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What Society Do We Live In?

The TYCA participants started the "Urbanization & Diversity Day" with a walk around Omotesando and Harajuku. They ate Okonomiyaki and Monjayaki for lunch and walked to the Meiji Shrine, where the group experienced some Japanese traditions. At the Meiji Memorial Picture Gallery, the group learned more about Emperor Meiji and his important role in Japan's modernization process and development. Back at the Olympic Center, the participants started reflecting about all lessons learned so far.

"Japanese Spirit"

Learning about the traditions, history and perfect assurance that this place is safe daily life in Japan yielded many new even in Japan, known as one of the ideas and experiences. The Japanese, in safest countries in the world, and the past and the present, have a clear damage will be egregious if there were idea of who and what they are. It can be any untoward incidents because of seen in their streets, as tolerate foreign laxness in security. products and influences while maintaining their strict Japanese identity. However, there is no such thing as

Politician



Crowded street

"Green Space"

The orientation presented by Mr. Makoto which scientists have proven to be a Shirai impressed the participants about necessity in big cities such as Tokyo. how Japanese people change their stand However, some developing countries ard of livings. The area around Meiji would not be able to build the green Jingu Shrine used to be empty before the space like the one in Tokyo as scientists Meiji era, however, it is now covered with believe that it is quite a challenge to thousands of trees. It is believed that the convince government since it would trees were planted due to religious entail destroying the existing reason, but at present, it provides green infrastructures. space and environmental friendly area

Scientist



Forest in the Midst of a Modern City

"Impact of Western Civilization"

There was a period of time when Japan impossible to deny the fact that the struggled to take in enormous amounts of original Japanese industries could have Western culture including industries, been economically damaged from the technologies, and politics. Upon the intr sudden change in the society's demands, oduction of such new culture, the nation but such negative impact seems of Japan which at the time had been insignificant. The apparent negative point under developed, greatly modernized. about Japan's influx of western culture The foundation of Japan's growth to can be found when considering culture become one of the leaders of the world in and the loss of national identity of the the 20th century could be found here. It is Japanese citizens.

Economist



Lecture by Mr. Shirai

"Developing a Country, Keeping Identity"

Based on traditional supports, the strengths into their developing strategies. country can develop through imagination This way, Japan was able to develop in a more efficient way. For example, keeping traditional terms. However, the during the dramatic change in Meiji era, short comings are that the scenery of the people were encouraged by Meiji Tokyo was lost because sometimes the emp eror to contribute to the deve modern and the out-dated areas got lopment of the country. At the same time, mixed up. So it is important to know and the government observed other consider about the country's root and countries' strengths and applies those identity before thinking of development.

Sociologist



Torii of Meiji Shrine