

Thailand suffers for democracy



February 1991 – The army seizes power from the elected government in a bloodless coup.

April 1992 – Under a new constitution, the coup leader, **Suchinda Kraprayoon**, is appointed as unelected prime minister



May – Opposition leader and former Bangkok governor **Chamlong Srimuang** becomes the focus of the pro-democracy movement, demanding the resignation of prime minister Suchinda



Sunday, May 17 – State of emergency declared after army open fire on 200,000 people marching to Government House in Bangkok

