

PRESS RELEASE

Final solution of the chronic problem of ground subsidence in Pissouri

A problem that dates back to 2012 and which afflicts and endangers the residents of Pissouri, is being solved.

The preliminary study prepared for the Limnes area of the Community of Pissouri presented before us specific scenarios for the holistic treatment of the problem of subsidence, retreats and soil breaches.

Primarily guided by the safety of the residents but also the need to stabilize the ground, which continues to move by 8 cm per month, the services of the Ministry of Interior, the Limassol District Administration, the team of technocrats supported by the expertise of scientists of the Geological Survey Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment concluded the adoption of a specific solution.

The solution that was presented today to the Local Authorities of Pissouri and the residents concerns a project unprecedented for our country. Both for its type and for the size of the intervention.

Excavations that in some places reach depths of up to 39 meters will attempt to stabilize the ground. The excavations are completed by the construction of piles, the construction of rainwater drainage works and a sewerage system. Expropriations of plots of land will be needed, while with the completion of the project, there is an intention to build public utility projects for the community, such as stadiums and sports facilities.

After the selection of the methodology, the delivery of the final study is expected, which is placed in January 2021, and immediately after that, the tender announcement will follow for this grandiose project, which is not expected to be completed before the end of 2022.

The cost of the total intervention is expected to exceed 33,000,000 million euros.



In the meantime, instructions have already been given for the continuation of the periodic inspections of the affected infrastructures and houses, while for security reasons, an evacuation plan has been prepared by the Civil Defense.

The rent subsidy plan of the affected residents will also be continued, while any other problems that may arise will be studied.

Despite the difficult economic situation, due to a pandemic, the government is promoting the final solution of a chronic problem in a specific way and on a budget.

For the government, the security of the residents of the country is paramount, regardless of any expense and cost".

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