

SGI PRESIDENT IKEDA'S JUNE 16 ENCOURAGEMENT WHO IS MOST PRAISEWORTHY?

SGI President Ikeda attended a conference June 16 in Shinjuku, Tokyo, with representatives from the United States and Bolivia. Speaking of the high expectations people around the world hold for the SGI and the wonderful praise and accolades the organization has recently been receiving, the SGI president voiced his hope that leaders will challenge themselves to grow and become capable leaders for the new century. "I want you to be leaders who are generous and big-hearted," he said, "embracing people warmly, giving hope and inspiration to them and helping each individual develop into a capable person for kosen-rufu."

President Ikeda also commended SGI members' devoted efforts to kosen-rufu, saying: "Who is most praiseworthy? Those who are working with all their might for kosen-rufu. Those who dedicate their lives not to self-centered ends but to the Mystic Law. In the eyes of the Buddha, such people are thousands and millions of times more admirable than those who merely enjoy fame or position in society. Such people are genuine emissaries of the Buddha."

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