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# **Anthropology**

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Architectural Heritage Journal Vol.2, 2011

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Ogyen Choling / a manor in central Bhutan / Kunzang Choden, Dolma C. Roder

(Eds)

Bhutan: Riyang Books, 2012

162p.; ill.; 30cm.

Includes bibliography and index

9789993689909 \$ 130.00 / PB 970 gm.

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Travellers & Magicians / Khyentse Norbu Bhutan: Khyentse Norbu, 2003 In Dzongkha

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Bhutan: The Centre for Bhutan Studies, 2012

vi. 68p.; 22cm. 9789993614654 \$ 10.00 / PB 110 gm.

A Short Guide to Gross National Happiness Index / Karma Ura et. al.

Bhutan: The Centre for Bhutan Studies, 2012

v. 96p.; ill.; 22cm. 9789993614661

\$ 19.50 / PB 140 am.

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#### Environment

Monograph on Medicinal Plants of Bhutan - volume 1

Bhutan: Pharmaceutical and research Unit, Institute of Traditional Medicine

Services, Ministry of Health, Thimphu, 2009

ix. 80p.; ill.; 24cm.

9993666115

\$55.00 / PB

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Monograph on Medicinal Plants of Bhutan - volume II 2009

Bhutan: Pharmaceutical and research Unit, Institute of Traditional Medicine

Services, Ministry of Health, Thimphu, 2009

x. 103p.; ill.; 24cm.

9789993686201

\$ 72.00 / HB

520 gm.

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General Knowledge of Bhutan / Phendey Lekshey Wangchuk

Bhutan: Phendey Lekshey Wangchuk, 2012

ix. 183p.: 22cm.

9789993653073

\$ 19.50 / PB 200 gm.

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Astrologically Auspicious aspects in Building construction / Jambay Dorjit

Thimphu: Dhodter Rigtsel Publications, 2011

140p.; 22cm.

9789993682707

\$ 38.50 / PB

320gm

Every patch of land has deities known as saye Lhamo, shing gi Ihamo, Dho ye Dhag po, Sadag Lugyen, Nyaip etc., who are in the possession of land, trees, stones, water etc. These Deities stand as the true owners. If we do not appeare them prior to construction, it is like invading their territories and destroying their properties. Inadvertently, we offend them only to face their wrath. Some of the consequences generally met during and after the construction due to non- performing of required rituals and ceremonies are: a child born in that family could be dumb or otherwise handicapped; occurrence of adversities like divorce, huge debts, permanent disability, accidents, guarrel and unrest in house etc. such misfortunes can continue to befall for generations after generations.

Therefore, it is quite imperative to appease these deities prior to such action. It not only averts mishaps but also helps; they do help us.

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11-11-11 a tribute... / Lobzang Dorji & Dorji Tshering (eds)

Thimpu: MPC Publications, 2011

180p.; ill.; 25cm. 9789993677314 \$ 110.00 / HB 1600am

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A tribute for the King's Birthday

# History

Bhutan - The Roar of the Thunder Dragon: A New Perspective on the History, politics, Diplomacy of the Himalayan Kingdom of Bhutan / Lyonpo Om Pradhan

Thimphu: K Media, 2012

276p.; 23cm. 9789993683308 \$ 90.00 / HB 900gm

The Roar of the Thunder Dragon is the ultimate repository of information on events that have shaped the rights of a nation to exist as a sovereign entity. Its strength lies in the fact that this is a Bhutanese perspective, written by a Bhutanese who has also played a pivotal role in the destiny of a nation. For the first time, the reader can grasp how a nation was born and its fight for survival with rare insights into the south, the east and external relationships. The annexure itself is a wealth of information as treaties, proclamations and submissions which have never been published before are reproduced in their entirety. This is a must read for anyone seeking to know Bhutan, the land of the Thunder Dragon. Bhutan flourished today as the youngest democracy because the dragon has had to roar time and again.

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Class of '56 featuring The Royal Wedding of His Majesty the third Druk Gyalpo Jigme Dorji Wangchuk and Her Majesty the Queen Ashi Kesang Choden Wangchuk / Natalie H. Stewart (et.al)

Bhutan: National Steering Committee for the Coronation and the Ministry of Home and Culture, 2008

ill.; 22cm.

9780615226903

\$ 45.00 / PB

450 gm.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148469

Druk Gi Norbu: The Precious Gem of Bhutan / Lam Kezan, Namgay Phuntsho

Bhutan: Dorling Consultancy, 2009

128p.; ill.; 22cm. 9789993667636 \$ 40.00 / PB 220 am.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148463

On the Fourth King: Jigme Singye Wangchuk

Dasho Keiji Nishioka: A Japanese who Lived for Bhutan / Tshering Cigay Dorji,

Dorji Penjore

Thimphu: Dorji Penjore, 2011

124p.; 21cm. 9789993664642 \$ 24.50/ PB 250gm

In 1999, His Majesty the fourth king posthumously awarded him the Druk thugsay medal, the highest civilian award. An agriculture expert and nature lover, and an enthusiast of photography and ethno-botany, he was a man on a mission-handworking and dedicated, but he was also known to be hottempered with people who took undue advantage of others. Weaving official accounts with the oral accounts of farmers, this book relives the inspiring memory of this wonderful man.

