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His Majesty the King in Tsirang



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Royal visit in Tsirang: His Majesty the King visited Tsirang on May 30, 2018. During these 5 days Royal visit, His Majesty met with the ex-armed forces, teachers, students, civil servants and the public. On May 31, His Majesty met with the teachers and students of Tsirangtoe Central School and Sergithang Primary School, and the public of Sergithang. His Majesty the King also paid an homage visit to Chgangchey's Singa Devi *Mandir* build in 1866 which is located in Dzomlingtang chiwog under Gosaling Gewog.

On June 01, His Majesty paid a visit to Namgaychhoeling Dratshang, and then met with the teachers and students of Mendrelgang Central School, and then the public gathered therein. Later, His Majesty specifically met with 100s of *Kidu* applicants. In the evening, His Majesty met with the Sector Heads, Regional Heads and other civil servants in the Dzongkhag Tshogdu hall.

On June 02, 2018, His Majesty the King visited Pungtenchu Gewog and met with the public of Pungtenchu, Tsirangtoe and Semjong Gewog at Pungtenchu Primary School's soccer field, and also met with the *Kidu* applicants separately. Prior to it, His Majesty graciously visited Damphu Central School (DCS) and observed the social forestry day by planting trees wherein His Majesty the King personally planted *chemshing* (*Ziziphus budanensis*), *Jangchubshing* (*Ficus religiosa*) and *Tshendenshing* (*Cupressus corneyana*). His Majesty also met with more than 230 *kidu* applicants separately.

Reminder: Please be informed that Damphu Municipal area is under CCTV surveillance.

MSTF & CBSS focusses Community Based Scouting members

Outreach: The Multi-Sectoral Task Force (MSTF) and Community Based Support System (CBSS) conducted a day long awareness program to the members of Community Based Scouting (CBS) at Barshong Gewog. The 19 CBS members from Barshong's Nazhoen Lamten, 16 members from Beteni's Nyamrup Troop, and 24 members from Damphu's Chithhuen Troop joined during the awareness program on May 13, 2018.



The program focused to the members of the community based scouting since the mandates of MSTF and CBSS are similar in nature to that of CBS's mandates. Child in Conflict with Law (CICI) and Drugs, Penal Code of Bhutan, Domestic Violence and its prevention, Gender equality, Disaster reduction and preparedness therein, waste management and health issues were primary focus. For new CBS members, they were invested with scarf awards while the incumbent members received the certificates of merit.

Dasho Dzungda, now the Commissioner of Anti-Corruption Commission, last visited Barshong and presided over the program.

Ethics and Integrity Management: Reaching out to Civil Servants



Ethics and Integrity: One of the Tsirang Dzongkhag's mandatory indicator for the Annual Performance Agreement (APA) is "Ethics and Integrity Management" which is to be sensitized and assessed to the maximum civil servants. In doing so, the *Dzongkhag* Legal Officer, *Dzongkhag* Human Resource Officer (HRO), Internal Auditor and the *Dzongkhag* Tshogdu Secretary carried out comprehensive sensitization to the civil servants serving in 12 Gewogs, and the teachers and staffs of various schools across the Dzongkhag. The topics covered are Ethics and Integrity Management Tools (five tools) which includes Asset declaration, gift rule 2017, conflict of interest, code of conduct and grievance redressal mechanism.

Further, the members also sensitized on pertinent issues covering sexual harassment at work place, the penal provisions on proselytization and to avoid discrimination based on case, religion, ethnics and gender among others.

30 MINUTES PHYSICAL EXERCISE DAILY. AVOID UNHEALTHY DIETS.
STAY HEALTHY!

STOP VIOLENCE. SPEND MEANINGFUL TIME WITH FAMILY.
LEAD BY EXAMPLE!

SAY NO TO VIOLENCE
AGAINST
WOMEN AND CHILDREN



Legal awareness reaches Gewogs and Schools

Dissemination of law: The legal section, in close collaboration with the Office of Attorney General (OAG) conducted legal awareness in Rangthangling Gewog on May 25, and in Sergithang on May 26, 2018. Speaking to the public of Rangthangling Gewog, the officials from the OAG highlighted that dissemination of law is undertaken to prevent commission of crime. Child in Conflict with Law (CICL), Matrimonial Laws, mandates of the OAG, Human Rights and Gender Equality, Drugs and Legal consequences were primary area of advocacy.



The Legal section has carried out similar advocacy program in the past in Mendrelgang Central School (MCS), Damphu Lower Secondary School (DLSS), Damphu Central School (DCS), and Tsirangtoe Lower Secondary School (TLSS) in May 2017, and in all the twelve Gewogs covering most households in 2016.

Community Based Scouting builds use Friendly Flush Toilet



Volunteerism: Members of Community Based Scouting (CBS) in Tsirang build a disability friendly toilet for 16 years old Mrs. Tika Devi. The toilet was constructed to bring the toilet facility nearer to the child in special need. The construction was carried out over three week-ends and completed on July 14 (kuenselonline.com). This flush toilet was constructed since the beneficiary wasn't able to afford in constructing the same. Most materials for the construction was received through donation from the Damphu business community, locals, civil servants and members of the CBS.



Tsirang Dzongkhag was awarded with certificate of excellence for standing 2nd position in the 'World Environment Day' -2018 celebration by Her Majesty, Gyaltsuen on 3rd July, 2018 at the Banquet Hall, Thimphu.

New Dzongda: *The former Executive Secretary of Gelephu Thromde, Dasho Pema, is the new Dzongda for Tsirang.*

To this, the civil servants, Dratshang, police personals, Judiciary, elected leaders, regional employees, private sector, business community (Thromde) teachers and students, and the public of 12 Gewogs of Tsirang Dzongkhag heartily congratulate on the new portfolio, and humbly welcomes to Tsirang Dzongkhag.

Trashi Delek!



Sports: *Tsirang Sports Association (TSA) in collaboration with Bhutan Badminton Federation (BBF) organized summer coaching cum training on Badminton w.e.f July 19-25, 2018.*

There were 54 enthusiastic participants during the seven day coaching camp held at Damphu Lower Secondary School, Tsirang. TSA also provided badminton kits to needy participants while the national coach sponsored a complete sports set to two needy students.