Sunhak Peace Prize Committee held the First Sunhak Peace Prize Award

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[KBS News] 'The First Sunhak Peace Prize' President of Kiribati and Indian Biologist Dr. Gupta

The Sunhak Peace Prize Committee held the First Sunhak Peace Prize Award Ceremony today, and awarded \$500,000 each to President Anote Tong of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation, and Dr. Modadugu. V. Gupta of India.

President Anote Tong was selected as one of the laureates of the Sunhak Peace Prize in recognition of his achievements and efforts to steer global awareness toward the seriousness of climate change, and to protect the human rights of climate change refugees. The second laureate, Dr. Modadugu Gupta, was recognized for his contributions toward poverty relief and food crisis resolution in Southeast Asia through his devotion to aquatic farming technology development

[MBC News] Sunhak Peace Prize Ceremony Held, President Tong of Kiribati, Dr. Gupta of India Awarded



The Sunhak Peace Prize Committee held the First Sunhak Peace Prize Ceremony today, and the dual laureates, President Anote Tong of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation and Dr. Modadugu. V. Gupta of India, were each awarded a prize of five hundred million won.

President Anote Tong was recognized for his achievements in raising awareness on the seriousness of climate change, and Dr. Gupta was recognized for his work in providing a solution to the food crisis by

developing aqua farming technology to cultivate fish at a low cost.

The "Sunhak Peace Prize" established by the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification is a prize given to individuals or groups who have contributed to the peace and welfare of the future generations



[JTBC News] First Sunhak Peace Prize' President Tong of Kiribati and Dr. Gupta of India

President Anote Tong of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation and Dr. Modadugu. V. Gupta of India have been selected as dual laureates for the First Sunhak Peace Prize.

President Tong was recognized for his work of raising awareness throughout the global community on the seriousness of climate change; and Dr. Gupta was recognized for his contribution in strengthening self-reliance skills of the poor by spreading innovative aquaculture farming technology

[Newsis] President of Kiribati and Dr. Gupta of India, selected as laureates of the First Sunhak Peace Prize



On August 28, President Anote Tong (63) of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation, and Dr.Modadugu. V. Gupta (76), an Indian fishery scientist, were awarded the First Sunhak Peace Prize.

On this day, at 10 AM, the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee hosted the "First Award Ceremony of the Sunhak Peace Prize" at the Grand InterContinental Seoul Parnas Hotel in Gangnam, Seoul. The founder of the Sunhak Peace Prize Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon and the Chairman of the Sunhak Peace Prize Committee Dr. *Il-Sik Hong* handed a medal and plaque to each of the dual laureates.

The Chairman of National Assembly Ui-Hwa Jeong and Vice-president *Muhammad* Jusuf Kalla of Indonesia gave their congratulatory remarks, and more than 1,000 public figures representing politics, academia, business, media and religion, including current and former heads of state, participated in the Award Ceremony.

A Korean broadcaster Young-II Shin and announcer Sae-Mi Jung acted as master and mistress of ceremonies, and the fantastic harmony of the congratulatory performance by world-renowned vocalist Su-Mi Jo and the Korean traditional arts troupe the Little Angels raised the atmosphere of the Award Ceremony.





In his welcoming remarks, Dr. Il-Shik Hong said, "The present generations are given an historical responsibility to overcome the differences of races, nationalities, ideologies and religions, and to seek to realize a civilization of peace based on universal love for humanity." He then revealed his aspirations for the Sunhak Peace Prize. "Under the banner of the 'peace prize for future generations,' I hope the Sunhak Peace Prize will establish itself as a peace prize to open up a new horizon of peace by overcoming the deeply-rooted evil and limitations of civilization which humanity has built up until the twentieth century."

One of the winners, President Anote Tong, has raised global awareness on the severity of climate change throughout the international community as President of Kiribati, a South Pacific island nation vulnerable to the climate change crisis. Although Kiribati is facing a desperate predicament of being submerged by the ocean within thirty years, President Tong has taken the initiative in protecting the marine ecosystem by creating the world's largest marine preservation park. He has also made utmost efforts toward protecting the human rights of climate change refugees.

The joint winner, Dr. Modadugu Vijay Gupta, is an Indian fishery scientist who has laid the foundation for the "Blue Revolution" by actualizing explosive increases in fish