## Historical parks decay; they want to safe them by the project

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More than 200 historical parks, which are in a poor state and decay, are there in Nitra region. To point out that problem is the aim of the project, worked out by the Regional Association Váh - Dunaj - Ipeľ and the Society for Garden and Landscape Creation. They worked out brochures and exhibit posters on history and presence of 30 the most interesting parks. As the director of the Regional Association, Daniel Balko, told, it is the first such project in Slovakia; historical parks were not an interesting topic until now. "Formerly each village had a curia with historical park. Not all parks had the same quality level and such ones, which would be worthy being involved in the project from historical point of view, is about one hundred, "Balko told.

One of the historical parks, involved in the project, is the English park at Palárikovo having the area of 52 hectares, which encloses the manor house. Whereas the manor house is after reconstruction, the park has already been decaying several years. "We are very sorry for it. The problem is that the manor house with the park is state owned, so that all funds, which exist for that, are infective for us, because state can be neither demander nor seller of municipal property as well, "Jozef Derňár, the major of Palárikovo, told. There is a plenty of precious trees in the park as well as the technical cultural monument - water tower.

MVRR finances the Project. KPÚ at Nitra, Nitra self-administrative region and Hungarian Župa Komárom - Ostrihom co-operated on the Project, too. The Regional Sight Office at Trnava is also interested in the Project, as Balko told, which wants to organize an exhibition focused on the topic inside its rooms and to spark off organizations at Trnava region to similar activity.

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