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DUEDROI RANGWANG ZHIDEY TSHOGCHUNG



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1.INTRODUCTION

1.1. Background

The Duedroi Rangwang Zhidhey Tshogchung (DRZT), Animal Right and Welfare Association (ARWA) is a non-profit organization established to cultivate compassion for animals by promoting abstention from consumption of all animal meat related products to benefit all sentient beings.

We educate people to lead life in accordance with truth and high morality at all levels which in turn will aid spiritual, physical and mental development. This noble and sustainable concept was born from the hearts of a group of merciful people who initiated the creation of a We-chat group to sensitize about the ill treatment given to animals and to gather likeminded people to build a viable organization. It was formed in mid-2015 in dedication to the 60th Birth Anniversary of the 4thDrukGyalpo, thus the Foundation Day was fixed on 11th of November coinciding with the birth anniversary of His Majesty the Fourth Druk Gyalpo.

The Tshogpa is being managed by 7 trustee board members, ED, AO and other office staffs with over 10,386 members from all the 20 Dzongkhags in Bhutan, USA, Dubai and Australia. The working within the members of the association is guided by the Article of Associations, Service Rules and Regulations, Financial Manual, and Memorandum of Association of the Civil Society Organization Authority.

1.2. Aims and objectives

- ✓ To promote ways and means to adopt a Healthy eating habit(Karzay lifestyle)
- ✓ To strive to avoid consumption of Non-vegetarian food (Marzay lifestyle)
- ✓ To promote development of connection and relationships between human beings and the four elements, earth, water, fire and wind (Djung-wa-Zhi);
- ✓ To disseminate the benefits of non-violence and a lifestyle of vegetarianism that does not demand killing of animals, and
- ✓ To cultivate the practice of good intention and knowledge in human beings by reaching out relevant information to the general public through various means.

We intend to promote peace, love and affection to animals and society at large and will use needful measures to stop bloodshed and killing of animals. While at it, the target of the various programs under it will be the general public and we therefore won't be dealing with individual people. The Association does not have any physical or geographical limit since it is intended to help every sentient being regardless of limitations. However, for the legal recognition and operational purpose, it will mainly function within the territorial boundary of the Kingdom of Bhutan in accordance to the law of the land.

1.3. Scope of the Activities

The scope of the activities covers a wide range of topics such as Karzay (vegetarian) lifestyle, Advocacy programs, conducting training on vegetable culinary, designing and distribution of advocacy materials such as pamphlet/ brochures and posters, observing the World Vegetarian Day, DRZT Foundation Day and research on Development of Vegetarian data base. These are the main aims and objectives plus the scopes of the organizations.

2. PROGRAM

Since the functions of the Association is intended to promote peace, love and affection to animals and society at large, the Association and its members will use any measures to stop bloodshed and killing of animals.

DRZT consists of two program divisions namely (1) Division of Research (2) Division of Program. The Division of Program deals with the advocacy programs such as providing trainings on Vegetable Culinary Training, aiming to reduce the meat consumption and reduce the number of animal slaughters. While Research Division will undertake research works mainly on the non-vegetarianism and vegetarianism. As a part of 3 years Annual Work plan, DRZT has implemented the following activities.

