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The Leading Responsibility of Youth in the Work of Poverty Reduction in Dak Lak - Vietnam Now

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Abstract

In the process of leading the country, the Party and State of Vietnam always pay attention to promoting the role and responsibility of young people in building the country. For Dak Lak youth, they are the leading force in building and developing the socio-economic "poverty eradication" and are the force that determines the future and destiny of their

homeland. Anywhere, in any situation, for young people, physical and intellectual development and creative dynamism are the starting point and important ladder that brings a country and people to glory "to stand shoulder to shoulder with the powers of five continents".

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1. Introduction

In the current work of "poverty eradication" in Vietnam, young people have been playing an important role. They were and are young people, the shock force, Thanh Giong, Hai Ba Trung, Trieu Thi Trinh, Dinh Bo Linh, Le Hoan, Tran Quoc Toan, Tran Nhat Duat, Le Loi, Nguyen Hue, Trieu Au... in building and protecting the Fatherland, has the ability to thoroughly grasp the difficulties and obstacles in the work of "hunger eradication and poverty reduction". Today, when the country is changing, youth is always placed at the center of the strategy of fostering and promoting Vietnamese human resources and factors at all times.

2. Research Overview

The work "Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union - Development Paths" edited by author Vu Quang Hien and published by National Political Publishing House - Truth, Hanoi has recreated the golden pages of history of the generation of Vietnamese youth, at the same time affirming the important role of the youth force in the current integration and development process of the country, thereby contributing to education and promoting patriotic traditions and pride. Ethnicity in each Vietnamese youth union member. With 03 parts: (i) Part 1: Uncle Ho with the youth and congresses of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union; (ii) Part two: Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union in the revolutionary process; (iii) Part three: Promoting Youth Union work and youth movements in the period of industrialization, modernization and international integration... has helped us see the process of building, growing and developing (1931 - 2014) of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union, despite different names, has always been the shock force contributing to the glorious victories of the entire nation in the struggle to liberate the country as well as in the current work of building and protecting the Fatherland, always worthy of the trust and love of the Party and beloved President Ho Chi Minh.

The project "The Communist Party of Vietnam leads youth work in the current period" by Dr. Lam Quoc Tuan - MSc. Pham Tat Thang (co-editor) clarified three contents: (i) Theoretical basis for youth work leadership; (i) Current status of the Party's leadership in youth work as well as causes and lessons learned; (iii) Propose directions and some key solutions to strengthen the Party's leadership in youth work.

In addition, there are many other projects researching youth, such as: the project "Innovating the operating methods of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union in the current period" by author Ngo Thi Khanh published in the Journal of Political Theory, March 28, 2016; or the work "Innovating political theory education methods for students of universities in the Northern Midlands and Mountains region of our country today by author Tran Huy Ngoc, thesis in political science protected 2018 is all about youth as well as ideological, moral, lifestyle education as well as personality training for young people. This

is a valuable resource for authors to refer to when approaching youth issues as well as the role of youth.

3. Research Methods

The author uses a combination of theoretical research methods, collecting and synthesizing data from scientific works and articles related to the research issue published in scientific journals. At the same time, the author researches the content of promoting the role of youth in building and socio-economic development in the Northwest region of Vietnam.

