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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Homage and Prostration to Guru Guna Natha! First of all, my hearty greetings and Tashi delek to all the readers of CCTM News letter. Even before fully recovering from the resounding echo of our March National conference and workshop on Sowa Rigpa(Tibetan Medical System) where our invited speakers, distinguished delegates and participants have deliberated for 5 days on the myriads of issues concerning the practise, standard application of TMS and its policy matters in this contemporary world, we already have concluded our 2nd annual executive meeting from 8th to 12th September with the presence of all our members save for one.

Following our March conference, the copies of the 10 points important resolutions that we have passed and signed by the expert panels was duly handed over to the private office of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Department of Health (CTA), and the Department of Education (CTA) for their kind information.

We have also successfully video graphed all the events of the March conference and workshop subjects and made them into series of 13 sets of DVDs which is now available for purchase from our office. It is also heartening to note the first CCTM book on the official introduction of TMS is attracting lots of interest from our Indian patients and people from abroad.

From the dairies of current year's important targeted events, though CCTM had already planned to bring out the standard syllabus and guidelines for the higher PG medical degrees immediately after our March conference, we, with regret of course, had to postpone this important work indefinitely because two of the members from our special committee members could not make it at the last minute. Nevertheless, we will try our best to complete this task before the completion of our term. Until then, as per the unanimous resolution passed by our executive members, the CCTM has officially conferred upon Mentsee-khang the certification to conduct the Menrampa degree examination and to award the certificate accordingly. This is for the kind information of all the doctors of TMS registered under CCTM.

Another important event is the completion of the draft rule on the standardization and registration of Tibetan medicinal products, raw materials, manufacturing of the

medicines and the manufacturing company in accordance with the applied standard in our pharmaceutical rule books and also in keeping with the modern drug and pharmaceutical standards. Also, in keeping with the valuable suggestions received from our experts and well wishers, we have already prepared the first draft on the complete syllabus on the degree of sMen-pa Kachu- pa(equivalent to Bachelor of TMS) to practise and maintain standard uniformity among our registered medical colleges for the best interest of TMS. Soon we will take up the valuable opinion of our experts and the concerned medical colleges before it is being enforced.

In short, I take pride in informing our readers that in the last two years all the CCTM members have been extremely sincere and dedicated in their effort for the smooth and effective running of our CCTM responsibilities and activities. And in retrospect, our success and achievement are by no means small which is there for everybody to see. Moreover, with the increasing responsibilities coupled with a decreasing budget and other source of financial income, added with an awesome expectations from our medical fraternity for the effective running of CCTM, we look forward to the kind support and sincere contribution from our registered doctors. But to my regret, we have been facing some problems in collecting the ID fees from some of our members in India and many from abroad. In reality, I want to remind them that no matter how much CCTM can or can not intervene or assist our registered doctors in their time of crisis or against any legal problems for that matter, but by merely having the registered certificate and Identity Certificate(ID) from the CCTM the high office of which, being established by Tibetan Parliament in Exile headed by His Holiness The Dalai Lama, one could easily make out the difference when it comes to the notice of skeptic patients or law enforcing agents. Therefore, I take this opportunity to request all our registered doctors in India and abroad to contribute the drop of their membership fees for aggregating into making the ocean of CCTM capital. “May the Tibetan Sowa Rigpa Prevail”

Dr. Dorjee Rapten Neshar

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TIBETAN MEDICINE

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine (Che–Thoe-Men-Pai-Lhen-Tsog) was established on 5th January 2004 at Dharamsala, (HP) India. Today 5 years since its inception, the Council is actively involved in preserving and promoting Tibetan medical tradition. The Executive members of CCTM put much effort to lay down rules and regulations and the guidelines for recognition of Tibetan Medical Colleges, Universities and Pharmaceuticals unit of the Tibetan Medicine as well as guidelines for the registration of Tibetan Medical Doctors. On the basis of Exile Tibetan Medical Act by the 13th Assembly of the Tibetan Peoples’ Deputies, we have 340 Tibetan doctors and 4 Tibetan medical colleges registered under CCTM. From time to time, the council makes necessary changes in its guidelines after carrying discussion among Executive members. During the Xth meeting of CCTM Executive members, changes required in the guidelines were noted down however no real change has been affected for a time being.

