

Thardot Choling Nunnery (Chulichan Rizong)



Chulichan Nunnery was established by Ven. Lama Tsultrim Nyima in the early 19th century (1797-1872). It is situated at the distance of 75 km from Leh City. Ven. Lama Tsultrim Nyima after becoming a monk at Rizong monastery built the nunnery so that his wife and sister could become nuns. Since then the nunnery has been continuously working for the welfare of nuns in Ladakh.

Chulichan nunnery is the first nunnery institution in Ladakh. At present there are 30 nuns living in Chulichan. About 35 of our nuns, excluding the above mentioned 30, are pursuing higher studies in Dharamsala, South India and CIBS (Central Institute of Buddhist Studies) in Ladakh.

Our Nuns are between 5 and over 80 years, the oldest nuns are living since more than 65 years at Chulichan. They are living a simple monastic life. At the monastery school they are studying modern education like philosophy, debate, Tibetan Grammar, Hindi, English and Mathematic. We are running five classes with the help of only two teachers.

After completion of the basic courses at the Chulichan nunnery, we send these nuns to South India, CIBS and Dharamsala for further studies. Most nuns are from very remote areas with extremely poor family backgrounds. They cannot afford to meet the educational expenses. Therefore the nunnery is providing free education as well as free medication for 30 nuns at present. It is very costly for the institution to arrange good education material (books etc.), teachers as well as medicines.

A new library has been set up and we are planning to improve the rooms for our nuns which are at present very modest. We also need two more teachers for effective teaching at the nunnery. We sincerely appreciate your kind help and generous donation. Our nunnery is living only with donations. For your information: the total expense for each nun is approx. US\$ 40 per month

You can help the nunnery in any of the following ways:

- * sponsor a nun at US\$ 40 per month*
- * send a donation for the following project:*
- * school improvement (books, writing material etc.)*
- * medical fund*
- * bed rooms for the nuns*
- * scholarship fund for higher studies*
- * teacher's salary (US\$ 90 per month)*
- * funds for food and cloth*
- * tell a friend about the Chulichan Nunnery*

We thank you from all our heart for your compassion

Our Bank: State Bank of India - Saspol, Ladakh
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