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### SOME INSCRIPTIONS FROM HISTORICAL JAVAKHETI

The article deals with some inscriptions from historical Javakheti, particularly those on the territory of historical Meskheta that is located in modern-day Turkey: Zegani, Sansut Kotas, Zveli, Khunamisi, Chala, Kala Boina, as well as inscription of Zveli – one more inscription of Javakheti within Georgia's territory. The article deals with archeographic descriptions, dating, publications, text identification and brief historical and source-studies characterization of ten inscriptions.

The inscriptions of Tskarostavi, Chaisi, Varneti, Shalosheti, Kheoti and others are also well known among those currently located within the territory of modern-day Turkey, or the territory of historical Javakheti that is currently considered to be Meskheta. Their publication and research is a future work.

The monuments we have studied clearly indicate the cultural traditions of writing of the region's population. The historical and source value of these monuments is significant as well. In terms of research of various issues of Georgia's ancient history even a brief analysis of the inscription texts clearly demonstrates significance of information they contain.