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## Agriculture

### Identity of Dagana Product



Dagana Dzongkhag Administration has developed a logo, which is intended to be used by the Dzongkhag as an identity mark for its local products. It is hoped that the use of logo will help in recognizing local produce in the market places and give due recognition to the local community for their product development initiatives. Further, it is expected to encourage local people to produce quality products and help build the image of the Dzongkhag through these unique high quality local products.

#### Description of the Logo:

1. Two Green Leaves: The first green leaf represents the quality of products, grown under natural conditions. The second green leaf represents the freshness of the products produced in a clean environment.
2. The Centre gold leaf represents the economical value of the products. The products will be made available at affordable prices, which will be based on the production cost of the particular product. The price will be reasonable to satisfy both the producers and consumers.
3. Leaves growing from the soil signifies the relationship of the products and their source. It also describes the originality of the products of Dagana Dzongkhag.
4. The white background represents the purity of the products.
5. The inner circle has 14 mini triangles and they represent the 14 Gewogs of Dagana.

Five value added products with the Dzongkhag logo were on sale at the World Soil Day in Dagapela and 110<sup>th</sup> National Day celebration in Drujeygang. The products include Mustard Oil, Flattened Corn (Tengma), Maize Flour, Kidney Beans and Green Grams and these have been identified for commercial production in Dagana Dzongkhag.



Green Grams



Flattened Corn  
(Tengma)



Kidney Beans



Mustard Oil

## Education Sector

### Visit of Hon'ble Secretary, Ministry of Education



Principals and the Dzongkhag Officials with Hon'ble Secretary



Hon'ble Secretary at Gesarling

Hon'ble Secretary Dasho, Karma Yeshey visited Dagana Dzongkhag on 13 December 2017 to conduct a consultation meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan. Dasho was accompanied by Planning Officers from Gross National Happiness Commission & Policy & Planning Division, MoE and an Engineer from the School Planning & Building Division.

The meeting was attended by Officiating Dzongdag, Dzongkhag Tshogdu Chairperson, Dzongkhag Planning Officer, Dzongkhag Engineer, Principals and DEOs of Dagana Dzongkhag. Dasho Dzongrab (Officiating Dzongdag) welcomed and thanked Hon'ble Secretary and his team for visiting Dagana to discuss the 12<sup>th</sup> FYP of the Education Sector. Hon'ble Secretary thanked the Dzongkhag Administrative officials for making time to attend the meeting.

MoE presented the key strategic plans for the 12<sup>th</sup> FYP of the Ministry of Education. The Chief DEO presented the 12<sup>th</sup> FYP for Dzongkhag Education Sector. Dasho and team expressed their satisfaction over the Dzongkhag 12<sup>th</sup> FYP. Few issues were deliberated extensively to reach a mutual agreement.

Later in the afternoon, Dasho and Team visited Gesarling Central School and met the staff and class 10 students. They also made a quick campus tour before leaving for Wangduephodrang in the evening.

## Education Sector Cont...



Photo Session with Dasho Dzongdag

### 44<sup>th</sup> Dzongkhag Education Conference

The 44<sup>th</sup> Dzongkhag Education Conference was held at Gesarling CS from 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017. The Theme of the conference was “Education for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Citizens”. The Principals of all the schools, two teachers from Namsheygang ECR & Dogak ECR, Vice Principal of Gesarling CS, Adm. Asst. of Dzongkhag Education Office, Chief DEO and two Dy. Chief DEOs attended the Conference.

The three days Conference discussed and addressed issues and challenges facing the Dzongkhag Education Sector, particularly to enhance the academic performance of the students in the upcoming years. Dasho Dzongdag, Gup and Lam of Gesarling Gewog attended the closing day on 22 November, 2017. Dasho Dzongdag said that knowing individual child’s background is important and asked Principals to maintain individual student profile.

