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• Policies •

MoLISA Plans to Streamline Issuance of Certificate for TVET Accreditation

The MoLISA is drafting a decree to streamline the issuance of licenses for TVET accreditation. Organizations can submit their files via the online portal of the DVET, while the current rules only stipulate submission via postal or direct delivery. The DVET must respond to the applications in 10 working days and the MoLISA must respond to the DVET's request in 3 working days. (Bao Chinh Phu, Dan Tri Aug 6)

MoET Issues Continuation Education Program for High School Level

The MoET has issued the program of continuation education for high school level. The program includes seven subjects, namely three compulsory of Literature, Math, History, and four optional ones of Geography, Economics-Laws, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, IT, Technology. It also includes compulsory activities of career path and experience. (<u>VietnamPlus</u>, <u>Bnews</u> Aug 3)

High-quality Public Employees in Vietnam Can Work beyond Retirement Age

High-quality public employees in Vietnam can work for five more years beyond their retirement ages, but only in professional tasks, not in management tasks, according to the Government's newly-issued Decree 50/2022, which will become effective on August 15. The decree is applicable to staff with professor or associate professor titles, meeting doctorate requirements, working in forensic, or working in sectors with special job requirements. (Bao Chinh Phu, VnEconomy, MOIT Aug 2)

Firms in Vietnam Should Join Hands in Education-Training: Scholar

Education and training in Vietnam, particularly vocational training, has yet to fulfil the labour market demand and businesses should join hands to solve the problems, said Professor Nguyen Lan Dung. He noted the current education-training sector is lacklustre in providing basic working skills, such as communications, teamwork, discipline, and others. Another problem is the shortage of career path contents for learners. He noted a positive development that firms are now more willing to recruit and train employees, and focus more experiences than certificates during recruitment process. (Bao Quoc Te, ASEAN Vietnam Aug 2)

Vietnam to Boost Vocational Training in Rural Areas

Vietnam will boost vocational training in rural areas, per the Government Office's Announcement 226/TB-VPCP on the conclusion of Deputy Prime Minister Vu Duc Dam at a



recent conference. The MoLISA, the MoET, and the MARD will cooperate in the task. (<u>Bao</u> <u>Chinh Phu</u> Aug 3)

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Vietnam May Need VND1,000T to Help Labourers Access 1M Social Houses: SBV

The State Bank of Vietnam (SBV), the country's central bank, anticipated the credit demand of VND600 trillion-VND1,000 trillion (\$25.86 billion-\$43.1 billion) for labourers to access one million social houses, SBV Governor Nguyen Thi Hong said at a recent meeting. Ms. Hong made the projection after many firms have registered to develop over one million social houses for workers and low-income people. (Thanh Nien, Dan Viet, Lao Dong Aug 1)

29 Localities Yet to Give Any Disbursements in \$284M House Rent Aid

Up to 29 out of 63 localities across Vietnam have yet to give any disbursements from the VND6.6 trillion (\$284.4 million) housing rent allowance package, which was passed in late March, said Minister of Labour, War Invalids and Social Affairs Dao Ngoc Dung. Minister Dung unveiled the information at a government regular meeting on August 3 in Hanoi. (Lao Dong, Kinh Te va Du Bao, Bao Gia Lai, VnExpress, Cong Thuong, Dau Tu, Dan Tri Aug 3)

Vietnam Disburses VND82T from COVID-19 Package to Firms, Citizens

Vietnam has so far delivered VND82 trillion (\$3.68 billion) from COVID-19 support packages to 728,000 employers and over 50 million employees and citizens, the MoLISA reported at a recent conference to review the performance in January-July. The figure included VND43.7 trillion for 381,600 employers and 36.97 million employees per the Government's Resolution 68/NQ-CP, VND479 billion for house rents of 718,400 labourers, and others. (Bao Dan Sinh, MoLISA Aug 4)