The council is working on standardizing the syllabus of Medical colleges registered under CCTM. CCTM is also working on making the syllabus of the colleges as same

standard and uniform. Moreover, we are also working on preparing guidelines and rules and regulations for the Tibetan pharmacist and pharmaceutical companies who in the near future should register under the medical council.

We welcome any suggestions and ideas to uplift the image of Tibetan Medicine and to gain equal reverence as other traditional medical system of the world. We request you all to support the council so that together we can achieve the activities of Medical Council smoothly.

As envisioned in the CCTM rules and regulation or guidelines we try to bring Tibetan Medical tradition to the world or to bring it at par with other medical systems. Towards this endeavor, we require your kind support and cooperation in making Tibetan Medical tradition better and more effective.

AGENDAS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE XTH GENERAL SESSION OF CCTM

The Xth general session of the Executive members of the Central Council of Tibetan Medicine was held from 8th September to 12th September 2008 at its Office in Dharamsala. Following are the details of the agenda discussed and resolutions passed during the meeting:

AGENDA:

Council's Rules and Regulations, Guidelines for Registration Tibetan medical physicians and Rules and Regulations for recognizing Tibetan Medical institutes.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Section 12 (Na) under the 9th Clause of CCTM Rules and Regulation regarding the selection of Executive members by the Election Commission of CTA. Amendment to this regard would be affected only after changes made in the CCTM by-law. The CCTM will put forward an application to the concerned office or authority.
2. In the 32nd Clause of CCTM Rules and Regulations which relates to the CCTM bonafide Staff Medical Treatment. If any bonafide CCTM staff members fall sick and need to consult conventional doctors and required the treatment, s/he can do after approval from the Tibetan doctor and concern authority (CCTM Office).
3. Section 4 under 32nd clause, the revised content is "a DA and TA allowance to the patient's attendant has been withdrawn".
4. Section 1 under 33rd clause, the revised content is "If a staff met an accident while performing official work and become severely injured, he/she will be given a monthly payment as per his/her designation for a year after producing a medical certificate from a qualified doctor. If the person didn't fully recover from his/her illness and unable to perform his/her duty, he/she will be given a compensation of Rs. 10,000/-".

5. Section 2 under 33rd clause, the revised content is “If a staff met with uncertain death during his/her official trip, CCTM will compensate the total amount of two years monthly salary of the deceased to his/her spouse or the children above 18 or his/her parents or spouse parents. Additional support will be provided to the deceased family in special case”.
6. Section 6 under 33rd clause, the revised content is “Providing certain amount of money with scarf to console the decease family has been withdrawn”.
7. The revised content for the Guidelines of registration of Tibetan medical colleges and universities under CCTM was “The guidelines of the registration of the Kachupa Degree Colleges and Universities”.
8. Section 4 under 3rd clause, the revised content is “Any medical lessons, including Gyu-shi or Bum-shi should named as syllabus prescribed by CCTM”.
9. Section 4 under 4th clause, the revised content is “to pursue Kachupa Degree, the minimum requirement is class 12 pass from a recognized Board or Equivalent to this.
10. Section 5 under 4th clause, the revised content is “On the need basis, the reservation of special seat in the college admission is allowed however, the individual must have the required qualification for the admission i.e plus two from a recognized Board”.
11. Section 1 under 5th clause, the revised content is “If CCTM received an application for registration of Medical colleges then CCTM will send a team of investigation group which must consist of at least three executive members plus an independent investigator as a third party to ensure fair investigation”.
12. In the 6th clause, it was revised that “The standard certificate format will be issued by CCTM to all the colleges and the certificate must carry the signature of General Secretary of CCTM”.
13. Section 1 under 7th clause, the revised content is “CCTM will withdraw its recognition if the registered Kachupa Degree Colleges do not follow syllabus set by CCTM”.
14. Section 2 under 7th clause, the revised content is “Once the recognition of Kachupa Degree College has been withdrawn by CCTM, a new application cannot be submitted before six months. If CCTM receives the same application after six months then the concern Medical colleges will be given a period of one year to upgrade the standard syllabus and improve the requirements which meets the CCTM guidelines. When the medical colleges fails to meet the requirement of the CCTM in the given time it will not only withdraw recognition but also disqualify to apply for fresh application for the period of three years”.