4. Research Results

4.1 The leading responsibility of the youth of Dak Lak - Vietnam today

With President Ho Chi Minh, the youth are always the pioneering force, ready to cope with difficulties and hardships, ready to cope with all difficulties and hardships to carry out the task of building and developing the country. Therefore, during his lifetime, President Ho Chi Minh sent a letter to young people, teenagers and children across the country, conveying his love and expectations to the country's future preschool generation: "A year begins with spring. A life begins with youth. Youth is the spring of society"¹, so youth must be "volunteer teams on the political, economic, scientific and technical fronts" and also the people who "have carried out the dream of mankind for centuries"². With the will and energy of young people, wherever they are, in any situation, they are ready to overcome all difficulties, hardships, and sacrifices, together with the Party and the nation, to achieve victory and bring about independence, freedom for the country, happiness "full food, warm clothes" for the people. Before going away, in the Will he left behind for the entire Party and people, he advised: "Our youth union members are generally good, they enthusiastically volunteer in everything, are not afraid of difficulties, and have the will to advance. The Party needs to take care of educating them in revolutionary ethics, training them to become heirs to building a socialist society that is both "pink" and "professional". Inheriting and imbuing this ideology of his, at the 7th Conference of the 10th Party Central Committee emphasized: "Youth are the pillar of the country, the future owners of the country, the force taking the lead in building and protecting the Fatherland, one of the factors determining the success or failure of the country's industrialization - modernization, international integration and building socialism. Youth are placed at the center of the strategy of fostering and promoting human factors and resources." This reflects the special attention of our Party and State to the work of education, training, care, fostering and training of young people so that they truly become "the class of successors to build socialism is both rosy and professional".

Today, when the country is in the process of reform, young people continue to promote their great role, youth, intelligence, and hard-working spirit in the process of building the homeland and making the country richer and stronger. With the age range of 16 - 30, they are young, healthy, make up the majority in society, have the

conditions, and have the opportunity to study and research based on access to modern science and technology along with their passion, enthusiasm, rich in faith, always wanting to experience themselves, and having the hidden ability to realize noble ideals and goals... Therefore, orienting and encouraging young people to participate Socio-economic construction that contributes to turning the country into a "civilized, wealthy and strong" nation is the mission of the entire Party and all people. With creativity, passion for noble living ideals, Vietnamese youth today have been and will be promoting their talents and creativity, ready to devote themselves to the development of their homeland, country.

It can be said that Vietnamese youth in general and Dak Lak youth today occupy a central position in the strategy of promoting industrialization, modernization of the country, international integration and building socialism. Through practical activities, young people can clearly reveal their abilities, strengths and constantly improve their personality. Strengthening the training of young people in practical social construction activities is a favorable condition to foster their perseverance, flexibility, creativity, and determination in building society through the work of "erasing hunger and poverty reduction".

In the work of "poverty eradication" the youth of Dak Lak are currently the core force contributing to increasing per capita income. This is a difficult task that requires each young person to make continuous efforts to study, cultivate, train, and strive to become a shock force contributing to the successful implementation of the tasks of "poverty eradication", build and develop a civilized, prosperous and strong province.

Indeed, to promote the role of Dak Lak youth in the work of "poverty eradication" it is necessary to pay attention to educating young people both ethically and professionally, ensuring that learning truly becomes the future owner of the Province, who is responsible for "bringing the province on par with the major provinces and cities of the country today".

Currently, in Dak Lak province there are 248,179 young people, they carry within them enthusiasm, youth, and the spirit of building a great, rich and beautiful homeland. In them, self-awareness is always high. Self-awareness develops, young people have knowledge, attitudes, self-assessment, self-reflection to know where they are, what they have and what they lack to improve their knowledge and open their minds, expand horizons. That's why dynamism, willingness to do your best, study hard; accept risks, have big ambitions and dreams; not afraid of difficulties or suffering; Likes to exchange, learn and is skillful and sophisticated in creating relationships that support personal development on the journey to enriching yourself, your family and your beloved homeland.

Although Dak Lak youth still live in a rural environment that is less developed and more bustling than the urban environment, it still has a positive impact on the psychology and consciousness of this generation of youth, so they have high determination. Always demonstrate a pioneering role in all activities launched by the Youth Union at all levels. However, due to environmental limitations as well as living conditions, young people in Dak Lak - Vietnam still have difficulties such as limited education, weak skills and not much experience in the economic construction and

¹ Complete works of Ho Chi Minh, National Political Publishing House, Hanoi. 2000, vol. 4, p. 194.

² Complete works of Ho Chi Minh, National Political Publishing House, Hanoi. 2000, vol.13, p.188

development in general as well as hunger eradication and poverty reduction in particular in the province.

