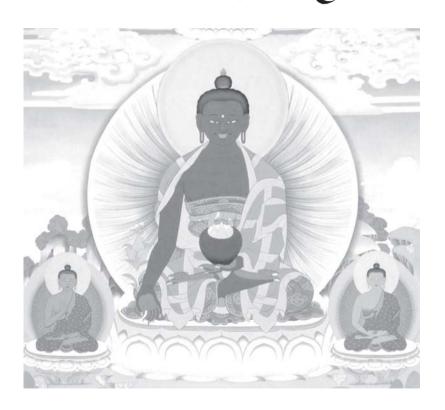
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NAMO GURU MUNI INDRAYA

Gang gi tshän tsam thö päi chhu gyün gyi The river of merely hearing your names Nar me me yang rab sil pä tsho tar Makes even Avici's hell-fires cool as a lotus pond. Gyur dzä nyig mäi gön po de sheg dün Protectors in degenerate times, seven sugatas Sha kyäi tog dang chä päi zhab tü nä And head of the Shakyas, to your feet I bow.

Chhog män ja wä yeng shing nam chö kyi Distracted by activities of varying importance, Nyig mäi gyäl wa dün gyi nam thar la To benefit myself and those with faith in the life stories Mö päi lo dän dag wang phän päi chhir Of these seven buddhas for degenerate times, Do chhog dü tsii yang zhün nying po dri I'll condense the ambrosia sutra ritual to its molten essence.

Because of the infallibility of Arya Buddha's proclamation that the power and blessings of the Medicine Buddhas are greater and swifter in degenerate times, we accept it. Having already made preparations as described in the sutra ritual, one who wishes to perform this quintessential ritual for invoking the heart commitment of the protectors, the seven sugatas, during degenerate times, should recite as follows, fully infusing the mind with refuge and bodhichitta:

Medicine Buddha Sutra Ritual

Refuge and Bodhichitta

Chhog chu dü sum gyi de zhin sheg pa tham chä kyi ku sung thug yön tän thrin lä tham chä chig tu dü päi ngo wor gyur pa

Nature incorporating the entire body, speech, mind, qualities, and activity of all the tathagatas of the three times and ten directions,

Chhö kvi phung po tong thrag gyä chu tsa zhii jung nä

Source of eighty-four thousand collections of Dharmas,

Phag päi ge dün tham chä kyi

Lord of all arva Sangha

Nga dag drin chân tsa wa dang gyü par chã pãi pãl dân la ma dam pa nam la kvab su chhi wo

I seek refuge in the kind and glorious holy root and lineage Gurus.

Dzog päi sang gyä nam la kyab su chhi wo

I seek refuge in the completely enlightened lord Buddhas.

Dam päi chhö nam la kyab su chhi wo

I seek refuge in the holy Dharma.

Phag päi ge dün nam la kyab su chhi wo

I seek refuge in the arya Sangha.

Chom dän dä män gyi la de war sheg pa chhe

I seek refuge in the eight brothers gone to bliss,

Gyä kyi lha tshog khor dang chä pa nam la kyab su chhi wo

The lord Medicine Buddhas with their hosts of retinue deities.

Päl gön dam pa chhö kyong wäi sung ma ye she kyi

I seek refuge in the glorious holy protectors,

Chän dang dän pa nam la kyab su chhi wo (3x)

Dharma Protector Guardians endowed with the wisdom eye. (3x)

Sang gyä chhö dang tshog kyi chhog nam la

I go for refuge until I am enlightened

Jang chhub bar du dag ni kyab su chhi

To the Buddha, the Dharma, and the Supreme Assembly.

Dag gi jin sog gyi päi tshog nam kyi

By my merit from giving and other perfections

Dro la phän chhir sang gyä drub par shog (3x)

May I become a buddha to benefit all sentient beings. (3x)



The Four Imamaeasurables

Dag dang nang wa tham chä chhö kyi jing kyi rang zhin yin pa la / de tar ma tog päi sem chän tham chä de wa dang de wäi gyu dang dän par ja

All sentient beings who, although self and all appearances are dharmadhatu by nature, have not realized it thus, I shall endow with happiness and the causes of happiness

Dug ngäl dang dug ngäl gyi gyu dang dräl war ja

I shall separate from suffering and the causes of suffering, Dug ngäl me päi de wa dang mi dräl war ja

I shall make inseparable from happiness without suffering, De dug gi gyu chhag dang nye ring nyi dang dräl wäi tang nyom la nä par ja wo (3x)

And I shall set in equanimity, the cause of well-being, free from attachment, aversion, and partiality. (3x)



Special Bodhichitta

Ma sem chân tham chã kyi dön du dzog päi sang gyä kyi go phang thob par ja

For the welfare of all mother sentient beings, I need to attain complete buddhahood;

Dei chhir du chom dän dä män gyi la de war sheg pa chhe gyä kyi lha tshog khor dang chä pa nam la

Therefore, I am going to engage in the stages of the path such as prostrating, making offerings, and heartfelt requests (entreating the holy minds to grant blessings)

Chhag chhö thug dam kül wa la sog päi lam gyi rim pa la jug par gyi wo To the eight brothers gone to bliss the lord Medicine Buddhas, with their hosts of retinue deities.

Purifying the Place

Chhog den gyäl wa sä chä jin lab dang

Through the power of the supreme truth of the buddhas' and bodhisattvas' blessings,

Tshog nyi nga thang chhö ying dag päi thü The might of the two collections, and the purity of the dharmadhatu.