AGENDA:

Review and Discussion of the resolutions taken during the IXth CCTM Executive meeting, which were not being implemented.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. The making of new certificate for registration of doctors under the Council has been postponed for the time being.
2. The translation of Tibetan medical term into modern medical term has been postponed for six months.
3. The CCTM will decide the resource person and the time when the medical tour to Abroad. The aim of such medical trip with consultations, exhibitions and talks on Tibetan medicine is to raise awareness of Tibetan medicine as well as to raise fund for the council. The council will contact to the relevant institutions and persons at Abroad to realize it.
4. To hold Tibetan medical camps and exhibition in the big cities in India. The council plans to hold one such in Jamnagar but could not work out so far because it did not receive any sponsor. The council is trying its best to find a sponsor for this. Once the fund is ready for this, the council would appoint the needed staff and fix the date to organize the events in Indian cities.

AGENDA:

To discuss on setting of the Menrampa Syllabus, The council invites experts from both India and Abroad to hold intensive discussion for 5 days on Tibetan medical tradition on the commemoration of founding anniversary of CCTM.

RESOLUTIONS:

The council to provide the drafted Menrampa syllabus to the invited experts from both India and Abroad to seek their advice and suggestions pertaining to the syllabus. The council would then collect all the suggestions and put forward a new draft of Menrampa syllabus before the panel of experts. The council would consider the suggestions and finalized the syllabus.

AGENDA:

To discuss on conferment of 2 awards or medals by the council, its selection committee and the names of the awards.

RESOLUTIONS:

The two awards or medals are planned to be conferred to the recipients during the end of term of executive members of the council. The selection committee of the award will be appointed in the XIIth Executive meeting and the names of these two awards are to be discussed in the monthly meeting and the suggested award names to be finalized by the members through majority basis.

Note: In this Xth Council meeting, most of the time was spent on finalizing the guidelines pertaining to Tibetan medicine and Pharmaceuticals Units of the Tibetan medicine, and drafting of Kachupa Tibetan medicine syllabus for each five year. The drafted syllabus will soon be presented to the panel experts for valuable suggestion before the council's finalization.

THE DRAFT OF THE KACHUPA DEGREE SYLLABUS

As clearly mentioned in the CCTM by - law, the Council aim of standardizing and providing uniform syllabus for the five-year Kachupa medical course offered in the Council's recognized Institutes or Colleges. The Executive members took a lot of time in it's Xth Session to discuss on this matter. We have now divided the whole course into three phases with primary importance to Tibetan medicine and other branch of subjects like Dhatoe rigpa, Tsema rigpa, Modern education, Social and community science and Modern Science. The Council has formulated or drafted a syllabus so that when a person graduate from the five-year Kachupa course he /she is equip with a holistic knowledge of Tibetan medicine with modern medical knowledge. This drafted five-year Kachupa syllabus will soon be presented to the panel of experts on the Tibetan medical tradition and a finalization syllabus will be decided during the XIth Council's Executive meeting. The syllabus set by CCTM will be enforced in all the Medical colleges registered under the CCTM.

TMAI PLAN TO CONDUCT MENRAMPA EXAMINATION TO THE PRIVATE TIBETAN PHYSICIANS

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine aims to preserve and promote the Tibetan medical tradition. One of the ways in which this is done is through enriching the knowledge and practices of the Tibetan medical practitioners. During the IXth meeting of the CCTM Executive members, they had decided to confer the authority to conduct Menrampa Degree Examination to TMAI for a period of three years and CCTM had considered the Menrampa syllabus followed by TMAI as a standard one by this time. This year TMAI conduct their usual Men ram pa examination to the doctors who are working under their institutions and CCTM had appealed to the TMAI concerned authority to give chance for the private doctors to appear for same exam. However a letter received from the TMAI stated that it is not possible to conduct Menrampa examination to the private doctors this year due to unavailability of time. The letter further stated that TMAI would conduct Menrampa examination to the qualified private doctors in the next year - 2009.

Eligibility criteria, fee and examination dates will be announced by TMAI well in advance. The concerned private doctors who are interested in appearing in this examination must be vigilant to the announcements by TMAI.