16.88M Labourers in Vietnam Covered by Social Insurance as of Jul 2022

As of end of July, 16.88 million labourers, or 34.1% of the workforce, were covered by social insurance, the Vietnam Social Security (VSS) reported, adding that the figure rose by 333,636 versus that in end-2021. Besides, 91.76 million people were covered by healthcare insurance, or 87.6% of the population. 15.2 million workers were covered by unemployment insurance, up by 451,024 versus that in end-2021. In January-July, the VSS provided social insurance indemnification to 7.6 million people, including sickness indemnification to 6.01 million people and pregnancy indemnification to 687,734 others. Unemployment insurance indemnified 515,248 people and delivered vocational training support to 11,205 people in the seven-month period. (Bao Hiem Xa Hoi Aug 5)

Association Protests Change of Driving Training Centres into TVET Centres

The Vietnam Automobile Transportation Association (VATA) has file a protest to the DVET against changing driving training centres into TVET centres, citing time-consuming and costly



procedures. Vice Head of DVET Nguyen Thi Viet Huong, in reply, said that the change is stipulated under the TVET Law. (PLO Aug 9)

Business Sector and Labour Market

Foreign Cooperation

Advanced Training on "Learning Management System (LMS) for Multipliers of TVET Partner Colleges"

On July 28-29, the Programme Reform of TVET in (GIZ) organised a training course on building capacity in managing and organising teaching and learning activities on digital environment of LMS using Moodle. 48 core teachers from 11 partner colleges joined the training course to acquire knowledge and to re-train the teaching staff of their school. Since 2020, most of Partner TVET Colleges have developed and used LMSs using Moodle to enhance online training activities. However, the capacity to exploit the LMS platform at college is very different. The training course helps teachers in-depth exploitation of the tools as well as the management of the LMS Moodle platform effectively and relevantly to the needs of each College. In addition to other digital transformation activities, the TVET Program aims to step by step build a community of capable and passionate core teachers who play a pioneering role in creating changes and sharing experiences, with the aim to replicate training in the future. During the twoday-training, Assoc. Prof. Nguyen Ngoc Vu focused on the topics that meet the actual needs of the teachers, including: Advanced settings of a Moodle course, Creating automatic attendance, Building and managing a question bank, Using databases to collect feedback and data from learners, Assessing learners based on online learning portfolios, Add competencies to learning activities and submit the final project. As this is a highly practical training programme, both the trainer and training participants needed to make efforts to listen to lectures and practice at the same time, to overcome the limitations of online training compared to face-to-face training. Despite the challenges, the post-training survey showed that more than 90% of attendees were satisfied with the course content and quality at a level of complete satisfaction and satisfaction. The most common recommendations after the course are to have additional LMS training courses, more time to practice, as well as suggestions for learning other specific features of the LMS. This has demonstrated the great demand for LMS by teachers at Colleges as well as the benefits that LMS brings to improve the effectiveness of teaching and learning management. Partner TVET Colleges of GIZ have been supported with information technology infrastructure, cloud system which are required for the online learning and teaching activities. In addition, Colleges were also supported with setting up e-learning studios and building learning materials. These facilities help to improve the production of learning materials, record videos to conduct teaching sessions, build learning resources for LMS, etc. These are immediate and timely support that addressed current challenges so colleges can keep up with the requirements of digital transformation in education. (TVET Aug 5)

Further Training on "Operation of E-learning Studio and Development of Digital Teaching Materials"







