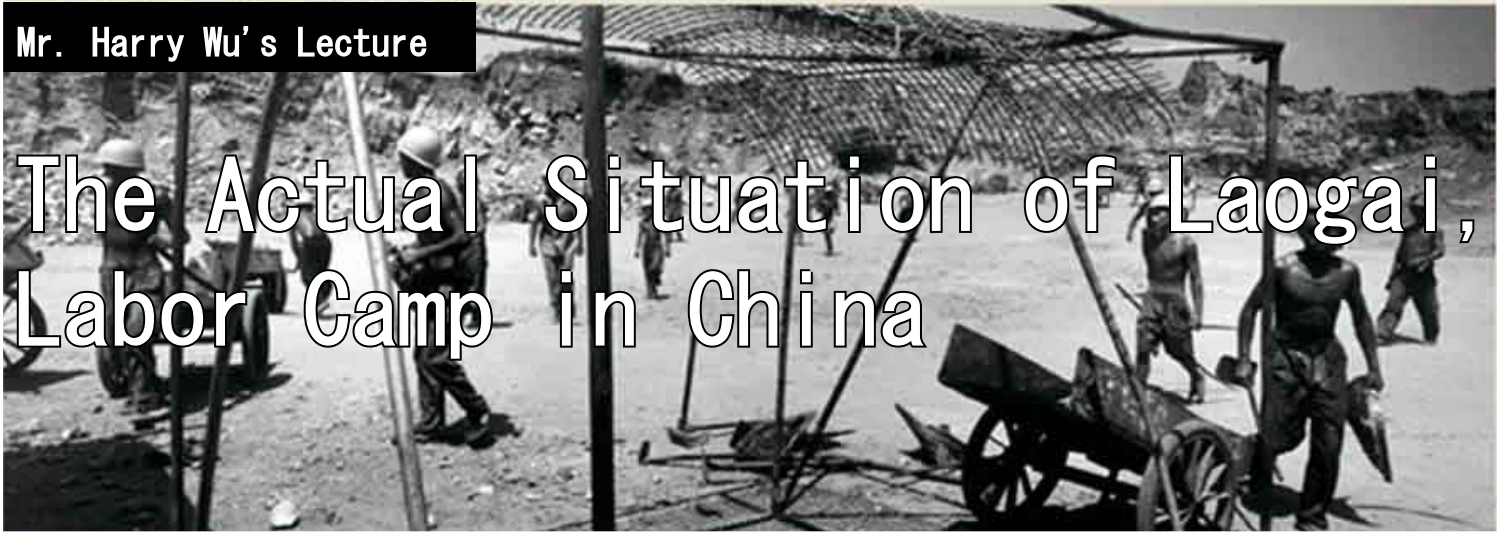


Mr. Harry Wu's Lecture

The Actual Situation of Laogai, Labor Camp in China



Date: 19:00–21:00 April 22 Fee for references: ¥1000

Keynote Lecture: Mr. Harry Wu

(吳弘達 in Chinese Character, Human right activist in US, Founder of US Laogai Research Foundation)

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Dictatorships in China have been maintained by control and fear. People who incite dissent to Chinese communist party have been unfairly arrested, captured or sentenced to death. And labor camp system in China play important role. Laogai, labor camps in China is the place of Criminal punishment for reform by labor. It is estimated that more than 50 million people have been imprisoned for forced labor over 60 years. Up to now, millions of people are engaged in forced labor at a thousand labor camps. In the labor camp, prisoners are forced to work in farm or factory of the camps as free labor in poor surroundings. Laogai is currently renamed Jianyu(prison), however, the situation stays unchanged.

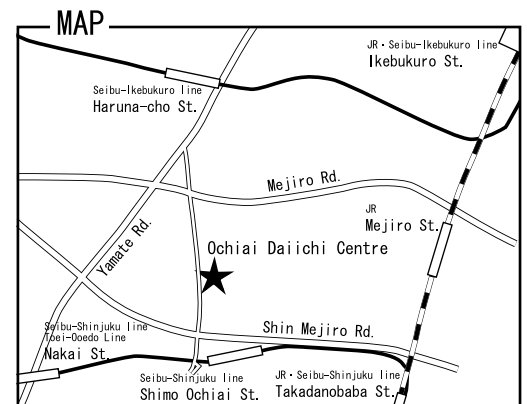
The difference in prisons of other counties is that Chinese labor camps are profitable business for Chinese government.

Furthermore, the labor camps operate business as if they are ordinary enterprises. Many products in the market might be produced by forced labor at the camps, and we might purchase such product in the market of Japan.

In coming lecture, Mr. Harry Wu, who has experienced forced labor in Laogai for 19 years and had defection to the US., is to make keynote speech for actual situation of Laogai.

Mr. Wu was imprisoned in 1960 when he was 23 years old since he criticized Chinese communist party for "Hundred Flowers Campaign". He was forced to work in mine and farm and so on. In 1985, he went across to the US, entered to teaching professions there, and started activities for human right. Several times he sneaked into China for investigation. In 1992, he founded Laogai Research Foundation which gathers and issue information on forced labor and human right abuse in China. The world has resoundingly condemned the atrocities of the Nazi concentration camps and the Soviet Gulag. By Wu's activity, Laogai in China is known to the world, and the word, Laogai appears in dictionary of various languages including English.

We hope that the actual situation of labor camps are widely known in Japan in the name of Laogai.



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