



Hon'ble Minister inaugurates GEF –8 PMU Office at Wengkhar



9th February 2026, Mongar: The Minister of Agriculture and Livestock (MoAL) inaugurated the Project Management Unit (PMU) office for the project titled **“Productive and Sustainable Food Systems in Bhutan for Environmental Benefits and Gross National Happiness”** at the Agriculture Research and Development Centre (ARDC), Wengkhar, Mongar, during his ongoing tour to the eastern and south-central Dzongkhags.

The inauguration was conducted in a simple yet meaningful ceremony, marking an important milestone in the implementation of the project. The event was attended by the Dasho Dzongdag of Mongar Dzongkhag, the Khenpo from

Anim Dratshang, the Project Directors of ARDC and CARLEP, officials from the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), and officials from the Dzongkhag, the project, and ARDC. The Minister congratulated the PMU on the successful establishment of the office and commended the team for their efforts in operationalizing the project. The establishment of the PMU office is expected to enhance coordination, facilitate effective project management, and ensure timely implementation of activities across the targeted Dzongkhags.

FAO officials highlighted the organization’s role in supporting the implementation of the initiative and reaffirmed their commitment to working closely with national partners. The project is funded by the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) and supported by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).



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GAO for Silambi Gewog join Office

Ms. Bebika Mongar, a graduate of the College of Language and Cultural Studies, Taktse, holding a BA in Language and Literature



Senior Civil Servants Lead Waste Campaign During Annual Monlam Chenmo



Dasho Dzongdag, Mongar Dzongkhag Administration

In an effort to address the growing concern of waste management, the senior civil servants of Mongar Dzongkhag organized a waste awareness and cleaning campaign during the 11th Meonlam Chenmo. The initiative was led by Dasho Dzongdag, Dasho Drangpon, Dzongkhag Tshogdu Thrizin with active participation from regional and sector heads.

The Annual Moenlam Chenmo draws large gatherings of devotees and visitors, making waste management a significant challenge. Despite the Dzongkhag's continued observance of **"Zero Waste Hour"** on every 2nd day of the month, improper disposal of waste remains a major concern, especially during large public events. Recognizing the need for collective responsibility, the Dzongkhag leadership initiated the campaign to not only clean the

Meonlam Chenmo ground but also to raise awareness among the public about responsible waste management. The campaign aimed to reinforce the message of **"My Waste, My Responsibility"**, encouraging individuals to take ownership of the waste they generate.

During the activity, senior civil servants worked together to collect and segregate waste from the event area, demonstrating leadership through action. The initiative served as a reminder that maintaining a clean and healthy environment requires the active participation of everyone—from officials to community members.

The campaign also sought to sensitize the public about the importance of reducing waste, proper disposal practices, and keeping religious and public spaces clean. By taking the lead in such initiatives, Dzongkhag officials hope to inspire citizens to adopt responsible waste management habits and support ongoing environmental efforts. Through continued awareness and community participation, initiatives like this campaign aim to strengthen the culture of environmental stewardship and ensure that important events such as Meonlam Chenmo are celebrated in a clean and respectful environment.



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An Orientation Program for New B.Ed Graduates



An Orientation Program for New B.Ed. Graduates was successfully conducted on 9 February 2026, with 15 newly recruited teachers (13 General and 2 SEN Dzongkha). The program was graced by Dasho Dzongdag, Monggar Dzongkhag Administration, who shared insights on the evolving civil service landscape and ongoing reforms, emphasizing integrity, professionalism, commitment, and turning challenges into opportunities while striving for excellence.

Dasho also highlighted the importance of Bhutanese culture and traditions, discipline, teamwork, digital competencies for 21st-century education, holistic learning, nurturing individual talents, and positive youth development for nation-building. The session also included briefings by the Chief Dzongkhag Education Officer on teachers' code of conduct and ethics, and by the Dzongkhag Human Resource Office on the latest Bhutan Civil Service Rules.

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Consultation meeting on proposed PAVA rates at New DT Hall



application. The officials highlighted the importance of establishing standardized property valuation rates to support government services that require accurate property value assessments.

The Ministry representatives also sought the support and understanding of the local government leaders in disseminating correct information to the public and facilitating smooth implementation when the rates are adopted.

It was clearly clarified during the consultation that the proposed PAVA rates are meant solely for property valuation purposes. The officials emphasized that the rates will not be used for revising or increasing land taxes, addressing concerns that may arise among landowners and the public.

A consultation meeting on the proposed Property Assessment and Valuation Agency (PAVA) rates for valuation purposes was convened today at the New DT Hall. The meeting was attended by local government leaders and sector heads from across the district.

During the meeting, officials from the Ministry of Finance presented the proposed PAVA rates for 2025 and provided an overview of the valuation framework and its intended

The meeting also served as an opportunity for participants to seek clarification and share feedback on the proposed rates. Such consultations are expected to strengthen coordination between the central government and local authorities while ensuring that stakeholders are well informed about the purpose and scope of the proposed valuation system.

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School Sports Instructors (SSI) joins Mongar Dzongkhag



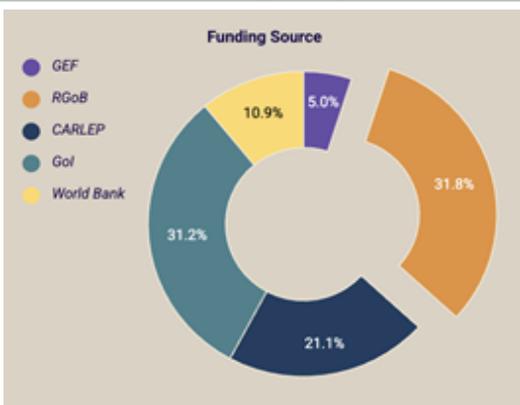
10 School Sports Instructors (SSIs) joined Mongar Dzongkhag to enhance the sports in the country. DASHO DZONGDAG, during the audience emphasized the crucial role of SSIs in promoting sports, fostering holistic student development,

and supporting additional responsibilities within schools. The discussion highlighted how sports instruction contributes not only to physical fitness but also to nurturing teamwork, discipline, and leadership skills among students.

DASHO also stressed the importance of upholding the code of ethics, serving with integrity, commitment, and professionalism, and being tactful and compassionate in supporting students' learning and well-being. SSIs were encouraged to lead by example, maintain high standards of conduct, and actively contribute to creating a positive and inclusive school environment. The audience provided an opportunity for SSIs to gain clarity on expectations, receive mentorship from the dzongkhag leadership, and strengthen their capacity to support the holistic development of students through sports

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Dzongkhag's Mid-Term Review and FY 2026-2027 Budget Proposal



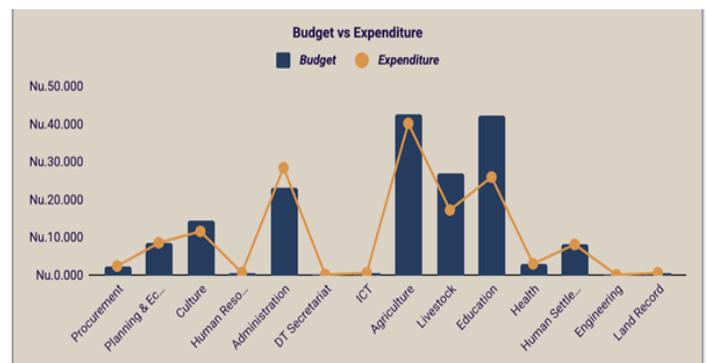
The Dzongkhag Mid-Term Review and Budget Proposal for FY 2026-2027 was successfully convened on 25th February 2026 at the

Mini Conference Hall. The meeting brought together sector heads and key stakeholders to reflect on the past year's performance, deliberate on upcoming priorities, and ensure alignment with the national development vision. During the review, participants examined the achievements of FY 2025-2026 and acknowledged the remarkable progress made across sectors under the 13th Five-Year Plan. Notable accomplishments included enhanced service delivery, infrastructure development, and effective implementation of sector-specific initiatives that contribute to overall socio-economic growth.

