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MoLISA Wants to Return \$116M of Unused House Rental Aid to State

The MoLISA wants to return the remaining VND2.8 trillion (\$116 million) of the housing rental allowance package to the state budget. In its document sent to Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh, the ministry said that in 2022, the government launched a VND6.6 trillion package offering housing rental support to workers hit by COVID-19. To date, more than 5.1 million workers have received a total of nearly VND3.76 trillion from the package. Therefore, the ministry offered to return the remaining VND2.8 trillion to the state budget for the implementation of other urgent tasks. (PLO May 12)

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Vietnam Reports Poor Disbursement of 2%-Interest-Rate-Subsidy Package

The current disbursement of the 2%-interest-rate-subsidy package has been at a snail's pace, and it is estimated to reach only VND2.57 trillion (\$107.08 million) out of VND40 trillion by the end of this year. The information was announced at the session of the National Assembly Standing Committee (NASC) on May 9. As the policy on supporting rent payments for workers expired, only VND4.26 trillion, or 57.2% of the target, had been disbursed due to the slow assessment and disbursement works. Meanwhile, the borrowing demand for the program on job creation and expansion remained huge, estimated at VND43.14 trillion. The program was allocated VND10 trillion so far, which has been disbursed entirely in 2022, and is lacking capital to proceed. (CafeF, Tien Phong May 9)

Business Sector and Labour Market

Foreign Cooperation

Annual Review and Technical Exchange Workshop 2023 with 11 Partner Colleges

Within the framework of the Vietnam-Germany Cooperation, from May 9-11, Programme "Reform of Technical and Vocational Education and Training" (TVET-GIZ), in cooperation with Bac Ninh College of Industry, organized the "Annual Review and Technical Exchange Workshop 2023." The participants of the workshop include 25 leaders of 11 partner colleges of TVET-GIZ, senior specialists on cooperation with business sector, digital transformation, PR, and quality assurance in TVET. This is an annual activity by TVET-GIZ in cooperation with 11 partner colleges. The purposes of the workshop are as follow: Review the process and results of activities implementation between TVET-GIZ and 11 partner colleges under the perspective of 11 partner colleges; Sharing of experiences on 5 hot topics in school development with the aims of increasing efficiency and impacts of activities implementation; Discussion and recommendations for on-site problems/challenges. Besides result assessment of activities in 2022





and identification of key activities in 2023 between TVET-GIZ and partner colleges, participants spent most of their time on discussion of 05 hot topics. Leaders of 11 partner colleges of TVET-GIZ were surveyed to choose the most "relevant" topics to evaluate, discuss and exchange, including: Cooperation with the Business Sector, Quality Assurance, Attracting more students for TVET & Inclusion, Digital Transformation in Implementation; Attracting and retaining qualified personnel at colleges. Each panel discussion started with presentations to share experiences, best practices of "real battle" at each college, following up with deep discussion, focusing on current situation, challenges and realistic solutions for each thematic topic. Leaders and focal points of each panel discussion prepared presentations and facilitated their own panel discussion. Senior specialists and GIZ specialists added objective and professional perspectives. Through the process of intensive and open discussion, participants practiced self-evaluation and suggested solutions to improve the current situation at their own TVET institute, and also agreed upon activities to optimize human resources and implementation effectiveness. During the last day of the workshop, participants visited and worked with Goertek Vietnam - in cooperation with Bac Ninh College of Industry with "1+1+1" cooperative training model, to learn more about the In-company Training Centre at Goertek and cooperative training model. With the "1+1+1" cooperative training model, students at college level of industrial electronics and automotive technology occupation will learn general subjects, basic subjects and occupation orientation at the college in the first year. In the second year, the students will learn both theoretical and practical modules at In-company Training Centre. In the third year, the students will complete advanced modules and production skills at Goertek's factory. End-of-module examinations and final examinations will be organized according to the occupational standards of each occupation. Talking about the workshop, Mr. Nguyen Duc Luu, Rector of Bac Ninh College of Industry shared: "This year's workshop is "for the colleges and by the colleges". The workshop mobilized the spirit of mastering in change management, sharing ways of doing things, sharing of human resources, cooperation in mutual development towards criteria of high quality TVET institutes in the TVET system". In conjunction with the workshop, 11 partner colleges formed mutual panel discussion group to continue to discuss, exchange and coordinate. The Programme "Reform of TVET in Vietnam" is commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by GIZ GmbH in cooperation with the DVET under the MoLISA. The programme aims to better align TVET to the changing world of work which will be increasingly digital and green. (TVET May 15)

