

Protest

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South Korea Tactical: Multiple protests slated in Seoul from 13:00 (local time) on June 28; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- Organizations within the Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU) are slated to hold multiple protests in Seoul on June 28.
- A demonstration will be held in front of Seodaemun Police Station at 13:00 (local time), followed by a rally at Sungnyemun Gate in Seoul from 15:00 on June 28.
- The rallies are being held to demand a minimum wage increase and the protection of basic labor rights.
- In parallel, a pro-Yoon demonstration is expected to take place at 15:00 outside Exit 2 of National Assembly Station in Seoul on that day.
- Separately, the Candlelight Action Group is slated to hold a protest at Exit 9 of Gyodae Station in Seoul from 18:00 on that day.
- The demonstration will be held to call for the dissolution of the People Power Party (PPP) and the arrest of the former First Lady Kim Keon-hee over alleged corruption.



Source: [Facebook](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter/X](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout at the slated KCTU protests and pro-Yoon demonstration is expected to range between the mid-to-high dozens, based on precedent at similar previous protests. The turnout at the Candlelight Action Group demonstration will likely range in the high dozens to low hundreds, given the persisting resonance of the issue, coupled with the group's mobilization capabilities. The authorities will likely implement heightened security measures at all protest locations as part of standard security protocols. This will likely manifest in the deployment of police personnel and setting up barricades to monitor the crowd.
2. There will remain a latent risk of scuffles between the police and protesters during the anti-Yoon protests, should participants be perceived as engaging in unruly behavior, such as blocking major thoroughfares or attempting to breach security protocols. In such cases, the authorities are likely to temporarily detain protesters. Given the distance between the pro-Yoon and anti-Yoon protests, as well as the different expected start times, the risk of inter-group scuffles remains low. Disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular travel are anticipated due to the expected turnout and associated security measures during the protest hours on June 28.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Seoul on June 28 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests and associated risk of scuffles while allotting for travel disruptions.