

Dear all,

I was assisting one organization regarding the current status of a vocational school in Vietnam. Although the following is about a school that was temporarily suspended by the ministry since 2022, similar cases may occur at other vocational schools in Vietnam due to recent reforms and restructuring of vocational education. Thus, I would like to share the following information with the TAICEP community. I have received permission from the source of information.

----- A Message from a Vietnamese governmental agency -----

Regarding your inquiry about Trường Trung cấp Đông Á (Dong-A Intermediate/Vocational School), I've done some checking and would like to share the following:

- (1) This institution is a vocational school operating under the national vocational education system, previously managed by the Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA).
- (2) However, as of March 3, 2025, the Directorate of Vocational Education and Training (previously under MOLISA) has been officially transferred to the Ministry of Education and Training (MOET) as part of the Vietnamese Government's administrative restructuring plan. Therefore, vocational education now falls under the supervision of MOET. However, vocational schools like Dong A are under the jurisdiction of the Provincial Department of Education. Thus, there is no website to explain this recent change.
- (3) Additionally, in 2022, the Department of Labour, Invalids, and Social Affairs in Quang Ngai province issued a temporary suspension of new enrollments due to regulatory non-compliance. This is not uncommon in Vietnam and often relates to infrastructure or administrative issues. The school may resume admissions after meeting the required standards.

I hope this information will assist your future credential evaluation of students from Vietnam.

Cordially yours,

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