding the youth academy with up to RSD 35 million annually, while Millennium Team assumes financing and all obligations of the senior team. The partnership's main



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goals are to introduce financial discipline, stabilise the club and achieve top results, with the message that Leskovac, as the owner of one of the country's finest stadiums, deserves a successful football club.

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Economic consequences of African swine fever; Problems with purchase prices; State of livestock production

African swine fever has devastated more than 800 households and killed over 33,500 animals, primarily in Srem and Mačva. Farmers face enormous losses, farm closures and months-long bans on restocking because of mandatory disinfection. Although the virus poses no danger to humans, it is inflicting severe damage on agriculture and the public budget, and experts fear that many livestock farmers will not resume production. The authorities are calling for strict biosecurity measures and a ban on open grazing in affected districts to stop the disease from spreading further.