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TRAN THI MAI LAN, DOAN VIET (2020), **Cultural Activities of Two Ethnic Groups Lo Lo and Co Lao in the Border Area of Ha Giang Province**, Social Sciences Publishing House, 276 p.

Culture plays an important role in the process of forming and developing the identity of each nation. There are 15 ethnic minorities with a small population in Vietnam, who are always disadvantaged in terms of culture and development since they live with other ethnic groups with large populations. Among them are two ethnic groups of Lo Lo and Co Lao who migrated from China to Vietnam at different times in history and have lived in the border area of Ha Giang province for a long time. The loss of traditional culture, fading of the identity of the two ethnic groups Lo Lo and Co Lao is currently alarming.

The book consists of 3 chapters. Chapter 1 presents some theoretical and practical issues in the study of ethnic cultural characteristics. Chapter 2 analyzes the cultural situation of the two ethnic groups Lo Lo and Co Lao, reflected in their livelihoods, material and spiritual culture, and social management. Chapter 3 points out the cultural characteristics of these two ethnic groups (such as bronze drums and cultural activities related to bronze drums in the culture of the Lo Lo people; the legend of Hoang Van Thung and related cultural activities to him in the Co Lao culture); finally clarifies the preservation and promotion of cultural values of the two ethnic groups Lo Lo and Co Lao in the current context.

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HOANG VAN CHUNG (Editor, 2020), **Progress of Ensuring Religious Freedom in the Context of Sustainable Development in Vietnam**, Social Sciences Publishing House, 268 p.

Religious practice and expression of religious beliefs in many countries and regions are a natural and inevitable part of people's daily lives. It can be seen that where the right to religious freedom is well respected and guaranteed, the society there is stable, harmonious, and civilized. From a religious perspective, the book approaches religious freedom and changes in the content of rights as well as the exercise of rights as an entity that has existed with human society. The book clarifies the theoretical basis of the relationship between ensuring religious freedom and sustainable development; analyzes the basic aspects of the right to religious freedom as a fundamental human right; the right to freedom of religion will guarantee at least three aspects, namely, the content, the scope of regulation and the limitation of the right.

The book consists of 4 chapters. Chapter 1 presents the main content of the right to religious freedom, based on national legal documents since 1948. Chapter 2 deals with theoretical issues on sustainable development and the role and the meaning of religion in the sustainable development strategy. Chapter 3 provides an overview of religious changes in Vietnam since *Doi Moi (Reform)* and adjustment of State policies; analyzes the change of religious freedom from 2004 to present in the context of sustainable development. Chapter 4 gives some opinions related to the adjustment

of the State's policy towards the right to religious freedom, to ensure religious freedom according to international standards while satisfying Vietnam's specific conditions.

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PHAM THI HUONG LAN (Editor, 2020), **Legal Institutions on the Role of the State in the Market Economy in Vietnam Today - Some Theoretical and Practical Issues**, Social Sciences Publishing House, 346 p.

Any economy, inclusive of a market economy, cannot exist and develop without the rule of law. The law creates a legal corridor for economic actors to operate in an orderly and safe manner. The State performs the function of creating institutions for the market to operate most efficiently and completely. How does the legal institution on the role of the state in the market economy work? This three-chapter book provides a related theoretical and practical basis.

Chapter 1 presents some theories of legal institutions about the role of the state in the market economy.

Chapter 2 analyzes and evaluates the current status of legal institutions on the role of the State in the market economy in Vietnam today, including the role of development orientation and regulation; the role of building the legal environment; supporting and encouraging roles; the role of monopoly control, anti-unfair competition; the role of ensuring social security; and the role in consumer protection and dispute resolution. Chapter 3 provides some key viewpoints and solutions to improve the legal institution on the role of the State in the market economy in Vietnam today.

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HOANG HONG HIEP (Editor, 2020), **Foreign Direct Investment in the South Central Region: Factors and Spatial Distribution**, Social Sciences Publishing House, 474 p.

In the context of growing closer together among countries under the impact of economic globalization, foreign direct investment (FDI) has gradually become an important factor promoting national and territorial economic development. The South Central region of Vietnam consists of 8 provinces/cities, with several outstanding advantages compared to other localities in marine economic development, regional and international economic integration. Despite having a great advantage in attracting FDI inflows, the South Central region has not yet become an attractive destination for foreign investors.

The book consists of 3 chapters. Chapter 1 provides an in-depth analysis of traditional theories, updates and extends some new theoretical approaches to the positioning of FDI inflows. Chapter 2 analyzes the current situation of FDI in the South Central region; the impact of FDI on the regional economic development; quantifies the factors affecting FDI attraction in the South Central provinces by spatial econometrics; assesses the successes as well as limitations in attracting FDI in the region. Chapter 3 builds a system of viewpoints, orientations, and solutions to enhance FDI attraction in the South Central region in the new context.

PHAM NGUYEN

DANG THI HOA (Editor, 2020), **Domestic Violence in Vietnam: Situation and Impacting Factors**, Social Sciences Publishing House, 474 p.

Domestic violence is one of the global issues, especially in the fight for women's

rights about development opportunities. Domestic abuse not only causes physical and emotional losses but also hinders the victim's development opportunities. Applying an insider-centered research method, the book identifies the relationships between victims of domestic violence and perpetrators of violence, its causes, and impact factors.

The book consists of 5 chapters. Chapter 1 outlines some theoretical issues in domestic violence research (approaches, theories, and methods) and explores the international experiences on domestic violence prevention and control policies.

Chapter 2 analyzes the current situation of domestic violence between husband and wife, between parents and children, and against the elderly in Vietnam today. Chapter 3 clarifies the impact of cultural, social, and economic factors on domestic violence. Chapter 4 summarizes the policies of the Party and the State of Vietnam, the support of the community and social organizations in domestic violence prevention and control. On that basis, Chapter 5 provides some relevant policy orientations and solutions in Vietnam.

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Firstly, Quang Ninh still lacks strategic investors, so it is necessary to continue innovating mechanisms and policies to attract more feasible investments, especially private and multinational corporation ones in important and breakthrough economic projects of the province. *Secondly*, it is necessary to continue to innovate management thinking and draw lessons to save development time. *Thirdly*, it is necessary to be flexible in management to harmonize in exploiting advantages and grasping opportunities, promoting economic development while ensuring sustainable development requirements, selecting fields of development to avoid conflict, and protecting the environment. *Fourthly*, Quang Ninh has a large economic openness and high connectivity, which is significantly affected by the Covid-19 epidemic, so it is necessary to make early and strong adjustments to restore, stabilize

and develop economic sectors, especially the leading ones such as tourism. *Fifthly*, it is necessary to promptly handle social issues caused by the Covid-19 epidemic, especially labor - employment, income and living standards, social security, education, and health care. *Sixthly*, it is necessary to actively and sustainably cooperate with the large neighboring economy of China, ensuring that both exploit advantages in cooperation with major countries while taking proactive measures to present future potential risks.

The suggestions and recommendations at the workshop are the basis for Quang Ninh province to properly assess its comparative advantages, promote and exploit the potentials and strengths of the locality, and propose several strategic development issues. At the same time, it helps the Institute of Social Sciences Information to orient the research and policy consulting activities in the coming time.

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