

## 團體遊行爭普選反貪腐

【本報訊】沒有民主，六四未平反；國慶其實是國殤，多個團體今天兵分幾路、由早至晚舉行遊行示威，為中共建政64周年，未見民主卻貪腐頻仍「贈興」，力促中央保障中國公民人權。

### 籲穿白衣參與

「人民未當家，沒有國慶；六四未平反，只有國殤」，社民連成員今早7時帶同花牌及棺材，遊行至金紫荊廣場升旗禮現場示威；學民思潮成員如黃之鋒等則在今早爭取進入公眾觀禮區，準備在升國旗時舉起爭取公民提名手勢。社民連下午2時則由中環皇后像廣場集合遊行至中聯辦，要求結束一黨專政，釋放所有政治犯。

**支聯會**、正委會及中國維權律師關注組等團體則在下午2時半，由銅鑼灣時代廣場遊行往金鐘政府總部，部份人士會扮成被囚異見人士，要求特首梁振英反映港人意見，促中央保障中國公民人權。主辦單位呼籲遊行人士穿白衣，象徵白色恐怖，並戴上大會提供的面具或頭套靜默遊行。「國殤之柱」製作者丹麥雕塑家高志活也會參與。

「香港人優先」也舉行連串港殤日活動，先在早上到金紫荊廣場為南丫海難默哀、中午則到英國駐港領事館支持援助香港普選，下午則到中聯辦為中共「做忌」。



## Talking points

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### 'Abenomics' set to take another step forward

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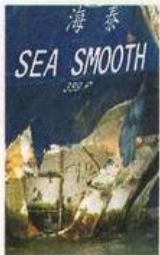


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