4.2 The leading responsibility of youth in the work of "hunger eradication and poverty reduction" in Dak Lak today

Dak Lak is a mountainous province with a natural area of 13,070.41 km², occupying an important strategic position in politics, economics, defense and security of the Central Highlands region of Vietnam. Dak Lak is a province located in the Cambodia - Laos - Vietnam Development Triangle area, so the opportunity to expand economic connections and investment cooperation with countries in Southeast Asia is huge. In particular, because the province has an average altitude of 500m above sea level with many high mountains, steep hills, rivers, waterfalls... creating a majestic, pristine natural landscape with a mild climate, so Dak Lak has great potential for natural tourism.

Besides, Dak Lak is also the province with the largest population in the Central Highlands region today (according to the results of the 2022 Population and Housing Census, the average population of Dak Lak is 1,918,44 thousand people), is the most populous province in the Central Highlands region and ranks 10th nationwide³ with 15 administrative units; 184 communes, wards, towns; 2,481 villages, hamlets, and residential groups, of which 608 villages have ethnic minorities live. With favorable natural conditions as above, not only do the people of Dak Lak have the conditions to develop their economy towards agricultural production, but people migrate freely from other places to Dak Lak, making the economy grow rapidly (especially Northern ethnic minorities come in) leading to many problems that need attention and resolution, especially in social security such as: labor, employment, especially the situation of deforestation for farming, farming, the area of crops of all kinds increased dramatically, the natural forest area narrowed, land management, household registration, social order and safety. On the other hand, due to the sparse population density of only 147.00 people/km² (average commune area of Dak Lak province is 8,300 hectares/commune), the geographical distance between villages is far apart, most of the population ethnic minority areas are scattered, so gathering people to propagate and disseminate the Party's policies and the State's legal policies is difficult, making it difficult to access social security services of people in ethnic minority areas is limited.

In 2023, the Youth Movement for Socio-Economic Construction and Development launched by the Dak Lak Provincial Youth Union has attracted a large number of young people to actively participate. The entire province has had 703 youth projects with a total value of 25 billion VND completed, contributing to improving the position and role of youth in hunger eradication and poverty reduction in the province. Also last year, the whole province had 3,400 union members and young people introduced to jobs, of which 1,500 young people had stable jobs. These have contributed to improving the material and spiritual life of people in the province in the work of "hunger eradication and poverty reduction". Specifically:

Poverty reduction policies such as preferential credit; agricultural and forestry extension support; vocational

training support; support for education and training; medical; Legal support... receives special attention from sectors and levels of the province, creating favorable conditions for the poor to access social services. Besides, social protection work is carried out fully and promptly, contributing to improving the spiritual and material life of the subjects; the work of receiving, caring for and nurturing subjects at social assistance facilities is thoughtful and ensures compliance with regulations. Localities have proactively allocated resources to provide timely assistance to individuals and households suffering from hunger, loss of life or housing due to natural disasters, fires or other force majeure reasons, regulations.

Poverty eradication work: The whole province has provided loans to 44,010 poor households and policy beneficiaries, with a loan turnover of 1,923,849 million VND (of which, preferential loans were given to poor households for 8,487 households, with sales of 414,917 million VND); Debt collection revenue is 985,864 million VND; Total outstanding debt reached 7,268,251 million VND, the number of customers with outstanding debt was 205,196 households (of which, outstanding debt from poor households was 1,644,713 million VND, with 38,821 households), overdue debt was 2,883 million VND, accounting for 0.04% compared to total outstanding debt; Results of implementing support solutions: Developed a plan to train new agricultural extension staff for students from poor households, ethnic minority households...; Implemented agricultural extension models and projects in the fields of cultivation, livestock, and aquaculture with a budget of 135 million VND. Organized 03 vocational training classes for 105 rural workers who are poor, near poor, ethnic minorities... mostly young people participated, total implementation cost was 330 million VND. The entire province has issued 836,857 health insurance cards to the poor, near-poor and subjects supported by the budget with an amount of 332,886 million VND⁴.

