

TARA PUJA FUND – Annual Report 2015

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Please find below the details of the TARA PUJA FUND for the year 2015. By your generous contributions we were able to cover all expenses for all activities arranged on Saka Dawa, Lord Buddha's Enlightenment day, June 2nd, 2015 and add a little surplus to the fund.

I am very happy to inform you about these meritorious activities and I hope that this will inspire you to take the opportunity and participate again next Saka Dawa, May 21st, 2016.

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AUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES

- Recitations of 100,000 Praises to Tara performed at each of the three great monasteries of Sera, Drepung and Ganden with a total of about 10,000 monks. Breakfast, tea and Rs. 30 was offered to all participating geshe, lamas and monks.

The following other activities were also sponsored on Buddha's Enlightenment Day:

- A donation of US\$3000 was made to the FPMT Puja Fund. Kyabje Zopa Rinpoche sponsors extensive pujas at all the major Gelukpa monasteries in India and Nepal throughout the year.
- A donation of US\$ 500 was made for 21,000 light offerings at the Mahabodhi Stupa in Bodhgaya. Our sponsors' names and special dedications were read for 3 consecutive nights under the Bodhi Tree.
- A donation of US\$ 500 was made towards the Animal Liberation Ceremony of Amitabha Buddhist Centre (Singapore)
- A donation of US\$ 250 for gold powder was made which will be used to write the Perfection of Wisdom and Sanghata Sutra texts that are to be placed at the heart of the Maitreya Buddha Statue.
- A donation of US\$ 500 was made towards the decoration and white washing of the Swoyambhunath and Boudhanath stupas in Nepal.
- A donation of US\$ 250 was made to the Tara Children's Home in Bodhgaya.
- A donation of US\$ 500 was made to Maitri Leprosy Project in Bodhgaya.
- A donation of US\$250 was made to the Animal Liberation Shelter in Nepal
- A donation of US\$250 was made for care of dogs at Maitri Leprosy Project in Bodhgaya.
- US\$100 was spent on feeding dogs in Bodhgaya and Kathmandu on Saka Dawa.

During the year of 2015 TARA PUJA FUND received donations varying from US\$ 1 to US\$ 1,000 amounting to US\$ 15,729 from over 150 individuals and businesses. Total expenditure for 2015 was US\$14,848.50. Adding this year's surplus, the balance of Tara Puja Fund as per 31 December 2015 is a little over \$87,000.

I would like to express my gratitude to Geshe Jangchub, Ven. Holly Ansett, Root Institute director and staff, Fred Cheong, Claire Isitt, Eamon Walsh, Aruna Prakash, and Ms. Pramila Tamrakar for their continuous and kind assistance.

Please find below the financial report for 2015 and all benefactors in alphabetical order.

Thank you all so much for your generous contributions and making this project so successful.

With my very best wishes,

Marcel Bertels

FINANCIAL REPORT ANNUAL TARA PUJA 2015

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Donations received through FPMT International office	15,629.00	
Interest	178.44	
Cash Donations	100.00	
TOTAL INCOME		15,907.44

Meritorious Activities Sponsored

100,000 Praises at Sera Monastery	3,420.67	
100,000 Praises at Gaden Monastery	1,814.68	
100,000 Praises at Drepung Monastery	2,050.00	
Contribution to FPMT Puja Fund	3,000.00	
Gold writing of PrajnaParamita and Sanghata Sutra for Maitreya Statue	250.00	
Animal Liberation by Amitabha Buddhist Centre in Singapore	500.00	
Painting & Decorating of Stupas of Bodha & Swayambhu, Kathmandu	500.00	
Donation to Maitri Charitable Trust in Bodhgaya, India	500.00	
Donation to Maitri Charitable Trust in Bodhgaya for Animal Welfare	250.00	
21,000 Light Offerings at the Mahabodhi Stupa in Bodhgaya	500.00	
Donation to Root Institute's Tara Children's Project from Tara Puja	250.00	
Contribution to Animal Liberation Shelter in Kathmandu	250.00	
Feeding of dogs in Kathmandu and Bodhgaya on Saka Dawa	100.00	
Total Meritorious activities sponsored		13,385.35

Credit Card Fees and IOF Administration Fees	1,463.15	
Total Admin Charges		1,463.15

TOTAL EXPENDITURE		14,848.5
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SURPLUS FORWARDED TO TARA PUJA FUND		1,058.94
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