To foster a holistic approach to digital transformation (DX) for TVET colleges in Viet Nam, GIZ supports teachers' capacity developments on e-learning as a fundamental part of online education and blueprint for future learning. In correspondence, on July 26-27, the Vietnamese-German Programme "Reform of TVET in Viet Nam" organized a two-day further training course on the operation of an e-learning studio and the development of digital teaching & learning materials at the College of Machinery and Irrigation (VCMI). The training for 25 faculty focal points was the first subsequent training after the course on the "E-learning studio and the development of digital teaching resources" for 11 partner TVET colleges in June 2022. In 2021 and 2022, the GIZ supported the VCMI with the necessary digital tools and educational software to create elearnings. Now, the VCMI DX multipliers and the trainer – Mr. Nguyen The Luong designed and conducted a customized training at the VCMI, using practical training method and focusing on practical lessons with all training contents uploaded on the Learning Management Systems (LMS) platform, to equip teachers and college staff with the necessary skills to optimize the usage of their e-learning room equipment. Accordingly, the participants were divided into two groups: Technical Staff and Presenters. In which, the Technical Staff shall participate in both days while the Presenters only need to participate on the second day. On the first training day, technical staff members were introduced to the e-learning studio, practiced using the software, video recorder and microphone. After the initial introduction, they already began producing their own e-learning materials. "I learned about these equipment and tools already but have not yet applied them to the production of a video lesson. The training session today is a steppingstone for the Technical Staff to prepare better for the filming day with the Presenters." - Mr. Nguyen Tuan Vu, Teacher of the Faculty of Electrics-Electronics shared. The second training day for Presenters and Technical staff concentrated on resource development to create e-lessons. Teachers were shown the process of producing teaching and learning materials, how to draft a lesson script utilizing graphic resources and coached on how to feel at ease and confident in front of the camera. "As for the Presenters, they have had a lot of experience in developing lessons and transmitting knowledge in real classroom environment. Therefore, after being trained in using e-learning equipment, the Technical Staff will support the Presenters better in communicating and interacting with the camera to produce the most natural and vivid videos." -Mr. Nguyen Van Thanh, Vice Director of the Centre for Informatics and Foreign Languages, VCMI stated. (TVET Aug 5)

Further Training Course on Material Management at VCMI

Following the training series taking place in July 2022 at College of Machinery and Irrigation (VCMI), a practical training on Material Management was successfully organized on July 20. More than 20 teachers from the Electrical – Electronics Faculty attended the training which was conducted by Mr Alexander Husenbeth – the Development Advisor of GIZ at VCMI. The course was established based on the need of the faculty to handle and put material in order as well as to provide teachers with the concept on inventory management. The training was interactive and actively contributed by the teachers who did not hesitate to raise their open questions for ideas and discussion. Guided by the trainer, the participants developed their own system to arrange the warehouse, restock their inventory and also label the boxes in the storage. More importantly, follow-up activities are also set in place in the coming weeks to ensure a comprehensive implementation. For instance, the metal department in VCMI committed to build a customized







storage shelf for the classroom. This is a great example for the improvement of collaboration across departments in the college which may be a good practice for further and bigger projects in VCMI. Mr. Nguyen Hai Son – one of the participants, expressed "Although sorting out and arranging tools and material required effort at first, I really appreciate that we now have a complete and well-structured process to manage our inventory. The benefits are clear that we can save time and energy in the future." The training was held within the component "Supporting High-Quality Institutes for Greening TVET" as part of the Vietnamese – German Programme "Reform of TVET in Viet Nam". The programme is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) together with the MoLISA. (TVET Aug 3)

Further Training Course "PLC programming on GRAFCET platform" for Teachers of Mechatronics and Industrial Electronics Occupation

Continuing the series of activities to support the multiplication of the German Standard-oriented Training Programme for Mechatronics and Industrial Electronics Occupation, the Programme Reform of TVET in Vietnam (TVET Programme) has cooperated with LILAMA 2 International Technology College (LILAMA 2) to organize training course on PLC Programming on GRAFCET flatform for core teachers from Ninh Thuan Vocational College, Long An College, An Giang Vocational College, Hue Industrial College and Bac Ninh College of Industry from July 18 to 28. Similar to the earlier further training course "Hydraulic system operation and control", the purpose of this training was to enhance the fundamental and advanced knowledge of the core teachers, providing them with extensive practical skills related to PLC programming. The training course was conducted under the coordination of the two multipliers from LILAMA 2, Mr Le Van Hung and Mr Kieu Tan Thoi. Throughout the course, the core teachers of the partner colleges shared their expertise and practical guidance according contents including analyzing the mechatronic systems using Grafcet method; reading electrical and mechanical drawings; assembling, programming, and operating MPS systems such as supply station, test station, machining station, gripping station, and sorting station. After taking the course, the teachers were competent in using the GRAFCET platform for assembling, programming and operating the mechatronic system. Mr. Dinh Trung Trong, a teacher from Hue Industrial College, shared his thoughts: "I used only to write PLC programmes in the main OB programme; now I can write in FB and FC subroutines, the main programme can be used for monitoring. This is very effective in the process of programming massive control systems." The training was held within the component "Supporting High-Quality TVET Institutes" as part of the Vietnamese -German Programme "Reform of TVET in Viet Nam". The programme is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) together with the Vietnamese MoLISA. (TVET Aug 3)

