



Fig. 1 : The Hongfo Pagoda (see page 86).

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A Survey of Institutes and Research Centres of Tibetology in The People's Republic of China—*cont.**

TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION

LHASA CITY

• *Tibet University* (Xizang Daxue, Bod-ljongs slob-grva chen-mo), established 1985.

President (*yuanzhang*): Tshe-dbang 'gyur-med. Tlf. 24786; 24375.

Vice-President: lHag-pa phun-tshogs.

Staff of researchers and teachers, primo 1991: 73 people.

The Tibet University has six major departments (*tshan-khang*); the most important include:

The Department of Tibetan Letters (*Bod-yig tshan-khang*)

Director: bSod-nams phun-tshogs. Staff (*mi-grangs*) of 20 people. Three researchers (*zhib-'jug-pa*): Prof. Yang Huaquan, Assoc. Prof. Zhong Xiaodi, Assoc. Prof. 'Jigs-med.

In addition to this department, there are departments of Chinese Letters (*rgya-yig tshan-khang*); Politics (*chab-srid tshan-khang*), the head of which, Tshe-brtan bkra-shis, and his three researchers carry out studies on Tibetan political history; a Department of Mathematics and Chemistry; of Culture; and of Medicine, led by Mrs. Zhang Tinhui, Byams-pa chos-grags, and bSam-gtan, respectively, each with a staff of teachers and researchers.

At the university a number of leading scholars hold seminars. One may mention Prof. Dung-dkar Blo-bzang 'phrin-las, who holds the following positions: Vice-Chairman of the China Tibetology Research Center (*Zhong-guo zangxue yanjiu zhongxin*), Beijing; Honorary President of the Tibetan

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Academy of Social Sciences (*Xizang Shehui Kexueyuan, Bod-ljongs sPyi-tshogs tshan-rig-khang*); and President (*huizhang, tshogs-gtso*) of the Tibetology Association of the TAR (*Xizang zizhiqu zangxuehui, Bod-ljongs rang-skyong-ljongs Bod rig-pai tshogs*),¹ Lhasa; Tel. 24696.

• *The Tibetan Academy of Social Sciences (Xizang Shehui Kexueyuan, Bod-ljongs sPyi-tshogs tshan-rig-khang)* Lhasa, office (*las-khung*) Tel. 24908, 24072, 23808.

President (*yuanzhang*): lHag-pa phun-tshogs.

Vice-Presidents: Ma-gcig; Huang Wenhuan (Tel. 24301, 24547); Pa-sangs tshe-ring.

The Academy in the TAR, now slowly approaching its tenth anniversary, comprises a number of important research institutes and departments:

1. *The Research Institute of the History of the Tibetan Nationalities (Bod kyi mi-rigs lo-rgyus zhib-'jug tshan-pa)*.

Director: Pa-sangs dbang-'dus.

Vice-Director: brTson-'grus mam-rgyal.

Staff of eleven researchers, among whom figure some of Tibet's foremost scholars: Professors Chab-spel Tshe-brtan phan-tshogs, Tel. 24163; Hor-khang bSod-nams dpal-'bar; and Dung-dkar Blo-bzang 'phrin-las, Tel. 24696.

2. *The Research Institute of Language and Literature (sKad-yig rtsom-rig zhib-'jug tshan-pa)*.

Director: bSam-gling 'Jigs-med; bsKal-bzang ye-shes.

Staff of seven researchers, including (as above): Profs. Chab-spel, Hor-khang, etc.

3. *The Research Institute of Buddhist Religion (Chos-lugs zhib-'jug tshan-pa)*.

Directors: He Zhongyi and Tshe-dbang lhun-'grub.

Staff of six persons, including Prof. 'Bsrog-mi Byams-pa blo-gros, mKhyen-rab 'od-zer, etc.

In addition to these research institutes, we find a number of departments, such as the important Department of Documentation, whose heads, Ngag-dbang tshe-ring and Tshe-dbang rig-'dzin, and staff of twenty-two persons are engaged in collecting material.

Another central office is the Department for the Publication of the *Journal of Tibetan Studies (Bod-ljongs zhib-'jug rtsom-sgrig tshan-pa)*. Three Editors: 'Phrin-las stobs-rgyal (Editor-in-chief (*gtso-bo*)); Ji Yuanyuan (Deputy Editor (*gzhon-pa*)); and Kun-dga'. Staff of 16 people. *Tibetan Studies (Xizang Yanjiu, Bod-ljongs zhib-'jug)*: the (Tib./Chin.) edition is published quarterly, the English edition, semi-annually.

¹ This association, established in 1986, now numbers thirty scholars, but also includes members from other regions. For the names of the members, cf. *Bod-rig-pa'i ched-rtsom gces-bsdus*, 1987, pp. 527–30.

Recently (1990), a new publishing house of great importance was established, attached to the Tibetan Academy of Social Sciences: The Publication House for the Printing of Old Books in Tibetan (*Bod-yig dpe-rnying dpe-skrun-khang*). Editor-in-chief: Mi-'gyur rdo-ije (Tel. 23942); Deputy Editor: Tshe-dbang dpal-'byor; staff of six persons.

In the Lhasa area a number of important academic and semi-academic journals and magazines are published, namely: *Bod-ljongs zhib-'jug*, *Bod-ljongs sgyu-rtsal zhib-'jug*, *Bod kyi rtsom-rig sgyu-rtsal*, *Gangs-ljongs rig-gnas*, *Bod-ljongs nang-bstan*, *Bod-ljongs slob-gso*, *sPan-rgyan me-tog*, etc.

• *The Tibetan College of Medicine (sMan-rtsis-khang)* Staff includes Prof. Byams-pa 'phrin-las (Tibetan medicine, astrology, and divination, Tibet's leading expert in this field); and Prof. mKhan-po Tshe-rnam.

The Administrative Commission for the Cultural Relics of Tibet (*Xizang Wenwu Guanli weiyuanhui*)

The Office for The Collection of Cultural and Historical Data (*Wenshi ziliao zhengjishi*).

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