In legal aid work, Dak Lak youth have also clearly demonstrated their pioneering role when collaborating with the Justice sector to provide free legal services for 277 cases, including 102 cases for 102 poor people; Conducted 11 communication rounds on legal aid at the grassroots level in 11 communes. Total implementation cost is 348 million VND.

In social protection work: The whole province provided support for the Lunar New Year of the Year 2023 to 291,017 individuals, households and groups; Total implementation budget is 135,255.5 million VND (of which: Central budget: 4,593.9 million VND; provincial budget: 74,759.5 million VND; district and commune level budget: 4,115.8 million VND; source socialization campaign: 52,311.1 million VND); Regular and extraordinary social assistance: the whole province currently has 70,642 beneficiaries of social assistance policies, implementation cost is about 424,207.68 million VND. Supported 67 households with dead people, houses that collapsed, collapsed, drifted, burned, or were seriously damaged, implementation cost was 1,272 million VND.

In medical examination and treatment work, young people are always the pioneering force to mobilize people, especially ethnic minorities in remote areas, to participate in

³ Complete works of Ho Chi Minh, National Political Publishing House, Hanoi. 2000, vol. 4, p. 194.

⁴ Dak Lak Provincial Statistics Department (2023), Report on the socio-economic situation in 2023, No. 642/BC-CTK.

medical examination and treatment. In the past year, in the province, 45 poor, near-poor people and other subjects received medical examination and treatment with health insurance cards, 685,935 times (including 62,173 poor people), with an amount of 398,686 million VND; which focused on communes and villages with extremely difficult difficulties and communes with high rates of poor households in the province, with 537 participants, directly consulting 07 cases for 02 times of poor people. In which, There are 63,067 subjects receiving monthly social benefits, 7,575 subjects receiving foster care in the community and financial support for care.

The reception, care and nurturing work at the facilities is carried out thoughtfully, ensuring compliance with regulations. The whole province has 02 public and non-public social protection facilities taking care of, 07 nurturing and rehabilitation facilities for 480 subjects, with a budget of 8,311.68 million VND. Currently, the whole province has 507,911 children, accounting for 26.7% of the population, with 180,000 children under 6 years old; 4,875 children have special circumstances (accounting for 0.95% of the total number of children). 100% of children are eligible for social benefits, and about 99.0% of children in special circumstances receive care and support in all forms⁵.

Through this, it can be seen that the exemplary and leading responsibility of Dak Lak youth today in the work of "poverty eradication" has demonstrated their youth and brilliance when coordinating with all levels and organizations improves the material and spiritual life of the people here.

4.3 Some solutions to enhance the "pioneer" responsibility of young people in hunger eradication and poverty reduction in Dak Lak in the coming time

To continue promoting the "pioneering" responsibility in the work of "poverty eradication" of Dak Lak - Vietnam youth, in the coming time, it is thought that we need to synchronously implement solutions such as:

Firstly, the Party and State agencies in the province need to continue to build, complete and well implement guidelines and policies on education, training and youth to contribute to improving the effectiveness of educational for younger generation. Thereby, young people have the conditions to carry out their responsibilities towards their homeland and country. First of all, at party committees and governments at all levels, especially Youth Union organizations at all levels, it is necessary to complete mechanisms, policies and laws for young people to "establish themselves and start a career", while creating a healthy environment and favorable conditions for young people to have the opportunity to study and research, so that they can fully develop their abilities and strengths, and have the opportunity to fulfill their social responsibilities. Develop specific mechanisms to create conditions to support and encourage young people to actively participate in the economy and enrich themselves, their families and society. This contributes to creating opportunities for young people to contribute their abilities and talents to the cause of building and protecting the Fatherland.