Further Training Course on Automation and Motors at VCMI

A 5 day-training series have been conducted by the Development Advisor of GIZ, Mr Alexander Husenbeth, in July 2022 at College of Machinery and Irrigation (VCMI), which covered all important aspects of Automation and Electrical Motors. All 9 teachers of the Electrical-





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Electronics faculty at VCMI attended the training. The training on Automation took 03 days (11 to 13 July 2022), providing all relevant industrial standards from simple to complex controls. Within the training days, the concept of controls in open and closed circuits was theoretically explored and practical exercises were also implemented. In practical tasks, the different control systems were programmed such as the Siemens Logo and the Simatic S7 PLC systems. To gain hands-on experience, practical examples were discussed, programmed and tested in simulations, for instance, an example about an industrial conveyor belt system with multiple sensors and actors was given. The software used for programming and simulation was the Siemens Logo soft Comfort and the TIA portal (Totally Integrated Automation). The two-day Motor training (18 and 19 July 2022) explained all safety aspects from Automation and added further functions of a system such as motor protection and drive control. The teachers learned the whole process from calculation of the moment to selection of a suitable motor for a specific case. Various starting methods were discussed, from direct online, soft starters and inverters. The motor training ended with a practical exercise in the workshop with a motor test stand. The test stand allows the simulation of a load, enabling the participants to study the behaviour of a motor in its full range of operation. In addition to the training content, standard explanations and exam questions were used to prepare the teachers for the final exam according to the German standard which shall be performed next year. The trainings were held within the component "Supporting High-Quality Institutes for Greening TVET" as part of the Vietnamese - German Programme "Reform of TVET in Viet Nam". The programme is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) together with the Vietnamese MoLISA. (TVET Aug 2)

Vietnam to Continue Sending Caregivers to Germany in 2023 after 2 Years of Hiatus

Vietnam will continue sending caregivers to work in Germany in 2023 after two years of suspension due to COVID-19, per a joint program between the DoLAB and the GIZ. (NLD Aug 4)

Vietnam Sends 81,429 Workers Abroad in Jan-Jul: MoLISA

Vietnam sent 81,429 contract workers overseas in the first seven months of this year, reaching 90.8% of the year target, according to the revised data by the MoLISA. Of the figure, 29,990 are female workers. In the first half of 2021, the workforce of people aged 15 and over hit 51.4 million, which rose by 400,000 compared to the same period last year, of whom 50.3 million were employed, up by 417,000 y/y. (Bao Dan Sinh, Lao Dong Thu Do Aug 7)

Vietnam, South Korea Review Labour Cooperation Outcomes

The MoLISA and the South Korean Ministry of Employment and Labour co-held a workshop on August 3 morning in Hanoi to review the outcomes of labour cooperation between the two countries on the 30th anniversary of bilateral diplomatic ties. Addressing the event, Vietnamese Deputy Minister Nguyen Ba Hoan said that collaboration between the two sides has come a long way in the past 30 years, ranging from labour, employment, vocational training, human resources







development, and occupational safety and health to social security, social insurance, and gender equality. South Korea is the top strategic partner of Vietnam in vocational training with a host of programs and projects in support of the Southeast Asian nation. At present, South Korea houses 39,659 Vietnamese workers, and over 9,000 South Korean businesses in Vietnam support jobs for more than 700,000 local workers. During the conference, delegates discussed cooperation in labour and labour migration, workforce development, the bilateral social insurance treaty, and official development assistance (ODA) disbursement in the future. (Hanoi Moi, Dan Tri, Bao Dan Sinh Aug 3)

