



Celebration of HRH Gyalsem's 1st Birthday



The Dzongkhag officials led by Dasho Dzongdag, Lam Neten, Dasho Drangpoen, SP of RBP, DT Thrizin, Sector & Regional Heads and Gups of 17 Gewogs gathered at the Dratshang Kuenrey to commemorate the 1st Birth Anniversary of Her Royal Highness Gyalsem, Sonam Yangden Wangchuck on 9th September, 2024.

The event was marked by lighting of 1000 butter lamps followed by Zhug-

drel Phuensum Tshogpa and consecration of 17 Zhabdrung statues which were later handed over to the Gewog officials by Lam Neten and Dasho Dzongdag.

The Lam Neten highlighted on the significance of the Zhabdrung statue, and urged the Gups/Mangmis to receive it with great reverence and blessings.

The Statues of Zhabdrung all placed in the respective Gewog vehicles,



adorned with five-colored scarves. In the Gewogs, the Statues were received by Gewog officials and community people. They also offered butter lamps and prayers for the good health and longevity of the Gyalsem.

The statues were soelra from HM, the King to all the 205 Gewogs to mark the special occasion of HRH the Gyalsem's 1st Birthday.

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Highlights

- **NC Chairperson Visits the Dzongkhag**
- **RIGSS Mobile Leadership Training**

Exit Meeting with Members of Parliament (NA)



lated to public service delivery across sectors such as Health, Agriculture & Livestock, Education, Human Resources, Tourism, Transport, and Financing (ESP and loans). They focused on addressing these concerns and agreed on follow-up actions to be taken by the Dzongkhag.

The People's Representatives of Monggar Dzongkhag raised concerns from three constituencies during the Exit Meeting held on 17th September 2024, in the presence of Dasho Dzongdag, Dasho Dzongrab, and sector heads.

The MPs discussed various issues re-



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Visit of NC Chairperson to the Dzongkhag



On 13th September 2024, the Hon'ble National Council Chairperson, His Excellency Sangay Dorji, visited Mongar Dzongkhag. In the morning, His Excellency met

with the teachers and the students of Mongar Higher Secondary School. In the afternoon, HE granted an audience to Dzongkhag & Regional Heads, and the principals of the nearby schools. DT Thrizin, Thromde Ngotshanb also attended the meeting.

During the meeting, the Hon'ble Chair thanked the public servants for their dedicated service and contribution to the nation-building. The Hon'ble Chairperson also highlighted several significant Royal initiatives, including the Gelephu Mindfulness City, Desuung Skilling Program,

and the Gyalsung Program, and the need to render our support and prayers. HE also engaged in an interactive session with the attendees, listening to their concerns and queries and sharing words of wisdom and recommendations. HE is on an official tour to the central and eastern Dzongkhags.



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RIGSS Mobile Leadership Training for Professional Excellence



In order to strive for excellence in leadership, the Royal Institute for Governance and Strategic Studies (RIGSS) in collaboration with the Dzongkhag Administration, Mongar has conducted two cohorts of RIGSS Mobile Leadership Training at Kidheykhar HSS from 28th August to 3rd September 2024. A total of 408 participants (202 and 206 respectively in each batch) from diverse sub-

agencies within the Dzongkhag including the Dzongkhag Administration, Gewogs, schools, regional offices, and corporations attended the leadership training.

During the 3-day session, the RIGSS Team led by the RIGSS Director, Dasho Chewang Rinzin trained public servants under the Dzongkhag on essential leadership skills that contribute to professional excellence cover-

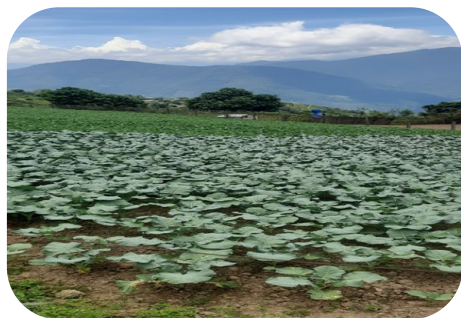


ing topics such as Cultivating Mindfulness and Emotional Intelligence for Effective Leadership, Leadership and Followership, Effective Communication Skills, Organizational Culture, AI and Prompt for ChatGPT and Professionalism and Mindset in Public Service.



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Fresh Vegetables & Fruits for Gyalsung Infra



vegetables, including mushrooms, and three types of fruits are made available for the Gyalsung Academy. The supply began on 29th August, 2024. Within three weeks, a total of 2.29 MT of vegetables and 0.472 MT of fruits, valued at Nu.1.82 million, have been earned by the farmers and groups in-



The Gyalsung Academy in Gyalpoizhing has partnered with local farmers from Mongar, Drepoong, Chali, Tsakaling, Saling, and Tsamang Gewogs to supply fresh vegetable and fruits. These vegetables and fruits are supplied twice a week (on Monday and Thursday). A total of 22 types of



involved. A total of 248 households, 6 middlemen, and FCBL are engaged in the vegetable supply chain to Gyalsung. The Dzongkhag Agriculture Sector is providing full technical support for production, while RAMCO is handling the marketing aspects.