The APA for schools was signed between Chief DEO and Principals in the presence of Dasho Dzongdag. Dasho reminded the Principals on their greater responsibility in ensuring the quality of education to the students. Dasho further shared insights into the resolutions passed by the conference to realize the vision and goal of the education sector. Dasho also advised the Principals to orient the staff, students and community on the *Driglam Namzha* after attending the Training on *Driglam Namzha* which was to follow the Conference on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. Dasho also made a campus tour and interacted with the students and small children.



## Dzongkhag Tshogdu, Culture & Disaster

### Awareness on Fire Disaster



Training in Dagapela Town



Training in Dagana Dratshang

With the onset of winter the risk of fire disaster is very high. In order to prevent any fire disasters, the Dzongkhag Administration and RBP (Dagana and Dagapela ) jointly conducted awareness and practical demonstration on usage of fire extinguisher for the public of Dagapela town on 17 October 2017. The public was advised to check the electric circuit from time to time and to switch off the electric appliances when away from home and not in use, and to close the regulator of LPG cylinder after use.

They were also advised to at least procure one fire extinguisher each which costs around Nu. 2500. Practical demonstration on how to operate the fire extinguisher was made.

On 23 October 2017, the Dzongkhag Administration and RBP jointly conducted practical demonstration on how to use the fire extinguishers for Dagana monks and Caretakers. They were also shared with information on various safety measures and interventions.

Awareness and practical demonstration on usage of fire extinguisher was also organized for Lhamoizingkha town on 28 October 2017. They were particularly advised on flood risks and safety measures. Lhamoizingkha has high risk of flood due to settlement in low lying areas.

## Dzongkhag Tshogdu/Culture Cont...



Marchang Offering



Chawang (vowing) with Khabney

### Driglam Namzha Training for Education Staff

All Principals, Education Sector personnel, few Vice Principals and teachers of Gesarling Central school were trained on *Driglam Namzha* for two days at Gesarling Central School following the three days of Annual Education Conference from 23 –24 November 2017. They were trained in following areas:

1. *Zhugdrel Phuensum Tshogpa*
2. *Thokey* Offering
3. *Marchang* Offering
4. Wearing of *Kabney* & *Rachu*
5. *Chawang* (vowing) with *Kabney* & without *kabney*
6. *Khadar* Offering
7. *Zacha Drosun*

Both practical and theory sessions were given to the participants.

### Dzongkha Unicode Training for Gaydrungs



Gaydrungs attending training

The Dzongkhag Administration organized a week long training on Dzongkha Unicode for *Gaydrungs* from 13-19 November 2017 in Paro. The training was conducted with the objective to promote the Dzongkha language and enhance Local Governance. The training was conducted by Bhutan Information and Technology Training Institute.

## Livestock

### Sensitization Program on Avian Influenza, Rabies & Farm Biosecurity



Program at Lhamoizingkha Gewog



Program at Nichula Gewog

The Livestock Sector carried out awareness and sensitization program on Avian influenza, Rabies and Farm Animal Biosecurity in three Gewogs of Lhamoizingkha Dungkha from 9-13 December 2017. The program was initiated considering the current scenario of subsistence livestock farming and with limited biosecurity implemented. The livestock disease outbreaks are on the rise and thus exert threat to human life, deviate social harmony and bring about high economic loss.

In total 139 people participated from Nichula, Lhamoizingkha and Karmaling Gewogs.

#### The Objectives of the Program were:

1. To control and prevent Rabies outbreaks in the Dzongkhag
2. To control and prevent highly pathogenic Avian Influenza outbreaks
3. To create awareness on the importance of Biosecurity, economic and social benefits
4. Overall "*Prevention is Better than Cure*"

The winter season being a high risk period for Avian Influenza (Bird Flu) outbreak, the Sector has carried out awareness program in Lhamoizingkha Dungkha given the porous border with the Indian state of West Bengal and Assam.

The Sector also advised the public of three Gewogs that if they encounter any unusual poultry deaths in their area, they should call immediately toll free No. 124 national Centre for Animal Health (NCAH), Serbithang, Thimphu or 155 Bhutan Agriculture Food Regulatory Authority (BAFRA).



