



# THE ROOFTOP REVIEW

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- **China tunnels into sacred Tibetan Mountain in Sichuan**

Chinese crews working on a government-ordered railway line are tunneling through a mountain sacred to Tibetan residents of Sichuan, using artillery fire to weaken the rock face and speed their work. *(RFA)*

- **Central Tibetan Administration celebrates Tibetan Losar – the year of Water Tiger**

In the early morning on the First Day of Tibetan Losar, Central Tibetan Administration's Sikyong Penpa Tsering, Kalons, Speaker Khenpo Sonam Tenphel, Deputy Speaker Dolma Tsering, Parliamentarians and staff along with the monks of Namgyal Monastery gathered at Tsuglagkhang to celebrate the Tsetor, a ceremony that was practised since second Dalai Lama. *(Tibet.net)*

- **On Losar, Dalai Lama exhorts Tibetans to cultivate compassion**

Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama on Thursday greeted his fellow Tibetans inside Tibet, living in exile in India and in abroad. In a video message, the Dalai Lama said: "I am hopeful that on this occasion, Losar will be pleasant, joyful and comfortable for us all, for those of us in exile, but most especially for our fellow Tibetans throughout the three provinces of the land of snows." in a video message *(Hindustan Times)*

- **Wisconsin's Tibetan community prays for Ukrainian people amid Russian invasion**

Wisconsin's Tibetan community on Thursday hosted a prayer service for the people of Ukraine as Russia's invasion of its eastern European neighbor stretches into a second week. On Thursday morning's event, which also coincides with the Lunar New Year celebration, was designed to show solidarity with the Ukrainian people. It drew hundreds of people to the Deer Park Buddhist Center in Oregon. *(WGLR)*

- **Tibetan new year Losar celebrations begin**

Losar, the Tibetan New year celebrations, started yesterday at the Dalai Lama temple in McLeodganj. Tibetan new year Losar 2149, the year of water tiger festivities. Today the Dalai Lama temple was thrown open for general public and tourists. The temple that was a major tourist attraction in Dharamsala had been lying closed due to Corona pandemic for the past two years. *(The Tribune)*



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- **2022 Tibetan National Uprising Day Proclamation**

On March 10, 2022, Tibetans throughout the world will gather to commemorate the 63rd Anniversary of the Tibetan National Uprising against the brutal annexation of their country and pay tribute to more than one million Tibetans who lost their life in their struggle for the freedom of Tibet. (*Amherst Massachusetts*)

- **Tibetan Political Prisoners Remain the Target of Arbitrary Detentions and Torture: Global Human Rights Defence**

“Disproportionate force, disappearances, torture, persecution of families, wrongful convictions, and imprisonment are all parts of a growing reality for Tibetans living under Chinese control. In the past 25 years, the Tibetan Centre for Human Rights and Democracy (2021) has verified and updated the records of 5,107 prisoners in its database.”. (*Global Human Rights Defence*)



**#TIBET MATTERS**

**@Tibet Today:**

Greetings, singing, dancing, wine & laughter filled the air in #Lhasa, the #Tibet autonomous region, on Thursday for the Tibetan New Year Festival, known locally as Losar. According to the Tibetan calendar, this is the Year of the Water Tiger

**@International Campaign for Free Tibet:**

@UnderSecStateJ calls for dialogue: "I will actively promote meaningful and direct dialogue without preconditions between the government of the People's Republic of #China and the Dalai Lama or his representatives leading to a negotiated settlement on #Tibet"

**@Canberra Tibetans:**

Happy #Losar - #Tibetan New Year from @Canberra to all our brothers & sisters inside #Tibet and around the #world. Thanks to @ShaneRattenbury @RebeccaVassaro@AndrewBraddock @Deepak\_R\_Gupta@Rubenstein\_Kiml & Representatives from @RedCrossAU @amnestyOz @FINACT11 #HongKong

**@SFT India:**

In lead up to 10th MARCH 2022, the 63rd Tibetan Uprising Day, We 5 NGO Have Paint the Shop Shutter with one simple yet our Everyday Mantra "FREE TIBET" Mark the date and Join us Bod Gyalo #Tibet #FreeTibet #10THMARCH



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 **TIBET WATCH**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWDA4DrIj-A>

In this exclusive interview with Tibet TV, UnderSecretary Uzra Zeya answers a host of questions regarding her role as the newly-appointed USSpecial coordinator for Tibetan issues, the Biden-Harris administration's effort to engage China vis-a-vis Sino-Tibet conflict, diplomatic boycott of Beijing's 2022 Olympic in view of China's human rights record, the situation of Tibetan refugees in Nepal among others.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The "pangden" is the apron worn by many Tibetan and Ethnic Tibetan women on the front of their dress. They also wear similar, colorfully striped aprons around their waists and backside. Another fascinating aspect of the pangden is how it often signifies that a woman is married.