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Promoting and Providing Education

VIET TRI, VIETNAM
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Country Context / Programme Facts

Vietnam is located on the eastern Indochina Peninsula. It covers a total area of approximately 331,210 km² making it almost the size of Germany and has a population of approximately 92.5 million people. Economic liberalization began in 1986 and since the 1990's Vietnam's economy has improved rapidly, and it now ranks as a middle-income country. Tourism and exports are the main economic drivers in the country.

In recent years Vietnam's quality of education has improved greatly. One of the main reasons being the government's high investments into education. Vietnam has an extensive state-controlled network of schools, colleges and universities, and a growing number of privately run and partially privatised institutions. The government has made it a priority to get all young people into education, but lack of access and quality education still remains a big challenge, especially among minorities and in rural communities.

Viet Tri is located in the Phu Tho province north of Hanoi and home to an estimated 260,000 people. Despite many initiatives from the government, many people in the region live in poverty, struggling to provide for basic needs and services, such as food and education. Ethnic minorities and people in rural areas are particularly affected. Like other regions of the country, human trafficking is a problem in the region.

SOS Programmes in Viet Tri

- 15 family houses
- Youth programme
- Kindergarten School
- School
- Vocational training centre

Providing care to 256 children, and kindergarten, education and vocational training for 1,651 children and youths in the Viet Tri area.



The SKAGEN Partnership

The SKAGEN partnership currently supports education to 1,013 students from the SOS programme and the local community in Viet Tri. The school provides scholarships to children in the community who cannot afford school fees and extra individual follow up for poor students. The school achieves very good results and has a very low dropout rate, providing a good example for other schools in the area.



Student Enrolment 2016

- 26 classes with 1,013 students (154 student from the SOS Children's Village)
- Primary School: 10 classes with 374 students
- Secondary School: 8 classes with 323 students
- High School: 7 classes with 316 students
- Number of teachers: 46

Education Activities 2016

The school implements teaching plans and educational activities per regulations prescribed by Ministry of Education and Training.

Comprehensive education is secured by continuously providing teachers with training and improved learning activities, organizing extracurricular activities, outdoor activities and practising life skills for students.

Making sure the school is fully equipped with modern equipment to meet the requirement of today's education led to replacement of materials in 2016. Maintenance work is also regularly carried out.

Since the school was established (in 2000), 1,004 students have received scholarships. Scholarships are offered to children from economically disadvantaged families as well as students with outstanding achievements. 63 students were on scholarships in 2016.

National, provincial and municipal contests are regularly attended by students with approximately 100 students gaining awards in disciplines like scientific research, interdisciplinary knowledge, sports and practical skills. Similarly, teachers participate in teaching contests with 3 teachers obtaining awards in 2016.



Children in the SOS School in Viet Tri

Achievements 2016

- No students have dropped out of school.
- Graduation/pass rate:
 - Primary school 100 %,
 - Secondary school 98.5%,
 - High School 98.7%.
- Percentage passing to college: 65%

Expenditure 2016 01.01.2016 – 31.12.2016:

	Annual Budget 2016 NOK	Annual Expenditure NOK	% spent
SL Viet Tri	2 856	2 634	92 %

Amounts in NOK 1.000

Education in SOS Children's Villages

Quality education and vocational training are keys to a successful future. To ensure that every child can enjoy their basic right to quality education, SOS Children's Villages runs kindergartens, day care centres, schools and vocational training centres in places where they are needed. Children and young people from SOS families attend local public schools and make use of the existing education systems in areas where public education is available and adequate.

In many places where SOS Children's Villages operate, the public education system is inadequate due to a lack of state assistance or funds. If quality private schools are available, SOS Children's Villages assists with school fees, uniforms and school supplies for the children in our programmes.

In places entirely lacking schools, SOS Children's Villages runs kindergartens, primary and secondary schools and vocational centres, to offer educational access for the whole community. All of our schools are state recognised and teach according to the local national curricula

The program directly contributes to reaching Sustainable Development Goal 4

Ensure inclusive and quality education for all and promote lifelong learning

Education is the key that will allow many other Sustainable Development Goals to be achieved. When people are able to get quality education they can break from the cycle of poverty. Education therefore helps to reduce inequality and to reach gender equality.

It also empowers people everywhere to live more healthy and sustainable lives. Education is also crucial to foster tolerance between people and contributes to more peaceful socialites.



The program also contributes to reaching the following Sustainable Development Goals:

