

HKU Student Research Team
Project DC03 Pre-election Fieldwork Report Form

This form can be downloaded from the project webpage. It should be completed on the day of each fieldwork session and submitted to the project organizer by email to hkusrt@hkupop.hku.hk, or by uploading to the project website directly.

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Name of constituency visited (please use one form for each constituency) :Fuk Loi, Tsuen Wan

Field trip details –

Date: 22nd November, 2003 Time : 0930 Venue : Fuk Loi Estate

Description of the process (whether alone, accompanied by teammates, friends, campaign workers... etc.)

We observed the distribution of promotional materials of both candidates. After, we went to the working offices of both candidates and had interviews with them.

Record the main purpose of your field trip by ticking on one or more of the following objectives:

- To count, record, and analyze the content of campaign posters, banners, leaflets, etc.
- To observe campaign activities, like forums, door-to-door visits, open petitions, on-street broadcast, etc.
- To interview candidates and campaign workers.
- To interview electors and ordinary residents.
- To take pictures, or collect campaign material for scanning.
- Other purposes (please specify) : _____

Recording basic figures – like how many posters and where, how many people attended the forum during different time period...etc

There were about 300 posters for each candidate. They were mainly posted in the shops and the lobbies of buildings.

Description of findings – could be in the form simple narrations, or in the form of questions and answer...

Interview with Mr. Chiu (Candidate No.2, present member in the District Council)

Mr. Chiu was a very nice. He answered our questions in a very detailed way. He even took us to see the flyover which he had proposed to build. Overall, he voluntarily gave us the whole set of promotional items and invited us to observe his campaign activities in the street. The residents nearby generally had a good impression for him. One of the residents praised him as a very hard-working person. To conclude, his attitude was frank and sincere. This may probably due to the fact that he had been the member of the District Council for some years and knew how to promote himself.

Interview with Mr. Luk (Candidate No.2)

Mr Luk was quite rude when we invited him to have an interview. He explained that since he was not a full time member in the District Council, he could not offer us to have an interview during the daytime, and at night, he was very busy with his promotional campaigns too. On the day of pre-election observation, we just tried whether we could see him in his office. His attitude of his election manager was not polite too. Mr. Luk was in the office at that time but he was not willing to answer our question. Most of the questions were answered in a very brief way. When we ask him to give us some promotional materials for observation and reference, he said that he had no reserve of them. Generally, his attitude was totally different from that of Mr.Chiu.

New questions generated from your observations or findings

Open questions for discussion by all team members

Is this a normal phenomenon that the current member of the District Council is more sociable?