Zhing dir de wa chân tar nö chü kvi

May this realm's beings and environment be enriched like Sukhavati

Si zhii phün tshog dö gü jor gyur chig

With all the desirable perfections of both samsara and nirvana.

Offerings

Rin chhen sa zhi jön shing chhu tshö gyän

Jeweled ground adorned with trees and with ponds

Ser ngül mu tig je ma dram bur däl

Whose bottoms are covered with gold, silver, and pearl dust;

Me tog chäl tram tsän dän dri sung dang

Flowers strewn and sandalwood fragrance rising;

Lha mii long chö kün zang chhö pä khyab

Human and divine enjoyments: Samantabhadra's offerings everywhere.

Der ni yi ong nor büi pho drang bü

There, in the center of a charming jeweled palace

Pädma seng thrir gyäl wa sä chä nam

On lotuses and lion thrones, buddhas and bodhisattvas abide.

Zhug nä zung rig mö tob kyi trün päi

May [everywhere] be filled with oceans of clouds of offerings, which they enjoy,

Chhö trin gya tshö gang zhing chö gyur chig

Born through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.





Offering Cloud Mantra (Optional)¹

This manra multiplies the offerings so that they become numberless.

🕴 OM NAMO BHAGAVATE VAJRA SARA PRAMARDANE / TATHAGATAYA / ARHATE SAMYAKSAM BUDDHAYA / TADYATHA / OM VAJRE VAJRE / MAHA VAJRE / MAHA TEJA VAJRE / MAHA VIDYA VAJRE / MAHA BODHICHITTA VAJRE / MAHA BODHI MÄNDO PASAM KRAMANA VAIRE / SARVA KARMA AVARANA VISHO DHANA VAIRE SVAHA



The Power of Truth²

Kön chhog sum gvi den pa dang

By the power of the truth of the Three Jewels,

Sang gyä dang jang chhub sem pa tham chä kyi jin gyi lab dang

Of the blessings of all the buddhas and bodhisattvas,

Tshog nyi yong su dzog päi nga thang chhen po dang

By the power of the great might of the completed two collections, and of the completely pure, inconceivable sphere of reality,

Chhö kyi ying nam par dag ching sam gyi mi khyab päi tob kyi de zhin nyi du gyur chig

May all these offerings become just so.

Optional xtensive Version

By the power of truth of the Three Rare Sublime Ones, The blessings of all the buddhas and bodhisattvas, The great wealth of the completed two collections, And the sphere of phenomena being pure and inconceivable; May these piles of clouds of offerings arising through transformation by the bodhisattvas Arya Samantabhadra, Manjushri, and so forth – unimaginable and inexhaustible, equaling the sky – arise and, in the eyes of the buddhas and bodhisattvas of the ten directions, be received.



Invocation (with burning incense)

Nyig mäi gön po tse dän de sheg dün

Compassionate protectors in degenerate times, seven sugatas,

Thub wang dam chhö jang sem ka dö chä

Buddha Shakyamuni, holy Dharma, bodhisattvas, and guardians,

Dag sog kyob chhir gön kyab pung nyen du

Invited as the support and protector refuge to protect others

and myself:

📤 Chän dren dir sheg dän dzom jin lab dzö

May you come here, gather, and grant your blessings.

If one wishes, one can perform an extensive bath offering here.

The Seven-Limb Practice

Prostrations

Ka drin nyam me tsa wäi la ma dang
Root Guru whose kindness is without equal,

💃 Shakyäi gyäl po jam yang zhi tsho sog

King of the Shakyas, Manjushri, Shantarakshita, and so on,

Zab möi do di chhag tshän zhe pa yi

Holding in their hands this profound sutra:

Mgö gyü la ma nam la chhag tshäl lo

To the direct and lineage gurus, I prostrate.

👗 Nyam thag dro nam dröl wäi thug je chän

To the compassionate ones who liberate destitute beings –

🎍 De sheg dün dang thub wang dam päi chhö

Seven sugatas, Buddha Shakyamuni, and holy Dharma,

Jam päl kyab dröl sang dag tshang wang

Manjushri, Kyab Dröl, Vajrapani, Brahma and Ishvara,

M Gyäl chhen nö jin nam la chhag tshäl lo

And the maharajas and yakshas – I prostrate.



Å Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration. (Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues, (Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Beseeching

Chom dän dän dzom chhen po gong su söl Great bhagavan assembly, pray listen!

De sheg dün gyi ngön gyi mön lam dag Seven sugatas, just as you promised,

Shakyäi tän pa nga gyäi tha ma la Your previous prayers will be fulfilled

Drub par gyur wa zhäl gyi zhe pa zhin During the final period of Shakyamuni's teachings:

Dag la den pa ngön sum tän du söl Pray, show me in actuality it is true!









Prayers to the Individual Medicine Buddhas

Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä tshän leg par yong drag päl gyi gyäl po la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Renowned Glorious King of Excellent Signs (Suparikirtitanamasriraja) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

Ser gyi dog chän kyab jin chhag gya chän

Golden in color with mudra of granting refuge;

🎍 Mön lam gyä drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished eight prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations:

Thần gyi mi thub zhing gi pal gyur pai

Glorious one of the buddha-field Unconquered by Others:

Tshän leg yong drä päl la chhag tshäl lo

To Renowned Glorious King of Excellent Signs, I prostrate.

* Tshän gyi me tog gyä shing dag pa la

In flowers of the major marks flourishing and pure,

Pe jä zang pöi dru chha dze päi ku

Anthers of minor signs, such a beautiful body:



Gang gi thong thö drän päi päl gyur pa

One who sees, hears, or thinks of you is glorified.

