

UNDP VIET NAM 2018 IN REVIEW



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WOMEN CAN LEAD - WHY NOT

"Everyone can be a leader, regardless of gender". That was the core message of the "Women Can Lead – Why Not" campaign led by youth, with support from UNDP and the Viet Nam Student Newspaper. Many inspiring "Women Can Lead" stories from across Viet Nam reached 10 million people on social media.



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INTEGRATING DISASTER PREVENTION EDUCATION

Education for students is key to preparing community for natural disaster and tsunamis. UNDP partnered with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Ministry of Education and Training and the Government of Japan to help prepare over 5,500 school students and teachers in 2017-2018. This contributed to the launch of natural disaster prevention education in schools as part of the disaster prevention programme for 2018-2023.



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SUPPORTING ETHNIC MINORITY WOMEN'S BUSINESS

By incubating new business ideas and connecting to business partners, ethnic minority women can scale up their enterprises, increase income and reduce poverty in their communities. UNDP worked in partnership with the National Targeted Programme on New Rural Development, to support 15 ethnic minority women's groups embrace the "business approach", which has helped nurture innovation and inner strengths of the poor ethnic minority in Viet Nam.



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PAPI ENHANCES LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE

The 2017 PAPI (Provincial Governance and Public Administration Performance Index--a UNDP's flagship initiative since 2009) report captured experiences with local government performance of 14,097 citizens. To date, 59 among 63 provinces have issued action plans to respond to citizens' expectations. 2017 surveys were supported by Switzerland, Australia, Ireland and UNDP.



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IMPROVING COASTAL COMMUNITIES' RESILIENCE

UNDP enhanced understanding and access to climate risk information for nearly 15,000 people. The programme also saw the construction of more than 1,200 new resilient houses and reparation of 5,000 houses for the poor, near poor and women-headed households in seven coastal provinces (Thanh Hoa, Quang Binh, Thua Thien Hue, Quang Nam, Quang Ngai, Phu Yen and Khanh Hoa).



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UNDP-VIET NAM 40TH ANNIVERSARY - RENEWED PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The strong partnership enjoyed by UNDP and the Government of Viet Nam was the focus of discussion in high level dialogues between UNDP Administrator, Achim Steiner, and Prime Minister Nguyen Xuan Phuc. The opportunity to reflect on 40 years of partnership also offered a chance to look to the future, and helped focus efforts on environmental action, including at the 6th Global Environment Facility (GEF) Assembly in Da Nang City in June.



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PROMOTING INCLUSIVE INDUSTRY REVOLUTION 4.0

Sophia the Robot, UNDP Innovation Champion, helped launch the Viet Nam Industry 4.0 (I4.0) Summit in July, highlighting the need for innovation, inclusiveness and new technology to boost Viet Nam's economy. UNDP also supported the first-ever study on I4.0 readiness of Viet Nam's industrial firms, and have helped introduce the concept of 'Inclusive IR4.0' in the Party's Resolution and the Government's Strategy on IR4.0.



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ACCELERATING SDG IMPACTS THROUGH STARTUPS

The innovation, ambition and leadership of startup founders can help unlock new solutions to achieve the SDGs. Through Youth Co:Lab, UNDP, Citi Foundation and the Ministry of Science and Technology helped nurture innovations from young social entrepreneurs. More than 100 young people nationwide - half from marginalized groups - and eight impact startups benefited, with 3D printed prosthetics limb startup Vulcan Augmetics taking the top prize.



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FINANCING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN VIET NAM

UNDP's Development Finance Report and policy advice on ODA contributed to government's efforts to promote private sector investment, increase efficiency in public spending, shifting FDI from quantity to quality and re-strategizing the country's ODA mobilization for the next 5 years.



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ACCELERATED CLIMATE ACTION IN VIET NAM

Partnerships are key to protecting the planet. UNDP, the Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change and the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources held a high-level dialogue at the launch of the 1.5oC Report, highlighting potential areas for partnership with private sector to ensure Viet Nam plays its part in meeting global climate action targets.



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MINE ACTION

Up to 4,600 hectares of Viet Nam has been surveyed and large areas confirmed as contaminated with unexploded ordnance. The partnership among the Government of Viet Nam, Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) and UNDP addresses the development challenge of widespread contamination by clearing contaminated areas in order to make them safe for development of Viet Nam and its people.



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FIRST-EVER MULTI-DIMENSIONAL POVERTY ASSESSMENT LAUNCHED

This report provided an in-depth analysis of Viet Nam's progress in achieving SDG1, with a focus on "left behind" groups such as ethnic minorities and people with disabilities. It provided inputs to the Mid-term Review of the National Targeted Programme on Sustainable Poverty Reduction, VNR report, the next socio-economic development strategy and plan as well as poverty reduction policies and programming in Viet Nam.

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