

## Anila, Novosela

### Anila's family pay half of social assistant for electricity bill

Anila lives in Novosela. She has 6 children and lives only with 8,000 ALL (around 65 eur) income from the social assistance. Her husband is unemployed and works in black to earn some money to provide living for the family.

Their house is in very bad condition, the ceiling drops, windows are mono glass aluminium, humidity is high and insulation is missing. She uses wooden stove in winter and gas stove in summer for cooking. Her family doesn't have a heat water boiler, so she first heat the water in stove. After some months that the access to power grid was cut (for several months they have accumulated not pad bill), they have been reconnected and now they pay together with the monthly consume part of the debts. **Last bill was 2,300 ALL, the debt was 1,800 ALL, summing up to 4,100 ALL which is 50% of her social assistance benefit.**





## Robert, Novosela



### **Robert's children do their homework in the candle light.**

Roberti is part of the Roma community in Novosela. For a debt of 10,500 ALL to the Electricity Power Company, his access to electricity was cut off — said Robert. He is married and his wife is unemployed. They have 6 children. They didn't have any revenues and made their living with money his sister, who was working in Greece, sent them. He was working as an informal waste picker and, as many other Romani families in his neighbourhood, if he wishes to renovate his contract with the company, he has to pay a monthly debt of 4,200 ALL on the top of the electricity bill of the month. His house is new (6 years old) and with no signs of mold, but it didn't have good insulation. They use wood stoves for heating, cooking and to produce hot water (washing). The grown up kids that are attending school have to do their homework in the candle light.

