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Giving wings to the dream of knowledge for poor but studious students in the highlands

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TPO - Mong female teacher training student Tho Thi Pa (Lung Tam commune, Tuyen Quang) overcame difficult circumstances, lost her mother, determined to fulfill her dream of education and return to her hometown to teach, is one of hundreds of poor but studious students in the highlands who have been "given wings".

Tho Thi Pa is currently a second-year student majoring in Literature at Hanoi National University of Education, coming from a poor village in the rocky land of Ha Giang province (now Tuyen Quang province). Pa's family has 6 siblings, her mother died when giving birth to the youngest child, her father is a freelancer with an unstable job. Amidst the hardships, Pa is still determined to pursue her dream of learning.

Fortunately, Pa's journey of learning was given wings when she received a LOAN Stiftung scholarship (Germany). Pa said that the scholarship has reduced the financial burden of living expenses, buying textbooks, and has given her more conditions to study English courses and necessary skills. After graduating, she plans to return to her hometown to teach and inspire other poor students. "I want to help them have more faith that even in remote mountainous areas, we can still reach our dreams if we keep trying," Pa said.



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Thò Thị Pà is one of the stories shared at the meeting between Ms. Isabelle Müller - representative of LOAN Stiftung (Germany) with former students who received scholarships and awarded scholarships for the 2025 - 2026 school year, which was recently held. At the program, the fund representative awarded scholarships to 18 students, each worth 20 million VND. They are students with difficult circumstances, orphans of Tuyen Quang province, with the spirit of overcoming difficulties, the will and determination to excel in study and in life.



Ms. Isabelle Müller and students receiving scholarships for the 2025-2026 school year

According to the Organizing Committee, from 2016 to now, the LOAN Stiftung Foundation has implemented 48 projects in 8 (former) northern mountainous provinces: Ha Giang, Tuyen Quang, Cao Bang, Son La, Dien Bien, Lao Cai, Yen Bai and Ha Tinh.

The total value of the projects reached 1.77 million USD, including 28 newly built boarding houses, libraries, and schools; 5,000 children directly benefited; 401 students were awarded scholarships; 44 orphans found sponsors in Germany.