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Quarterly Newsletter

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During the last board meeting it was decided to change the reporting system. In order to avoid repetition, we will send out a comprehensive annual report and share updates through quarterly newsletters. This is the first newsletter and it covers the period from March to June 2022. The newsletters are a means to stay in regular touch with our friends and supporters.

We are happy to share some of the highlights below.

ECCD operating again

The ECCD re-opened on the 3rd of May, soon after the government schools were also reopened. The centre has seven children. The ECCD is now housed in a room in the Shagor. The centre is functioning well, and the children can make good use of the safe and secluded space around the complex.



Ceremonial tea for the parents and children on the opening day of the ECCD

First visitors hosted after Covid

Soon after the last lockdown was eased, the Ogyen Choling Heritage House had the opportunity to host the first group of 34 tourists to visit the country since the start of the pandemic. They were a group of Buddhist practitioners who stayed with us for three nights in the 3rd week of April.



First visitors arrive at Ogyen Choling

Finally dzongkha labels and narratives

We finally started with a systematic Dzongkha translation of the captions and text panels in the museum. At the same time the English version are also being improved and revised. This is possible thanks to the inputs of Mr Phunthso Tenzin, who is currently employed by the Ogyen Choling Heritage House.



Example of a caption

Departure of long-term staff member

Mr. Kelzang Namgyel who was with the Foundation for seven years left to pursue other opportunities. The museum benefited much from his hands-on initiative in maintaining and improving the displays. His guiding was also widely appreciated. The Board advised that the terms of reference be revised and effort be made to recruit a new staff member to take on some of the responsibilities for the museum that Mr. Kelzang previous handled.



Mr Kesang working in the museum

We hope that all of you are well, and we wish you all the best. We send you our warm wishes from a wet and green Tang valley experiencing peak monsoon rains.

Tashi Delek from the team of the Ogyen Choling Foundation