South Korea Employs Almost 50,000 Vietnamese Workers: Official

South Korea is now home to nearly 50,000 Vietnamese people working in manufacturing and processing, construction, agriculture, and fisheries industries, said Mr. Nguyen Gia Liem, deputy head at the DoLAB, under the MoLISA. A majority of workers were sent to South Korea under the Employment Permit System (EPS) program. Since 2004, there have been approximately 100,000 Vietnamese workers coming to South Korea, and there are currently 28,000 Vietnamese person with non-professional employment visa E9 and an average monthly wage of \$1,500-\$2,000. South Korea houses 3,535 Vietnamese technical workers with E7 visas, mainly working in electronics, information and technology, welding, mechanics, and machine operation sectors with a monthly wage of \$2,000-\$2,500 on average. Besides, close to 10,000 Vietnamese crew members join fisheries labour force in South Korea with a monthly wage of \$450-\$550 for off-shore fishing and \$1,400 for near-shore operations. Additionally, nine Vietnamese localities have signed deals to take 1,000 seasonal workers to South Korea since 2016, namely Danang city and eight provinces of Dong Thap, Ha Tinh, Hau Giang, Thai Binh, Thua Thien-Hue, Ha Nam, Ca Mau, and Quang Binh. Other 17 provinces are in talks with South Korean localities for labour agreements. (Tin Tuc Aug 4)

Vietnam, South Korea Put Labour as Key Sphere for Cooperation

Vietnam and South Korea need to keep strengthening economic, trade, and investment cooperation, especially putting labour as the key scene in bilateral ties, said Executive Secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam Central Committee (CPVCC) Secretariat Vo Van Thuong, who has wrapped up his South Korean trip on August 2-3. Mr. Thuong made his remarks in a meeting in Seoul with South Korea's National Assembly Speaker Kim Jin-pyo and leaders of some agencies and organizations. (Bao Quoc Te, Vietnam Plus, QDND, m.thanhnien.vn, VTV Aug 4)

South Korea Supports Vietnam to Open First Smart Education Centre

Vietnam's northern Haiphong City has inaugurated a smart education centre, the first of its kind in the country supported by the education department of South Korea's Gyeongsangnam province. Under the second phase, South Korea will continue to help build the smart education centre in Haiphong and provide technical assistance, equipment, and computers for vocational training and distance education centres in the central province of Nghe An and Hanoi's Ha Dong



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district. (<u>Giao Duc Thoi Dai</u>, <u>Nhan Dan</u>, <u>QDND</u>, <u>Dau Tu</u>, <u>Thanh Pho Hai Phong</u>, <u>So Huu Tri</u> <u>Tue</u>, <u>Hai Phong</u> Aug 3)

Trade Unions of Capitals of Vietnam, South Korea Plan Tie-Up

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The trade unions of Hanoi and Seoul, the respective capital cities of Vietnam and South Korea, plan to strike a memorandum of understanding on support for workers. The information was unveiled during talks on August 5 in Hanoi between Deputy Secretary of the Hanoi Party Committee Nguyen Van Phong and Chairman of the Federation of Trade Unions of Seoul Kim Ki Chul, who is on a visit to Vietnam on the 30th anniversary of Vietnam-South Korea diplomatic relations. (Hanoi Moi, Thoi Dai, Kinh Te Do Thi, Lao Dong Thu Do)

Vietnam Localities, Japan's Gunma Prefecture Forge Cooperation

Vietnamese Permanent Deputy Prime Minister Pham Binh Minh and Permanent Deputy Foreign Minister Nguyen Minh Vu held talks on August 3 in Hanoi with Governor of Japan's Gunma Prefecture Ichita Yamamoto, who is on a visit to Vietnam to bolster bilateral locality-to-locality ties. Vietnam wishes to receive greater investment from Gunma businesses and boost labour cooperation, Mr. Minh said, expecting the Japanese prefecture to take more trainees and workers from Vietnam and facilitate nearly 10,000 Vietnamese people and students there. (<u>Bao Quoc Te</u>, <u>Bao Quoc Te 1</u>, <u>BNews</u>, <u>Bao Chinh Phu</u>, <u>Vietnam Plus</u>, <u>VOV World</u>)

VinFast Hiring 8,000 More Employees to Boost Production

VinFast Trading and Production Limited Liability Company (VinFast), the automobile manufacturing arm of Vietnam's biggest conglomerate Vingroup JSC (HOSE: VIC), said that it is looking to hire 8,000 more employees for its electric vehicle factory in Vietnam to ramp up production for the United States market. New staff, including assembly workers, technicians, and engineers, are expected to start working in August and September. (CafeF, Vietnambiz, AutoPro, Reuters)