Tshän leg yong drag päl la chhag tshäl lo

To Renowned Glorious King of Excellent Signs, I prostrate.

Å Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.

(Meditate on extensive offering; see b. 47)²

Ge la vi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues.

(Meditate on rejoicing; see b. 51)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Nä rim she je dig chän dön lä thar

May all sentient beings such as ourselves

Wang po kün tshang dug ngäl dig gyün chhä

Be freed from epidemics, execution, criminals, and spirits;

Ngän dror mi tung lha mii de wa nyong

Have faculties fully complete; have the continuum of suffering and negativities cut;

Tre kom bül phong zhi zhing jor gyur chig

Not fall to lower realms; and experience the happiness of humans and gods.

Ching dang deg sog lü kyi dung wa me

With hunger, thirst, and poverty pacified, may there be wealth.

Tag seng thrül gyi tshe dräl thab tsö zhi

Without torments of body such as bindings and beatings;

Iam päi sem dän chhu vi trag nam kyang

Without harm of tigers, lions, and snakes; with conflict pacified; Bug chhin jig me de war gäl gyur chig

Endowed with loving minds and relieved from fear of flood as well, may we bass to fearless bliss.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi And when we pass away from this life, Zhing der päd mo lä kye yön tän dzog May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,

Tshän leg yong drag la sog gyäl nam kyi

Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as Renowned Glorious King of Excellent Signs,

Kä lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig And cause them delight.



Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä rin po chhe dang da wa dang pädmä rab tu gyän pa khä pa zi ji dra yang kyi gyäl po la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha King of Melodious Sound, Brilliant Radiance of Skill, Adorned with Jewels, Moon, and Lotus (Svaragosaraja) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)





Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

- *Ku dog ser po chhog jin chhag gya chän Yellow in color with mudra of granting the supreme;
- Å Mön lam gyä drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished eight prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations:

Rin chhen dän päi zhing gi päl gyur päi

Glorious one of the buddha-field Endowed With Jewels:

Rin chhen da wäi zhab chhag tshäl lo I brostrate to King of Melodious Sound.

Rin chhen da dang pädmä rab gyän ching Well adorned with jewelled moon and lotus.

🎍 She ja kün la khä shing khyen pa gyä

Wisdom expanded in mastery of all knowable objects,

Gva tsho ta bur zab päi thug nga wa

Endowed with a mind as deep as the ocean:

Dra yang gyäl pöi zhab la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate at the feet of King of Melodious Sound.

Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.

(Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

(Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Yeng nam chhö phel lha mii tshog chhä jor For all sentient beings such as ourselves, may the distracted flourish in the Dharma:

Tsa wäi dung dräl tag tu kye par gyur

Have wealth and goods of humans and gods; without torment at conception, be always born human;

lang chhub sem dang mi thräl ge chhö gyä

Never be separated from bodhichitta; increase in virtuous Dharma Drib jang lha mii de wa thob gyur chig

Purify obscurations; and attain the happiness of humans and gods.

She dräl mün bar dön tse chhi dang dra

May we be freed from being separated from the spiritual guide,

Gön päi nö me chhö dang rim dror tsön

From dark ages, spirit harm, death, and enemies, and from the dangers of isolated places.

Män nam ting dzin drän tob zung dän ching

May we have enthusiasm for making offerings and performing ritual services.

She rab chhog thob me nyen sil gyur chig

May lesser beings have samadhi, mindfulness, strength, the dharani of non-forgetfulness, and attain supreme wisdom. May tormenting fires be cooled.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi

And when we pass away from this life,

Zhing der pä mo lä kye yön tän dzog

May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,

Dra yang gyäl po la sog gyäl nam kyi

Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as King of Melodious Sound,

Ka lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig

And cause them delight.







Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa vang dag par dzog päi sang gyä ser zang dri me rin chhen nang tül zhug drub pa la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Stainless Excellent Gold, Great Jewel Who Accomplishes All Vows (Suvarnabhadravimala), I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

- Dzam büi ser dra chhö tön chhag gya chän Golden in color, like the River Tsambu, with Dharma teaching mudra;
- Å Mön lam zhi drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji Having accomplished four prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations:
- Pö kyi yong gang zhing gi päl gyur päi Glorious one of the buddha-field Incense Filled:
- Ser zang dri me nang la chhag tshäl lo I prostrate to Stainless Excellent Gold.
- 🚵 Dzam bu chhu pöi ser tar lhang nge wa Paramount among golds like the gold of the River Tsambu,
- 🎍 Nyi ma tong lä lhag päi zi ji bar Blazing with more radiance than a thousand suns,

Dri me ser gyi chhö dong ta büi ku

Body like a stainless golden stupa:

Ser zang dri me nang la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Stainless Excellent Gold.

Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration. (Meditate

on extensive offering) 2

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

(Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Tshe thung ring tsho bül nam wang chhug tshang

For all sentient beings such as ourselves, may the short-lived gain longevity, the poor, full wealth;

Thab tsö gye wang jam päi sem dän zhing

May combatants come to have loving minds.

Lab dräl ngän song mi lhung dom på dam

May we not be without training and fall to the lower realms

Jang chhub sem dang thräl wa me gyur chig

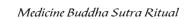
But be bound by our vows and never without bodhichitta.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi

And when we pass away from this life,

Zhing der pä mo lä kye yön tän dzog

May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,





Ser zang dri me la sog gyäl nam kyi

Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as Stainless Excellent Gold.

Ka lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig And cause them delight.



Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä nya ngän me chhog päl la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow (Asokottamasriraja) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

Ku dog mar kya nyam zhag chhag gya chän

Light red in color with mudra of meditative equipoise;

Å Mön lam zhi drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished four prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations;

🯶 Nya ngän me päi zhing gi päl gyur päi

Glorious one of the buddha-field Without Sorrow:

Nya ngän me päi päl la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow.



Nya ngan da zhi de wai chhog nye pa

Passed beyond sorrow, attained to supreme bliss,

Lind Dro wäi dug sum dug ngäl zhi dzä ching

Pacifier of sentient beings' three poisons and sufferings,

Dro drug gön dang päl du gyur pa yi

Protector of beings of the six realms,

Nya ngan me chhog pal la chhag tshal lo

To the glorified one, Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow, I prostrate.

Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.

(Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la vi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

(Meditate on reioicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Nya ngän sog zhi mi dräl tshe ring de

For all sentient beings such as ourselves, may sorrow and the like always be pacified, and life be long and happy.

Nyäl war gyäl wäi ö kyi de dag gyä

May the conquerors' light increase bliss and joy in the hells.

Dang dän dze jor jung pö mi tshe zhing

May we have brightness, beauty, and wealth, unharmed by spirits; Phần tshun jam dẫn nã nam me gyur chig

May we have love for each other; and may there be no disease.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi

And when we pass away from this life,





Zhing der pä mo lä kve vön tän dzog

May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,

Nya ngän me chhog la sog gyäl nam kyi

Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as Supreme Glory Free from Sorrow,

Ka lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig

And cause them delight.



Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä chhö drag gya tshöi jang la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Melodious Ocean of Proclaimed Dharma (Dharmakirtisagara) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

Ku dog kar mar chhö tön chhag gya chän

Pink in color with mudra of teaching the Dharma;

Mön lam zhi drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished four prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations:

Chhö kyi gyäl tshän zhing gi päl gyur päi

Glorious one of the buddha-field Victory Banner of Dharma:

Chhö drag gya tshöi yang la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Melodious Ocean of Proclaimed Dharma.

Chhö dra chhen pö pha röl göl wa jom

Great sound of Dharma conquering adversaries,

🎍 Gya tsho ta bur zab päi sung nga zhing

Endowed with speech as deep as the ocean,

Dro wäi dug ngäl ma lü zhi dzä pa

Pacifier of beings' suffering without exception:

A Chhö drag gya tshöi jang la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Melodious Ocean of Proclaimed Dharma.

Å Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration. (Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

(Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Tag tu yang dag ta dang dä dän zhing

For all sentient beings such as ourselves, may we always have perfect view and faith,

Chhö kyi dra thö jang chhub sem kyi chhug

Hear the sound of Dharma, and be enriched with bodhichitta.



Long chö lä du dig pang jor pa phel

For the sake of resources may we give up negativities; may wealth increase.

Jam nä tshe ring chhog she nyi gyur chig May we abide in love, have long lives, and be content.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi And when we pass away from this life,

Zhing der pä mo läi kye yön tän dzog

May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,

Chhö drag gya tsho la sog gyäl nam kyi

Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as Melodious Ocean of Proclaimed Dharma,

Ka lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig And cause them delight.



Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä chhö gya tsho chhog gi lö nam par röl pa ngön par khyen päi gyäl po la chhag tshäl lo chhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Delightful King of Clear Knowing, Supreme Wisdom of an Ocean of Dharma (Abhijyaraja) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵



Coral colored with mudra of granting the supreme;

🎍 Mön lam zhi drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished four prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations;

Rin chhen gya tshöi zhing gi päl gyur päi

Glorious one of the buddha-field Ocean of Jewels:

Ngön khyen gyäl pa de la chhag tshäl lo I prostrate to King of Clear Knowing.

Chhö kyi lo drö ting pag ka wäi thug

Mind of profound Dharma wisdom, difficult to fathom,

Nam dag chhö kyi ying la röl dzä ching Sporting in the pure sphere of truth,

She ja ma lü ngön sum zig pa po

One who sees all knowable objects directly:

Ngön khyen gyäl po de la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to King of Clear Knowing.

Å Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.

 $(Meditate\ on\ extensive\ offering)^2$

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

(Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Gyäl wäi tshän thö drän jö chhag chhö thü

Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Yeng nam nö sem me ching tshog chhä jor

For all sentient beings such as ourselves, may the distracted be free of malice and rich in goods.

Ngän song lam ngän zhug nam ge chu thob

May those on evil paths to lower realms attain the ten virtues.

Zhän wang gyur nam rang wang phün tshog shing

May those controlled by others gain perfect independence,

Kün kyang tshe ring tshän thö ge gyur chig

And all have long life, hear the names, and be virtuous.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi

And when we pass away from this life,

Zhing der pä mo lä kye yön tä dzog

May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete,

Ngön khyen gyäl po la sog gyäl nam kyi

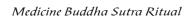
Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as King of Clear Knowing,

Ka lung nö ching nye par je gyur chig *And cause them delight.*



Chom dän dä de zhin sheg pa dra chom pa yang dag par dzog päi sang gyä män gyi la baiduryai ö kyi gyäl po la chhag tshäl lochhö do kyab su chhi wo (7x)

To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Medicine Guru, King of Lapis Light (Bhaisajyaguru) I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)





Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵

& Ku dog ngön po chhog jin chhag gya chän

Blue in color with mudra of granting the supreme;

Lu Chu nyi mön drub tshog nyi päl gyi ji

Who accomplished twelve prayers; majestic with the glory of two accumulations:

Baidurya nang zhing gi päl gyur päi

Glorious one of the buddha-field Lapis Light:

Män päi gyäl po de la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Medicine Guru, King of Doctors.