The Chair of the Dzongkhag Finance Committee (DFC), DASHO DZONGDAG congratulated the sector heads for their commitment, diligence, and results-driven approach. He

further emphasized that it is crucial to maintain a long-term perspective. All planning and strategies must remain closely aligned with the country's overarching goal of becoming a "High-Income Country by 2034", ensuring that local initiatives contribute meaningfully to this national vision.

The DFC reviewed the proposed sectoral activities and budget allocations for FY 2026-2027 to the tune of Nu. 121 million, and finalized them for presentation to the Dzongkhag Tshogdu for endorsement and submission to the Ministry of Finance. This review reinforces the Dzongkhag's commitment to strategic planning, accountability, and delivering on national development goals while continuing to foster inclusive growth at the local level.



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New Chief Livestock Officer joins Mongar Dzongkhag

The Mongar Dzongkhag Administration welcomed Mr. Thinley Tenzin upon his appointment as the Chief Dzongkhag Livestock Officer (CDLO), following his transfer from Chhukha Dzongkhag, where he served as Deputy Chief Livestock Production Officer.

With over 25 years of experience in the livestock sector, the CDLO is expected to play a pivotal role in strengthening livestock value chains, enhancing post-production activities, and promoting market linkages in line with the Dzongkhag's development plans. His expertise will also contribute to national objectives outlined in the 13th Five Year Plan (FYP).

His extensive knowledge and experience are anticipated to further support community-based initiatives, strengthen rural livelihoods, and foster local economic growth. In

welcoming him, DASHO DZONGDAG emphasized the importance of his role in advancing the E2B10X roadmap to transform Bhutan's Civil Service, encouraging close collaboration with other sectors and agencies to strengthen Mongar's economy.



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Class XI Admission-2026 Academic Year



In the 2025 Class X BCSE Examination conducted by the Bhutan Council for Examinations and Assessments, a total of 600 students from Mongar Dzongkhag appeared for the examination, of which 536 students successfully passed.

For the Academic Year 2026, a total of 472 students

were enrolled in Class XI across four host schools in Mongar Dzongkhag. Among them, 23 students were admitted from other dzongkhags, based on merit and availability of seats.

a. Stream-wise Enrollment

- 1) Science: 163 students
- 2) Commerce: 172 students
- 3) Arts: 137 students

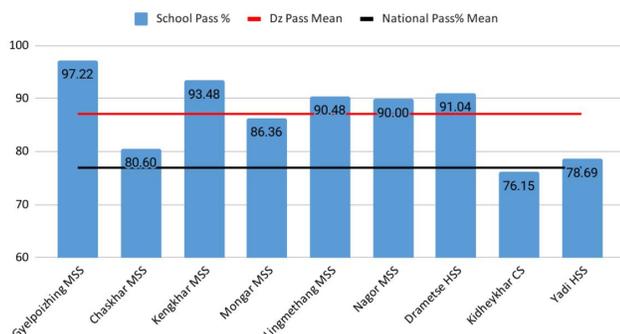
a. Host School-wise Enrollment

- 1) Mongar HSS: 205 students (Science: 65, Commerce: 70, Arts: 70)
- 2) Yadi HSS: 167 students (Science: 65, Commerce: 35, Arts: 67)
- 3) Kidheykhar Central School: 67 students (Science: 33, Commerce: 34)
- 4) Drametse Central School: 33 students (Commerce: 33)

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Highlights of Board Council for Examinations and Assessments 2025 of Mongar