AN APPEAL TO ALL THE REGISTERED DOCTORS REGARDING ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

The Council's resolution taken during VIIth Executive meeting gave emphasis on CCTM's daily works in formulating and implementing projects/ policies/ activities in line with CCTM guidelines to preserve and promote Tibetan medical tradition. It is in fact the responsibility of all the Tibetan medical practitioners to strengthen the Council and to achieve its noble objectives. Since number of activities of the Council depends solely on financial availability, at present there is no particular or definite source of funds either from government or private for the Council's projects. The past projects and the upcoming projects are partially made possible through the membership fee received from the CCTM members. Paying the membership fee on time reflects your respect for the Council and it also encourages or enhances the

dedication, initiatives and activities of the Executive members of the Council. It is therefore an earnest request from the Council to all the registered doctors to kindly pay your membership fees on time.

There is one clarification to be made regarding the collection of membership fee from the registered doctors in the West. Some of the registered doctors under the Council in the West have opinions that they face difficulty in paying the whole membership fees. This matter will be tabled in the coming XIth CCTM Executive members meeting in March, 2009 and make necessary changes if deemed possible.

PROJECT ON INITIATION AND EMPOWERMENT OF YOUTHOG NYINGTHIG

According to the Buddhist philosophy, receiving sacred initiation, transmission and empowerment are unique and indispensable pre-requisite features to the Tibetan Medical practitioners for an effective and successful medical service. The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine has as such will conduct the initiation and empowerment of Youthog Nyingthig to the Tibetan doctors by the venerable Kyabje Taklung Tsetrul Rinpoche. The date of the initiation and empowerment will be announced later when the schedule is fixed.

DVDs ON NATIONAL CONFERENCE-CUM-WORKSHOP ON TIBETAN MEDICINE

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine (CCTM) and Men-Tsee- Khang (Tibetan Medical and Astro. Institute) Dharamsala jointly organized a five-day “National Conference - cum - workshop on Tibetan Medicine” from 24th to 28th March, 2008 at Men-Tsee-Khang hall in Dharamsala. The proceedings of that historic five-day conference were recorded and made available in 13 DVDs. The whole pack of DVDs can be ordered or purchased on the payment of Rs. 550/- (Five Hundred and Fifty only) from the CCTM office. For more information, please call or contact on the address and phone no. provided at the end of this newsletter.

PROJECT PROPOSAL OF CCTM - YEAR 2009

Since its inception in Jan. 2004, the Central Council of Tibetan Medicine has been undertaking various projects and activities for the promotion and preservation of Tibetan medicine and organizing various workshop and conferences towards improving the theoretical understanding and practical knowledge of Tibetan medical practitioners. The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine is an independent apex body and receives no fund from Tibetan Govt. in-exile for any of its projects. Therefore, we request our readers and friends of Tibetan Medicine to support any of our ongoing projects in whole or part, so that we can continue to work forward and serve our mankind.

1. STANDARDIZATION OF SOWA RIGPA (TIBETAN MEDICINE) EDUCATION SYSTEM

Objectives:

The syllabus of the Tibetan medicine teaching is marginally different in different colleges and institutions registered under the Central Council of Tibetan Medicine. It was felt mandatory to establish one standard syllabus for all the Tibetan Medicine teaching colleges and institutions. This will help to improve the standard of education as well as in awarding uniform diploma to all the medical students. Therefore, CCTM will form a High-level committee to establish a standard syllabus of *Kachupa* and *Menrampa*, comprising of medical and legal experts. The committee will re-set, standardize and establish a standard syllabus for each level of Tibetan Medical studies.

Estimation and funding need

1. Honorarium:	Rs. 25,000.00
2. Travel:	Rs. 75,000.00
3. Accommodation:	Rs. 30,000.00
4. Daily Allowance:	Rs. 10,000.00
5. Miscellaneous:	Rs. 30,000.00

Grand Total: Rs. 1,70,000.00

(One Lac Seventy Thousand only)

2. HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE ON RULES AND REGULATIONS OF TIBETAN PHARMACEUTICS

Objectives:

Promotion and preservation of Tibetan medicine is one of the main aims and objectives of establishing Central Council of Tibetan Medicine. In this connection, good manufacturing practice, high quality and efficacy of Tibetan medicine has to be maintained in all its aspects. Under the clause 9 and 10 of the Tibetan Medical Council Act, 2003, CCTM has unanimously passed a resolution in its 8th session to establish rules and regulation of Tibetan Medicine Pharmaceuticals. Before the finalization, CCTM will invite all the Tibetan medicine pharmacists and experts to study and to discuss the draft prepared by CCTM. The outcome of which will then be passed before High level committee and CCTM will finally establish the rule and regulation of Tibetan pharmaceuticals based on the rules set by experts.