🏂 Thug je kün kün la nyom päi chom dän dä

Bhagavan with equal compassion for all,

Å Tshän tsam thö pä ngän dröi dug ngäl sel

Whose name, when merely heard, dispels the suffering of lower realms,

Dug sum nä sel sang gyä män gyi la

Dispeller of disease and the three poisons:

Baidurya yi ö la chhag tshäl lo

I prostrate to Medicine Buddha Lapis Light.

Å Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag

Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration.

(Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la vi rang kül zhing söl wa deb

I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues,

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Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.



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Through the force of hearing the conqueror's name,

Dag chag la sog sem chän gang dang gang

Expressing it, remembering, prostrating, and offering,

Tshän pe dze shing dro kün dag drar gyur

May each and every sentient being such as ourselves all become, like you, graced with marks and signs.

Ö kyi mün sel she rab thab khä kyi

May the light dispelling darkness, the enjoyment of wisdom, and skillful means be inexhaustible.

Long chö mi zä lam log män mö nam

May those attracted to mistaken and lesser paths enter Mahayana paths,

Theg chhen lam zhug dom på dze gyur chig

And all be beautified by their vows.

Tshül chhäl dung dräl wang pa kün tshang zhing

May we be free from pain caused by immorality,

Nä me vo jä phel zhing bü me kyi

Be complete in faculties and without disease, and have abundant goods.

Ngö pö kyo nam tag tu kye wang dän

May those disillusioned with the weakest conditions always have bowerful faculties.

Dü zhag ta wa ngan la drol gyur chig

And may we be freed from Mara's noose and perverse viewpoints.

Gyäl pö nar nam de zhing tre päi gyü

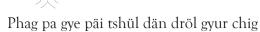
May those tormented by kings gain bliss, and those who, out of hunger, support themselves through negativity

Dig pä tsho nam chhö jor zä kyi tshim

Be satisfied with food received in accordance with the Dharma.

Tsha drang ngäl zhi sam pa yong dzog shing

May hardships of heat and cold be pacified and all good wishes be fulfilled.



Endowed with morality that pleases the aryas, may we be liberated.

Di nä shi phö gyur tshe sang gyä kyi And when we pass away from this life, Zhing der pä mo lä kye yön tän dzog May we be born from a lotus in that buddha-field, qualities complete.

Män päi gyäl po la sog gyäl nam kyi Become a vessel for transmitting the teachings of conquerors such as Medicine Guru, King of Doctors,

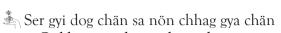
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To the bhagavan, tathagata, arhat, fully enlightened Buddha Glorious Conqueror Shakyamuni, I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (7x)

Please may the pledges you made ripen upon myself and all sentient beings right now. May all my pure prayers succeed immediately.⁵



Golden in color with earth-pressing mudra,

Å Mä jung thug je tsön drü chhen pöi thü Who through the force of unique great compassion and enthusiasm.

Mi je jig ten kham kyi päl gyur päi Became the glorious one of this, the fearless world system:

Dren chhog shakyäi tog la chhag tshäl lo I prostrate to the supreme leader, head of the Shakyas.

Thab khä thug je shakyäi rig thrung shing Born in the Shakya lineage out of skillful means and compassion,

Lian gyi mi thub dü kyi pung jom pa Unchallenged by others, conqueror of Mara's forces,

Ser gyi lhün po ta bur ji päi ku Body majestic as a golden Mount Meru:

A Shakyäi gyäl po de la chhag tshäl lo I prostrate to the king of the Shakyas.

A Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

Chhö tshog kün bül dig tung tham chä shag Through the force of mantra, samadhi, and aspiration. (Meditate on extensive offering)²

Ge la yi rang kül zhing söl wa deb I confess all downfalls and negativities, rejoice in virtues, (Meditate on rejoicing)³

Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.

Tön pa chhog de do dei chho ga lä Pray, bless us and all beings who lack a protector Ji tar sung päi phän yön ma lü pa To receive here immediately, without exception,



Dag chag gön me dro wa tha dag gi

The benefits as taught by the supreme teacher

Deng dir thräl du thob par jin gyi lob

In the extensive sutra ritual of Medicine Buddha.

Prostration and Prayer to the Holy Dharma

Ma rig mün sel drön me chog

Supreme lamp dispelling the darkness of ignorance,

Dug ngäl nä sel män gyi phül

Foremost of medicines alleviating suffering and disease,

Dam chhö kön chhog tham chä la

To the entire sublime jewel of Dharma,

 \bigwedge Chhag tshäl chhö ching kyab su chhi (3x)

I prostrate, offer, and go for refuge. (3x)

🏝 Kün jung mün päi sa bön thar dzä ching

Homage to the mother of the victorious ones,

🛓 Dug ngäl zug ngüi tsa wa drung nä jin

Perfection of wisdom and holy Dharma of the three vehicles,

Gyäl yum she rab pha röl chhin la sog

Who totally destroys the dark seed of suffering's cause

Theg sum dam päi chhö la chhag tshäl lo

And uproots the pain of suffering completely.4

A Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

I make every collection of offerings, actually arranged and emanated

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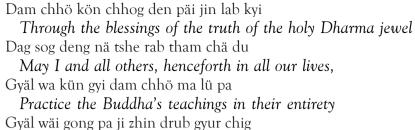
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Di tshön ge wa jang chhub chhen por ngo

Request and beseech, and dedicate such virtues as these to the great enlightenment.



Exactly as the buddhas intended.

