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"All the religions in the world have taught us lessons of peace, harmony and well being, still there are fights and hatred among people in the name of religion. We must all work towards putting an end to these fights and differences among each other and build a world full of happiness."

His Holiness the Dalai Lama at Kumbh Mela in Trimbakeshwar on August 30, 2015



His Holiness the Dalai Lama with Swami Karshni Gurusharanandaji Maharaj in Trimbakeshwar on August 30, 2015. (Photo Credit: Tenzin Choejor/OHHDL)

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Tibetan woman burns self in protest in China's 'New Socialist Village'

TCHRD, August 29, 2015

Tashi Kyi, age 55, self-immolated on the night of 27 August 2015 and died the next day, 28 August 2015. She was from Ngulra Village in Sangchu (Ch: Xiahe) County, Kanlho (Ch: Gannan) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Gansu Province.

More in: [TCHRD](#)

China's Tianjin blasts prompt raids in provinces, including in Tibet

Tibetan Review, August 27, 2015

Tibet Autonomous Region was among a handful of regions where the State Council, China's cabinet, ordered raids following the deadly Aug 13 explosions at a chemical warehouse facility in China's port city of Tianjin.

More in: [Tibetan Review](#)

Tibetans in Nangchen Hold Protest March, Several Arrested

Tibet.net, August 26, 2015

Several Tibetans were arrested by Chinese authorities after a group of Tibetans from Chumey township in Nangchen County (incorporated into China's Qinghai province) held a protest rally on 26 August.

More in: Tibet.net

Lithang Teenager Arrested for Staging Peaceful Protest

Tibet.net, August 26, 2015

Lobsang Thupten, a 17-year-old Tibetan teenager from Lithang, Kardze Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture (incorporated into China's Sichuan province) was arrested for staging a peaceful protest against the Chinese government's policies in Tibet.

More in: Tibet.net

Tibetan Prisoner in Failing Health Three Years Into 10-Year Term

RFA, August 26, 2015

Washul Dortruk, a Tibetan man jailed three years ago for preventing Chinese police from seizing the body of a self-immolation protester is in failing health in prison and has been refused family visits from his aging parents.

More in: RFA

Chinese Authorities Force Tibetan Literary Website Offline

RFA, August 25, 2015

Chinese authorities have shut down a website founded by a group of young Tibetans that served as a forum for news and literary writings in the native language of the residents of Tibetan-populated regions of western China.

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Young Tibetan Woman Detained Following Solo Protest in Ngaba

RFA, August 25, 2015

Police in southwestern China's Sichuan province have detained Dorje Dolma, a young Tibetan woman after she launched a brief protest on a central street in Ngaba (in Chinese, Aba) county, calling out for Tibetan freedom.

More in: RFA

IN EXILE

Dalai Lama meets sadhus at Trimbakeshwar

The Indian Express, August 31, 2015

Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama arrived at the holy town of Trimbakeshwar on Sunday to meet and interact with religious heads and mahants, who have all gathered for the ongoing Kumbh Mela.

More in: The Indian Express

Karnataka Orders Concerned Departments to Begin Work on Rehabilitation Policy

Tibet.net, August 28, 2015

The Karnataka Government issued a Gazette notification order, based on which all concerned Karnataka State Departments can formally initiate the implementation of the Tibetan Rehabilitation Policy.

More in: Tibet.net

Maiden Tibet film festival to open in Singapore

Phayul, August 28, 2015

The first 'Tibet Film Festival 2015' in Singapore is organized by Washington based nongovernmental organization Machik that works to develop new opportunities for education, self reliance and innovation inside Tibet.

More in: Phayul

Tibet – Not a Problem for China but a Solution for Asia: Sikyong

Tibet.net, August 27, 2015

"Tibet is not a problem for China, it is rather a solution for the whole of Asia," Sikyong Dr. Lobsang Sangay, the democratically elected political leader of the Tibetan people, underlined at a conference hosted by Ladakh International Centre at Leh.

More in: Tibet.net

Exile Tibet's Sikyong election now has five would-be candidates

Tibetan Review, August 25, 2015

Although the official lists of candidates for the upcoming exile Tibetan elections will be declared only after the preliminary poll in October this year, following by the acceptance by the election commission of the

nominations of voluntary candidates, five people have already offered their candidature for the Sikyong election.

