



Lam Rim Monastery

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Ninety-five year-old Lama Gombo, one of the oldest monks at Lam Rim Monastery



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New Generation of monks at Lam Rim Monastery





S. Bayantsagaan, originally from Khovd Aimag in western Mongolia, studied the Lam Rim Teaching and Buddhist philosophy at the Mongolian Academy of Sciences and the Zanabazar Institute in Ulaan Baatar. He has a Geshé degree from the Zanabazar Institute and is fluent in Tibetan. In the early 1990s he played an active role in the democratic movement in Mongolia and for much of the 1990s he worked as the director of the Mongolian Believers Association, making a major contribution to the recovery of Buddhism in Mongolia. During this period about seventy monasteries and temples were activated under his leadership. He has initiated and strengthened communications between Mongolia and Tibet and in recent years has organized visits of the Dalai Lama to Mongolia. Bayantsagaan founded the Lam Rim Monastery in 1990.



Lam Rim Monastery was founded to promote the Lam Rim Teaching of Tsongkhapa (Mongolian=*Bogd Zonkhov*), who in the fifteen-century founded the Gelug Sect in Tibet. Tsongkhapa is author of one of the primary Lam Rim texts, *The Great Treatise on the Stages of the Path of Enlightenment*. Bayantsagaan would like to emphasize that the Lam Rim, or Graduated Path, is not just for monks, but for all practitioners who wish to proceed on the path to Enlightenment.

The three main Protectors of the monastery are Gombo, Namsrai, and Chojoo, three deities who have promised to protect Bogd Zonkhov's teaching wherever it may be.



Shambhala Thangka on display at Lam Rim Temple  
Lam Rim Monastery also specializes in the Kalachakra (Mongolian=*Duinkor*) Teaching believed to have originated in the Kingdom of Shambhala. Kalachakra ceremonies are performed here on the 10th and 25th day of the Lunar Month. One of the goals of the monastery is to prepare people for the eventual arrival of the 25th Kalkin King of Shambhala under whose reign Buddhism will flourish throughout the entire world.



Two of the Thirty-two Kings of Shambhala on display in the Lam Rim Temple