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Legislative Committee Consultative Meeting with Stakeholders



On 4th September 2024, the Legislative Committee of the National Council of Bhutan organized a consultation meeting in Mongar Dzongkhag to discuss the proposed amendments to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Act 2013.

The meeting brought together key stakeholders, including contractors, Dzongkhag engineers, and members of the local business community, providing a platform for an open exchange of ideas and concerns. The consultation was held in the presence of Dasho Dzongrab and the DT Thrizin, underscoring the importance of the discussion to the region.

The objective of the session was to gather diverse opinions, suggestions, and recommendations from the participants regarding the ADR Act's revision. By engaging with professionals who are directly impacted by the Act,



the Legislative Committee aimed to ensure that the amendments reflect practical needs and address any issues experienced during its implementation.

The feedback from this meeting will be crucial in shaping the final draft of the revised ADR Act, contributing to the creation of a more effective and comprehensive dispute resolution framework for Bhutan.



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Dzongkhag-Level Drama Performances Held for Selected Higher Secondary Schools

The Dzongkhag-level drama performances for selected higher secondary schools were successfully coordinated by the Mongar Education Sector, with significant support from the Dzongkhag Administration to ensure smooth execution and fair evaluation. Earlier in May of this year, 4 higher schools competed among each other out of which Yadi CS and Mongar

HSS were declared first and second respectively.

Yadhi CS performed a drama based on the theme “Impacts of Social Media,” highlighting both the positive and negative aspects of social media in an educational and thought-provoking manner.

Similarly, Mongar HSS presented a drama titled “A Tale of Bhutan’s Legacy,” which celebrated the heroic deeds of Bhutan’s great leaders and showcased the country’s rich customs and traditions.

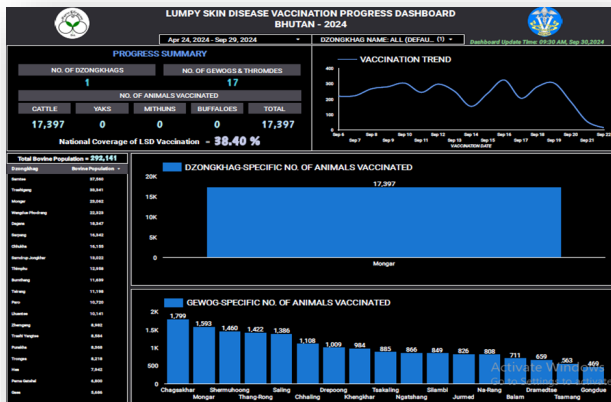
The performances were evaluated by a panel of judges based on a set of criteria guided by detailed rubrics to ensure fairness. The evaluation team,

consisting of officials from the Dzongkhag Administration and a teacher from Mongar Middle Secondary School, declared Yadi Central School's performance as the top-ranking, followed by Mongar Higher Secondary School.



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Protecting Livestock: The Lumpy Skin Disease Vaccination Campaign in Mongar



In September 2023, the first nationwide mass vaccination campaign was launched, successfully achieving 100% coverage in Mongar Dzongkhag. Recently, the second round was completed over 15-18 days, targeting 75% coverage. However, 80% of the 17,397 cattle across all 17 Gewogs in Mongar were vaccinated, thanks to effective coordination between livestock services, farmers, and local authorities. The Dzongkhag Administration provided crucial financial support, covering travel expenses to ensure vaccines reached even remote areas.

Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD), a highly contagious viral infection affecting cattle, was first detected in Bhutan in July 2020. By 2023, the disease had severely impacted cattle populations, with Mongar Dzongkhag losing 1,704 cattle. Since there is no effective treatment for LSD, vaccination remains the most reliable method to control and prevent its spread.

The third and final round of vaccination is scheduled for 2025, a critical phase for the complete eradication of LSD in the region. Continued collaboration among stakeholders and sustained financial support will be vital to protect the cattle population, prevent further losses, and secure the livelihoods of farmers across Mongar Dzongkhag.

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UNDP Mission to GEF Eco-Tourism Project Sites



are the activities implemented in FY 2023-24 through UNDP-GEF Eco-tourism project. In addition, they paid a courtesy visit to Dasho Dzongdag and Dasho Dzongrab, where discussions centered on the ongoing ecotourism initiatives. The UNDP-GEF Eco-tourism project

On September 9th and 11th, 2024, a UNDP mission team, led by Resident Representative Mr. Mohammad Younus, visited key sites of the GEF Ecotourism Project in Mongar Dzongkhag. The team visited the Latongla Birding Trail, Richanglu Recreational Park, and the eco-trail from Phurjurlaptsa to Jaiphu. These



activities in this fiscal year include continuing the eco-trail from Jaiphu Pam to Pongchula (phase II), revitalizing children's park and developing tourism infrastructures and facilities in Aja Nye.