# ICT



Health Staff with Dasho Dzongrab

## ICT Skills Training for Health Staff

Dasho Dzongrab graced the opening of ICT skills training to health staff. The training was organized by Health Sector in collaboration with ICT Unit with support from Daga Central School (Campus II) from 4-6 December, 2017. There were 23 participants from Health Centers under Daga Dzongkhag.

The workshop covered understanding of basic ICT skills, Cyber Security, Social Media Policy and Google Apps. The Health Sector has come up with e-reporting system from Health Center to Dzongkhag Health Office using Google Sheets as the outcome of the workshop.

In line with the opening of the workshop, Dasho Dzongrab also graced the inauguration of new computers in the school.



Launch of New Computers in Daga CS

## ICT Cont...

### Community Center Operators Training



Dasho Dzongdag with Community Center Operators

The opening of the five days training program for the fourteen Community Center Operators was graced by Dasho Dzongdag. The training was conducted from 2-6 November 2017 at Dagana.

ICT Unit in collaboration with Dagana BDBL Branch, Dzongkhag Census Registration Office, Dzongkhag Land Record Office and Dzongkhag Forestry organized and completed the training in 5 days.

The training included ICT Skills (PC fundamentals, basic and common network configuration, Dagana Network Setup, router configuration, Dzongkha Unicode, wireless router configuration), Government to Citizen services and Banking skills.



ICT Associate demonstrating Switch Configuration



Land Record officer presenting Land related G2C services



## Human Resource

### Staff Update

#### We welcomed:

Sl.No.	Name	Designation
1	Sonam Jamtsho	Planning Officer
2	Sherab Chophel	Kidu Officer
3	Tandin Wangmo Tamang	Receptionist
4	Nobin Rai	Caretaker

#### We bade farewell to:

Sl.No.	Name	Designation
1	Tshomo	Accountant
2	Lam Dorji	Engineer
3	Thinley Dorji	Administrative Asst.
4	Sonam Rinchen	Technician

### Royal Civil Service Medal Awards

The Royal Civil Service Award ceremony of Dagana Dzongkhag Administration was held on December 13, 2017. Dashed Dzongrab conferred the Civil Service Award 2017 to 37 civil servants serving in Dagana Dzongkhag at the Dzongkhag Tshogdu Hall. There were 5 recipients of Life Time Gold Medal, 3 recipients of 30 Years Gold Medal, 6 recipients of 20 Years of Silver Medal and 23 recipients of 10 Years Bronze Medal.

Dagana Dzongkhag Administration would like to congratulate all recipients for their dedicated service to Tsa-Wa-Sum.



Recipients of 2017 Royal Civil Service Awards

## Royal Civil Service Medal Awards Cont...



Dasho Dzongrab conferring the Award



**Recipients of Life Time Award:** Tika Ram Thapa (Sr.Exten. Supervisor II), Chabilal Mongar (Caretaker), Man Singh Tamang( Sr. Teacher-II), Dal Bahadur Gurung (Sr.Teacher-II), Choning Dorji (Sr. Teacher-I)

**Recipients of Dedicated Service Award for 30 Years and above :** Aita Singh Tamang (HA-III), Jaganath Sharma (HA-II), Man Singh Tamang (Sr.Teacher-II).

**Recipients of Dedicated Service Award for 20 Years and above :** Tshedhar (Sr. DHO), Dambar Kumar Khararia (Caretaker), Chabilal Mongar (Caretaker), Mon Bdr. Gurung (Caretaker), Nidup Dorji (Principal-II), Sangay Dorji (Principal-III)

**Recipients of Dedicated Service Award for 10 Years and above :** Lhakpa Tshering(Extn.Supervisor I), Santa Bir Bal Tamang(Ba-nga Dungmi), Lhakpa Dorji (GAO-I), Namgay Wangdi (GAO-II), Jigme Wangmo (GAO-II), Phuntsho Gyeltshen (GAO-II), Samdrup Tashi (Adm.Asstt-II), Lam Dorji (Asstt. Engineer III), Gyem Lham (HA-I), Sukra Bahadur Biswa (Teacher-I), Phuntsho Wangmo(Teacher-I), Kinley Wangmo (Teacher-II), Pema Yangzom (Teacher I), , Kaluram Tamang (Cook), Ghaney Shyam Karki(Sr.Technician-III), Chimi (Cook), Laxman Rai (Teacher-I), Tshering Choden (Teacher-I)