Estimation and funding need

1. Honorarium:	Rs. 25,000.00
2. Travel & Transportation:	Rs. 23,000.00
3. Boarding & Lodging:	Rs. 16,000.00
4. Daily Allowance:	Rs. 5,000.00
5. Miscellaneous:	Rs. 20,000.00

Grand Total: Rs. 89,000.00

(Eighty Nine Thousand Rupees Only)

3. ESTIMATION OF PERMANENT OFFICE AND STAFF QUARTERS

Objectives:

The office of the Central Council of Tibetan Medicine and its staff are currently on rented accommodation. CCTM will not be able to afford the rising cost of the rent after sometime. Since the work load is expanding swiftly, CCTM needs to put more staff into its strength. Therefore, a housing facility of our own is an urgent need.

Estimation and Funding needs:

Following is the size and number of rooms and their estimates.

Offices:

- (i) 1 Office of the Chairman (14x16 feet)
- (ii) 1 Office of the Executive Secretary and Accountant (16x18 feet)
- (iii) 1 Waiting Room (16x18 feet)
- (iv) 1 Meeting Room (16x18 feet)
- (v) 1 Bathroom and Toilet (10x8 feet)

Staff Quarters:

- (i) 4 Bedroom (12x14 feet)
- (ii) 4 Sitting Room (14x18 feet)
- (iii) 4 Alter Room (12x12 feet)
- (iv) 4 Kitchen and dinning room (12x16 feet)
- (v) 4 Bath Room and toilet (10x8 feet)

Estimation for the above housing structure is about **55 - 60 lakh Indian rupees**, which is equivalent to **137500 - 150000 US\$**.

4. MEDICAL CAMP AND EXHIBITION

Objectives:

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine will organize a Tibet Fest in the year 2008. This festival aims to introduce the richness of Tibetan medical culture and its health care services to the local Indians. It will include medical consultation and treatment, exhibition on medical paintings, Thangkas, herbal medicines and herbal products. The festival will be held in the Indian cities of Pune, Nashik, Mumbai and Ahmedabad. The entire trip is estimated to last for 16 days only.

Estimation and funding need

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| 1. Exhibition materials: | Rs. 18000.00 |
| 2. Traveling and Boarding expanses: | Rs. 50,000.00 |
| 3. Advertisement: | Rs. 8,000.00 |
| 4. Hall rent & venue: | Rs. 10000.00 |
| 5. Miscellaneous expanses: | Rs. 2000.00 |

Grand total: Rupees Eighty Six Thousand only Rs. 86,000.00

5. MEDICINE BUDDHA INITIATION

Objectives:

Sacred Initiation, Transmission and empowerments are unique & indispensable pre-requisite features to the Tibetan Medical practitioners for an effective and successful medical service. As such, Central Council of Tibetan Medicine has drawn up plans to invite Venerable Kyabje Taklung Tsetrul Rinpoche with their entourage to Dharamsala to give Medicine Buddha or yuthog Nyingthig initiation or, Oral transmission of medical part of Sacred text called Rinchen Terzod” to the Tibetan doctors. The duration of the initiation is expected to be weeklong time.

Estimation and funding need:

Traveling cost for Rinpoche and entourage:	Rs..34,000.00
Accommodation:	Rs. 13,650.00
Weeklong Lunch for participants:	Rs. 115500.00
Offerings & Honorarium:	Rs. 37750.00
Printing of required scripture for the initiation:	Rs. 10000.00
Video recording:	Rs. 70,000.00
House rent:	Rs. 8400.00
Miscellaneous:	Rs. 15000.00

Grand Total: Three Lac four Thousand three hundred Rupees only (Rs.304300.00)

6. PUBLIC HEALTH TALK

Objectives:

Under the kind message and guidance of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and *Kashag* (Tibetan Cabinet), The CCTM aims to give health talk to the public on various preventive measures for the general well being and on specific disease that poses great threat to the society. The talk will also cover mother and child health care, which is the key to health of our future generation. In the last four years, CCTM had covered public health talks to the schools and Tibetan community like Dharamsala, Dickyiling, Darjeeling, Poanta, Mundgod, Ladakh and Varanasi. This year we will organize at least 5-6 public health talks by visiting various schools, monasteries and settlements.

