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## ● Highlights ●

## ● Policies ●

### **TVET Still Waiting for MoET's Guideline on General Education**

Since 2020, TVET schools are not allowed to teach general education subjects anymore and they have to cooperate with continuation education centres to teach that. Recently, Deputy Prime Minister Vu Duc Dam has asked the Ministry of Education and Training to facilitate TVET schools to teach general education subjects. However, TVET schools are still waiting. ([VTV](#) Mar 20)

### **TVET Remains Key to Poverty Reduction**

TVET remains a key to poverty reduction, said Mr. To Duc, bureau chief of the MoLISA's poverty reduction office. In order to boost TVET, the MoLISA will boost 5 activities of support for facilities of TVET schools, support for learning facilities and accommodations of 40 TVET schools in poor areas, support for learning equipment in 150 TVET schools, development of TVET learning contents, and development of TVET certificates. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 19)

### **Vietnam to Support Employment of People of Ethnic Minorities**

Vietnam's Ministry of Finance has issued Circular 15/2022 on budget for employment of people of ethnic minorities in 2021-2025. For job improvement, the support is VND10 million at most for purchase of agricultural equipment, or vocational training courses per decision 46/2015/QĐ-TTg. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 22)

### **Gov't Issues Plan to Implement Development of Khanh Hoa**

The Government has issued Resolution 42/NQ-CP on development of Khanh Hoa province until 2030, with a vision to 2045. One target is the rate of non-agricultural workers at 81.91%, rate of trained workers at 90%, rate of certified workers at 40%. ([MPI](#) Mar 22)

### **Vietnam Aims to Have 38% of Workforce Covered by Social Insurance in 2022**

The Vietnam Social Security (VSS) aims to have 37%-38% of the country's workforce covered by social insurance and 31% covered by unemployment insurance in 2022. Besides, the coverage of healthcare insurance is targeted at 92% of the population, the VSS added. In 2023, those targets are set at 40.2%, 31.7%, and 93.2%, respectively. ([Bao Hiem Xa Hoi](#) Mar 22)

### **Vietnam Labour Ministry to Survey Wages of 2,000 Firms in 18 Localities**



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The MoLISA will survey the wages and livelihoods of workers from 2,000 firms in 18 provinces and cities from April 1. The survey aims to prepare for possible changes to the minimum zonal wages in 2023 and relevant policies. The survey will focus on the firms' wage funds, funds for wages and bonuses, recruitment expenses, and others. ([Dan Tri](#), [Lao Dong](#), [VnEconomy](#), [Lao Dong](#) 1 Mar 19)

### **Vietnam Should Improve Minimum Wages, Apply Hourly Wages: Official**

Vietnam should improve its minimum zonal wages and set new rules of hourly wages, said Mr. Le Dinh Quang, deputy head of the Department of Labour Relations, under the Vietnam General Confederation of Labour (VGCL). The National Wage Council set the minimum zonal wages for 2020 at between VND3.07 million and VND4.42 million (\$131-\$190) per month for four zones. After two years of no changes (due to the COVID-19 pandemic), the figures are outdated and unlikely to fulfil the minimum livelihoods of labourers and their families, Mr. Quang said. Besides, Mr. Quang said the VGCL would suggest rules for hourly wages, in order to cover more labourers. ([Dan Tri](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam Aims to Reduce Fatal Labour Accidents by 4% Yearly Until 2025**

Vietnam aims to reduce fatal labour accidents by 4% per year and increase the number of labourers to be checked for occupational diseases by 5% annually until 2025, according to the government's Resolution 19/NQ-CP on labour safety and hygiene in 2021-2025. ([Vietnam Plus](#), [TBTCVN](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam Always Ensures Goals in Climate Change Adaptation, Gender Equality**

Vietnam always respects and is committed to ensuring goals in climate change adaptation, gender equality, and empowerment of women and children, said Minister Dao Ngoc Dung. Mr. Dung made the statement at a session on March 16 of the United Nations (UN) Commission on the Status of Women (CSW66). He said that for over 10 years, Vietnam has been building and implementing policies related to climate change mitigation, green growth, poverty reduction, vocational training, and others. Of those, gender equality contents were added. ([Dang Cong San](#), [MoLISA](#), [CAND](#), [TBTCVN](#), [Bao Dan Sinh](#) Mar 18)

## **● Business Sector and Labour Market ●**

### ***Foreign Cooperation***

### **Vietnam Takes 2,026 Workers Abroad since Early 2022**

Vietnam sent 2,026 workers overseas under contracts from early 2022 to March 15, according to the Department of Overseas Labour (DoLAB), under the MoLISA. Of these labourers, 451 came to Japan, 363 headed to Singapore, 325 arrived in South Korea, 248 travelled to Taiwan, and 174 went to mainland China. ([NLD](#) Mar 21)



