

CURRICULUM VITAE OF MRS. KESANG YANGKI TAKLA

Name: Kesang Yangkyi Takla

Date of Birth: 15 September 1944

Nationality: Tibetan

Present address: Kalon (Minister), Department of Information & International Relations, Central Tibetan Administration of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Dharamsala (H.P.), India - 176215

Professional Experience

May 2007 Took the Office of Kalon (Minister) in the Cabinet of the Central Tibetan Administration (Tibetan Government in exile), after being elected by the Tibetan Parliament in exile based in Dharamsala, India;

January 2002 to April 2007 Re-appointed as Representative of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in the Office of Tibet, London, to represent His Holiness and the Tibetan Government in Exile in Northern Europe, Poland and the Baltic Countries;

March 2000 to December 2001 Secretary for International Relations at the Department of Information and International Relations, CTA, Dharamsala;

September 1997 to September 1999 First Representative of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in Taiwan. This responsibility involved the initial setting up of the Office and dealing with the very sensitive situation of Tibetan affairs and Tibet issue in Taiwan;

March 1989 to August 1997 Representative of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in the Office of Tibet, London, UK. Established the Tibet House and also registered Tibet House Trust as a charity wing of the Office to ensure a stable and suitable set up as well as raise funds for both Tibetan administration and development of Tibetan settlements and communities in exile;

January 1983 to December 1988 Secretary, Department of Health, CTA., Dharamsala, India. Involved in initiating the Primary Health Care and TB Control programmes and training programmes, which were further extended to cover over 110 000 Tibetans in the Settlements in India, Nepal and Bhutan;

January 1978 to November 1982 Administrator of Delek Hospital, Dharamsala, India. After developing the 2 hour Out Patient Service Hospital into a fully functioning hospital with Out Patient, Inpatient and other services; initiated the concept of Primary Health Care and TB Control Programmes at Delek and adapted these programmes in the hospital's out-reach programmes covering 17 Tibetan Refugees Settlements in Himachal Pradesh. Training of Community Health Workers and Mobile Team visits were also initiated;

December 1970 to December 1977 Administrative Secretary/Accountant at Library of Tibetan Works and Archives, Dharamsala, India;

September 1967 to July 1968 Administrative Secretary and Accountant at Tibetan Children's Nursery, Simla, India;

February 1963 to August 1966 Secretary and Interpreter at Tibetan Children's Village, Dharamsala;

February 1962 to 1963 Secretary and Interpreter at the Department of Home and Rehabilitation, Dharamsala;

[NOTE: While serving in the above positions, has constantly worked with various governments, non-governmental organizations and officials. Also organised and participated in numerous national and international seminars, conferences and workshops, especially related Tibet, His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan people]

Education

1953 Gorkha Tibetan School in Lhasa, Tibet;

1954 to 1961 St. Joseph's Convent, Kalimpong, West Bengal, India;
completed the Indian School Certificate issued by University of Cambridge, UK;

1965 to July 1966 St. Bede's College, Simla, Himachal Pradesh;
received BA Degree, but before completion, was again recalled to TCV to work in the office;

September 1965 to 1966 Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., for a Special Intensive General Administrative Course and passed with Certificate of Distinction;

July to December 71
Delhi;

Pittman's Intensive Secretarial Course, New