

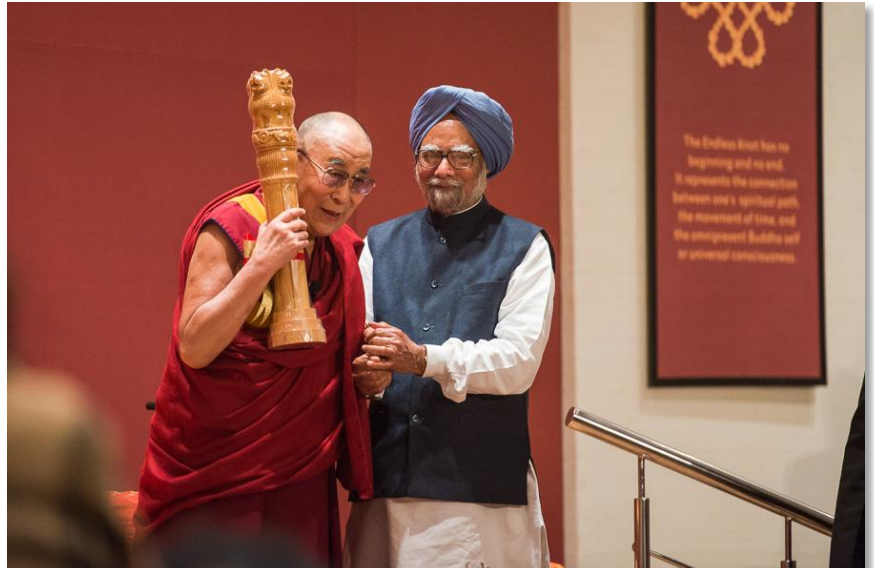
Weekly Tibet News Digest

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"Ours is a land of rishis and he is one of them helping guide the country on a righteous path. In these turbulent times, he teaches us to combine our spiritual values with our use of science and technology for material development. I can only pray that he lives long so the people of India, of Asia and the world may benefit from his blessings."

Dr Manmohan Singh at the 'Celebrating His Holiness' event in New Delhi, India on January 4, 2016



His Holiness the Dalai Lama holding the National Emblem presented by Former Indian Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh at the 'Celebrating His Holiness' event in New Delhi, India on January 4, 2016. Photo/Tenzin Choejor/OHHDL

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Tibet Sees Record Number of Air Passengers in 2015

The New Indian Express, IANS, 09 January 2016

Tibet saw a record 3.63 million air passengers in 2015, up 15.2 percent from the previous year, regional civil aviation statistics show. The region opened 13 new air routes in 2015, bringing its operating routes to 63.

Hotel in China Bans Spoken Tibetan, Backs Off After Outcry

RFA, 08 January 2016

The Shang Yon hotel in Rebgong (in Chinese, Tongren) county in the Malho (Huangnan) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture had initially forbidden Tibetan workers from speaking their own language on the job.

TAR introduces new rules to preserve water

Phayul.com, 08 January 2016

The Chinese authorities of the "Tibet Autonomous Region" have introduced ten new regulations for the conservation of the local water resources and the water ecosystem due to the unregulated exploitation.

Tibetan Monk Detained, Warned Over Plans to Publish Book

RFA, 06 January 2016

Lu Konchog Gyatso, a monk at the Lhamo Dechen monastery in Qinghai's Malho (in Chinese, Huangnan) Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, was taken into custody on Nov. 7 after local authorities became aware that a manuscript of his book was ready to go to print.

China strengthens party presence in Tibet's colleges as anti-separatism measure

Tibetan Review, 30 December 2015

More than 6000, or 17.2 percent, of the 36,000 students in the six universities and colleges in Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) are members of the Communist party of China, reported China's online Tibet news service eng.tibet.cn Dec 28. The report did not say, however, how many of them were Tibetan.

IN EXILE

His Holiness the Dalai Lama Offers Condolences to Ms Mehbooba Mufti

dalailama.com, 08 January 2016

His Holiness the Dalai Lama wrote to Ms Mehbooba Mufti to express his sadness on hearing the news that her father, Mufti Mohammad Sayeed had passed away in New Delhi.

Sikyong Delivers Acharya Kripalani Memorial Lecture at Delhi

tibet.net, 08 January 2016

Sikyong Dr Lobsang Sangay delivered the Acharya Kripalani Memorial Lecture at Gandhi Peace Foundation in New Delhi. Dr Subhash C. Kashyap, Former Parliamentary Secretary of Lok Sabha, chaired the Lecture which included speakers such as Prof. Anand Kumar, and Shri Pyare Mohan Tripathi, Trustee of Acharya Kripalani Memorial Trust.



