

SGI President Receives Honorary Professorship
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One of China's most prestigious universities bestowed an honorary professorship on SGI President Ikeda today. Jilin University President Liu Zhongshu spoke of his deep gratitude for Mr. Ikeda's devoted efforts to open the way for friendly China-Japan relations.

He also shared his ideas on the importance of education, which echo those of the SGI leader. Mr. Liu praised President Ikeda's profound views on history, his broad knowledge and rich humanity.

Jilin University, founded in 1946, is located in northeast China. Many noteworthy people who have been instrumental in China's development over the years are Jilin graduates.

President Ikeda, voicing his condolences on the death of Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping the previous day, commended Jilin University's contributions to China. He said that only when people learn the importance of solidly putting down roots in self-development and self-education can future prosperity be realized.

The SGI leader is more convinced now than he was 20 years ago of the key role China will play in the new century.

In closing, Mr. Ikeda said he was determined to continue working for the further development and prosperity of China.

The text of Mr. Ikeda's acceptance speech will appear in a future issue.

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