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- **Secretary of the Department of Religion and Culture attends the 43rd Sakya Trizin Enthronement Ceremony**

Secretary of the Department of Religion and Culture, Chime Tseyang attended the Enthronement Ceremony of the 43rd Sakya Trizin Gyana Vajra Rinpoche at Sakya Magon Thubten Namgyal Ling in Puruwala on the 16th and 17th of March 2022. (*Tibet.net*)

- **Tibet's Tsewang Gyalpo Arya: Putin and Xi are Dangers to Humanity**

The Dalai Lama's liaison for Japan and East Asia predicts that Russia's Putin will fail in Ukraine just like China has failed to erase Tibet's religion, language, and way of life. (*Tibet.net*)

- **Exile Tibetan parliament concludes 2nd session, 3rd to start Mar 21**

The 17th TPiE is to hold its 3rd session from Mar 21 to 31 with the main agenda to discuss and adopt the annual budget of the CTA. Apart from a new Chief Justice Commissioner, this session will also need to confirm up to four more Kalons (Ministers) of the CTA. (*Tibetan Review*)

- **Dalai Lama: 'Might need a walking stick or wheelchair in future, am in great health otherwise'**

In his first public appearance over the past two years of Covid-19 restrictions, Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, assured his devotees at the Tsuglakhang, Dharamsala, on Mar 18 that he was in great health and did not even feel the need to go to Delhi for his routine checkup. (*Tibetan Review*)

- **Tibetan singer's death: Chinese authorities heightens security in Lhasa**

Tsewang Norbu died in the People's Hospital of TAR in Tibet's capital of Lhasa in the first weekend of March 2022. Judging by the current security measures to conceal his death and past state practices toward Tibetan political activists, it is likely that his body was not returned to his family & instead secretly cremated, the Indian news agency reported. (*India Blooms*)



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- **China Builds 1.20 Lakh Kms of Road Network in Tibet**

In Tibet, five townships and 67 administrative villages gained access to hard roads in 2021. This made hard roads reach 94.55 per cent of the region's total townships and 77.94 per cent of the total administrative villages by the end of the year, the department said. China has been ramping up infrastructure in Tibet. (*Republic World*)

- **Why China's New Road G216 Highway Will Mean Strategic Change for India**

The G216 highway is rarely mentioned in the Chinese media; it is one of China's most secret projects; the new road will one day link the two restive regions of Xinjiang and Tibet and become an alternative for the G219 (or Aksai Chin) Road, which was built on Indian territory in the early 1950s. The opening of the G216 will be a critical strategic change for India. (*News 18*)

- **China 'systematically impeded' travel to Tibet for journalists, diplomats: US State Dept.**

The Chinese communist government has "systematically" impeded travel to Tibetan areas to journalists, diplomats and American tourists in 2021, according to a new US State Department report. The report mandated by law under the Reciprocal Access to Tibet Act, 2018 was submitted to Congress on Wednesday, which is the fourth annual report on access to Tibet. (*Phayul*)

- **Prominent Tibetan writer, teacher and environmentalist Kunchok Tsephel released after more than 13 years in prison**

TCHRD understands that Tsephel and his family members are under close surveillance given the fact that Tsephel still has to serve the four years' supplementary sentence of 'deprivation of political rights', which allows the police discretionary power to impose extreme restrictions on his movement and activities. (*TCHRD*)

- **Health Information System (HIS) held at Dolmaling Nunnery and Institute**

The goal of the training is to introduce DHIS2 and strengthen the capacity of health care workers at the Dolma ling Nunnery Clinic to create a robust, reliable and efficient health information system for collecting health data. (*Tibet.net*)



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TIBET WATCH

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

His Holiness the Dalai Lama participates in a program on World Peace Through Compassion celebrating his receipt of the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize online from his residence in Dharamsala, HP, India on December 11, 2021 organized by Gaden Shartze Centre in Taiwan.



#TIBET MATTERS

@Tenam108:

#India has no interest to accept the useless visit of an arrogant FM of #China dictatorship, unless #Tibet is on agenda.

@ NetTibet:

“Everyone can practice non-violence; it only calls for determination. If you succeed, it will open the way to a far more peaceful world,” His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama. #MondayMotivation #DalaiLamaQuote

@freetibetorg:

This year, Freedom House has ranked Tibet as the least free country in the world for the second time, alongside Syria and South Sudan. For the past 6 years, Tibet has consistently been ranked among the worst countries in the world for political rights and civil liberties.

@dreamlhasa:

I checked every 2 hours for few days. China deleted hundreds of posts about #TsewangNorbu, the popular #Tibetan music star who reportedly #self-immolated to protest against #China and sadly passed away. Hundreds #netizens were looking for him as he has 598.7k followers.



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DID YOU KNOW?

Tsampa or roasted barley flour is a traditional staple food of Tibetan, for thousands of years, Tsampa has been the traditional staple food of Tibetan people. It is made of roasted whole-grain barley and is very easy to prepare, both at home and whilst travelling. There are several ways to prepare Tsampa or Roasted Barley Flour and the process of making Tsampa is quite simple. All we do is to wash the whole barley grains, then roast them with sand or alone, and finally, we grind the roasted grains into powder. After that, it is ready for us