City Profile: Soc Son (Vietnam)

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City Overview

Soc Son is a suburb of Hanoi City, lying about 40km north of the capital center. It is one of the 25 communes and one town of the Greater Area of Hanoi and well connected to the city due to its favorable location with relatively developed foreign transportation system, hosting Noi Bai international airport. There are multi transport modes to move between two cities such as: bus rapid transit, taxis, cars, and motorcycle.

Due to its proximity and connectivity to the inner Hanoi, it is one of five satellite towns of Hanoi and simultaneously aims to become one of the tourist destinations of the capital. Further, it will serve as an area for future development in terms of educational institutions and industries to accommodate the needs of Hanoi City. Soc Son district government has set a target for sustainable development in many economic sectors: tourism, agriculture, forestry, animal husbandry, construction industry.

The rapid increase of foreign investment contributes to boosting the socio-economic development of the district. The structural shift within the district makes the production increase of cultivation and forestry low while increasing industrial production value, which reaches an average annual growth rate of 23.55%. In the area where large industrial parks have been built: 100 hectares of Noi Bai industrial park has been put into operation, which is one of the key attraction of the city; There are some new industrial zones, such as Tan Dan-Minh Tri clean industrial zone and some small industrial and handicraft villages. The scale of service production in Soc Son district increased continuously, reaching an average growth rate of about 8.16% per year.
Soc Son is a semi-mountain region with three main types of terrain: hilly areas, midlands and riverside deltas. Soc Son is home to many relics: In addition to the historical relics of Temple Soc Son, there are 50 other relics.

In the development process, Soc Son has faced multiple problems, especially issues related to environmental management. Receiving waste from Hanoi in Soc Son’s Nam Son garbage dump, waste recycling is one of the trades of the city. It is a challenge for Soc Son to harmonize economic development and environmental protection.