## Managing for Excellence (MaX) Report

The Dzongkhag Administration Dagana would like to congratulate Mr. Passang Tshering (Dzongkhag Agriculture Officer), Pema Choeda (Legal Officer), Yeshe Pelzang (Planning Officer) and Mensing Lepcha (HA, Khagochen) for securing “Outstanding “ in their performance for the year 2016-2017.

There were 34 Civil Servants under “ Very Good” category, 165 Civil Servants under “Good “ and 3 Civil Servants under “Need Improvement “ category for the year 2016-2017 based on their APA scores.

### Health Sector

#### Health Screening and Awareness Camp

110<sup>th</sup> National day in Dagana Dzongkhag was celebrated in Drukjeystang Central School on 17 December 2017. The Health Staff of Drukjeystang BHU II organized a Health screening program to screen for Non Communicable Diseases (blood pressure, height & weight (BMI) and random blood sugar). They also provided related health education to the public on seven types of NCDs, namely cancer, heart disease, chronic lung disease, mental illness, chronic liver disease, diabetes & hypertension and its causes such as tobacco use/ smoking, harmful use of alcohol, physical inactivity and eating unhealthy diet. Out of 125 screened, 49 were found with high blood pressure, 52 overweight & 12 with high random blood sugar.



Venerable Lam Neten doing Health Checkup



## Health Screening and Awareness Camp Cont...



Model of Sanitary Latrine

The team also demonstrated the model of sanitary latrine to the public. The criteria for construction of sanitary latrine and its benefits were explained to the gathering.

## National Order of merit 17 December 2017



Recipients of National Order of Merit

Left: Aita Singh Moktan

Right: Kado Wangdi

Mr. Aita Singh Moktan (Health Assistant) and Mr. Kado Wangdi (Health Assistant) of Dagapela Hospital received National Order of Merit on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017 for excellence in Public Health.

National Order of Merit for excellence in Public Health Services was awarded for providing quality health services to the community and bringing notable progress in community health.

Dagana Dzongkhag Administration takes pride in their achievement and offers them Tashi Delek.

## Certificate of Appreciation to Village Health Worker



Recipient of Best Village Health Worker 2017

Village Health Workers play a vital role in taking care of the health of remote communities. On 17<sup>th</sup> December, Mr. Suk Bdr Subba of Devitar under Lhamoizingkha Dungkhag was awarded the Certificate of Appreciation as the Best Village Health Worker of Dagana Dzongkhag.

## Health Services at Dagana Tsechu

During the five days of Dagana Tsechu, Daga BHU-I initiated to provide first aid services, condom distribution and screening of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and STIs to the general public. Out of 143 people screened for NCDs, 45 were detected as overweight, 33 obesity, 20 Hypertension (new) and 3 diabetic. Other services like STIs screening for HIV, hepatitis and syphilis and first aid were also provided during the entire five days.



Health Checkup during Daga Tsechu



## Celebrations

### Birth Anniversary of Fourth Druk Gyalpo



On the joyous occasion of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Birth Anniversary of His Majesty, our Beloved Fourth Druk Gyalpo, Dagana Dzonkhag Family joined the Nation in offering our deepest respect, heartfelt felicitation and prayers by lighting 1000 butter lamps and recitation of Zhap-ten for His Majesty's good health and long life.



Some Glimpses of Fourth Druk Gyaplo's Birth Anniversary Celebration



## Dagana Tshechu

The five day Daga Tshechu began on 29 December 2017. Hundreds of people from 11 Gewogs (excluding Lhamoizingkha Dungkhag) gathered to witness the Tshechu and received blessings.



Some Glimpses of Daga Tshechu



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