2.1 Advocacy Program

2.1.1. Awareness Program-Feeding stray dogs.

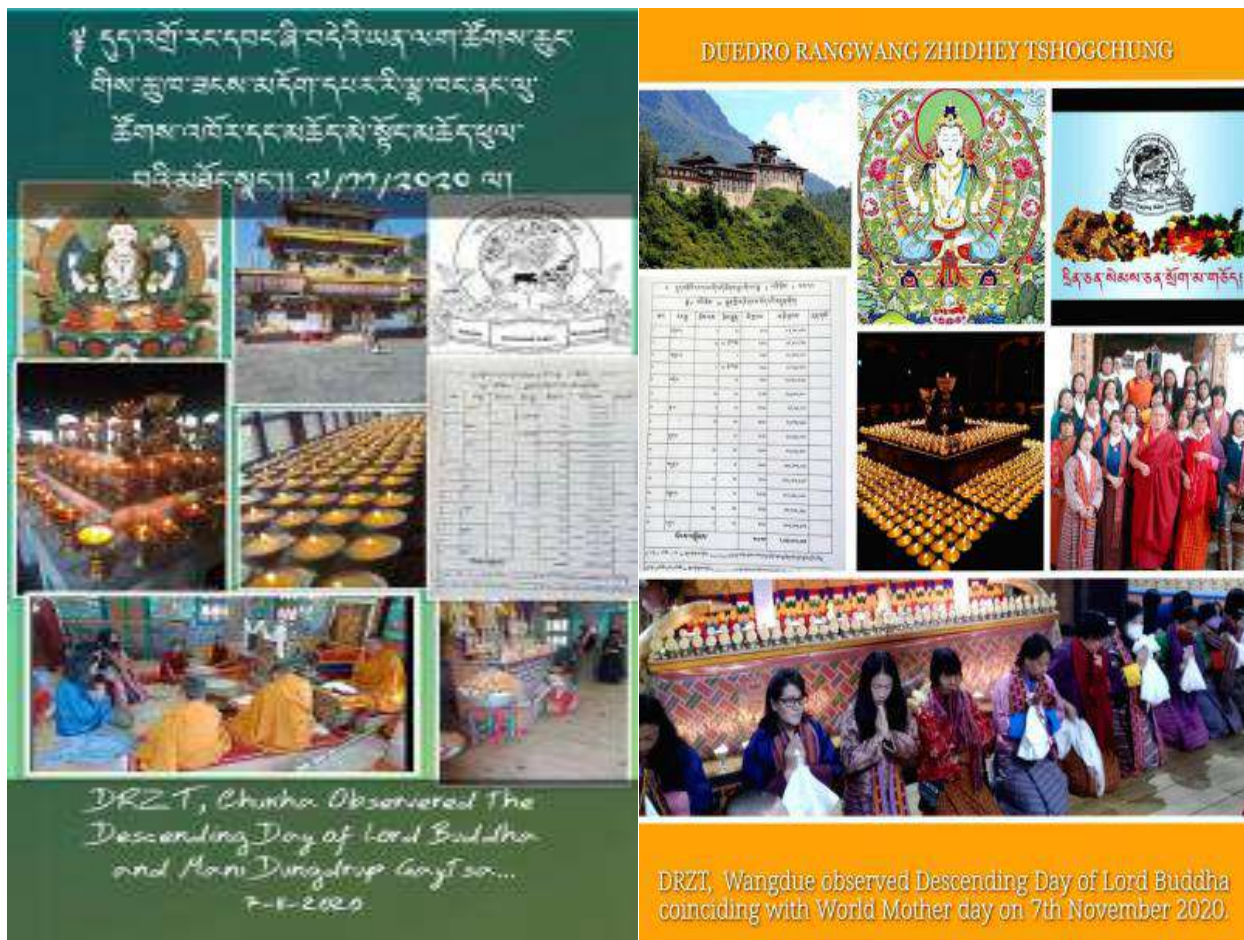
When the Nation was under lockdown, His Majesty the king commanded the Government to take care of all the stray dogs in Bhutan. Since dogs are usually dependent on scraps and left over foods from hotels and other residents, dogs were on the verge of turning feral when the pandemic locked everyone inside their homes. So in order to support His Majesty's Kidu Fund program, DRZT contributed a humble contribution on 31/08/ 2020.



28/10/2020: The DRZT trustee members called on the Honorable Prime Minister of Bhutan and offered small contribution to support Government during outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic in the country.

2.1.2. Awareness Program - World Vegetarian Day.

DRZT could not observe, 'World Vegetarian Day 2020' due to COVID – 19 pandemic. Therefore, in line with the decision taken during the Trustee Meeting held on 27/9/2020, DRZT members chanted 13 billion Mani and the organizers offered butter lamps (Karmi) in 20 Dzongkhags coinciding with the descending day of Lord Buddha. Members in all Dzongkhags invoked the unseen forces by offering butter lamps and tshogs (edible offerings) as per the direction of the Trustee Members. We have also received reports from all Dzongkhags along with the expenditure statements accordingly.



DRZT members in different dzongkhags offered butter lamps and prayer for good health of all sentient being.

2.1.3 Awareness Program-Descending day of Lord Buddha

Duedroi Rangwang Zhidey Tshogchung offered another humble contribution for the Purjang (Getsa and Melam) of His Holiness Je Thrizur Tenzin Doendrup on the Descending day of Lord Buddha. Trustee members and Thimphu Dzongkhag joined in offering contribution with prayers representing others members in the Dzongkhags. The cash was handed over to His Eminence Dorji Lopen of Zhung Dratshang by the Trustee members.