VIII Overall Pass % in 2025



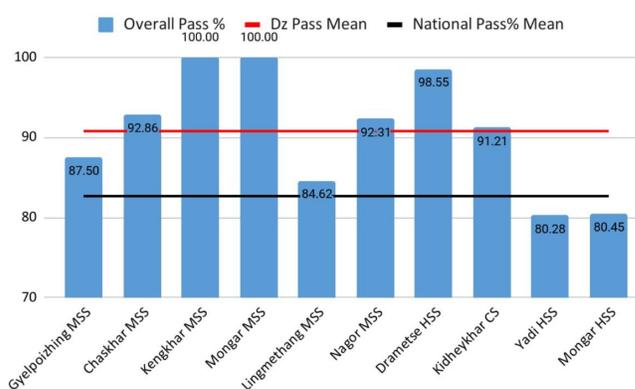
The results of the Bhutan Council for Examinations and Assessments of 2025 brought immense pride to Mongar Dzongkhag, reflecting the dedication and hard work of students, teachers, and school leadership. At the national level, Miss. Dendup Dema of Mongar Middle Secondary School secured the first position in the Class VI Board Examinations with an outstanding score of 97.00%. In the Class VIII Board Examinations, Miss. Sangay Choden Lhazen achieved the second position nationally with an impressive score of 94%. Likewise, in the Class XII Board Higher Secondary Education Certificate Examination (Commerce), Mr. Karma Wangchuk of Kidheykhar Central School secured the second position at the national level with 85.75%, bringing further honour to the Dzongkhag.

In addition to these remarkable individual achievements, several schools recorded 100% pass results in the Board Examinations, demonstrating a strong commitment to academic excellence. In the Class VI

Board Examination, Yangbari Primary School, Drametse Central School, Kengkharr Middle Secondary School, Bumpazor Primary School, Zunglen Primary School, Konbar Primary School, Jurmey Primary School, Gyalpoizhing Middle Secondary School, and Narang Primary School achieved a 100% pass rate. In the Class X Bhutan Certificate Secondary Examination, Kengkharr Middle Secondary School and Mongar Middle Secondary School recorded 100% results, while Yadi Central School achieved a 100% pass result in the Class XII Arts stream in BHSEC.

These achievements stand as a testament to the collective effort and commitment of the education com-

BCSC -X Overall Pass % in 2025



munity in Mongar Dzongkhag toward nurturing academic excellence and empowering students to achieve their fullest potential.

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Celebrating Academic Excellence: Honoring Our National Board Examination Toppers



Sangay Choden

Karma Wangchuk

Dendup Dema

The Dzongkhag Administration proudly celebrated the remarkable achievements of three exceptional students who secured National top positions in the Board Examinations for Classes VI, VIII, and XII this year.

- 1) **Ms. Dendup Dema, 1st Position in Class VI with 97%**
- 2) **Ms. Sangay Chhoden Lhazeen, 2nd Position in Class VIII with 94% and**
- 3) **Mr. Karma Wangchuk, 2nd Position in Class XII Commerce with 85.75%**

Their remarkable performance has brought great honour not only to their schools but also to the entire Dzong-

khag. In recognition of their excellence and dedication, the Dzongkhag Administration felicitated the toppers during the celebration of the Birth Anniversary of His Majesty the King in the public ground.

During the ceremony, the toppers were presented with Trashi Khadar, cash prizes and trophies, as tokens of appreciation for their hard work and academic brilliance. As a special gesture of recognition, they were also invited to sit in the VIP lounge during the celebration, highlighting the district's pride in their achievement. The success of these students reflects the commitment and efforts of their schools, teachers, and families who have supported them throughout their academic journey. Their accomplishment stands as an inspiration to fellow students and a reminder that dedication, perseverance, and strong support systems lead to success.

The Dzongkhag Administration extends heartfelt congratulations to the toppers and their respective schools for this commendable achievement. May their success motivate many more students to strive for excellence in their studies.

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February Month in Pictures



Chief Guest Lam Neten



Students of MHSS, MSS, KHSS & RPS



National Toppers



Academic Toppers of KHSS

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Academic Toppers of GHSS



Academic Toppers of DHSS



Glimpse of His Majesty The Birth Anniversary celebration

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Glimpse of 11th Moenlam Chenmo of Monggar Dzongkhag