

The KPI's in-depth interviews with CCEJ

“About the access to right and liberty and participation among people and communities consistent with the duties as the Thai people as well as the state duties under the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand B.E. 2560”

Seoul, September 20, 2019

1. The King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI) requested for an in-depth interview with the Citizens' Coalition for Economic Justice (CCEJ) on about “a study on the access to right and liberty and participation among people and communities consistent with the duties as the Thai people as well as the state duties under the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand B.E. 2560,” and We give agreed to this interview around 09:30–12:00 a.m. on September 20, 2019.

I. Greeting

2. Why do we visit the Korean NGO, CCEJ?
3. What's our great expectation through this interview?
4. How to do interviews this day?

II. Meeting

A. Attendance

5. KPI researches:
 - *Dr. Thawilwadee Bureekul* (Team Leader), Director of Research and Development Office;
 - *Pattama Subkhampang*, Senior Academic, Research and Development Office;
 - *Warisara Ampornsiritham* (Co-ordinator), Research Project Coordinator, Research and Development Office.
6. CCEJ interviewees:
 - *Sunchul Yun*, Secretary-General;
 - *Hundong Kim*, Director of the headquarter for Land and Housing Justice;
 - *Chulhan Yoon*, Head of Policy Office;
 - *Samsu Kim*, Director of General Affairs and the CCEJ 30th Anniversary Initiative;
 - *Ohin Kwon*, Director for Economic Justice;
 - *Sehyung Oh*, Programme Manager for Economic Justice;
 - *Hochul Jung*, Networking Coördinator for Economic Justice and International Affairs.

B. Background of the KPI's study and interview with CCEJ

7. KPI is hoping for “the Rule of Law.” But it's been eliminated out of the Constitution. What happened in Thailand? The Kingdom of Thailand did away with the principle of legislation, as removing the word “as provided by law.” Why should *they* have done that?

8. KPI is concerned about *their* legal culture the court has made against Thai nationals in the worst time. It has squeezed the people out of the Constitution, laws, rules, regulations, orders and court rulings. What the problem is without the legal framework on today?

9. KPI is supposed to do that the people are able to exercise the rights and liberty by participating in their communities. For instance, the case of “People Network of Ang Thong Province” that might involve in the legal framework. What was that case?

10. Of particular interest to some tools and mechanisms for an access to the rights and liberty to bring the people together for their network and communities in “the People's kingdom, democratic of Thailand,” is the KPI's case study as a paragon of Korea's democratic development and its successful progress, in the good old days. And CCEJ is supposed to run a story of our citizens' movement for economic and social justice and political reforms by KPI. Whatever things can be demonstrated to KPI to make for the Thai's democratic development, more progressive and inclusive.

C. Introduction of the CCEJ's history (1989–2019)

11. Secretary-General of CCEJ presents our history of the citizens' movement.

III. In-depth interviews

12. KPI gives interviews with CCEJ, as the following questions:

A. Key success factors for achieving liberal democracy in the Republic of Korea

- The Local Self-Government;
- Constitutionalism;
- The citizens' participation in the system.

B. How to ensure the effective implementation of fundamental rights

- Advocacy of the citizens' aspiration, by ourselves and for our rights;

- A mature of sense of citizenship;
 - By legitimate means as always.
- C. Effective mechanisms for awakening citizenship in the Republic of Korea
- The Specialist's participation in the policies;
 - The Activist's coördination of mediating conflicts;
 - The Member Group's interest in public hearings and lawmakings;
- D. How to Strengthen and enable effective public participation, civic engagement and challenges for public officials
- Constitution and Political educations;
 - Mutual Partnership between the government and local communities

IV. Recommendations

13. Please advise for some recommendations to KPI.

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