Funding need:

Rs. 25,000.00

AN APPEAL

The implementation of current projects at hand and the future prospects of CCTM depends entirely on the availability of sufficient funds. Through this channel, we request all the friends and well-wishers of Tibetan Medicine to help us by sponsoring any one of our project or in any way convenient to you by donation.

Once you become a sponsor of any of our project, we will add your name in our sponsorship list. Our sponsors are entitled to receive all our important publications and biannual newsletter .

HOW TO MAKE DONATION AND SPONSOR OUR PROJECTS

If you are interested to make donation or sponsor any of our project, please mail us on <chethoe@yahoo.com> or call us on + 91 1892 223483 or send fax on + 91 1892 226462 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm in six working days.

Donation can be made by Cheque, Draft or in Cash to the below given address.

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A NEW STAFF TO THE CCTM OFFICE

The Council's staff Dr. Tsering Tsamchoe had taken resignation from her assigned job on 30th July, 2008 citing unavoidable reasons. In her place we tried our best to get a doctor however we did not get that. Finally, we had to place an advertisement for the vacant post for which three applications were received. Ms. Jampa Palmo one of the applicants, was selected with rounds of written test (Tibetan & English) and personal interview with all the three applicants.

Ms. Jampa Palmo, an alumna of TCV Bylakuppe had done Teacher's Training Course from TTC TCV, Dharamsala. She had over five years experience of teaching to the children of TCV Bylakuppe and TCV Day School, Kullu.

THANK YOU NOTE

We sincerely thank the following donors for their generous contribution:

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| 1. Department of Religion and Culture, CTA | Rs. 50,000/- |
| 2. Ven. Jigmey Rinpoche la, Orissa | Rs. 20,000/- |
| 3. Mr. Wilfried Pfeffer, Freiburg, Germany | Euro 1000/- |
| 4. Mr. Stephen Kloos, Australia | Rs. 4000/- |
| 5. Mr. Lama Dietschy, Switzerland | Rs. 5000/- |

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine, Dharamsala extends a sincere THANKS to all our coordinators at various regions for your kind support and cooperation for the council.

We especially express our heartfelt thank and appreciation to Dr. Thupten Thapkey la, the coordinator at Spiti, Dr. Sonam Phuntsok la, the coordinator at Dharamsala and Dr. Tashi Dawa la, the coordinator at Varanasi for their special excellent work as a coordinator.

We are sure that you all will continue support and cooperate with us in the coming years.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TIBETAN MEDICINE, DHARAMSALA

To,

The Offices of His Holiness the Dalai Lama (located Abroad) and CTA Chief Representatives Officers in India and Nepal.

The Central Council of Tibetan Medicine (Che-Thoe-Men-Pai-Lhen-Tsog), Dharamsala was established on 5th January, 2004 with resolutions passed by the 13th Assembly of Tibetan People's Deputies and support by Department of Health, Central Tibetan Administration. Keeping the goal of Medical Council, CCTM had recognized four Medical Colleges and 340 Tibetan Medical doctors who had graduated from any of the four Medical Colleges registered under the Council as well as doctors from Himalayan regions according to the Medical Act and rules and regulations of CCTM. However, in some regions in India and abroad, there are few who practice Tibetan medicine without proper certification or license for sheer greed of money. Such selfish, self-claimed doctors, not only cheat helpless innocent patients but bring bad name to the Tibetan medicine and create bad image of Tibetan Medicine.

The concern authorities at the locals are hereby requested to take caution against any doctors who are not registered under the council. For the general health of the public and to save them against exploitation, only registered doctors (Tibetan doctors) should be consulted.

The concerned authorities are hereby also requested not to grant any assistance and cooperation to anyone who is not a registered doctor under the council.

We confidently hope that you will take full cognizance of the above.

Thanking you with anticipation

CCTM Dharamsala

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