Dedication Verses

For Lama Zopa Rinpoche’s Teachings on Thought Transformation during the Time of COVID-19

To Actualize Bodhichitta

**Jang chhub sem chhog rin po chhe**

**Ma kye pa nam kye gyur chig**

**Kye pa nyam pa me pa yi**

**Gong nä gong du phel war shog**

*May the precious supreme bodhichitta*

*Not yet born arise.*

*May that arisen not decline,*

*But increase more and more.*

To Realize Emptiness

**Khor dä rang zhin dül tsam me pa dang**

**Gyu drä ten drel lu wa me pa nyi**

**Phän tshün gäl me drog su chhar wa yi**

**Lu drub gong dön tog par jin gyi lob**

*Samsara and nirvana lack even an atom of inherent existence*

*And cause and effect and dependent arising are unbetraying.*

*I seek your blessings to discern the meaning of Nagarjuna’s thought—*

*That these two are mutually complementary and not contradictory.*
For the Sick

Sem chän nä pa ji nye pa
Nyur du nä lä thar gyur chig
Dro wäi nä ni ma lü pa
Tag tu jung wa me par shog

However many sick sentient beings there are,
May they quickly be freed from all sicknesses.
May all the sicknesses without exception
Of transmigratory beings never occur again.

To Meet a Perfect Guru in All Lifetimes

Kye wa kün tu yang dag la ma dang
Dräl me chhö kyi päl la long chö ching
Sa dang lam gyi yön tän rab dzog nä
Dor je chhang gi go phang nyur thob shog

In all my lives, never separated from perfect gurus,
May I enjoy the magnificent Dharma.
And, by completing the qualities of the grounds and paths,
May I quickly attain the state of Vajradhara.

For Lama Tsongkhapa to Be Our Direct Mahayana Guru in All Our Future Lives

Tshe rab kün tu gyäl wa tsong kha pä
Theg chhog she nyen Ngô su dzä pääi thü
Gyäl wä ngag pääi lam zang de nyi lä
Kä chig tsam yang dog par ma gyur chig

By the force of the Victorious One, Tsongkhapa,
Acting as my direct Mahayana virtuous friend in all my lives,
May I never turn away for even a second
From the pure path highly admired by the victorious ones.
To Be Able to Meet, Practice, and Actualize the Teachings of Lama Tsongkhapa

Mā jung nam thar tsang māi thrim dang dān
Lab chhen gyāl sā chō pāi nyīng tob chān
de tong chhog gi rim nyī nāl jor chō
Lo zang gyāl wāi tān dang jāl war shog

May I and all sentient beings meet the teachings of the Victorious One, Lozang Dragpa,
Who lived an eminent life endowed with pure morality,
A brave heart in doing the bodhisattva’s extensive deeds,
And the yoga of the two stages, the supreme transcendental wisdom of nondual bliss and emptiness.

The next three verses are from Nagarjuna’s Jewel Garland, v. 483–485

To Always Be Used by Sentient Beings

Sa dang chhu dang me dang lung
Mān dang gōn pāi shīng zhīn du
Tag tu sem chān thām chā kyi
Rang gar gag me chā jār shog

Like the earth, water, fire, and wind,
Medicines and wood in the forest,
May I always be enjoyed by all sentient beings
As they like and without resistance.

To Hold Sentient Beings as Precious

Sem chān nam la sog zhīn phang
Dag la de dag chhe phang shog
Dag la de dag dig min chīng
Dag ge ma lū der min shog

May I hold sentient beings as dear as my life.
May sentient beings hold me most dear.
May all their negative karma ripen on me
And may all my virtue ripen on them.
To Abide in Samsara for Sentient Beings

Ji si sem chan ga zhig kyang
Gang du ma dröl de si du
De chhir la na me pa yi
Jang chhub thob kyang nā gyur chig
As long as any sentient being
Has not been liberated [from samsara],
May I abide [in samsara] to help them,
Even though I achieve highest enlightenment.

Dedication to Be Wish-Fulfilling for Others

Dag ni yi zhin nor tar dro wa yi
Dö päi ngö po tha dag drub pa dang
Yi la re wa yong dzog gyi pa yi
Pag sam gyi ni shing dang dra war shog
May I become like a wish-granting jewel
Fulfilling all the wishes,
And like a wish-granting tree
Fulfilling all the hopes of transmigratory beings.

Dedication for Any Sentient Beings Who Sees Me Etc. to Be Free from Suffering and Experience Every Happiness

Thong ngam thö sam je su drän kyang rung
Reg gam tam du jö pa tsam gyi yang
De yi mö la dung wa kün zhi nä
Nam pa kün tu de dang dän gyur chig
By merely seeing, hearing, thinking about, or remembering me,
As well as by touching me or talking to me,
May all suffering instantly be pacified,
And may there be happiness forever.
To Seal the Merits with Emptiness

Due to all the past, present, and future merits collected by me, the numberless buddhas, and the numberless sentient beings, which are completely empty of existing from their own side, may I, who am completely empty of existing from my own side, achieve the state of full enlightenment, which is completely empty of existing from its own side, and lead all sentient beings, who are completely empty of existing from their own side, to that state, which is completely empty of existing from its own side, by myself alone, who am completely empty of existing from my own side.

To Dedicate in the Same Way as All the Past Buddhas and Bodhisattvas

Jam päl pa wö ji tar khyen pa dang
Kün tu zang po de yang de zhin te
de dag kün gyi je su dag lob chhir
gē wa di dag tham chā rab tu ngo
  I fully dedicate all these virtues
  To be able to train just like
  The hero Manjushri, who knows reality,
  And just like Samantabhadra as well.

dū sum sheg päi gyāl wa tham chā kyi
ngo wa gang la chhog tu ngag pa de
dag gi ge wāi tsa wa di kün kyang
zang po chö chhir rab tu ngo war gyi
  I fully dedicate all my roots of virtue
  With the dedication praised as the best
  By all the gone-beyond victorious ones of the three times,
  In order to have good conduct.
For Lama Tsongkhapa’s Teachings to Spread in the Hearts of All Sentient Beings

Chhö kyi gyäl po tsong kha päi
Chhö tshül nam par phel wa la
Geg kyi tshān ma zhi wa dang
Thūn kyen ma lū tshang war shog

For the Dharma king Tsongkhapa’s
Way of Dharma to flourish,
May all signs of obstacles be pacified
And all conducive conditions be complete.

Dag dang zhän gyi dü sum dang
Drel wäi tshog nyi la ten nä
Gyäl wa lo zang drag pa yi
Tän pa yün ring bar gyur chig

Due to the two types of merits
Of the three times of myself and others,
May the teachings of the victorious one, Lozang Dragpa,
Shine resplendent forever.

For the Long Life of His Holiness the Dalai Lama

Jig ten kham dir phän de ma lū pa
Gang lä jung wäi sam phel yi zhin nor
Ka drin tshung me tän dzin gya tsho chhog
Ku tshe tän ching thug zhe lhün drub shog

Incomparably kind and supreme Tenzin Gyatso,
The wish-granting Wish-Fulfilling Jewel—
Source of every single benefit and happiness in this world—
May you have a long life and all your holy wishes be spontaneously fulfilled.
For the Long Life of Lama Zopa Rinpoche

You who uphold the Subduer’s moral way, who serve as the bountiful bearer-of-all,
Sustaining, preserving, and spreading Manjunath’s victorious doctrine;
Who masterfully accomplish magnificent prayers honoring the Three Sublime Ones:
Savior of myself and others, your disciples, please, please live long.