Requesting the Benefits of the Practice

Jam päl kyab dröl chhag na dor je sog

The conquerors' heart commitments were invoked

De sheg sä po sum dri drug tong gi

By thirty-six thousand sons of sugatas,

Gyäl wäi thug dam kül zhing leng lang nä

Including Manjushri, Kyab Dröl, and Vajrapani.

Do dei phän yön ji kä sung pa nam

Thus requested, they proclaimed this sutra's benefits.

Deng dir dag la ngön du gyur bar dzö

Pray, manifest all of them for me here and now.

Jig ten kyong wa de pön chä pä kyang

And to the worldly protector yaksha leaders as well,

Ngön tshe tön päi chän ngar zhäl zhe zhin

As you promised to do before previous teachers -

Dra dang nö pa nä rim dog pa dang

To stop enemies, harmers, and epidemics,

Thab tsö kün zhi lü sem de wa gyä

Pacify all conflict, and increase physical and mental bliss,

Long chö wang chug nor dru tshe pel zhing

Increase wealth, power, property, crops, and life span –

Sam päi dön nam yi zhin drub pa dang

Accomplish these desired goals as we wish

Tag tu sung kyong yel wa me par dzö

And always protect us without break.

Mantra Recitation

OM NAMO BHAGAVATE BHAISHAIYE / GURU BAIDURYA / PRABHA RAJAYA / TATHAGATAYA / ARHATE SAMYAKSAM BUDDHAYA / TADYATHA / OM BHAISHAIYE BHAISHAIYE MAHA BHAISHAIYE | BHAISHAIYE | ** / RAJA SAMUDGATE SVAHA

Common pronunciation:

OM NAMO BAGAWATAY BEKANZAY / GURU BAIDURYA / PRABA RADZA YA / TATAGATAYA / ARHATAY SAMYAKSAM BUDDHAYA / TA YA TA / OM BEKANZAY BEKANZAY MAHA BEKANZAY [BEKANZAY] **/ RADZA SAMUDGATAY SOHA

Thus, recite the long mantra, or the short mantra as follows:

TADYATHA / OM BHAISHAJYE BHAISHAJYE MAHA BHAISHAJYE [BHAISHAJYE]** / RAJA SAMUDGATE SVAHA

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Common pronunciation:

TAD YA THA / OM BEKANZAY BEKANZAY MAHA BEKANZAY [BEKANZAY]** / RADZA SAMUDGATAY SOHA

Ka drin nyam me tsa wäi la ma dang

Root Guru whose kindness is without equal,

A Shakyai gyal po jam yang zhi tsho sog

King of the Shakyas, Manjushri, Shantarakshita, and so on,

Dzam möi do di chhag tshän zhe pa yi

Holding in their hands this profound sutra:

Ngö gyü la ma nam la chhag tshäl lo

To the direct and lineage gurus, I prostrate.





Nyam thag dro nam dröl wäi thug je chän

To the compassionate ones who liberate destitute beings,

De sheg dün dang thub wang dam päi chhö

To the seven sugatas, Buddha Shakyamuni, and the holy Dharma, Jam päl kyab dröl sang dag tshang wang dang

To Manjushri, Kyab Dröl, Vajrapani, Brahma and Ishvara, Gyäl chhen nö jin nam la chhag tshäl lo

And the maharajas and vakshas, I prostrate.

Ngö sham zung rig mö tob kyi trül päi

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Request for Forgiveness

Ma jor pa dang nyam pa dang Whatever I have done or caused to be done Gang yang dag mong lo yi ni That was unprepared or degenerated Gyi pa dang ni gyi tsäl gang Or done with my deluded mind. De yang zö par dzä par dzäl du söl Please be patient with all of these.

^{**}Syllables in brackets [] are optional. Recite the mantra as many times as possible.

Du den sem chän sö nam män

Whatever the beings of this degenerate age have done

Rig nyön mong dang dre ma ring

Of lesser merit mixed with ignorant delusions

Phag päi thug gong ma dzog pa

That did not fulfill the aryas' wishes,

De yang zö par dzäl du söl

Please be patient with these as well.

Ser nä wang gyur mi khä pä

Under the influence of miserliness, lacking in skill,

Chhö pa ngän zhing sham nye pa

Having made bad offerings or faulty arrangements,

Gön po thug je chhe dän pa

O protector endowed with great compassion,

De yang zö par dzäl du söl

Please be patient with these as well.

Lhag pa dang ni chhä pa dang

Whatever was superfluous or left undone,

Chho gäi yän lag nyam pa dang

Degeneration in parts of the ritual,

Dag gi je ngä chi chhi pa

Or whatever was forgotten,

De yang zö par dzäl du söl⁴

Please be patient with these as well.⁴

Request to Remain

Dir ni ten dang lhän chig tu

By remaining here together with this image

Dro wäi dön du zhug nä kyang

For the sake of all migrators,

Nä me tse dang wang chug dang

May you grant us long life without illness,

Chhog nam leg par tsäl du söl

Power, and supreme attainment.

OM SUPRATISHTA VAIRA YE SVAHA

Medicine Buddha Sutra Ritual



Auspicious Verses

Phün tshog chhog kyi khor lo chhi me lam

The hosts of Medicine Buddha deities

Leg par gang wäi män läi lha yi tshog

Pervading all directions of the round of space with perfection –

Ga zhig chhu kye na tshog char beb shing

Some raining down multicolored lotuses,

La la ge leg tsöl wäi lu yang len

Some singing songs requesting goodness,

Zhän dag dü geg jom päi thrin lä dzä

Some acting to conquer maras and obstructors,

Kün kyang khye la käl zang chhog ter bar

And all bestowing on you supreme good fortune:

Yong she gyi la rab dag kye chig dang

Know this full well and be very joyful

Shi jö dang nyan dag gi drag par ja

And I shall voice sweet melody expressing auspiciousness.

