DTU Travels to Ly Son Island for a Charity Event

Members of the DTU Center of Research & Development were assigned by Mr. Le Cong Co, DTU Chairman and Provost, Mr. Dinh Trung Hoa and Mr. Nguyen The Duong to donate three wheelchairs and two hundred books to residents of Ly Son Island at a charitable event organized by Mr. Mai Thanh Hai, a journalist for the Quan Doi Nhan Dan newspaper.



DTU representatives give a wheelchair to Mr. Nguyen Van Quang

The event, named "Love Ly Son" lasts for one month, supported by Vietnamese and foreign donors from Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City and Germany, providing eleven wheelchairs, fifty-six gifts and thirty million vnd in cash. At the end of June, they all went to Ly Son Island to meet and give the presents to underprivileged residents there.



Mr. Le Van Tho is presented with a new wheelchair

"Years ago, Mr. Le Van Tho had an accident during a fishing expedition near the Paracel Islands. Since then, he has lost the use of his legs, so the wheelchair will make life easier for him. Mr. Nguyen Van Quang and Mr. Bui Hue were also overjoyed to receive wheelchairs. Mr. Hue's previous one was too old to move, so his two dogs have assisted him for many years", said Mr. Dinh Trung Hoa.

According to Mr. Nguyen The Duong, the people of Ly Son Island still have problems. There is only one nursery and one primary school on the island. Students at secondary school and high school have to travel to larger island. Despite these difficulties, many parents still encourage their children to continue their studies. On Ly Son Island, fresh water is scarce so residents must conserve it as much as possible. However, they are able to cultivate garlic and onions. They visit the tombs of people who died in the war or had accidents at sea. The children were very excited with the new books delivered to the Ly Son Library and the An Binh primary school.

The trip to Ly Son left a strong impression on the participants, who hope that more organizations and individuals will donate more in the future to help the residents of Ly Son Island.

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