Further Training Course "PLC Programming on GRAFCET I" for Electrics – Electronics Teachers at VCMI

With the aim to develop the capacity of teachers in Industrial Electronics (IE) and Electronics for Energy and Building Technology (EEB) occupations, the Programme Reform of TVET in Vietnam (TVET Programme) collaborated with LILAMA 2 International Technology College (LILAMA 2) to organize a further training course on "PLC Programming on GRAFCET platform" part 1 for nine core teachers of College of Mechanical and Irrigation (VCMI) from April 25 to 27. The training course was conducted by two multipliers of LILAMA 2, Mr. Nguyen Trong Tin and Mr. Kieu Tan Thoi. VCMI teachers were shared the professional theoretical contents and practical guidance with contents on: Important theoretical knowledge





about the GRAFCET algorithm flowchart; Use of OFT2 Grafcet and Fluidsim software to design and simulate GRAFCET; PLC programming based on GRAFCET in TIA Portal software. VCMI teachers did exercises to reinforce theory as well as practice with increasingly difficult tasks. At the end of the training, an assessment was also completed by the participants. Ms. Tran Thi Thuy Huong, the Vice Dean of VCMI Electrics-Electronics Faculty, shared: "In the past, we always had difficulties in implementing training on PLC programming due to limited resources and skills. After this training, we now feel more confident to train our students". The training course was conducted within the component "Supporting High-Quality TVET Institutes" as part of the Vietnamese – German Programme "Reform of TVET in Vietnam". The programme is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by GIZ together with the MoLISA. (TVET Apr 28)

Open Camp Day at HVCT – an Exciting Experience for High School Students to Work in Labs and Virtual Reality

On April 23, with the support of Programme Reform of TVET in Vietnam, the Open Camp Day was held at the College of Technology II (HVCT), with the participation of students from An Ninh High School (Long An), along with expert from GIZ – Mr. Frank Pogade, the leader of the Faculty of Labour Safety and Environment, and the vice principal of An Ninh High School. The event aimed to provide information about the study program Sewage and Wastewater Treatment - study program according to German standards. Through practical experiences in the field of study as well as the facilities at the college, students could have an objective view when deciding to choose this major. In the opening speech at the Open Camp Day, Mr. Frank emphasized the importance and current need for water treatment, along with potential career opportunities in this field. Frank provided knowledge and advice for students interested in environmental issues when choosing a college major. Participating in the Open Day, students had the opportunity to participate in experiential learning activities in various subjects and tasks, including working in the laboratory, experiencing virtual reality VR, and visiting the facilities on the college campus. These experiences helped students have a better understanding of the study fields and career paths available at the faculty. Hopefully, through practical experiential activities and listening to expert opinions, students will have an objective view of the majors they are interested in, and someday become students of the faculty. The Open Camp Day event at HVCT was a great success, providing high school students with the opportunity to explore study fields and potential career paths in the future, especially with the major with great potential as Sewage and Wastewater Treatment. (TVET Apr 23)

Hue Industrial College developed Teaching and Learning Material for Mechatronics Occupation

Since 2021, the multipliers of the LILAMA 2 International Technology College (LILAMA 2) have been implementing activities to disseminate the Mechatronics training programme oriented to German standard for four Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutes in the system. In 2023, the disseminated colleges have plan to finalise the teaching and learning materials (TLM) and organise the Final examination part 1 (AP1) for the first batch of students with the consultation of LILAMA 2 multipliers. From April 18 to 20, at Hue Industrial College





(Hue IC), two LILAMA 2 multipliers, Mr. Kieu Tan Thoi and Mr. Tran Huu Phuoc worked with the Hue IC Mechatronics teachers with the objectives: To introduce how to compile and develop TLM practical teaching method according to LILAMA 2's experience, as well as sharing and advising on finalising the content of Module 01, Module 02 and the plan to develop Module 10. Groups of teachers have jointly developed TLM with 3 various methods as: Practical training by 4-step method, 6-step method, and building theoretical lessons for the practical part. Basically, Hue IC teachers have fully compiled theoretical contents. The LILAMA 2 multipliers guided and advised the college to build the practical content suitable for available equipment and have completed about 50%. By June 2023, all practical parts of MD01 and MD02 will be completed. Furthermore, the multipliers also had the opportunity to visit Hue IC's facilities and consulted in preparation for the AP1 including theory and practical parts. The activity was held within the component "Supporting High-Quality TVET Institutes" as part of the Vietnamese – German Programme "Reform of TVET in Vietnam". The programme is financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by GIZ together with the Vietnamese MoLISA. (TVET Apr 22)

