



## ‘Canto General’ : Time & Space of March-First-Movement

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### Abstract:

The year 2019 marks the 100th anniversary of the 3.1 Movement, a milestone in the Korean national movement. The 3.1 Movement, directed against the colonial rule of the Japanese Empire, was held in the name of ‘nation’ for two months from March 1 to April 30 in 1919, regardless of class, gender and age. It is a nationwide protest and an event to various forms of resistance movements. The 3.1 movement confirmed the fact that the independent state must be a democratic republic beyond the independence movement, and with its realization it provided a decisive opportunity for the establishment of the “Provisional Government of the Republic of Korea” in Shanghai, China. In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the 3.1 Movement, the National Institute of Korean History(국사편찬위원회) created a “3.1 Movement Database” by compiling all the data that the ‘Joseon Governor-General’ produced on the 3.1 Movement. This speaker was able to see the regional trends shown in the development and spread of the 3.1 movement by participating in the construction of “3.1 Movement Database” and its research project. The main contents of this lecture are as follows. 1)Trend of 3.1 Movement Study in commemoration of 100th anniversary - “3.1. Movement Database”, Major Research Results 2)The nationwide development of the 3.1 Movement and trends of each region (administrative district unit) 3)The development of protests by the leading forces(religious, students) of the 3.1 Movement and trends of each region 4)The patterns and characteristics of the protest space of the 3.1 Movement (marketplace protest, county office protest, and the hill-torch protest) Through this, I would like to share the “countrywide, national, and whole hierarchical” participation patterns of the 3.1 Movement and its historical significance. 3.1 Movement was a “the song of people(Canto General)” for freedom, peace, justice and democracy that Koreans cried out together.

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