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Mongar MSS Cluster Hosts Primary School Sports Carnival



The Primary School Sports Carnival, held from September 27-29, 2024, in Mongar Dzongkhag, was a dynamic celebration of sportsmanship, physical fitness, and teamwork. The event brought together primary school students from across the Mongar Cluster, providing a platform to promote health and well-being, foster teamwork, and identify young athletic talent. Additionally, the carnival supported holistic development, extending learning beyond the academic sphere.

The event was made possible through the generous support of the Ministry of Education and Skilled Development, alongside logistical assistance from the Mongar Dzongkhag DEO Office, under the leadership of Dasho Dzongdag. Their combined efforts ensured the smooth execution of the program.



Eight schools competed in football and volleyball, with both boys and girls showcasing their skills and team spirit. The carnival also promoted

community engagement, with strong support from students, teachers, and parents.

The event successfully achieved its goals of encouraging sports participation and fostering a culture of physical activity. Organizers plan to make this an annual event to further nurture a love for sports and fitness among the youth of Mongar. Heartfelt thanks were extended to all involved in making the event a resounding success.



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Welcoming New Members

On 11th September 2024, the Dzongkhag Administration welcomed 8



new members to its civil service fraternity: 1 Adm. Asst., 1 warden, 3 caretakers for schools, 2 water caretakers and 1 account assistant. Following an orientation by the HR Section, in an audience with Dasho Dzungdag, Dasho emphasized the

importance of being cognizant of one's primary responsibilities and to multitask when the situation calls for it. Dasho also reminded them of the need to serve 24/7 and as exemplary humans in the community as civil servants. Principal DEO, as the representative of the Education Office also met with them.

Similarly, on 16th September 2024, Mr. Chimi Dorji has joined as an Accounts Assistant in the Finance Section. He was appointed by the Human Resource Division of the Ministry of Finance following his

selection through an open interview process.



The Dzongkhag wholeheartedly extends its best wishes to them for success in all their professional endeavors.

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Month in Pictures



Glimpse of the Tsakaling Tshechu on 24th September 2024



1st Birth Anniversary of HRH the Gyalsen

Month in Pictures



Gyalsung Program officially started on 5th Sept. 2024



RIGSS—Mobile Leadership Training



Handing taking of Kaja between Gyaltshap Office & Mongar Dzongkhag—25th Sept. 2024

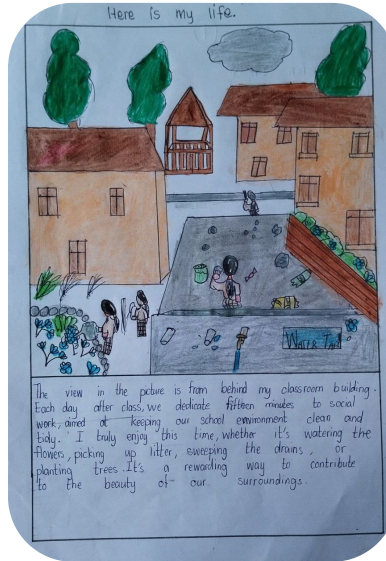


MoESD Lyonpo visiting Schools under Mongar Dzongkhag - 5-10 Sept. 2024

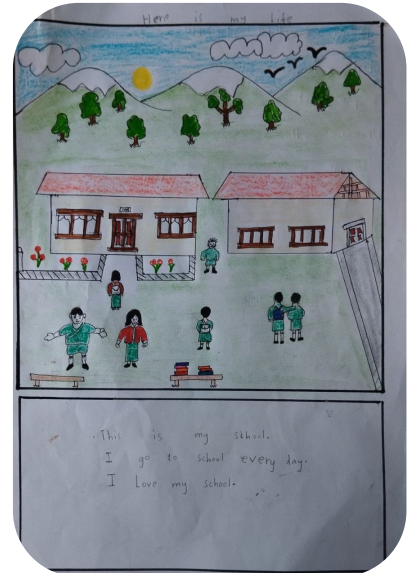
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Dramey Thinley Chhigyel
9 years old
Class III
Dramedtse HSS

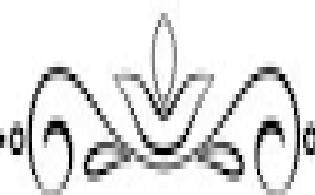


Ugyen Dechen Choden
11 years old
Class VI
Dramedtse HSS



Euphelma Zungdryel Wangchuk
7 years old
Class II
Dramedtse HSS

Winners of Enniki Art Competition for the year 2024 (Dzongkhag-level)



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