Training Workshop on "Change Management and Conflict Resolution" for Mid-level Managers of Partner TVET Institutes

Within the framework of the Vietnam-Germany Cooperation Programme "Reform of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in Vietnam", from April 19-21, the workshop "Change management and Conflict Resolution" for mid-level managers of TVET Institutes was conducted at Vietnamese - German Technical College of Ha Tinh. The training workshop supports participants in gaining knowledge and skills to manage changes and conflict resolution and improve effectiveness in operational activities at their colleges. During the three-day workshop, the participants were taught to be aware of the role of Changes, to identify the stages of organisational changes, and required skills to manage changes effectively. Participants were trained on methods to motivate positive organisational changes in their TVET group or organisation to adapt to the requirements of the changing world of work. In addition, participants had the opportunity to learn deeply about typical types and sources of Conflicts, scenarios in an organisation from different perspectives. Participants also practiced analysing real-life case study in management at their college to improve conflict resolution skills by identifying their own and others' conflict management styles. Thereby, participants can apply the trained knowledge and skills accumulated to improve their management efficiency at 11 partner colleges. Talking about the training workshop, Mr. Nguyen Van Hoa, head of Training Department of Long An College shared: "The content of the training workshop is very interesting and useful, managers can apply to realistic situations in our TVET colleges. We hope that GIZ organise more training workshops for mid-level managers to improve management capacity, especially in Conflicts Resolutions." This is an annual activity to develop the leadership and management capacity of the leaders of TVET Institutes according to international standards. This activity is carried out within the framework of the Component "Support of High Quality TVET Institutes", under the Vietnam-Germany Cooperation Programme "Reform of TVET in Vietnam". The Programme "Reform of TVET in Vietnam" is commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by GIZ GmbH in cooperation with the DVET under





the Vietnamese MoLISA. The programme aims to better align TVET to the changing world of work which will be increasingly digital and green. (<u>TVET</u> Apr 19)

IMO Urges Vietnam to Pass 2 Int'l Conventions on Seafarers, Fishing Safety

Secretary General of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Kitak Lim has called on Vietnam to approve the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) and the Cape Town Agreement on onboard fishing safety soon. The IMO chief made his call in a meeting with Vietnamese Deputy Minister of Labour, War Invalids and Social Affairs Nguyen Ba Hoan in Hanoi on May 12. Citing his visit to the Vietnam Marine University, Mr. Kitak Lim said that Vietnam's marine workforce is abundant, expanding from 30,000 to 50,000 in just a few years, along with a significant number of Vietnamese fishers employed by owners of foreign fishing vessels. Deputy Minister Hoan, in reply, stressed that the training of high-skilled human resources, including marine manpower, is one of the strategic breakthroughs targeted by Vietnam. The ministry will cooperate with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to advise the government to ratify the two conventions mentioned by the IMO chief. Vietnam has participated in 25 ILO Conventions so far, including the Maritime Labour Convention (2013). The country has dispatched fishers to some countries and territories, comprising 2,700 to South Korea, 3,000 to Taiwan, 4,554 to Japan, and others to Singapore, the Philippines, and more. (Dan Tri, MoLISA, laodongxahoi.net May 12)

Vietnam Shares Experiences in Social Insurance Policy Making with Laos

Vietnamese Deputy Minister of Labour, War Invalids and Social Affairs Le Van Thanh received a high-ranking delegation of Laos' Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs led by its Deputy Minister Padeumphone Sonthany in Hanoi on May 9. At the meeting, Deputy Minister Thanh shared experiences in developing and executing Vietnam's social insurance policy with Laos. Deputy Director General of the Department of Social Insurance Tran Hai Nam briefed the Laotian delegation of Vietnam's social insurance policy and the revised draft Law on Social Insurance, which is expected to be approved by the National Assembly in early 2024. Deputy Director General of the Department of Employment Tao Bang Huy shared with Laos about Vietnam's unemployment insurance policy and its benefits. The Laotian side expected the two ministries to closely cooperate in labour and social welfare areas, thus contributing to the development of bilateral relations. (Bao Dan Sinh, MoLISA May 10)

