Tibetan Nuns Project The Annual Inter-Nunnery Debate, Jang Gonchoe





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Each year, the Tibetan Nuns Project fully supports the annual inter-nunnery debate called the Jang Gonchoe. Until the 1990s, Tibetan Buddhist nuns were excluded from this form and level of education.

In 2018, the Jang Gonchoe for nuns will be held at Kopan Nunnery in Nepal. Hundreds of nuns from 8 nunneries in India and Nepal would like to take part in this year's debate event. However, the nuns need your help with food and travel costs in order to attend.

The practice of debate is an essential part of monastic education in the Tibetan tradition and joins logical thinking with a deeper understanding of Buddhist philosophy. The inter-nunnery debate is a vital educational opportunity. By supporting this event you are helping the nuns grow in confidence, to prepare for taking higher degrees such as the Geshema degree, and to become teachers and leaders.

In 2018, because the event is being held in Nepal and most of the nuns are from nunneries in India, the travel costs will be greater than in previous years. Nuns will be traveling to and from Kopan in the most economical way possible. In some cases, the nuns will have to stop and sleep en route. The longest journey will be three-days travel from Jangchub Choeling Nunnery in Mundgod in southern India.

Support of the Jang Gonchoe helps to build equality for the nuns, to foster the dharma for future generations, and to ensure that this precious wisdom tradition will continue and grow.

Please help support the 2018 Inter-Nunnery Debate, the Jang Gonchoe

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