

A BRIEF ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL MONITORING REPORT

The Environmental and Social Monitoring Report (ESMR) provides periodic updates of the Van Phong 1 Power Plant Project with regards to environmental and social management in accordance with international standards. Below are the updates for the period from April to September 2020.

PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

During this period, the site leveling was still on-going with many construction activities, such as shore protection installation, dredging work, turbine and boiler foundation, and pile driving of coal jetty and trestle.



OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Covid-19 pandemic is spreading in Vietnam and all over the world during this period. As part of social effort of Covid-19 prevention, the Project is strictly complying with the health and hygiene recommendation as well as health declaration to minimize the Corona virus transmission. Wearing mask was compulsory and daily body temperature checking was implemented for all people before entering site. Besides, the Covid-19 action plan was well-prepared for all emergency case if any suspected/affected people found within the provincial region.

ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Air quality

All TSP, CO, NO₂, SO₂, PM₁₀ results showed that all parameters were compliant with relevant regulations. The main concern of air quality had been dust diffusion on this period due to the seasonal wind blowing from the seaside. We have implemented several countermeasures for dust mitigation and the dust is minimized.

Noise and vibration

The noise and vibration level were mostly in accordance with Vietnamese regulations and IFC guidelines during the period of construction activities.

Wastewater

Wastewater in some worker accommodations started to discharge. To ensure the wastewater discharge quality complying with the regulation, many countermeasures were implemented. Particularly, some wastewater treatment systems were installed in worker's accommodation and the wastewater was tested before discharging to environment.

Soil

As previous monitoring, soil samples were taken at 03 locations. The results showed that all parameters were compliant with relevant regulations.

Groundwater

Groundwater samples were taken at 03 locations and the results showed that most parameters were compliant with relevant regulations.

Seawater

The seawaters were taken at 02 locations and most parameters were compliant with the standards of Vietnam regulation on seawater quality.

LIVELIHOOD RESTORATION PROGRAM

Vocational training programs for members of displaced households (HHs) by land acquisition for the Project. The program is to provide support for displaced HHs in making the shift to other occupations after the land acquisition.

09 people from displaced HHs completed the security guarding course by Long Son Security Service and also received skill training in preparing job application and interviews.



46 people from displaced HHs completed the driving course by Thang Long Driving Training and Examination Center.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

A variety of charity-based activities were conducted to contribute to the development of the local community of Ninh Phuoc Commune.



International Children's Day – almost 600 gifts were given out to students of Ninh Phuoc Elementary School



Traditional Vietnamese Elderly's Day – Gifts were delivered to elderly of displaced HHs from 70 years old.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

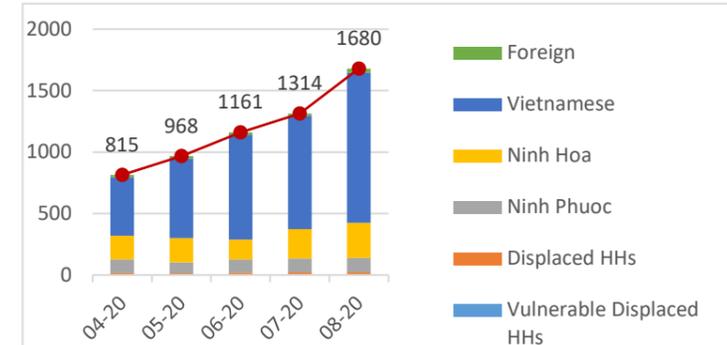


BENEFICIARIES	INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT
Ninh Phuoc Kindergarten	Ninh Yen branch: 1 new toilet and renovation of all classrooms. My Giang branch: 1 new double-room toilet and renovation of all classrooms. Ninh Tinh branch: renovation of the classroom.
Ninh Phuoc Elementary school	2 toilets for teachers and renovation of the library at My Giang branch
Ham Nghi Secondary school	4 toilets for students
Ninh Phuoc Commune	Mini football court



LOCAL RECRUITMENT PROGRAM

VPCL has exchanged the recruitment needs with EPC: The list of the competencies for local people is updated monthly and submitted to EPC contractors for their consideration for potential recruitment. Up to August 2020, there are 141 local employees in Ninh Phuoc commune and 285 others from Ninh Hoa town in total of 1,680 employees working at the Project site.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY

VPCL supported Ninh Phuoc Commune Health Clinics medical masks, hand sanitizers and printing banner information campaign materials in the fight against COVID-19.

