

Essay 1 : ASEAN ,Origin, Evolution and economy

start with the Introduction of the Course, the lecturer has provided the information and detail about what are we going to study, the purpose of this Course, the activity for each week and the rule in the classroom. For example every time that Guest speaker comes the student must dress politely but doesn't need to be formal, also with the 15 minutes late to the class mean absent, but the matter of fact that group project was the biggest percentage proportion in grading and final exam, Respectively, there will be three main lecturers in this class start with Ajarn. Chayanee Chawanote, Ajarn.Kiriya Kulkolkarn and lastly Ajarn. Anin Aroonruengsawat. Whereby, in each week will have the guest lecturer from outside like Bank of Thailand, Ministry of foreign affairs, ADB.

On the afternoon class, the lesson is about ASEAN: Origin, Evolution, and Economy which has very interesting topic. Start with the different between "ASEAN" and "AEC" where ASEAN is the association of the counties whereby, AEC is the community that mostly focuses on economic activity. Then we have an AFTA from 1992 to 2002 which focuses on free trade between each counties. Also other interesting topic is the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) Framework 1. Integrated market and production base, 2. Increase competitiveness in association , 3.Inclusive development like supporting SME, 4. Integration with global economy. For example, Adjust economic policies, Build Production and sale network and lastly, FTAs with counties outside region

In conclusion, the first class is all about introduction of the lecturer and classroom policies and the background of the topic that we going to study from the rest of the semester.

Essay 2 : Cambodia economy

Start with the Moring class, the lecturer has invited the guest speaker from “Royal Embassy of Cambodia” to talk about Cambodia – Thailand bilateral relation, which we have a good relationship since long time ago. Background of Cambodia. For example, GDP of the country, Population and statistics, Geographic and demographic and also Thailand activity to Cambodia as well. But the interesting topic is about “Labor Cooperation” the Thai data show that there are around one million labor in Thailand while Cambodia data has shown that it is around five hundred thousand of labor in Thailand the difference in number is from the different approach of data correcting Thailand is counted by the “Ministry of labor” while Cambodia uses data from “Ministry of affairs” the main factor that attracts Cambodia worker to come in Thailand because of the salary. Nowadays, Thailand and Cambodia has been good neighboring countries a lot of people do business across the border on a daily basis which case the economic of both countries to growth.

On the afternoon session, the lecturer has given the group work to discuss about Cambodia economic activity by using word art to present, our group got the “Cambodia rice export” topic where the Cambodia still relies on the agricultural sector roughly 20% of GDP while Thailand is around 8% of GDP. This number can imply that Cambodia is still far behind Thailand where most of the developed countries the percentage of agricultural sector is very small. But the Cambodia rice quality has significantly improved in the last recent year where Cambodia rice has received “The best rice award of the year” still the export is drop due to the competitiveness of neighboring and world economic.

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In conclusion, Thailand and Cambodia has great relationship since longtime ago and has share economic activity since the Cambodia has open the country. But still the Economic and basic infrastructure is far behind.