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DEVELOPMENT POLICY

SESSION 6
State-led Development (1)





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 Exploring the State-led Development in East Asia



WB - Macroeconomic Stability

- Limited fiscal deficits
- Moderate inflation on average 9% (18% in other similar economies)
- Interest rates were stable
- What if macroeconomic indicators were not stable? ____
- Flexible exchange rate adjustment to external shocks
- So, in East Asian countries, government were responsible to do macroeconomic management



WB - Institutional Basis for Growth

Developmental State model

> Powerful Technocratic Bureaucracy

Well designed Interventions

Grant a
Voice to
Elite groups

Shared Growth

To establish
Legitimacy and
Win public support

Pursued shared Growth

Creating a
Business Friendly
Environment

Each group would
Get benefit
Recruit honest and
Competent bureaucrat
Building legal and
Regulatory structure

"All groups would benefit As the economy expands"



WB - Building Human Capital

Good initial condition: started with higher levels of human capital

Education policy

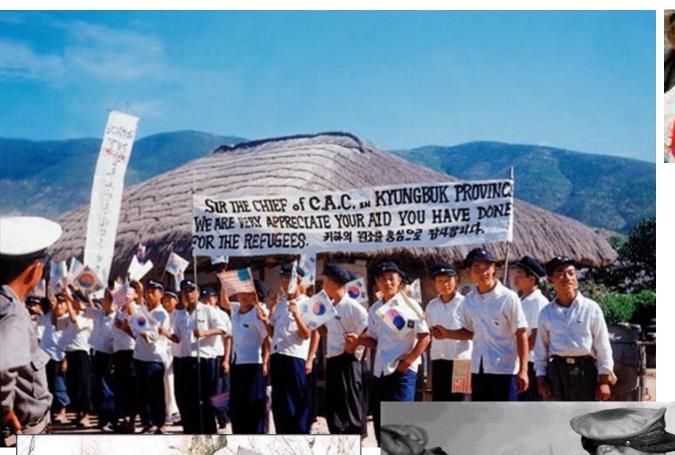
- Education spending on the universal primary education first and secondary education later
- Facilitated by declining fertility and rapid demographic change (slower growth in the number of school-age)
- Post-secondary education: focused on _____
- Contributed to more equitable income distribution





WB - Promoting specific industries

- Most East Asian governments have pursued "sector-specific" industrial policies to some degree through _____ protection and _____ for capital and other imported inputs
- Japan: heavy industry promotion in 1950s
- Korea: HCI promtoion in 1970s
- Malaysia, China, Singapore, Hong Kong, Korea: promote to accelerate development of advanced industries
- "Market conforming"
 - Ensure that promoted firms were profitable and internationally competitive
 - Promotion of exports (Export push)









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- "Economic bureaucracy, but not a bureaucracy of economists" (Johnson, 1982): <u>A pilot agency</u>
- Greatest concentration of brain power in Japan Thinking of "National Interests" instead of "personal interests"
- Sangyō seisaku: a. Sangyō gōrika seisaku b. Sangyō kōzō seisaku
- Most powerful ministry?
- Three ways to implement industrial policy:

Bureaucratic Control

Civilian Selfcoordination

Administration thru inducement



Sakakibara's Argument

- Japanese success: Rise of Private sector
 - a. The rise of "dynamic professional managers" (separation of ownership and management)
 - b. Keiretsu over Zaibatsu (e.g. Anti Trust Law, etc.)
 - c. Rise of worker and engineers
 - d. Power of private sector
 - e. Do not deny the nation-led growth (but see it as Japan's own model)



Korea's economic modernization

- Core of Korean Modernization: Trade Policies / Export Policies
 - 1. Use governmental subsidies to private firms
 - 2. Even started from the early 1890s (Textile industry)
 - 3. Usage of 'comparative advantage: Int'l division of labor
 - 4. Subsidies to **Export-oriented** industries
 - 5. Openness to U.S. Market

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- Core of Korean Modernization: Investment Policy
 - Government decided to determine where, when, and how much to invest in which industries
 - Borrowing from abroad (Japan, US) and keep domestic interest rates low → motivate investment
 - 3. Foreign Capital Inducement Law (1962)
 - 4. Credit Guarantee / Nationalized Bank
 - 5. All policies were "discretionary basis" Basis of the emergence of chaebol / Social Infrastructure



POSCO (1968-present)



Gyeong-Bu Expressway



Ship Building Industry (Hyundai, Samsung, Daewoo)



Oil and Electricity

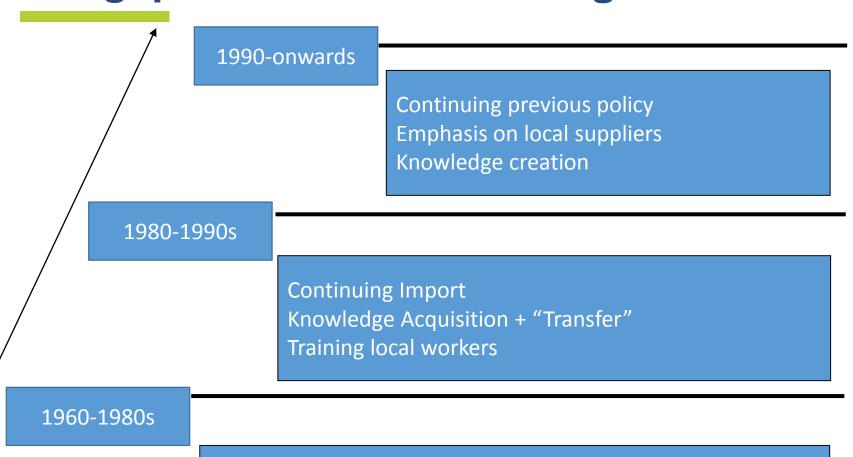


Economic Planning Board (EPB)

- Economic Planning Board
 - 1. Core of Korean Economic Policy
 - 2. Created in 1961 (headed by deputy prime minister)
 - 3. 5-Year-National Economic Development Plan (1962-1966, and many): formulated all economic development plans
 - 4. Allocated resources
 - 5. Directed the economic functions of other Central ministries (e.g. Ministry of Finance)
 - 6. Collection of highly educated intellectuals



Singapore's National Strategies



Focus: Importing MNCs and Talented Workers State-led FDI Knowledge acquisition period



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