Haiphong Prosecutes LG Display Workers for Stealing Items

On August 4, police in An Duong district, Haiphong City prosecuted five workers of LG Display, for stealing items of the firm. In June 2022, the police caught the suspects red handed for stealing plastic and metal trays of the firm. They confessed they had done the stealing from March and sold the items for VND500 million. (Zing Aug 4)

Domestic News

Paradox for TVET Schools: High Wages for Graduates and Shortage of Learners

Vietnam is facing a paradox that the demand for skilled workers accounts for 70% of the total demand, but the supply can only fulfil half of it, meanwhile, TVET schools struggle to recruit





learners despite the high incomes of graduates. The key problem is the outdated preference of advancing to higher education and ignorance of TVET. However, the fact is that Vietnam is facing dual problems of ensuring high-skilled workers and universalizing higher education. (VTV Aug 4)

Unemployment of University Students in Vietnam Worse Than Vocational Learners

About 3% of college graduates and 2.7% of university graduates in Vietnam are unemployed, versus 1.1% of intermediate vocational training learners, according to a report of the Vietnam National Institute of Educational Sciences (VNIES) for the 2011-2020 period. The report collected data from 181 universities and 40 colleges and from the General Statistics Office (GSO). It noted that the employment rate among students, who graduated in 2018, was only 65.5%. (VnExpress, VNIES Aug 9)

Arts, Animal Health Top Employments among Graduates in Vietnam in 2020, 2021

Arts and animal health were among the top three sectors with highest employment rates for university graduates in Vietnam in 2020 and 2021, according to data of the Ministry of Education and Training. In 2020, arts topped the list with 83.6% of graduates getting employments. Others in the list included animal health (73.7%), computer and information technology (73.5%), manufacturing and processing (72.5%), humanitarian studies (71.8%). In 2021, arts and animal health topped the list with 85.4% and 85.2%, respectively. Other sectors were transport with 89.2%, construction and architecture with 79.6%, and manufacturing and processing (79.5%). (Dan Tri, TVET Aug 8)

Vietnam Annually Exports \$300M-\$400M of Bamboo-made Products: Official

Vietnam annually earns \$300 million-\$400 million from exporting products made from bamboo, an official from the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) said. Mr. Nguyen Van Dien, head of the Forestry Development Department, under the MARD's Vietnam Administration of Forestry (VNFOREST), added that the country now has 251 bamboo processing businesses, with 95% being small- and medium-sized. The bamboo processing sector has employed around 10,000 labourers and 300,000 others are involved in related activities. (Cong Thuong Aug 4)

Elderly in Vietnam Face Multiple Medical Risks: Official

The elderly people in Vietnam face high risks of disability due to the aging process amid the high treatment cost and unresponsive health care system, Dr. Mai Xuan Phuong, Deputy Director of the General Office for Population and Family Planning's Communication-Education Division, told VnExpress on August 3. Mr. Phuong proposed firms, especially private firms, to employ more elder people, particularly high-quality ones, to partly solve the problems. (<u>VnExpress</u> Aug 3)



Vietnam HDBank, VPBank to Disburse VND20T Loan Packages for Workers: SBV

The State Bank of Vietnam (SBV), the country's central bank, has assigned Ho Chi Minh City Development Joint Stock Commercial Bank (HDBank, HOSE: HDB) and Vietnam Prosperity Joint Stock Commercial Bank (VPBank, HOSE: VPB) to disburse the VND20 trillion (\$862.07 million) loan packages for industrial workers to counter loan sharks. Accordingly, HD SAISON, under HDBank, will disburse VND10 trillion from the package with an interest rate of half the current market's level. Meanwhile, a financial affiliate of VPBank will issue the remaining loans. The loan disbursement will be conducted in cooperation with the Vietnam General Confederation of Labor. (Tuoi Tre, Bao Chinh Phu, Lao Dong, Saigon Times, VnExpress Aug 8)

Haiphong in Need of 70K Workers for Rest of 2022

Businesses based in Haiphong city need to employ over 70,000 workers for the rest of this year, according to DoLISA. Since early this year, enterprises located in industrial parks and economic zones citywide have recruited over 6,000 labourers. At present, the city is facing a severe labour shortage, especially skilled workers. (VOV Aug 8)

