

VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF VIET NAM COUNTRY REPORT 2020-2021

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I. UPDATED INFORMATIONS OF THE VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF VIET NAM (VAVN)



Central office of VAVN

- Total number: 3 million members
- The VAVN organization has been established from the central to the local levels that include:
 1. Veterans Associations under the Central Veterans Association of Viet Nam: 110
 2. District/Township Veterans Associations: 799
 3. Commune/Ward Veterans Associations: 14,572
 4. Village Veterans Associations: 15,023

So far, the VAVN has convened 6 Congresses, electing new leadership of 5-year term and is preparing to convene the 7th Congress, with the attendance of 515 representatives in December 2022.

- The first Congress (1992-1997) was convened on 19th -20th November 1992 in Hanoi, with the presence of 318 delegates, representing 638,335 VAVN members throughout the country.

- The second Congress (1997-2002) was convened on 18th – 19th December 1997 in Hanoi with 432 delegates, representing 1,35 million VAVN members.

- The third Congress (2002-2007) was convened on 26th – 28th December 2002 in Hanoi with 471 delegates, representing more than 1.7 million VAVN members.

- The fourth Congress (2007-2012) was convened on 12th -14th December 2007 in Hanoi with 500 delegates, representing 2.2 million VAVN members.

- The fifth Congress (2012-2017) was convened on 18th-20th December 2012 in Hanoi with 510 delegates, representing more than 2,6 million VAVN members.

- The six Congress (2017-2022) was convened on 13th-15th December 2017 and attended by 516 delegates, representing more than 2,9 million VAVN members.



II. MAJOR ACTIVITIES IN 2021

1. Participation in the fight against COVID-19 pandemic

Implementing the Government's call "Fighting against the COVID-19 pandemic as fighting against enemy", the VAVN has actively participated in, contributed finance, materials and efforts to the fight against COVID-19 pandemic nationwide, as follows:

+ Mobilizing VAVN members to contribute 791,094,000,000 VND (equivalent to 35 milion USD) to the fight against COVID-19 pandemic;



+ Number of veterans members who have directly participated in the fight against COVID-19 pandemic: 600,000 members;



+ Number of veterans members who died of COVID-19 pandemic is 534, including 88 veterans members who directly participated in the fight against COVID-19 pandemic.

2. Mutual assistance to eradicate poverty and develop economy

Mutual assistance to eradicate poverty and develop economy is one of VAVN's tasks.

- Organization:

+ The Veterans Business Association (VBA) has been established in all 63 provinces/cities in the country.

+The Veterans Business Association has 8,587 corporations/companies, 1,684 cooperatives, 3,677 cooperative groups, 186,736 farms, household farms and employ 816,000 laborers, most of them are children of veterans. Total annual revenue of the VBA is over 300,000 billion VND (equivalent to 13 billion USD), contributing taxes to the state worth 25,000 billion VND (equivalent to 1.1 billion USD).



+ Some general corporations and joint stock companies have established cooperative relations with foreign partners such as Japan, South Korea. These general corporations and companies continue to seek expanding their markets and develop cooperative relations with foreign partners.

FOLLOWING ARE SOME VETERANECONOMIC MODELS:

- * Model of Mutual Assistance Club to Develop Economy and Model of Closely-knit Mutual Assistance Club to develop economic efficiency have been established in almost commune/ward veterans associations.
- * Model of Rotational Capital Contribution, Crop Conversion.
- * Model of 5 plus 1 (5 other veterans members or richer members to help 1 other veterans member get out of poverty).
- * Model of 2 Eradications and 3 Helps (poverty eradication, leaky house eradication; help works, help capitals and help jobs).
- * Model of VAC (Gardens, ponds and cattle sheds).
- * Model of Aforestation and Forest Protection in Forested Provinces.
- * Model of Cooperatives and Cooperative Groups



* Model of Company: general companies, joint stock companies, limited companies run by veterans members have been quite well developed, in line with the trend of current economic development.