700 Disadvantaged Vietnamese Young Persons to Get Free TVET in Int'l Standard

As many as 700 disadvantaged Vietnamese young people will receive free training in IT, data, and commerce in accordance with international standard on the e-learning platform Coursera. This is part of the non-profit "one million dialogues" initiative, which offers 20,000 learning opportunities to young persons aged 15 and above worldwide through 2030. The beneficiaries will get 27 online courses provided by major groups such as Google, IMB, and Meta. (Dan Tri May 12)



Nike, Adidas Supplier Pouyuen Vietnam to Lay off Additional 6,000 Workers

Taiwanese shoemaker Pouyuen Vietnam Co. Ltd., the biggest employer in Vietnam's southern economic hub of Ho Chi Minh City and also a major supplier to Nike and Adidas, has announced that it is expected to furlough an additional nearly 6,000 workers, following the layoff of over 2,300 employees in February, local media said. In a recent meeting with the municipal government, the firm cited a sharp decline in orders as the main reason for its decision. This is the biggest layoff of the Taiwanese company since its operation in HCMC in 1996. The firm will cut 5,744 workers with indefinite contracts in two batches, including 4,519 staff on June 24 and 1,225 on July 8. The furloughed will be paid compensation at the rate of 80% of their last drawn salary for every year they worked. Workers who are pregnant, on maternity leave, have kids under 12 years old, from poor households, have disabilities, and face other disadvantages will not be laid off. A survey by the municipal DoLISA showed that out of 4,000 firms, 31% scaled down their workforce and only 19% expanded headcounts during the first quarter of 2023. (VnExpress, CafeF, Dan Tri, VOV, Bao Dan Sinh, Vietstock May 13)

Hong Kong Firm Opens \$80M Electronics Plant in Vietnam Thai Nguyen

On May 10, DBG Technology, a subsidiary of Hong Kong's DBG Electronics Investment Limited, started the operation of its \$80 million electronics plant in Vietnam's northern province of Thai Nguyen. The plant is designed to churn out 30 million smart terminals and other electronic products and export \$4.5 billion of such products per year. It is expected to create 10,000-15,000 jobs. (Bao Thai Nguyen May 10)

Apple Supplier Goertek Gets OK to Build 51.5-ha Electronics Plant in Vietnam

China's Goertek Inc., one of the biggest suppliers of Apple Inc., has received permission to build an electronic, network, and multimedia equipment production plant in Vietnam's northern province of Bac Ninh, according to the provincial Industrial Zones Authority. The plant, which is designed to cover 51.5 hectares of land in Nam Son-Hap Linh Industrial Park (IP), is expected to create 50,000 jobs, the authority noted without disclosing the project's total investment. (<u>The</u> <u>Investor</u> May 10)

389 Vietnamese Victims of Forced Labour in Philippines's Pampanga Rescued

The 389 Vietnamese citizens, who were among more than 1,000 people rescued from forced labour in Pampanga province, are staying safe at a facility arranged by the Philippine authorities, announced the Vietnamese Embassy in the Philippines. The embassy visited the Vietnamese victims to collect their information and give medication to some with health problems while working closely with relevant Philippine agencies to make assistance plans. Most recently, Vietnam's Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) proposed the Philippine authorities help ensure accommodation for those Vietnamese citizens, inform the Vietnamese side about their residence status, and assist Vietnam to repatriate those with illegal stays in the host country as soon as







possible. The ministry also asked the Philippine side to enhance cooperation in resolving the forced labour case involving Vietnamese citizens and strictly deal with violators. According to the local media, the Philippine authorities rescued 1,048 people, mostly foreigners, who were forced to work at an establishment owned by the Clark Sun Valley Hub group in Pampanga province on May 4. They included 389 citizens from Vietnam, 307 from China, 143 from Indonesia, 129 from the Philippines, 40 from Nepal, 25 from Malaysia, seven from Myanmar, five from Thailand, two from Taiwan, and one from Hong Kong. (Bao Quoc Te, Lao Dong, Tien Phong, NLD, VTC, Thanh Nien, Tin Tuc, VnExpress, Zing News, Thanh Nien 1, Bao Chinh Phu, Dan Viet May 9)

