

Technical Vocational Education Graduates success stories of a pathway to employment

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Every year, a diverse group of people graduate from technical vocational education training (TVET) courses. Tech-Voc Education Training serves as a vital instrument in the success desired by individuals in their jobs. It produces graduates with practical and relevant skills that are sought after and needed in various industries. When unemployment is rampant in the industry, TVET is a stronger path to meaningful livelihoods and a path to success.

In a society, human capacity is the key to development. It helps countries keep pace with the changing needs of the world. According to Generalao et al., (2025) investing in and giving importance to education and training is essential for a country to remain competitive in the global economy. Therefore, TVET becomes an instrument in strengthening the capabilities of people by providing skills that match the needs of a market.

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) has proven the success of TVET. According to the 2022 study on employment of TVET Graduates (SETG), 84.72% of TVET graduates are immediately employed. This just goes to show how effective the Tech-Voc program is in finding employment (TESDA,2022).

One of the advantages of TVET is its strong ties to industry. It is important that the knowledge and skills taught to students are matched with the actual practices of companies. According to (Papakitsos, 2016) the active participation of employees in work and learning has meant that students are taught skills that can be used in the workplace. In this way, they are given the opportunity to experience and see the real situation in their workplace.

A successful TVET system must have a balance between education and employment. When trainers, and educational institutions work together, they can create a workforce that is ready to face the challenges of the economy. And apart from skills, TVET also helps in building the character and self-confidence of an individual.

The lessons and narratives are important in shaping personal identity. It is not only the experience that changes a person, but also how they are able to understand and share their experiences and knowledge. This suggests that TVET is not just a series of life lessons that need to be learned, but a valuable collection of personal stories of upliftment, hard work, and success.

TVET graduates have many successes to share. Many of them came from poor backgrounds, lacking opportunities, afraid of failure, but through technical education they found clear direction and the courage to achieve success. Contrary to the belief of some that technical education is only a second option, that it is a weak decision, it is now recognized as a strategic path to employment

As the needs of the economy expand, the demand for skilled-workers continues to rise and TVET is the one that fills the skills gap in the industry. This means that TVET is more than a path to success, it is a bridge to personal and national development.

It is a transportation to success.

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