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# Linguistics

A New Method English-Dzongkha dictionary: Topic-Based with Pronunciation Guide / Rinchnen Khandu

2<sup>nd</sup> Ed

Bhutan: Rinchnen Khandu, 2010 x. 600p.; 22cm. 9789993682004 \$ 50.00 / PB 570 gm.

This dictionary is a totally new approach to learning English or Dzongkha words and their meanings with a pronunciation guides in the language you understand. Unlike conventional dictionaries the words are arranged under suitable chapters/topics which makes tracing of any word easy. The section has basic grammar, mathematical signs and symbols, formulas and calculations, international special days, road network in Bhutan for travellers etc.

### Literature

Dear Seday ...letter from the mountains / Ugyen Gyeltshen

Bhutan: DSB Publication, 2012

vi. 147p.; 22cm. 9789993680659 \$ 10.00 / PB 180 gm.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148464

The Unfinished Dream and Other Stories / Pem Namgyal

2<sup>nd</sup> Ed

Bhutan: Pem Namgyal, 2012

204p.; 22cm. 9786162640025 \$ 20.00 / PB 250 gm.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148453

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For the Sake of a Precious life... An Autobiographical Novel / Dorji Wangdi

Bhutan: Dorji Wangdi. 2010

vii. 107p.: 22cm. 9789993623939 \$ 15.00 / PB 170 gm.

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A Soup for the Souls / Tashi Gyeltshen

Bhutan: Tashi Gyeltshen, 2011

iv. 84p.; ill.; 22cm.

\$ 16.00 / PB 120 gm.

The book "A soup for the souls" is a collection of short stories of the Modern age. It is meaningfully narrated comprising the themes of modern-times that facilitate every reader feel the every mood while reading it. The book is not formed by incorporating any emotional outburst or personal feelings of a writer, but to give the readers to form various ideas on modern techniques based on humour, tragedy, irony, satire and even the romantic themes etc. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148445

Dangphu Dingphu: a Collection of Bhutanese Folktales / Dorji Penjore

Bhutan: Dorji Penjore, 2011

x. 134p.; 22cm. 978999366435 \$ 20.00 / PB 180 gm.

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The Barnyard Murder and Other Stories / Karma Tenzin(Y)

Bhutan: Karma Tenzin(Y), 2011

267p.; 22cm. 9993663913 \$ 25.00 / PB 310 gm.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148446

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Kuenden, The Valiant son: A Tale from Central Bhutan / Kuenga Tenzin

Thimpu: DSB Publications, 2012

Vi.; 95p.; 21cm. 9789993678120 \$ 15.00 / PB 150gm

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Two Roads East / Philip Montgomery Australia: Philip Montgomery, 2012

Viii, 368p.; 23cm. 9780987051714 \$ 39.50 / PB 620gm

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Fiction

#### Official Publications

Statistical Yearbook of Bhutan 2012 Bhutan: National Statistics Bureau, 2012

237p.; 24cm. 9789993628187 \$ 90.00/PB 500gm.

#### **Politics**

Monarchy and Democracy in the 21st century Thimphu: Bhutan Centre for Media and democracy, 2010 211p.; 22cm. 9789993680307 \$ 40.00 /PB 420gm

The Bhutan Centre for Media and Democracy (BCMD) is the first civil society organization in Bhutan dedicated to the creation of a culture of democracy. The centre initiates and supports training and seminars, publications, research and interaction to strengthen public discourse, enhance professionalism in the Bhutanese media and create a better understanding of democratic institutions and processes.

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### Religion - Buddhism

What is the true cause of being born handsome or beautiful? / Khenpo Jangsem

Bhutan: Dhodter Rigtsel Publications, 2010

vi. 129p.; 22cm.

In English and Dzongkha

9789993679202

\$ 24.00 / PB

190 gm.

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Bhutan: Khenpo Jangsem Tashi

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Bhutan: Khenpo Jangsem Tashi, 2012

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In English and Dzongkha

9789993685609

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A Journey into the Pure Land = Druk nazhoen Kuenphen Tshogpa / Kinley

Penior

Bhutan: Kinley Penjor, 2012

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180 gm.

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# Sociology

Alcohol use and abuse in Bhutan / Lham Dorji

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Monograph No.1, 2012

\$ 60.00 / PB 370 gm.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=148441

### **Travelogues**

Dreams of the peaceful dragon: A Journey through Bhutan / Katie Hickman

New Delhi: Timeless Books, 2012

192p.; ill.; 23cm. 9788189497354 \$ 24.75 / PB 310 gm.

# **Journals**

YEEWONG: Bhutan's First & Only Women's Magazines

Bhutan: Yeewong Agents, 2012

III.; 28cm. Monthly \$ 240.00 (Per Annum) / PB 200 gm.