

Pilgrims100

2023 Project Summary

Construction of water filter stations – Ha Tinh Province, Vietnam



Staff testing a newly installed water system



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Overview

The Water Project in Vietnam seeks to provide clean water to coastal villages that were forced to relocate inland due to a major contamination incident caused by an international steel company in 2016. The communities were relocated by the government to more inland areas, however their water sources are poor and contaminated causing serious health impacts.

The project has provided clean, safe water for ten villages by constructing deep wells and UV sterilisation and filtration facilities. As a result, up to 20,000 people have directly benefited from the access to clean water. Pilgrims100 with Jesuit Mission supported the Vietnam Province of the Society of Jesus to implement this project.

List of filter stations installed:

No	Name of target villages
1	Đông Kỳ
2	Hòa Lạc
3	Hương Lộc
4	Trang Mỹ
5	Na
6	Yên Lãng
7	Diệu Hồng
8	Mỹ Yên
9	Yên Lĩnh
10	Cao Điền

Project Highlights - summary of impact

Thanks to Pilgrims100, in 2023, over 20,000 people:

- Have immediate access to safe drinking and cooking water.
- No longer need to purchase expensive bottled water and can re-allocate their limited funds to food, health, education and other vital requirements.
- Have experienced a reduction in the incidence of diarrhoea and digestive illnesses.

The local communities have been heavily engaged with the project from the start. For example, consultation with the community for suitable locations for the filter stations as well as employment opportunities for the local workforce who installed the filters; empowering them to gain income as well as invaluable work skills.

With thanks

In Vietnam, the generosity of Pilgrims100 is helping to provide safe drinking water to more than 20,000 people a year across villages in the Central Provinces of Vietnam.

“Residents are so happy to use the hygienic water,” says Fr Peter Truong Van Phuc SJ who oversaw the installation of a UV-sterilised water station that supplies safe water to 200 families on Tam Hai, a remote island in Quang Nam province. Until now, contamination of surface water by agricultural activities and pollution across the coastal region has meant vulnerable local fishing families have had to choose between buying expensive bottled water or risking severe illness from unsafe tap water. But clean water is on the way thanks to people like you. Ten UV-sterilised water stations, like the one on Tam Hai island, have now been completed across the Central provinces by our local partner, Jesuit Province in Vietnam. Access to safe water is already improving the health of children and families in villages around the region.

“On behalf of the beneficiaries of the project, we thank Pilgrims100 very much. We pray that you our dear benefactors and generous funding organisations will be blessed abundantly.” Fr Peter Truong Van Phuc, SJ (Project Manager).

