Local Vocational Training (LVT) is one of the components of the Vocational Skills Development Program (VSDP). The VSDP aims to promote improved livelihood opportunities for women and men in targeted areas and occupations in Myanmar. The Program is financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).

The Program provides people from disadvantaged backgrounds in targeted areas with skills development opportunities in occupations of demand which include tailor, sales clerk, house wirer, beautician, mason, plumber and rural mechanic.

OUR APPROACH

LVT works in partnership with government ministries and training institutes for the implementation of vocational training courses. Using a comprehensive set of curricula and related training materials customized to the local context, LVT engages with occupational practitioners to develop their skills to deliver theoretical and practical training as instructors. In addition to vocational skills, LVT offers two hours of life skills training to its learners per week during each of the 12 week-long courses.
**Occupations**

**Beautician**
Competency in performing different hairstyling, hair-dos and make-ups.

**House Wirer**
Competency in handling basic elements, instruments and techniques, as well as necessary safety requirements, for wiring a house in conformity with local electrical standards.

**Tailor Course**
Competency in measurement, drawing, cutting, stitching and sewing the basic cloths, including maintenance of the sewing machine and other equipment.

**Mason Course**
Competency in basic techniques of measurement, as well as ground preparation, cement-mixing, brick-and block-laying, wall and floor plastering, scaffolding, and the basic health and safety procedures.

**Plumber Course**
Competency in installing, cutting, joining and level piping for water supplies, bathrooms, toilets, sinks, guttering, and drainage.

**Sales-Clerk Course**
Competency in sales, workplace management, inter-personal skills and appearance, product awareness, customer-first approaches, business policy, and management expectations of employers.

**Rural Mechanic Course**
Competency in basic repair and maintenance of machines used in rural areas such as diesel generators, water pumps, motorcycles, grass-cutters and solar panels.

**WHY LOCAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING?**

LVT connects people from disadvantaged communities with training opportunities to give them the skills to meet existing labour market needs. Post-training support, such as counselling and job fairs is also provided to facilitate access to employment and self-employment opportunities.

In the same geographic areas, LVT also provides selected entrepreneurs and aspiring entrepreneurs with the opportunity to gain improved entrepreneurial skills.
TARGET AREAS

TESTIMONIALS

After attending the VSDP training, my lack of formal education is no longer holding me back from pursuing a career as a mechanic.

Saw Tin Tun
Rural Mechanic

Because of the partnership with Swisscontact, we were able to provide livelihood opportunities to the youth in rural villages.

Their vocational training is offered for multiple occupations and ultimately leads to strengthened training capacity in our government institutions. This develops faster learning processes, more satisfaction among the learners and a greater sense of security about their futures.

Daw San Wint Khine
Pa-O Ethnic Minister, Mon State Government

RESULTS

700+ learners graduated from local vocational training

220 estimated number raised over poverty line

52% of graduates are female

78% employed/self-employed within 6 months

8 government technical training institutions supported to implement short vocational courses
OUR PARTNERS

Government Ministries

Ministry of Education (MoE)
Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population (MoLIP)

Implementing Partners

Finance by:
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