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## **Vietnam Sends 100 Workers to South Korea on Mar 17**

A flight carrying close to 100 Vietnamese workers touched down on South Korea's Incheon International Airport on March 17, the highest number of Vietnamese worker arrivals to South Korea under the Employment Permit System (EPS) program since May 2021. ([NLD](#), [Vietnam Plus](#), [BNews](#) Mar 17)

## **Vietnam, Malaysia Renew Pact on Employment, Repatriation of Workers**

The governments of Vietnam and Malaysia have concluded their third memorandum of understanding (MoU) on recruitment, employment, and repatriation of workers, following the first and second deals signed in December 2003 and August 2015, respectively. Vietnamese Minister of Labour, War Invalids and Social Affairs Dao Ngoc Dung and Malaysian Foreign Minister Saifuddin Abdullah sealed the MoU on March 21 at the presence of Vietnamese Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh and his Malaysian counterpart Dato' Sri bin Yaakob, who was visiting Vietnam on March 20-21. Since the first bilateral labour pact took effect, there have been some 100,000 Vietnamese workers traveling to Malaysia. At present, Malaysia houses about 8,000 Vietnamese workers in fields of manufacturing and processing, construction and services, domestic help, and agriculture. ([Vietnam Plus](#), [Dan Tri](#), [TBTCVN](#), [SGGP](#) Mar 21)

## **Lilama 2 Opens Training Course in Metal Cutting per German Standards**

Lilama 2 International Technology College in southern Dong Nai province held the opening ceremony for students in metal cutting per German standards on March 18. The course is for 50 students, 21% of whom are females. The learners will enjoy tuition fee exemption and receive scholarships of EUR39/month. Notably, female learners will receive scholarships of \$79/month. After finishing the course, half of such students will work in Vietnam and the other half will go to Germany for work. The course is implemented by Lilama 2 and GIZ, under the authorization of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the DVET, under the MoLISA. ([Bao Dong Nai](#) Mar 18)

## **German Experts Check Qualification of Students in Welding, Metal Cutting at BCTECH**

Mr. Dirk Lange and Mr. Alexander Schafer, both experts from Germany's Avestos, checked the qualification of students in welding and metal cutting, as well as supported lecturers at Ba Ria - Vung Tau College of Technology (BCTECH) on March 7-18. Specifically, they checked training equipment and curricula, teaching progress, labour safety and hygiene; guided lecturers on preparing lessons; and paid field trip to businesses. The classes of welding and metal cutting are piloted under a collaboration between the DVET, under the MoLISA, and Germany's Avestos. ([Dan Tri](#) Mar 20)

## **S.Korean Textile Firm Asks for Can Tho's Support in 2022**



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South Korean chemical and textile company Taekwang Industry Co, Ltd. has asked for support from Can Tho City to expand its investment and business activities in 2022. Chairman of Taekwang Park Joo-hwan made the proposal at a meeting with municipal Vice Mayor Nguyen Thuc Hien on March 17. Addressing the event, Mr. Park Joo-hwan informed that its subsidiary in Can Tho City is maintaining production at the new normal and wants to recruit about 10,000 more labourers to develop its business. ([Bao Can Tho](#), [Thoi Dai](#) Mar 17)

### **Nghe An Aims to Send 13,550 Workers Overseas in 2022**

Central Nghe An province targets to create jobs for 42,900 people, including sending 13,550 workers abroad this year. In 2021, the province generated jobs for 40,294 people, including 11,210 overseas jobs. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 20)

### **Quang Binh to Send Labourers to Work Seasonally in South Korea's Yeongju**

Central Quang Binh province has recently worked with leaders from Yeongju city in South Korea's Gyeongsangbuk province on sending local labourers to work seasonally in the agro sector in the South Korean locality. Specifically, Quang Binh will send two batches of labourers to South Korea per year and labourers will work in the country for 90-150 days or five months each, in fields of farm produce harvesting, cultivation, and management. ([NLD](#) Mar 20, [Lao Dong](#) Mar 19)

### **S.Korea Asks Travellers from Vietnam to Undergo 7-Day Quarantine from Apr 1**

Starting April 1, travellers arriving from Vietnam will be subject to a seven-day self-quarantine upon entry, regardless of their vaccination status. Speaking of the entry restrictions, Ms. Ta Thi Thanh Thuy, head of the labour department at the Vietnamese Embassy in South Korea, said the move would particularly affect bilateral labour cooperation as well as South Korean businesses and community in Vietnam. South Korea's entry curbs on Vietnam will make migrant workers bear higher costs and South Korean employers wait long for their workers, she added. ([Vietnam Plus](#) Mar 21, [VTV](#) Mar 22)