Vietnamese Duo Imprisoned for Tricking 150 People into Labour Exports to S.Korea

The People's Court in Vietnam's central Danang City has handed down imprisonment sentences to two scammers for tricking 150 people into labour exports to South Korea. Vu Duc Minh received a jail term of 24 years for "fraudulent appropriation of assets" and "forging seals/documents of agencies/organizations and using fake seals/documents." Dinh Hong Quang was sentenced to 23 years behind bars for the same two charges. According to the indictment, in April 2021, the duo posted on social networks that they accepted people to send to South Korea to work for \$8,000-\$11,000 per person. After collecting fees for medical examination and COVID-19 testing, the fraudsters fled to the Mekong Delta City of Can Tho. Minh and Quang reportedly appropriated more than VND1.8 billion (\$75,000) from 150 victims. (NLD, VnExpress, VTC, Dan Tri, Tuoi Tre, Tien Phong, Thanh Nien, Lao Dong May 9)

Domestic News

44% of Vietnamese Graduates Get Jobs Outside Majors: Ministry

As many as 44% of Vietnamese graduates landed a job unrelated to their majors while the remaining 56% work in their field of study, according to a report compiled by an organization and cited by Dr. Tran Thi Thu Ha, former head of the Department of Public Expenditure. Speaking at a conference on investment in higher education amid financial autonomy in Hanoi on May 12, Dr. Ha said that the number of graduates has been on a downward trend, mostly in public schools with a 49% drop in 2020 from 2015. She said that the efficiency of investment in higher education and Training Hoang Minh Son said that statistics on employment in line with majors is not necessarily suitable in the current context. (Tuoi Tre May 12)

More than 1M Students Register for Vietnam's 2023 National Graduation Exam

More than one million Vietnamese students registered for the 2023 national high school graduation exam as of 5:00 p.m. on May 13, according to the Ministry of Education and Training (MoET). Of the sum, 73,232 candidates registered to take the exam for only graduation recognition, accounting for 7.14%; 34,203 others registered for admission, representing 3.34%, and the remaining 917,731 registered for both high school graduation recognition and admission, making up 89.52%, the MoET said. The ministry also stated that 94.51% of candidates registered





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for this year's exam via the online channel. The 2023 national high school graduation exam will be held on June 27-30. Last year, Vietnam had 989,900 candidates attending the national high school graduation exam, with a pass rate of 98.62%. (VietnamNet, Dan Tri, Tien Phong, SGGP, NLD, CAND May 13)

Vietnam Airlines Pays Local Pilots 41% Less Than Foreigners: Report

The average monthly salary of Vietnamese pilots under the headcount of Vietnam Airlines (HOSE: HVN) was 41% lower than their foreign colleagues' in 2022, presenting a pilot brain drain threat. A recent report by the MoLISA said the 829 Vietnamese pilots working for the carrier received an average of VND85 million (\$3,620) per month. Meanwhile, the 152 foreign pilots, who are employed through a third-party agency and not directly on its payroll, got paid VND145 million monthly. HVN plans to increase its Vietnamese pilots to 865,959, and 1,044 between 2023 and 2025, and their average salary will hike to VND115.6 million, VND128 million, and VND134.8 million, respectively. Meanwhile, the average wage of Vietnam Airlines' overseas pilots may rise to VND268.4 million, VND273.7 million, and VND279.2 million, in 2023-2025, resulting in a 43%-48% discrepancy in average salary between domestic and foreign pilots. The ministry said the carrier could not afford higher salaries for Vietnamese pilots, and the intense competition in the cockpits has made many pilots quit their jobs. Since 2020, there have been 35 Vietnamese pilots leaving Vietnam Airlines, and some are due to quit after their contracts end, the ministry noted. The decline in Vietnamese pilots will place an even bigger burden on the airline since it will have to hire more foreign pilots, whose compensation is around VND2.5 billion a year each, including accommodation, insurance, and others. Assuming the airline loses 120-140 Vietnamese pilots every year, it would have to spend VND300 billion-VND600 billion on hiring foreign substitutes and face a greater risk of flight cancelations. Therefore, the ministry sought the government's approval for Vietnam Airlines to enlarge its salary budget for Vietnamese pilots by an expected VND300 billion-VND800 billion annually in accordance with the firm's financial capability and business performance. (Dan Tri, VnExpress, Kinh Te Do Thi, VnEconomy May 10)

Vinamilk Most Favourite Employers in Vietnam in 2022: Career Builder

Vinamilk was ranked first among the top 100 favourite employers in 2022 in Vietnam, according to a list released by Career Builder Vietnam. (<u>Dan Sinh</u> May 15)

