

*Demonstrations
arrests (in many areas)*

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TIBET
(Prisoners of Conscience)

Brief description of cases: During the past five months between 10 to 15 demonstrations for Tibetan independence took place all over occupied-Tibet, from Ngapa dzong (North-eastern Tibet) to Rong (Central Tibet) to Lithang dzong (South-eastern Tibet). On the other, reports of wall-poster campaign for Tibetan independence spread to Dromo, Tsona, Nyemo, Gyangtse, Phenpo, Chidhe Shol in Lhokha. In some of these rural areas reports of small demonstrations have also come in.

According to unconfirmed reports released by London based Tibet Information Network, "at least 69 arrest have taken place this year in county towns, small villages and remote Tibetan monasteries where monks and laypeople have put up pro-independence posters." Various reports reaching Dharamsala from Tibet have said that mass arbitrary arrests took place at Rong Jamchen, Drayul Kirtsal and Yakdhe Tharpa Choeling monasteries in Rimpung region; Nenyng monastery in Gyangtse; Serkhang monastery in Phenpo; Dhopung Choekhor monastery in Lhokha; and, Gyalche monastery in Nyemo.

Figures and names of monks detained from these monasteries were: over 45 arrests, among them the **Ghekoe** (disciplinarian) and Chant Master [Tib: Umdze], **Thupten Kunga**, 70s from Rong Jamchen monastery; **Ngawang Yeshe**, 22, born in Phenpo and **Yeshe Jamyang**, 19, from Serkhang monastery; **Migmar**, 20 and **Shilog**, 33, from Dhopung Choekhor monastery; 11 arrests from Kyitsal monastery; 10 arrests from Yakdhe Tharpa Choeling; **Lobsang Choedrak**, (18), born in Phenpo, from Gyalche monastery in Nyemo; and, 3 arrests from Nenyng monastery.

There were unconfirmed reports of the arrests of five monks and two laypeople in Drapa (Maldro Gungkar district) after they put up wall-posters demanding Tibetan independence. A recent wall-poster/leaflet from Lhasa written in U-chen Tibetan script read: "Tibet is independent. Our enemy, Red China should be driven out of Tibet. Long Live H. H. the Dalai Lama, the spiritual and political leader of Tibet."

*Arrests (cases)
demonstrations
wall posters*

Identified Tibetans arrested from demonstrations and other activities for Tibetan independence were (Gaden monks and Chupsang nuns were all detained from demonstrations):

Gaden monastery

Tashi Dawa
Tsetan Samdup
Tsering Nyima
Tenzin
Tenzin Damdul
Bhu Kelgyal
Jampa Tenzin
Bhagdro
Ngawang Tengye

Sangngag Monastery

Lobsang Dhargye
Sonam Dolkar (nun)

Nyigon or Nyengon nunnery
(Toelung Dechen district)

Ngawang Phurdon
Ngawang Nordon
Ngawang Tsamdon
Ngawang Gyatso
Ngawang Ngondro
Ngawang Choekyi

[detained from a demonstration
on 13 May, 1992 in Lhasa]

Phurchok (Phurbu Chok Ritroe) Monastery

Lobsang Sherab, (19), Phenpo
Lobsang Dorje, (22), Phenpo
Lobsang Lhodup, (21), Phenpo

[detained from 16 May, 1992 demonstration in Lhasa]

Chupsang nunnery

Ngawang Wangmo
Tsering Choedon
Nyidol
Gyaltsen Kelsang
Nyangdre (22)
Ngawang Dhegon
Chungdhak (23)
Ngawang Rigdol, (21), Drigung
Lobsang Choekyi
Dhagdhe (20)
Ngawang Nyima, (22)
Ngawang Choedon, (22), Lhokha
Gyaltsen Nyingnye, (22), Taktse

Mijungri nunnery

Lobsang Dolma, (22), born in T. Dechen
Tinley Choezom, born in Dranang, Lhokha
Lobsang Choedon, born in Maldro Gungkar
Sherab Ngawang, (12), born in M. Gungkar
Lobsang Dolma, born in Maldro Gungkar

[detained from a demonstration on
3 February, 1992 in Lhasa]

arbitrary arrests
disappears
A recent report from Lhasa identified four Tibetans who were arrested in secrecy by the Chinese authorities. **Lhogum** and **Lama Gyupa**, the two men were reportedly detained at *Sie Chu* prison under Sangyip prison complex. However, the whereabouts of the other two Tibetans, two