🚣 Gang gi zhab sen nor büi ö kar chän

Supreme teacher of humans and gods,

Å Chi wor reg på käl zang ku mu de

Touching my crown to your feet of jeweled moonlight

Thä päi päl ter lha mii tön pa chhog

Grants the glory of good fortune of kumuda flowers' blossoming;

Thub wang mar wäi da wa la chhag tshäl

To Munindra, moon of expounders, I prostrate.

Jam päi yang dang khan chhen zhi wa tsho

Manjushri and great abbot Shantarakshita,

Thri song de ü tsän jo wo yab sä dang

Trisong Detsen, Atisha father and sons,

Gyäl wa nyi pa lo zang drag pa sö

Second conqueror Losang Dragpa, and so on:

Tsa wa gyü päi la ma chhog nam la

Through the auspiciousness of all collected good qualities

Leg tshog ji nye chhi päi tra shi de

Of the supreme root and lineage gurus,

Khye kyi mi thün gü pa kün zä ching

May all negativity and degeneration be ended,

De leg yar ngöi da tar phel gyur nä

And, bliss and goodness increasing like the waxing moon,

Å Phün tshog päl la röl päi tra shi shog

May it be auspicious to enjoy the glory of perfection.

Gyäl wäi nyi ma zhän gyi mi thül wa

Accomplishing a supreme ocean of prayers invoking truth

Gön me nga gya tha mäi dro wa la

During the teachings' decline for protectorless beings

Den tshig mön lam gya tshöi chhog drub pa

Who were untamed by other sun-like conquerors,

Nyig mäi gön po de sheg dün nam la

Through the auspiciousness of all collected good qualities

Leg tshog ji nye chhi päi tra shi de

Of those seven sugatas, protectors during degenerate times,

Khye kyi mi thün gü pa kün zä ching

May all negativity and degeneration be ended,

De leg yar ngöi da tar phel gyur nä

And, bliss and goodness increasing like the waxing moon,

Å Phün tshog päl la röl päi tra shi shog

May it be auspicious to enjoy the glory of perfection.

Thub päi wang pöi jag yang pä mo lä

Arising well from the broad lotus-like tongue of the lord of the able ones.

Leg ong shakyāi tān tān pāi tha mar yang

Especially exalted even in the later days of the Shakya's teachings

Mä jung drub na drub päi dü tsii chü

Such that, if performed, one gains the essence of immortality's ambrosia:

Zab dang gya chhe do dei gyäl po la

Through the auspiciousness of all collected good qualities

Leg tshog ji nye chhi päi tra shi de

Of that king of the vast and profound sutra pitaka,

Khye kyi mi thün gü pa kün zä ching

May all negativity and degeneration be ended,

De leg yar ngöi da tar phel gyur nä

And, bliss and goodness increasing like the waxing moon,

🛓 Phün tshog päl la röl päi tra shi shog

May it be auspicious to enjoy the glory of perfection.

Chhog chüi zhing na män päi gyäl po yi

Through the auspiciousness of all collected good qualities

Tshän tsam dzin dang tön pa de sheg kyi

Of those children of the lineage performing the sutra ritual

Mön lam khyä par gyä päi do chhog la

By simply reciting the names of the kings of doctors

Thug dam dzä päi rig kyi bu nam la

Of all realms' ten directions

Leg tshog ji nye chhi päi tra shi de

And through the especially extensive prayers of the teacher Buddha and the sugatas:

Khye kyi mi thün gü pa kün zä ching

May all negativity and degeneration be ended,

De leg yar ngöi da tar phel gyur nä

And, bliss and goodness increasing like the waxing moon,

Å Phün tshog päl la röl päi tra shi shog

May it be auspicious to enjoy the glory of perfection.

De sheg thug je zung mö ting dzin dang

Accomplished through the compassion mantra of the sugatas,

Den tshig gi drub rin chhen lä drub pa

Through faith, samadhi, and words of truth, construction of jewels,

Kham sum lä dä kön chhog sum gyi nä

Abode of the Three Jewels beyond the three realms,

De wa chan dang tshung pai zhing chhog la

Through the auspiciousness of all collected good qualities

Leg tshog ji nye chhi päi tra shi de

Of that supreme buddha-field equal to Sukhavati:

Khye kyi mi thün gü pa kün zä ching

May all negativity and degeneration be ended,

De leg yar ngöi da tar phel gyur nä

And, bliss and goodness increasing like the waxing moon,

Phün tshog päl la röl päi tra shi shog

May it be auspicious to enjoy the glory of perfection.

Dedication Prayers

Ge wa di yi nyur du dag

Due to the merits of these virtuous actions

La ma sang gyä drub gyur nä

May I quickly attain the state of a Guru-Buddha

Dro wa chig kyang ma lü pa

And lead all living beings, without exception,

De yi sa la gö par shog

Into that enlightened state.

Jang chhub sem chhog rin po chhe

May the supreme jewel bodhichitta

Ma kye pa nam kye gyur chig

That has not arisen, arise and grow;

Kye wa nyam pa me pa yang

And may that which has arisen not diminish

Gong nä gong du phel war shog

But increase more and more.

Jam päl pa wö ji tar khyen pa dang

Just as the brave Manjushri and Samantabhadra, too,

Kün tu zang po de yang de zhin te

Realized things as they are,





De dag kün gyi je su dag lob chhir I too dedicate all these merits in the best way, Ge wa di dag tham chä rab tu ngo That I may follow their perfect example.

