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Tibetan former political prisoner in failing health still watched by police

A Tibetan monk jailed for six years for taking part in Tibetan freedom protests is still being watched by police years after his release despite being crippled by beatings while in custody. (RFA)

DIIR Kalon Congratulates Bharat Tibbat Sahyog Manch on new Online Weekly Dialogue Series on Tibet

Kalon Norzin Dolma of the DIIR, CTA, congratulated Bharat Tibbat Sahyog Manch (BTSM), one of the largest Tibet Support Groups in India, on its new online weekly dialogue series on Tibet. (Tibet.net)

Ahead of Beijing Olympics, Suozzi draws attention to China's humanitarian crisis

U.S. Rep. Tom Suozzi is calling for the IOC to take a stand against the CCP before the start of the Winter Games in Beijing. Suozzi wants the IOC to address the party's alleged crimes against racial and ethnic groups in China, including Tibetan, Mongolian and Uyghur. (WSHU)

OOT Washington holds meeting of six Tibetan Associations in Canada

Office of Tibet Washington DC held a virtual meeting of the six Tibetan Associations (TA) in Canada on Saturday, January 29, 2022. The meeting was also attended by Canada Tibet Committee Chair, Executive Director and staffers from MP office. (Tibet.net)

Darjeeling Tibetan Settlement Officer Concludes Official Four-day Tour

Darjeeling Tibetan Settlement Officer, Darjeeling, paid his maiden official visit to the scattered Tibetan communities under the jurisdiction of the office. He was accompanied by newly appointed office Accountant and Secretary. (Tibet.net)

Japan parliament adopts resolution on human rights in China

Japan's parliament adopted a resolution on the "serious human rights situation" in China. The resolution, adopted by the lower chamber, said the international community has expressed concerns over such violation of religious freedom in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, Tibet and Hong Kong. (Reuters)

India Tibet Friendship Society organizes a virtual meeting "Bharat Tibbat Maitri Sangh Samvad"

One of the oldest Tibet Support Groups in India organized a virtual meeting of its chapters from all over India titled "Bharat Tibbat Maitri Sangh Samvad" The main purpose of the meeting was to reorganize and re-strengthen the group in order to actively work for the cause of Tibet. (Tibet.net)

58% UK fans will watch less of Winter Olympics, suggest polls

London-based polling agency Survation conducted an exclusive poll that found 58% of UK Olympic fans will most likely watch less of the Beijing Winter Olympics coverage, while 20% said that they will not watch at all, given the reports of human rights abuses by China. (Phayul)

Foreign journalists working in China complain of sharp rise in intimidation, other abuses

Media freedom in China, which has hardly existed even in the best of times, is now declining further at "breakneck speed", reported the [bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-57111111) Jan 31. The group has said that journalists working in the country face physical assaults, hacking, online trolling and visa denials. (Phayul)

After turbulent 2008 relay, torch to begin modest three-day route

The Olympic torch begins its three-day relay on Wednesday. The scale of the relay is nothing like 2008, when the globe-trotting torch became a lightning rod for critics of China's human rights record and advocates for Tibet independence, with sometimes violent clashes forcing changes to the itinerary. (Reuters)

Tibetan activists urge people not to watch bloody games - Beijing 2022 Olympics

Tibetan activists from Students for a Free Tibet hold a protest calling for a boycott of the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics in a snowy area of Dhauladhar Mountain in Dharamshala. (The Tibet Post)

Three NGOs call on the EU to adopt further sanctions against human rights violators in Tibet and Uyghur Region

In a joint letter, the FIDH, the ICT and the WUC called on the EU to extend its list of persons under asset freeze and travel ban for their involvement in human rights violations in the People's Republic of China. (ICT)



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#TIBET MATTERS

@Stanzin80261872:

In Dec last yr & a month later in Jan this yr, Chinese in Tibet demolished 2 massive statues of Buddha in Kham region of #Tibet This act of China has revived ugly memories of 2001 when Taliban had demolished 2 historic & giant statues of Lord Buddha in Bamiyan #ChinaExposed

<https://twitter.com/Stanzin80261872/status/1488399573504520193>

@TashiDorjey_:

NEARLY 60% OF WINTER OLYMPICS FANS WILL TURN OFF BECAUSE OF CHINA'S HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES Chinese Communist Party's brutal repression of #Tibet, its genocide of #UyghurMuslims, and its attacks on democracy in #HongKong, cannot be sport washed!

https://twitter.com/TashiDorjey_/status/1488397641775927298

@10Rigden:

A #Tibetan monk jailed for 6 yrs & crippled by beatings while in custody for taking part in Tibetan freedom protests is still being watched by police years after his release @SolomonYue @sidhant @rishi_suri @TibetPeople @MFGgearOfficial @lukedepulford @VP

<https://twitter.com/10Rigden/status/1488393113785679874>

@JamieMetzl:

If you are a journalist reporting on the @Beijing2022 Olympics and are not covering #Xinjiang, #Tibet, #COVID19 origins, #HongKong, #Taiwan, etc., you are not adequately covering the Beijing games.

<https://twitter.com/JamieMetzl/status/1488234259412393984>



DID YOU KNOW?



Marpa Lotsawa (1012–1097), sometimes known fully as Marpa Chokyi Lodro or commonly as Marpa the Translator was a Tibetan Buddhist teacher credited with the transmission of many Vajrayana teachings from India, including the teachings and lineages of Mahamudra. Due to this the Kagyu lineage, which he founded, is often called Marpa Kagyu in his honour. Although some accounts relate that the Mahasiddha Naropa was the personal teacher of Marpa, other accounts suggest that Marpa held Naropa's lineage through intermediary disciples only.



TIBET WATCH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hVAJaFrt6Oc>

His Holiness the Dalai Lama gives a talk on Buddhism and Science for Mongolian youth followed by a question-and-answer session, online from his residence in Dharamsala, HP, India.