More in: [Tibetan Review](#)

COLUMN

50 Years of Chinese Rule has Pushed Tibet into Ecological Disaster

ANI, The New Indian Express, August 29, 2015

Considering that the Tibetan Plateau is home to some of the world's most extensive underground aquifers, China's interest in the exploitation of these resources is obvious. Since the completion of the Golmud-Lhasa Railway in 2006, many such projects have been planned.

More in: [The New Indian Express](#)

Major policy meeting on Tibet in buildup to sensitive anniversary

ICT, August 28, 2015

A major policy meeting on Tibet presided over by China's top leader Xi Jinping concluded this week in Beijing, as security is tightened in Lhasa in advance of a political anniversary on September 1.

More in: [ICT](#)

Witnessing Development

by Gabriel Lafitte, Rukor, August 27, 2015

All the indications are that neither Xi Jinping nor his circle have fresh ideas, still less the somewhat more liberal approaches that make a decade ago, or three decades ago in Tibet seem a much more relaxed time.

More in: [Rukor](#)

China's Tibet Work Forum: Important Policy Guidelines Given By Xi Jinping – Analysis

by D.S. Rajan, SAAG, August 27, 2015

The pre- TAR anniversary scenario in China is marked by sure signs of fresh initiatives with regard to Centre's Tibet policy. Primarily, the need for such initiatives seems to have arisen from a change in Beijing's perceptions with regard to challenges for China's sovereignty over Tibet.

More in: [Eurasia Review](#)

Tibet: cherish unity with China as if it is your own eyes, says Xi

by Claude Arpi, August 26, 2015

Imposition of Putonghua could have severe backlashes on the Tibetan plateau. The unrest in March/April 2008 has already been a sign of rejection of the imposition of a new culture with Chinese characteristics.

More in: [Claude Arpi](#)

Related: [More on the 6th Tibet Work Forum by Claude Arpi](#)

PLA: new radars on the Roof of the World

by Claude Arpi, August 25, 2015

The mouthpiece of the Chinese Communist Party reminds us that China's "first unattended radar station has stood eight years on the top of Ganbala Mountain, with a height of 5,374 meters above the sea level on Qinghai-Tibet Plateau." Now, the website affirms that "another three unattended radars were going to be installed in order to form a radar network with the previous one."

More in: [Claude Arpi](#)

PRESS RELEASE

Kalachakra Initiation Postponed for One Year

Tibet.net, August 31, 2015

Central Tibetan Administration has requested His Holiness to reduce his schedule to which he has kindly agreed. Therefore, the Central Tibetan Administration would like to announce that the Kalachakra has been postponed for one year.

More in: [Tibet.net](#)



6TH TIBET WORK FORUM

Vows to Keep Tibet

VOA, August 31, 2015

At a meeting of senior Chinese communist party leaders in Beijing known as the Sixth Work Forum on Tibet, Xi Jinping pledged to fight against Tibetan aspirations for greater freedom from Chinese controls, which Tibetan activists and rights groups have described as being harsh and repressive.

More in: [VOA](#)

China vows to continue grip on Tibet

by Ben Blancharf, The Sydney Morning Herald, August 26, 2015

China will continue to fight against Tibet separatism, President Xi Jinping said, as his government repeated it would never accept exiled Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama's genuine autonomy proposals.

More in: [The Sydney Morning Herald](#)

Xi for infusing "socialist values" in Tibetan schools to wean away kids from Dalai Lama

by Saibal Dasgupta, TNN, August 26, 2015

Chinese president Xi Jinping has asked officials to alter school curriculum of Tibetan children in order to incorporate "core socialist values".

More in: [The Times of India](#)

China Will Never Accept Dala Lama's "Middle Way"

by Liu Rong, People's Daily Online, August 26, 2015

The Chinese central government will never accept the "Middle Way" proposed by the Dala Lama group, China's United Front said in its official website in an article pen named Kelsang.

More in: [People's Daily Online](#)

China's fight against Dalai Lama, separatism will continue: Prez Xi

by Sutirtho Patranobis, Hindustan Times, August 26, 2015

China will continue its fight against the spiritual head of the Tibetans, the India-based Dalai Lama, to ensure national and ethnic unity and social stability in the Tibetan Autonomous Region, President Xi Jinping said in Beijing.

More in: [Hindustan Times](#)

Xi unveils his vision to make Tibetans more Chinese

Xinhua, WCT, August 26, 2015

China's president, Xi Jinping, has underlined national and ethnic unity as the key plans for Tibet, vowing a focus on long-term, comprehensive stability and an unswerving anti-separatism battle.

More in: [Want China Times](#)

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