

TU 100 CITIZEN AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES ANNOUNCEMENT

The most controversial public agenda at present is the Amnesty Bill which has already been approved by the House of Representative awaiting for the House of Senate's approval soon. If the Amnesty Bill is finally approved and becomes effective legally, many illegal acts since 2004 to the date that the Amnesty Bill becomes legally effective including criminal offences and corruptions committed by bureaucrats and politicians will be granted amnesty as if they have never happened.

Civil society in Thailand seems to be greatly alert and overwhelmingly oppose the proposed Amnesty Bill throughout the kingdom. Many civil organizations have been collectively organized and rallied to stop the Amnesty Bill in many places such as Democratic Monument on Rajchadamneon avenue and Urupong road, Lumpini Park, etc. Such political events are participated by thousands of citizens who exercise their basic rights under democratic system.

Political conflicts are not necessarily the explosive elements to the democratic society. On the contrary, political conflicts or disagreements could be healthy and supportive to nurture the democratic system by allowing and encouraging the citizens to fully participate in political process and express their opinions and demanding changes peacefully and non-violently. Bad governance is normally one of the causes of political conflicts and disagreements and it is very resistant to any potential change which could lead to good governance. The political change under democratic setup must be brought about by its citizens who exercise their rights and obligations explicitly stated in the constitution.

Students of TU 100 Citizens and Social Responsibilities are encouraged to observe the political activities by participating in any of the above mentioned political campaigns so that the students will be educated through practical process of learning in addition to classroom learning. However, the TU 100 students should solely make their own choices basing on their rational decisions. Moreover, the TU 100 students should take extra precaution to avoid any potential risks and/or danger which might occur while taking part in the political events.