Firm to Build VND4.6T Industrial Park in Haiphong City in Dec

Tien Thanh Investment Industrial Zone Joint Stock Company has pledged to start building a VND4.59 trillion (\$197.84 million) industrial park (IP) in Vietnam's northern city of Haiphong in December. Once operational in the fourth quarter of 2023, the IP is expected to create 30,000-40,000 jobs. (Dau Tu, Hai Phong Aug 3)

TVET Facilities in Quang Ninh Recruit 22,107 Students in H1, up 15% y/y

TVET facilities in Quang Ninh province recruited 22,107 students in the first half (H1) of this year, up 15% y/y, reaching 57.42% of the year target, according to DoLISA. The province now is home to 42 TVET facilities, including two universities, six colleges, one intermediate school, and 13 vocational training centres. Of these, 31 are public facilities and the remaining 11 are owned by businesses. (Bao Quang Ninh Aug 6)

Industrial Zones in Vinh Phuc Employ Thousands of Workers

Industrial zones (IZs) located in northern Vinh Phuc province have created jobs for thousands of workers. As of mid-December 2021, domestic direct investment (DDI) firms at such IZs employed 8,304 labourers while foreign direct investment (FDI) hired 103,147 workers. As of end-2021, firms at such IZs attracted over 110,000 labourers in total. In the first half of 2022, DDI firms employed 799 more labourers and FDI firms hired an additional 12,975 workers. So far, they have created jobs for 125,225 workers. (KTDB Aug 5)

Ha Tinh Offers Tuition Fee Aid for Vocational Learning in 2022-2025







Ha Tinh province has decided to aid 70% of vocational tuition fees for students who have completed their military and public security services and 50% for the remaining groups. Regarding people of working age with demand for vocational learning, the province will offer a maximum of VND6 million to those who have finished rehab to attend a TVET course for under three months. Those who have finished their jail sentences and people from middle-income households of agro-forestry-fisheries sectors will receive a maximum of VND2 million for a course. (Ha Tinh Aug 3)

EZ, IPs in Quang Ngai Attract \$18B Investment: DEZA

Dung Quat Economic Zone and industrial parks (IPs) have attracted \$18 billion in foreign and domestic direct investment, said Ha Hoang Viet Phuong, head of the Dung Quat Economic Zone and Quang Ngai Industrial Parks Authority (DEZA). Up to \$9.2 billion of the sum has been disbursed, Mr. Phuong noted, adding that firms in local EZ and IPs have created 70,000 jobs. (Nha Dau Tu Aug 9)

Firms in Khanh Hoa Find It Hard to Recruit Labourers

Firms in central Khanh Hoa province have found it hard to recruit labourers and the provincial employment service centre has managed to fulfil half of their demand. Mr. Chu Van Cong, director of the centre, explained that firms' offers of salaries and other benefits are not attractive enough; working conditions, accommodations, and social welfares cannot meet workers' need, and firms' age requirement for workers. Meanwhile, labourers' qualifications and skills do not meet firms' requirements. (Bao Khanh Hoa Aug 7)

Dong Nai Promotes Cooperation with Biz to Prepare Jobs for Vocational Students

TVET schools in Dong Nai province have been strengthen cooperation with businesses to prepare jobs for vocational students upon graduation. To date, vocational training models adopted by many TVET schools are highly applauded such as the Dong Nai College of High Technology, Lilama 2 College, and College of Machinery and Irrigation. (<u>Bao Dong Nai</u> Aug 3)

Southeast Region Tops Vietnam in Numbers of Firms, Labourers as of End-2020

The Southeast region ranked first in Vietnam in the number of firms and labourers as of end-2020, according to a report by the General Statistics Office (GSO). Specifically, the region had 281,100 enterprises, up 32.2% y/y and making up 41.1% of the country's total firms; and 5.4 million labourers, up 1.5% y/y and equal to 36.6%. (Bnews Aug 8)

Long An Pushing Learners to Advance to TVET

Long An DoET is pushing learners to advance to TVET. A solution is letting general education schools conduct theoretical TVET lessons, said Mr. Nguyen Quang Thai, director of Long An DoET. (Dan Viet Aug 5)





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