### **Vietnam Planning Minister, U.S. Ambassador Discuss Econ, Trade Ties**

Minister of Planning and Investment Nguyen Chi Dung and U.S. Ambassador to Vietnam Marc Knapper had a meeting in Hanoi on March 15 to discuss further cooperation in economic, trade, and investment sectors. He also said Vietnam seeks support from the United States in science-technology, innovation, human resource training, and others. ([MPI](#) Mar 15)

### **Binh Duong Province Pledges to Facilitate Japanese Investors**

On March 17, authorities in Vietnam's southern industrial province of Binh Duong pledged to create the most favourable conditions for Japanese investors in the locality while meeting with Japanese Ambassador to Vietnam Yamada Takio. Ambassador Yamada Takio, for his part



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proposed Binh Duong improve the training of high-quality labour force to fulfil demand of Japanese businesses. ([Vietnam Plus](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam Suggests Top Australian Universities Join ASEAN's Vocational Training**

Vietnamese Ambassador to Australia Nguyen Tat Thanh has proposed the Group of Eight (Go8), comprising the eight largest and oldest universities in Australia, to promote cooperation in vocational training, digital transformation, and green development with ASEAN countries, including Vietnam. The diplomat made the statement during a meeting between the Go8 and the ASEAN Committee in Canberra (ACC) on March 16. Ambassador Thanh affirmed that education and training is a top priority in the recently-approved Australia-Vietnam Enhanced Economic Engagement Strategy. He welcomed 56 projects of Australian universities that were linked with Vietnamese ones so far. ([Bao Quoc Te](#), [VOV](#), [Vnanet](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam PM Hosts Visiting Saudi Arabian FM on Mar 17**

Vietnamese Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh held talks on March 17 morning with Foreign Minister of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Prince Faisal bin Farhan Al Saud, who is on a two-day trip to Vietnam. Regarding labour cooperation, the government leader suggested Saudi Arabia receive more skilled workers related to hospitality and healthcare areas and ensure the safety and legal rights of Vietnamese workers in the host country. ([Thoi Dai](#), [Kinh Te va Du Bao](#), [Vietnam Plus](#), [Tin Tuc](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam, Germany Aim to Enhance Cooperation in Green Energy**

Director Nguyen Xuan Thang of the Communist Party of Vietnam Central Committee (CPVCC)'s HCMA, also a Politburo member, and German Ambassador to Vietnam Guido Hildner had a meeting on March 16 to discuss the cooperation, as part of Mr. Thang's upcoming visit to Germany. Besides, Mr. Thang's visit will also feature bilateral cooperation in education-training, research-policymaking, and sustainable trade and investment. ([HCMA](#) Mar 17)

### **Vietnam Seeks to Lift Ties with Germany's Rheinland-Pfalz in Nursing Manpower**

Vietnamese Consul General in Frankfurt Le Quang Long took a trip on March 15 to Zehnthof nursing home, under Germany's leading care home operator Azurit Hansa, and the company's headquarters in Rheinland-Pfalz state, looking to strengthen cooperation in nursing manpower with the German locality. Meeting with Executive Director at Azurit Hansa Markus von Puttkamer, Mr. Long mentioned some causes of low attendance of Vietnamese nursing trainees at the firm's nursing program, including the poor popularity of the program in Vietnam, long-term study of language and profession coupled with high living costs, and the difficulty of acquiring a B1 level German language certificate. He vowed to help Azurit Hansa recruit nursing trainees from Vietnam and expected it to support high-quality training at vocational schools in Vietnam. In reply, the executive said he will send the diplomat's feedback to the federal



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government and proposed collaboration with Vietnam's nursing school via training support and investment. ([Bao Quoc Te](#) Mar 16)

### ***Domestic News***

#### **80%-85% of Graduates from Labour Union TVET Schools Get Jobs in 2021**

Between 80% and 85% of learners graduating from TVET schools of labour unions got jobs at small- and medium-sized firms or firms at industrial zones/processing-exporting zones with an average monthly income of VND5 million-VND7 million. Last year, 67,780 students graduated, including 24,202 from TVET institutes, 496 from colleges, 3,746 from intermediate schools, and 19,698 from regular training centres. ([Lao Dong](#), [LDTD](#) Mar 18)