TVET-Labour Market Connection Event in Hanoi Attracts 7,000 Participants

A TVET-labour market connection event in Hanoi capital city on May 14 attracted the participation of over 5,000 students and 2,000 labourers, along with 51 TVET institutes displaying occupational skills at 70 booths, and 50 businesses with 2,000 vacancies on offer. Addressing the event, Director of the municipal DoLISA noted that as of April, local TVET institutes had cooperated with 1,150 businesses and received 37,246 students for internship. 493 firms had ordered the training of 135,480 labourers while 519 firms had recruited 65,381





students with an average monthly salary of VND8 million-VND15 million. (<u>VnEconomy</u> May 15, <u>Hanoi Moi</u> May 14)

Hanoi's TVET Schools to Recruit 27K Students in 2023-2024 Academic Year

Hanoi will have 27,000 secondary school graduates accepted into vocational training centres and schools in the 2023-2024 academic year, accounting for 21% of the total, which opens up opportunities for many TVET institutions citywide to increase the enrolment of the 9+model. The Hanoi Vocational College of High Technology plans to recruit 600 students for the 9+model this school year, up 30% y/y, while the Industrial Vocational College Hanoi wants to welcome 400 learners for the program, up 10% y/y. Many other vocational schools have planned enrolments for the model equal to or higher than in previous years. (<u>Hanoi Moi</u> May 10)

Career Fair in Northern Vietnam Offers 9,238 Vacancies

A career fair in Hanoi capital city, which was connected with northern Phu Tho, Ninh Binh, Bac Giang, Thai Nguyen, Quang Ninh, Lang Son, and Vinh Phuc on May 16, offered 9,238 vacancies from 152 businesses. (<u>Hanoi Moi</u> May 16)

Haiphong Kickstarts Vietnam's Largest Industrial, Logistics, and Non-Tariff Zone

On May 13, the government of the northern coastal city of Haiphong kicked off the construction of the Xuan Cau-Lach Huyen industrial, logistics, and non-tariff zone, the biggest of its kind in Vietnam, in Dinh Vu-Cat Hai Economic Zone. The 752-hectare zone will be developed into three phases by Xuan Cau-Lach Huyen Investment JSC, with the first scheduled to be completed in 2025, the second in 2030, and the last in 2033. Once fully operational, it will create 40,000-50,000 jobs. (The Investor, Tuoi Tre, Kinh Te Do Thi, VOV, TBTCVN May 13)

Industrial Parks in Hai Duong Attract \$5.1B FDI So Far

Industrial parks (IPs) in Vietnam's northern province of Hai Duong have to date attracted 251 foreign direct investment (FDI) projects worth a total pledged capital of over \$5.1 billion from 20 countries and territories, the provincial IP Management Board said. According to the board, the average amount of each FDI project in Hai Duong-based IPs is over \$17.2 million. Firms in local IPs have created around 110,000 jobs. (Bao Hai Duong, Tin Tuc May 11)

Thanh Hoa Has 2,713 Labourers Working Illegally Overseas

Central Thanh Hoa province currently has 2,713 labourers working illegally in foreign countries, according to the office of the provincial Party Committee. The figure includes 1,906 people illegally exiting the country, 648 having expired labour contracts, and 159 abusing abroad-studying and tourism activities to stay illegally overseas. (Thanh Nien May 10)



Quang Ngai Aims to Provide Vocational Training to 5,170 Rural Labourers in 2023-2025

Central Quang Ngai province has set a target to provide vocational training to 5,170 labourers in rural areas in 2023-2025, with a focus on raising the proportion of labourers with certifications, according to the provincial People's Committee. (Lao Dong Cong Doan May 9)

Lam Dong Enrolls 9,550 TVET Learners, Creates Jobs for 9,400 People in Jan-Apr

The Central Highlands province of Lam Dong enrolled 9,550 TVET learners and created jobs for 9,400 people in the first four months of this year, according to the provincial People's Committee. (Bao Lam Dong May 16)

HCMC Aims to Draw 45% of High School Graduates into TVET System by 2025

Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) aims to attract 40%-45% of high school graduates into the vocational training system by 2025, according to a 2023-2030 TVET development plan released by the municipal People's Committee. The city targets to have four high-quality vocational schools and four ASEAN-4-level schools by 2024. By 2030, the rate of trained workers in the TVET system is aimed at 89%, and 100% of occupations will be built and updated according to the national qualification framework. (Tuoi Tre May 12)

Career Fair in HCMC Offers Thousands of Vacancies

A career fair in Ho Chi Minh City recently attracted the participation of 60 domestic and foreign firms, with thousands of vacancies in fields IT, sales, electricity, electronics, construction, economic-finance, and hospitality. The event attracted around 5,000 students. (<u>Dan Sinh</u> May 14)