

SOUTH KOREA | The Sewol Ferry has sunk.

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More than three hundred lives
were trapped in the ferry.

Not one was rescued.

BRING THE TRUTH TO LIGHT

Why are Koreans outraged by President Park Geun-hye?

Incompetence and Negligence

The South Korean government lacked adequate emergency protocols and proper communication between agencies. They rejected outside help – from expert civilian divers and the U.S. Navy – and gave rescue rights to a private company in which the government is a major shareholder. The bungled rescue efforts demonstrated the lack of leadership, incompetence, and negligence of the Park Administration.

Media Censorship and Manipulation

Criticism of President Park's handling of the ferry disaster is being silenced by government censorship of South Korea's mainstream media. Online videos and commentaries exposing the truth behind the failed rescue operations have been deleted from the web.

The mainstream media has served as the government's mouthpiece by releasing disingenuous news stories that have misled public opinion. A video footage of President Park comforting a relative of a ferry victim was later found to have been staged for the mainstream media. In fact, the woman in the video had no connections to anyone aboard the ferry.

In order to prevent public discussion, members of President Park's party have introduced a bill that, if passed, would allow the authorities to fine or arrest anyone spreading rumors that may contain false information related to the ferry disaster.

Controlling the media. Manipulating public sentiment. Ignoring the public interest.

President Park's behavior is reverting the country back towards South Korea's authoritarian past. Koreans are outraged because they see democracy regressing.

We demand an immediate end to the South Korean government's control of the media, censorship of the truth, manipulation of public opinion, and suppression of the public's freedom of speech.

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