Dü sum sheg päi gyäl wa tham chä kyi
I dedicate all these roots of virtue
Ngo wa gang la chhog tu ngag pa de
With the dedication praised as the best
Dag gi ge wäi tsa wa di kün kyang
By the victorious ones thus gone of the three times,
Zang po chö chhir rab tu ngo war gyi
So I might perform good works.

Due to the merits accumulated over the three times by myself and all the buddhas and bodhisattvas, which are empty from their own side, may the I, who is empty from its own side, achieve the state of enlightenment, which is empty from its own side, and lead all sentient beings, who are empty from their own side, to that state as quickly as possible by myself alone.

Because of all the merits of the three times created by me and all the buddhas, bodhisattvas, and other sentient beings, may there be no wars, famines, disease, quarreling, fighting, or unhappy minds; may there be great prosperity, and may everything needed be easily obtained. May all the human beings in the world be guided by spritual leaders teaching only Dharma, and may everyone enjoy the happiness of Dharma.

Long Life Prayer for His Holiness the Dalai Lama

Gang ri ra wäi khor wä zhing kham dir
In the land encircled by snow mountains
Phän dang de wa ma lü jung wäi nä
You are the source of all happiness and good;
Chän rä zig wang tän dzin gya tsho yi
All-powerful Chenrezig, Tenzin Gyatso,
Zhab pä si thäi bar du tän gyur chig

Please remain until samsara ends.

Long Life Prayer for Lama Zopa Rinpoche

Thub tshul chhang zhing jam gön gyäl wäi <u>tän</u>

You who uphold the Subduer's moral way, who serve as the bountiful bearer-of-all,

Dzin kyong pel wä kün <u>zö</u> dog por dzä

Sustaining, preserving, and spreading Manjunath's victorious doctrine;

Chhog sum kur wäi leg mön thu drub <u>pa</u>
Who masterfully accomplish magnificent prayers honoring the
Three Iewels:

Dag sog dül jäi gön du zhab tän shog Savior of myself and others, your disciples, please, please live long!



Ibtes Regarding This Practice

Altar and Gompa Set-up

When performing this puja extensively, it is best to set out 108 sets of offering bowls. If this is not possible, then 8 sets will suffice. The offerings for this puja are set out in a unique fashion: Starting toward the back of the altar and working forward, one places a row of 8 argham, followed by a row of 8 padhyam, then 8 pushpe, and so on, rather than consecutive rows of all 8 offerings.

One should also prepare and offer 8 tormas made from the 3 whites and the 3 sweets (milk, butter, yoghurt, sugar, molasses, and honey) in the shape of tear drops.

Other offerings of food, flowers, etc. are optional.

It is recommended by Lama Zopa Rinpoche to also have on the altar, if possible, a representation of the Medicine Buddha mandala (obtainable from FPMT Education Department) in a mandala house and above that, a copy of the Medicine Buddha Sutra wrapped in five-colored cloth.

NOTE: When seating monks and nuns in the front, it is customary to seat monks on the left side of the throne (when facing the throne) and nuns on the right.

During "big pujas" (these are defined as self-initiations or long pujas and pujas with extensive offerings, etc.) one can offer a stick of incense for the lama or geshe to hold during the verses of invocation.

Ritual Implements

One should have both dorje and bell, but no damaru or inner offering.

NOTE: Throughout the preceding text, small symbols of bells or other instruments and hand mudras appear in the margins to help the practitioner know when one should play these instruments or when to do certain mudras. It is hoped that these small indications will be helpful to those not yet familiar with these aspects of tantric practice. Other symbols and their meanings are: prostration mudra show the dorje

Practice Tips

Because this is a practice belonging to Action Tantra, it is best not to eat black foods the day one performs the puja. After the puja, one can eat whatever one wishes, but before doing the puja, avoid black foods.

According to the instructions of Lama Zopa Rinpoche, before commencing the actual practice, begin with preliminary prayers (found in the "Preliminary Prayers" section of Essential Bud-

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dhist Prayers, vol. 1), including prostrations with Confession of Downfalls to the Thirty-Five Buddhas and the General Confession prayer.

.ndnotes:

- 1. Additions to the original text from the instructions of Lama Zopa Rinpoche.
- Lama Zopa Rinpoche advises to meditate on extensive offering in this and similar
 places in the puja. One can do the extensive offering practice found on p.45, or
 once one is familiar with the practice, one may just meditate on extensive offering
 oneself.
- 3. Lama Zopa Rinpoche also advises that it is extremely beneficial to rejoice. During the puja, rotate your rejoicing meditation in the following way: During the first seven-limb verse, rejoice in your own merit all the merit you have accumulated in the past (resulting in this precious human rebirth), present (following your teacher's advice, serving others, etc.), and that you will accumulate in the future, all the way until enlightenment. Think, "How wonderful, how precious." In the next seven-limb verse, rejoice in the merit of others all the wonderful things they have done, their qualities, etc., thinking, ""How wonderful, how precious." In the next seven-limb verse, rejoice in the deeds of the buddhas and bodhisattvas, including your own teachers and the lineage lamas. Remember the hardships they endured to practice and preseve the Dharma, and how many countless beings they have benefitted, thinking, "How wonderful, how precious." In the next seven-limb verse, return to rejoicing in one's own merit and qualities, then that of others, and so on.
- 4. These verses are an addition to the original text from Kopan Monastery, Nepal.
- Extracted from a Compilation of the Rituals of Offerings to the Seven Tathagatas called "Yeshe
 ön gyäl," by Losang Chökyi Gyältsän.

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