Second, inspire and motivate young people. Through media channels, forums, and dialogues, to enhance propaganda,

inspiration, motivation, and arouse the aspirations and determination of youth through truly outstanding examples of officials, party members, of typical individuals, beautiful stories. When inspired, it will become an internal driving force motivating the young generation of Vietnam today and tomorrow to act with great determination to achieve the goals of building a prosperous and strong country with a prosperous and happy contributes to enhancing social responsibility for young people in Dak Lak - Vietnam in the work of "poverty eradication" for the homeland. This is a solution that has a direct impact on young people's sense of social responsibility. Therefore, it is necessary to improve the effectiveness of education in schools to enhance social responsibility for young people, forming consciousness and awareness of the responsibilities, duties and obligations of young people towards the Fatherland. Appreciate the role of the family in forming a sense of responsibility, and enhancing social responsibility for people in general and for young people in particular; contributing to forming and enhancing love for the homeland, country, responsibility towards the community, the village and the Fatherland. Enhance the role of propaganda and advocacy work of social organizations to enhance social responsibility for young people; Mobilize young people to raise awareness of law compliance, participate in volunteer activities for the community, and exercise social responsibility to the Fatherland and the state; helps educate, foster, arouse and promote the pioneering role of youth in hunger eradication and poverty reduction, building and developing the economy and society. Promoting the role and power of media, effects and public opinion in propaganda, education, raising awareness and social responsibility of young people for the country, people, and the cause of build and protect the socialist Vietnamese Fatherland.

Third, train young people to become a high-quality workforce, meeting the requirements of the new era - international economic integration and globalization. Thereby, supporting young people to participate in the "youth entrepreneurship" race in their own homeland. In recent years, innovative startups have become a great driving force for young people in Dak Lak - Vietnam to complete the work of "poverty eradication" and develop in all aspects of social life in general. In the current conditions, Dak Lak province and all levels of government need to plan and introduce appropriate policies as well as encourage the organization of well-organized emulation movements to encourage, encourage and support young people to study and improve their skills, level of education, expertise, and profession; improve integration capacity. Each young person also needs to actively study and self-study to improve their cultural, professional, scientific, technical, and skill levels to adapt to the domestic and international labor market.

Fourth, create a healthy environment to promote positivity, initiative, creativity as well as the process of self-improvement and self-training of young people so that they can proactively carry out their responsibilities towards their families and society. Promoting youth's positivity and initiative in training ethics and lifestyle in carrying out their responsibilities towards themselves, which is also patriotism and national self-respect; ready to volunteer to take on difficult and arduous jobs when the Fatherland needs them. At the same time, each union member and youth needs to promote the pioneering role of youth, actively participating in activities for the benefit and community life with a high

⁵ Dak Lak Provincial Statistics Department (2023), Report on the socio-economic situation in 2023, No. 642/BC-CTK.

spirit of volunteerism. Maintain these activities regularly to ensure the best help and support to ensure social security, assist in difficulties, support the construction of new rural construction projects, and develop socio-economic conditions in remote areas... Besides, creativity is a common quality, present in every person but expressed most concentratedly when they are young people. Therefore, to mobilize the strength of young people in the work of "poverty eradication", we need to create for young people a good learning environment that contributes to improving labor skills while also encouraging and support young people to innovate and create their own ways of thinking and doing things for their homeland and country. True to the spirit of the Resolution of the 13th Party Congress, it is necessary to: "Strengthen the education of the young generation about revolutionary ideals, ethics, cultural lifestyle, enhance patriotism and national pride, nurture ambitions and aspirations for advancement; uphold the sense of responsibility towards the country and society; Build an environment and conditions for learning, working, entertainment, and training for healthy, comprehensive, and harmonious development in terms of intellectual, physical, and aesthetic values. Motivate young people to take initiative in studying, working creatively, starting a business, and establishing a career; Master modern scientific and technological knowledge and promote its important role in the cause of building and protecting the Fatherland."

5. Conclusion

Whether the current cause of construction and socio-economic development in Dak Lak is successful or not, whether Dak Lak can compete with central provinces and cities or not, largely depends on the youth force, in fostering and training the youth force. To promote well the "pioneer" responsibility of Dak Lak youth in the work of "hunger eradication and poverty reduction", each union member and Vietnamese youth should try their best to study and cultivate the ideal of national independence and socialism; strive to emulate labor and train to form a generation of modern union members and young people, worthy of the demands of the country and the times.

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