

Shirak



Territory - 2681 sq. Km
Population - 380 th
Center - Gyumri
Sights - Artik, Haritchavank, Lmbatavank,
Marmashen, Pemzashen, Yot Verk.

Haritchavank

The monastery of Haritch (Haritchavank) is situated in the village of the same name in the Shirak district, on a cape formed by shallow ravines and the rivers flowing in them. In the village known since the second century B.C. there survived ruins of ancient fortifications.

The founding date of the monastery is unknown. Probably it was built not later than the 7th century when its first church was erected. At the end of the 12th century Princes Ivane and Zakhare (Zakharids) bought Haritch from Princes Pakhlavuni and built a new church, fortress walls and a number of service premises.

The privileges granted by the princes to the monastery contributed towards its becoming a large cultural and enlightenment centre of medieval Armenia. At the end of the 12th and the beginning of the 13th century, two monumental vestibules were built there of big stones, some measuring 3.5m.

Information about the schools proposed to renovation by “AEF” in 2008

Region Shirak, village Dzorashen

1. Construction estimate exists. It has been made up by construction agency of the region.
2. I have seen the school and have closely reviewed the estimate.
3. The main works are intended in the estimate.
4. The school consists of 3 buildings. The central building is two-storied, and the two ones near it are one-storied.
5. Our suggestion was to renovate the left building for elementaries.
6. The roof is in normal state, partly needs repairing. It is from asbestos sheeting.
7. The school's electricity is in normal state. Wares of the building to be repaired will be strengthened.
8. The school is being heated by stoves: Further it will be heated by electricity. No gas in the village.
9. The floors are intended for being partly repaired and partly changed.
10. The toilets are indoors and will be repaired. There is water in the school.
11. The doors will be repaired.
12. The windows are in adequate state. There is need for partly repairing.
13. The school was built in 1990 by Russian constructors.
14. 273 people live in the village.
15. 73 pupils study in the school.
16. 17 teachers and 13 executive personals work in the school.
17. It is 175 km from Yerevan to Dzorashen.

To my mind the school must be immediately renovated. The school headmaster is Mr. Garegin Shaboyan. To my mind after the renovation it will be normally kept.

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