DRZT members offered their Prayer to late His Holiness Je Thrizur Rinpoche on 7/11/2020.

2.1.4 Awareness Program-Chenrigzig Druchen-Lhuntse

During the Kurim performed during the pandemic to lessen the magnitude and its impact, DRZT offered Tashi Moenlam by offering Tshog and butter lamps with the addition of a humble monetary offering from the DRZT account at Autsho Namdroling Goenzin Dratshang, Lhuntse. The offering was made during Chenrezig Drubchen dated 25/2/2021 conducted by His Holiness the 70th Je Khenpo and monks in order to pacify the current pandemic.



His Holiness the 70th Je Khenpo and monks offering prayers during chenrigzig Drupchen.

2.1.5 Awareness Program- Zhabdrung Kuechoe-Punakha

DRZT offered butter lamps, Tshog and lunch to the monks presiding kurims for the Nation, to subsidize the magnitude of the pandemic. Expenditure for it was utilized from the DRZT account for the Zhabdrung Kuechoe on 22/4/2021 corresponding with the 10th of third Bhutanese month at Punakha Dzong. The DRZT members and Ketshothuemi from Punakha joined to offer prayers and butter lamps for the benefit of all sentient beings.



DRZT members offered prayers and butter lamps during Zhabdrung Kuechoe.

2.2 Vegetable Culinary Training

DRZT in line with 3 year work plan organized vegetable Culinary Training Programme. 25 participants from five Dzongkhags (Gasa, Punakha, Wangdue, Tsirang and Dagana) and RBP from Punakha attended the two-week programme. The training was conducted by the experienced national chefs and professionally trained chef from the Chitkara University graduates. The participants were taught more than sixty varieties of vegetable culinary items. The Venerable Lam of Khuru inaugurated the training programme on 29th of April 2021. The two weeks training was closely monitored by the DRZT office. The guests from Punakha and Wangdue Dzongkhags including Lams were invited to taste the lunch and dishes prepared by the participants. It was noted that one of the common problems faced by all vegetarian is finding the best substitute for meat.

The participants mentioned that it was the problem of not knowing how to prepare different varieties of curries back at home. They promised to help others in cooking different items during Choku and gathering places and to advocate on the preparation of vegetable culinary items after the training. Daily 5 to 8 items were cooked and taught inclusive of Chinese, continental, Korean, etc. besides Bhutanese cuisine.



Banner – Vegetable Culinary Training – Punakha.



The Venerable Khuru Lam inaugurated the training programme.



DRZT Chair and Gasa coordinator with the Chiefs.



Varieties of dishes prepared by the participants during training.



Officials from RBP who came to taste the dishes prepared by the participants.



Participant were awarded with the certificate of participation in the basic vegetable culinary training program.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Duedroi Rangwang Zhidey Tshogchung Sustain itself with the support from donation and membership fees to execute its planned activities. The organization is audited by the Royal Audit Authority as required by the CSO Act of Bhutan.

The following are audited financial report of the DRZT for the fiscal year July 2020 to June 2021.


DUEDROI RANGWANG ZHIDEY TSHOGCHUNG
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS STATEMENT
 For the Fiscal Year July 2020 to June 2021

RECEIPTS		SCHEDULE	June 30, 2021	PAYMENTS	SCHEDULE	June 30, 2021
Opening Balances		1		Operating Expenditures:		
1. Cash in Hand			-	1. Personnel Emoluments	5	239,000
2. Cash at Bank			6,379,359	2. General and Admin. Expenses	6	207,834
Receipts:				Program	7	871,843
1. Donation		2	3,111,145	Training	8	206,374
2. Membership Fess		3	434,400	Capital Expenditures:		
3. Other Incomes		4	288,273	Purchase of Fixed Assets	9	124,823
TOTAL			10,213,177	Closing Balances:	10	8,563,303
				1. Cash in Hand		7,038
				2. Cash at Bank		3,056,265
				3. Fixed Deposit		5,500,000
				TOTAL		10,213,177

Amounts in Nu.

For Rinzing Financial Private Limited


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 Audit Partner
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 Rinchen Wangmo,
 Officiating Executive Director

For Duedroi Rangwang Zhidey Tshogchung


 Tshering Penjor,
 Chairperson





“By reducing the amount of meat you consume, you will reduce animals suffering and you will decrease the number of animals slaughtered”

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