Celebrating His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Delhi in his 80th Year

dalailama.com, 05 January 2016

His Holiness the Dalai Lama was very welcomed in Delhi by old friends who wished to celebrate his reaching his 80th birthday at the Oberoi, New Delhi.

34th Kalachakra to be held in January 2017: His Holiness the Dalai Lama

tibet.net, 01 January 2016

Expressing new year's greetings, His Holiness the Dalai Lama announced on the second day of the Sixteen Drops of Kadam Empowerment at Bylakuppe that the 34th Kalachakra initiation would be held in January 2017.

COLUMN

China's first counter-terror law and its implications for Tibet

ICT, 07 January 2016

China has passed its first counter-terror law, rejecting concerns from international governments that draconian measures in the name of national security are being used to crack down on Tibetans, Uyghurs and Chinese civil society and to undermine religious freedom.

Take a deep breath: counseling in Tibet required

by Claude Arpi, 03 January 2016

During the recent Shigatse 'counseling', the detachment's counselors, Zhang Yan and Li Linfu, "fully played to their strengths by using plain language to explain to the new recruits how to alleviate their own psychological pressure.

A Message to All Tibetan Youth

By Thubten Phuntsok, High Peaks Pure Earth, 24 December 2015

Historically speaking, when the Tibetan people and religion are afflicted with suffering only those older, civil servants are were able to struggle for the truth. For example, the elderly People's Liberation Army soldier, Tashi Wangchuk, Baba Phuntsog Wangyal, Yarling Dorje and the likes of Jamphel Gyatso. That fact that I have not seen a Tibetan Lama, Trulku or Abbot strive for the truth like the late Panchen Rinpoche is a matter for further investigation.

Saving Tibet from the Tibetans; saving Tibetans from Tibet

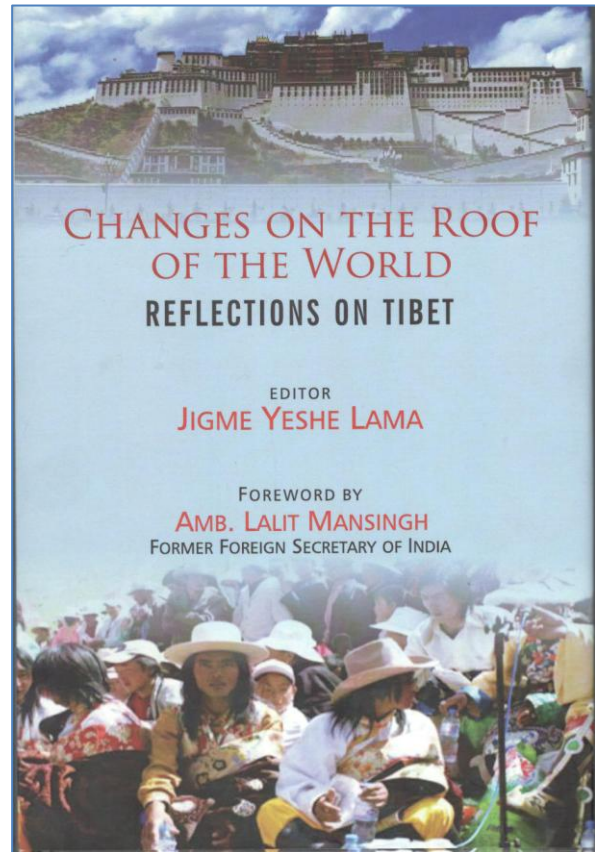
by Gabriel Lafette, Rukor, 26 December 2015

Han Chinese struggle to survive in Tibet, and struggle even harder to not only survive but thrive, and live productive lives, in air so thin that each breath seems fearfully to be one's last. At least ten percent of lowland Han Chinese sent to Tibet, or migrating to seek their fortune, never adapt to the altitude, suffer severe mountain sickness, for which the only remedy is to return to a lower altitude.

Quote of the Week

Just as we observe physical hygiene to defend our bodily health, we need a sense of emotional hygiene to preserve our inner peace and overall well-being.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama




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for the 10th Batch of

Tibetan Language Course

Tibet House is resuming its Tibetan Language Course after a successful completion of the 9th Batch. Mr. Pema Choedak, an experienced Tibetan Language Teacher from Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi, will lead the classes.

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