

Environmental and Social Monitoring Report No. 8 April 2023 – September 2023

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 applicable standards. The updated period is from April 2023 to September 2023.

PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

The Project construction activities are in good progress. The Project continues working on test completion, landscape finishing and cleaning up the site.



OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Health and Safety culture still maintain among worksite, such as monthly and weekly inspection, training, and housekeeping. Some emergency response drills are organizing to focus rescue and action at the commissioning work areas.

ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Air quality

The ambient air quality is always complying with the requirement from Vietnamese standards and IFC requirements.

Noise and vibration

The noise and vibration measurement results are within the allowable limit according to QCVN standards and IFC requirements.

Wastewater

Few wastewater treatments from worker accommodations are remaining and all wastewater results are qualified with Vietnamese standards and IFC guidelines.

Soil

The soil samples from 03 locations at Ash pond area are good condition and satisfied the Vietnamese standards on soil quality.

Groundwater

Similar to the soil quality, the groundwater at three wells are in the allowable range of Vietnamese standards.

Seawater

Seawater samples are taken nearby Intake and Outfall areas; the results of seawater quality are in acceptable range of Vietnamese requirement.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

In August 2023, the Project scholarship awarding ceremonies were organized and that 148 scholarships were awarded to students from primary school to university in communes of Ninh Phuoc and Ninh Tho. VPCL's scholarship fund aimed at supporting students of disadvantaged households, enabling them to pursue their education. This was encouragement and financial assistance for the students before the new school year.





A meaningful and memorable cultural exchange festival was organized through collaborative efforts of VPCL, KVPS and contractors of EPCs and NYK Shipping Line for local children. More than 2,000 local children and their families have discovered unique cultural features of Vietnam, Japan, Korea, India and Indonesia through traditional costumes, enjoyed games and traditional dances. Additionally, local children and people were invited to visit the Plant during the festival, strengthening the close relationship between the Project and the locals. It was an event full of joy for children, people and also the Project employees' family members.







LIVELIHOOD RESTORATION PROGRAM





Following the success of 1st phase of chicken raising model, in July 2023, VPCL handed over more than 2,000 chicken breeds to 21 displaced households. Notably, the supplied chicken breeds were sourced from a certified supplier and had been vaccinated prior to delivery, ensuring their health and vitality. This support is aimed at broadening the range of livelihood opportunities available to these households and making a meaningful contribution to their overall income.

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY

In order to improve environmental hygiene for the locals at public places, VPCL committed its support in building 02 toilets for public use at Ninh Phuoc market in Ninh Tinh village and Ninh Yen temple in Ninh Yen village. More than 1,000 local households are benefited from the company's support.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY

VPCL organized health check-up and gift giving program for local elderly who are above 70 years on 6 and 7 June 2023. There were 148 elderly people have general health checked and 230 others have received gifts from the program.

This is an annual activity aiming at preventing chronic diseases and raising awareness about health care for the local elderly.





In 24 August 2023, VPCL handed over an emergency ambulance to Ninh Hoa town Health Center in the presence of Ninh Hoa town's leaders and government authorities. The director of Ninh Hoa town Health Center expressed his gratitude for The Project support, which was meaningful not only for the improvement of healthcare service at the Center but also enhancing emergency response capability in Ninh Hoa town. This is a part of comprehensive contributions which VPCL has been committing to the socioeconomic development of local communities in the last recent years.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Vulnerable groups especially children are always the focus of Project's interventions from education support, health care to skill development programs. While some programs target all local children such as the Children's day and Van Phong festival, others benefit specific groups of children to nurture their talents in children's clubs of football, dance, English, or Mental Calculation - Sorotouch group for kids. Children enjoy learning and practicing in the programs that now become an integral part of their activities at schools and villages.









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