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Tearing Down the Buddha: How Xi Jinping is Destroying Traditional Buddhism in Tibet

**A 99-foot tall Buddha statue in Tibet was destroyed by the Chinese government. The statue was built by and with the contribution of the local community of Drango in eastern Tibet after securing all necessary permissions from the local Chinese government.
(Tibet.net)**

CTA flays razing of Buddha's statues in Tibet

The CTA has flayed the Chinese government for the demolition of Buddha statues and monuments in Tibet. (Tibet.net)

Diplomatic boycott or not, no Indian minister to attend Beijing Winter Olympics'22

**India, while being not explicit in carrying out a diplomatic boycott of the Beijing Winter Olympics Feb 2022, and having actually expressed support for it last year, is not sending any government delegation to the global sporting event, much against China's wish.
(Tibetan Review)**

Chinese police seized late revered Tibetan monk's statue, roughed up those associated with it

Tibetans as well as a Chinese man responsible for commissioning the statue of Tulku Tenzin Delek Rinpoche and bringing it to his home county of Lithang in Karze Prefecture were taken into custody for up to a month while his relatives were also detained and beaten. (Tibetan Review)

Pema Tseden's Balloon: Discreet drama with a light touch

Balloon, the latest film from the foremost filmmaker in Tibet, which was nominated for the Golden Lion at the Venice Film Festival and won best screenplay at the Chicago Film Festival. (Tibetan Review)

China still silent on two Tibetan monk-brothers arrested in Sichuan five months ago

Chinese authorities in Kham Tibetan prefecture of Kardze, which is now part of China's Sichuan Province, took away two Tibetan monks in August last year and there is still no word on the reason for their arrest or their current conditions and situation. (Tibetan Review)

The U.S. government is boycotting the Beijing Olympics over human rights. Coke and Airbnb are still on board.

For two years, campaigners representing the people of Hong Kong, Tibet and China's Xinjiang region have been pushing U.S. and Western companies to either drop their sponsorships and broadcasts of the Games, which start Feb. 4. (The Washington Post)

Xi Jinping is Destroying Traditional Buddhism in Tibet

The Chinese Communist Party under Xi Jinping is determined to eliminate traditional Buddhists and Buddhism in Tibet. Even the most revered statues are being destroyed. (Global Order Live)



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#TIBET MATTERS

@benedictrogers:

THREAD: Thinking deeply about #Tibet, even as I continue to hold #HongKong, #Uyghurs, all of #China, #Taiwan, #Myanmar, #NorthKorea in my heart, as I write my book about #CCP #China #HumanRights You only have to read @CPHumanRights report to know why.

<https://twitter.com/benedictrogers/status/1482510549216813057>

@TashiDorjey_:

The demolitions of school, Buddha statues, & prayer wheels & the cases of subsequent arrests and detention of Tibetans by Chinese authorities are the show cast of China's belligerent attitude towards Tibetan culture, tradition & identity.
#ChinaExposed@VOATibetan
@BoycottHegemony

https://twitter.com/TashiDorjey_/status/1482784514740928512

@TenzynZochbauer :

Before the 2008 Olympic Games, my mother organised protests to draw attention to the terrible human rights situation in #Tibet. She warned governments not to join the Chinese propaganda show. In 2022, I continue this struggle and hope that the world won't repeat the same mistake.

<https://twitter.com/TenzynZochbauer/status/1482305448283983875>



DID YOU KNOW?



Tsongkhapa, meaning: "the man from Tsongkha" or "the Man from Onion Valley". (1357–1419) was an influential Tibetan Buddhist monk, philosopher and tantric yogi, whose activities led to the formation of the Gelug school of Tibetan Buddhism. He is also known by his ordained name Losang Drakpa or simply as "Je Rinpoche" He is also known by Chinese as Zongkapa Lobsang Zhaba or just Zōngkàbā. As a monk, he studied under numerous teachers of the various Tibetan Buddhist traditions which flourished in central Tibet, including Sakya, Jonang, Kagyu and Kadam.



TIBET WATCH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fc8BfWyWf-g>

Watch His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama's talk on "Cultivating a Good Heart" followed by a question and answer session online from his residence in Dharamsala, HP, India.