#### **National Training Centre II Must Improve New Sectors**

The National Training Centre of High Quality II must focus on jobs that no other schools join or cannot fulfil, said Minister Dao Ngoc Dung, at a working session with College of Technology II on March 17. Currently, the schools has 5,000 learners in 27 jobs and is estimated to recruit 8,000 in 2030. ([Dan Tri](#), [MoLISA](#) Mar 17)

#### **Tourism Staffing Shortage Looms as Vietnam Fully Reopens Border**

Vietnam's tourism industry is grappling with a shortfall of workers after many left for more secure careers over the past two years, as the country has fully reopened to international travellers since mid-March. Over the last two years, COVID-19 has pummelled 2.5 million tourism-related workers, of whom 800,000 people directly involved in the sector and hardest hit are tour guides and staff from accommodations and tour operators. ([Tin Tuc](#) Mar 22)

#### **Ha Giang Aims to Provide TVET to 8,000 in 2022**

In 2022, Ha Giang province aims to provide TVET courses to 8,000 people, including 150 for college courses, 750 for intermediate courses, and 7,100 for beginner and below-3-month courses. In 2021, Ha Giang provided TVET courses to 5,000 people. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 22)

#### **Hanoi Needs 100,000 Labourers in Q2**

Firms in Hanoi need to recruit around 100,000 labourers in the second quarter (Q2) of this year, according to the municipal employment service centre, under the local DoLISA. Currently, the city lacks about 50,000 labourers, mostly in fields of trade services, production, construction, banking, and tourism. ([Hanoi Moi](#) Mar 21)

#### **Hanoi Aims to Provide Elementary TVET to 21,000 People in 2022**



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Hanoi targets to provide TVET at the elementary level to 21,239 people this year, thus increasing the trained labour rate to 72.2%, according to a plan approved by the municipal People's Committee, per the Prime Minister's Decision 46/2015/QĐ-TTg dated September 28, 2015. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 20)

### **Haiphong Vows to Facilitate Foreign-Invested Firms**

Haiphong city vowed to facilitate foreign-invested enterprises (FIEs), said Secretary of Haiphong Party Committee Tran Luu Quang at a working session with overseas investors in DEEP C industrial park. Mr. Quang's delegation visited factories of Pegatron Vietnam, Tesa Site Vietnam, and Universal Scientific Industrial Vietnam. Pegatron Vietnam proposed Haiphong allow it to recruit labourers from outside Haiphong to fulfil its recruitment demand of 13,000, 18,000, and 23,000 workers in 2023, 2024, and 2025, respectively. The firm also proposed Haiphong improve the infrastructure, in order to help the firm build its residential area, which was licensed in early 2022. Universal Scientific Industrial Vietnam urged Haiphong focus more on vocational training to provide more high-quality labourers for firms. At the event, Mr. Le Trung Kien, head of Haiphong's management board of economic zones, said industrial parks in Haiphong are facing a shortage of 50,000 labourers. In reply, Mr. Quang said Haiphong would strive to improve the infrastructure, livelihoods of citizens (to attract workers from outside Haiphong), and vocational training. He also urged firms to cooperate to solve issues, such as by improving benefits for workers and collaborating in vocational training. ([Dau Tu, thanhphohaiphong.gov.vn](#), [Phap Luat Plus](#), [BNews](#) Mar 17)

### **Bac Ninh Adopts Planning of 274Ha Centralized IT Zone**

The People's Committee of northern Bac Ninh province has approved the planning of a centralized information technology (IT) zone covering 274 hectares in its capital town, Bac Ninh city, and Tien Du district. The IT zone will generate jobs for about 20,000 employees and experts when it comes into operation. ([VietnamFinance](#), [Tai Chinh Doanh Nghiep](#), [CafeLand](#) Mar 22)

### **Quang Tri Aims to Provide TVET to 9,000 Labourers in 2022**

Central Quang Tri province aims to provide TVET to 9,000 labourers this year, thus increasing the trained labour rate to 70.27%, including 32.5% equipped with certifications. Last year, the province enrolled 8,837 people into TVET institutes, including 122 at the college level, 628 at the intermediate level, and 8,087 at the elementary and short-term levels. At end-2021, the local trained labour rate was 68.5%, including 32% with certification. ([Dan Sinh](#) Mar 17)

### **Binh Phuoc Must Improve TVET**

Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh worked with Binh Phuoc province on March 20. At the working session, Minister Dao Ngoc Dung asked Binh Phuoc to reorganize its TVET system,





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improve TVET, enhance the workforce, and focus more on care and protection for kids.  
([MoLISA](#) Mar 21)