

## Wangya Norbu Trengwa Initiations at the Sakya Centre

On the 5th of April began the third part of the Wangya Norbu Trengwa wangs at the Sakya Centre in Dehradun. This was the continuation of the cycle of initiations that, three years ago, Lama Thubten Zopa Rinpoche had requested His Holiness the Sakya Trizin to bestow to himself and to other



Lama Zopa Rinpoche



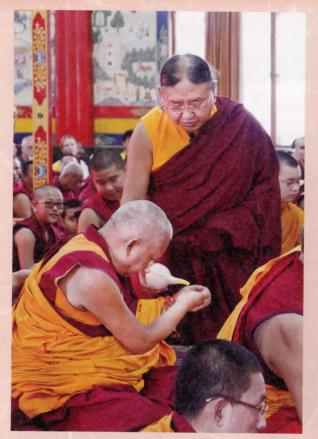
Kunde Ling Rinpoche



His Holiness bestowing the wangs



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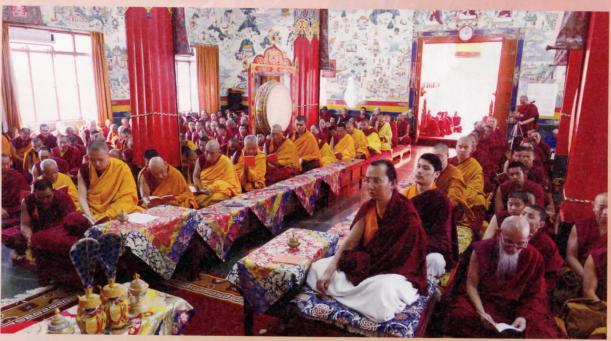


Lama Zopa Rinpoche receiving nectar from His Holiness

Gelugpa high lamas, including H.E. Kunde Ling Rinpoche.

The Wangya Norbu Trengwa initiations, or 'Jewel Garland of a Hundred Wangs', had their origins with the Jonang tradition of Tibetan Buddhism, but were later compiled by a Mongolian Gelugpa master called Toyö Lhatsin Sogpo. Later still, Chonjang Kunga Trotchog had the idea of making them into a collection, a task eventually achieved by Yeshe Thundrup Gyantsen. As these initiations are now very rare in the Gelugpa school, and their equivalent are found in the 'Collection of Tantras' of the Sakya tradition, the request was made for His Holiness to bestow the latter to high lamas from the Gelugpa school.

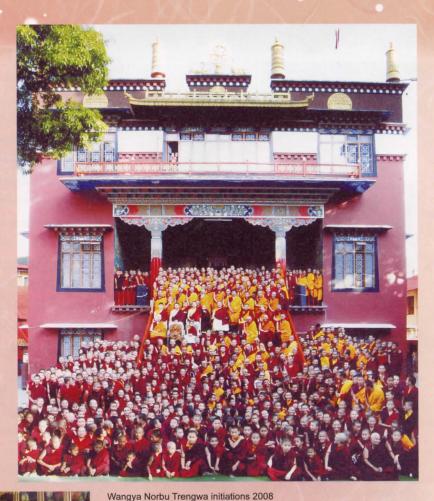
Also participating in this important set of initiations were Khöndung Ratna Vajra Rinpoche, Phuntsok Phodrang Dungseys Avikrita, Asanga and Abhaya, as well as H.E. Kharsang Shabdrung and H.E. Tharig Tulku and several other high Sakyapa lamas.



Many high lamas received the initiations

The teachings ended on the 29th of May, with an elaborate *Tenshug* ceremony offered to His Holiness by Lama Zopa Rinpoche and other high lamas in gratitude for the bestowal of such rare and precious teachings. Lama Zopa also lavished His Holiness with a vast array of magnificent gifts as a token of his heartfelt appreciation.

And thus the Namgya Norbu Trengwa set of initiations drew to a close, leaving their fount of wisdom in the hearts and minds of all those who were fortunate enough to be present at the Sakya Centre on such a memorable occasion.



Tenshug for His Holiness



A gift of gratitude