

Projet: Dzongsar Environment



Why this project?

Beyond the life conditions often precarious, the educate systems in Tibetan villages are generally insufficient: lack of financial means, skilled teachers, school equipment and fitted place. Without education it will be impossible for them to integrate the local economic system. In order to remedy this situation, it's necessary to give every child a quality education and implement the material sound based of this development. Moreover the tourism will be growing in the future and it's important to develop their skills regarding the trade of tourism and to protect the environment currently in peril. The lack in the knowledge and the management of environment involves for these children and their community an acute sanitary gap, could be implicated a growing death rate and a destruction of the land.

Context of the Dzongsar Environment

The lack in knowledge regarding basic environmental rules today already leads to problems in the area. The risk for the local population is:

- to face increasing health problem,
- to cause health problems to the tourists,
- to discourage the local tourism,
- to add to world's environmental problem.

Aim of the project

Removing the old toilet and building ecological toilet in the Dzongsar village. Organizing and managing the collection of the garbage bins to a place to burn them in the Dzongsar area and the retreat center. Training children and local people about the basic rules regarding the environment.



1 Project description

1.1 Analysis of the Dzongsar area

Problems	<p>The lack in knowledge regarding basic environmental rules today already leads to problems in the area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The garbage is thrown into the forest and the river, ▪ The Buddhist College's toilet is situated between the river and the road side and near the village which local people use the water of the river to drink, clean and wash, ▪ The ecological system is threatened by the lack in environmental education and increasing pollution. Pollution is harmful not only Tibetan but also for the rest of world in the future. ▪ The pollution in the area causes health problems among the population and especially among children. It may also become harmful for tourists who may also contract diseases, which may also have bad economic consequences.
Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Removing the old village toilet, cleaning the site and building ecological toilet for the village and the Buddhist college (500/600 persons), ▪ Organizing and managing the collection of the garbage bins to a place to burn them, (Garbage bins etc...), ▪ Organizing the cleaning of the different places, ▪ Training children and local people about the basic rules regarding the environment.

1.2 Cost for the Dzongsar area

Global cost: 1 68 500 RMB

Place to build the toilet in the Dzongsar village	In charge of the local population
Building toilet with water, electricity and ecological system (500/600 persons)	1 50 000 RMB
Water and electricity for the toilet	7 500 RMB
Removing the old toilet and cleaning the site	In charge of the local population
100 Garbage bins for the Dzongsar area	In charge of the local population
Organizing and managing the collection of the garbage bins to a place to burn them, (Garbage bins, Garbage trucks etc...)	In charge of the local population
Building a place to burn	10 000 RMB
Training program about the basic rules regarding the environment	1 000 RMB
Cleaning the different places	In charge of the local population



1.3 Analysis of the retreat center area

Problems	<p>Around 380 monks and nuns practice meditation in the center and this area is without water. The lack in knowledge regarding basic environmental rules today already leads to problems in the area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Not enough water to drink, clean and wash,▪ No garbage bins, no collection of garbage. All is thrown into the forest,▪ No toilet,▪ No bathroom.
Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Building water pipe from 3360m where the water is,▪ Building around 15 taps dispatched in all the place of the retreat center,▪ Building 3 ecological toilets,▪ Building 2 bathrooms with heater (solar energy),▪ Training visitors, nuns and monks about the basic rules regarding the environment,▪ Organizing and managing the collection of the garbage bins to a place to burn them,▪ Organizing the cleaning of the different places.

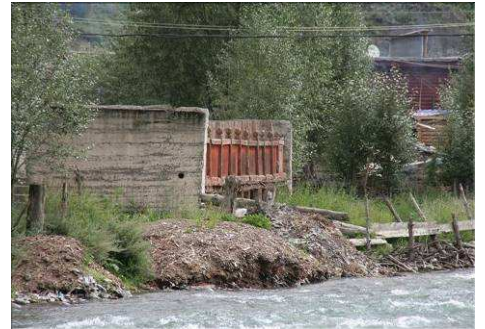
1.4 Cost for the Retreat center area

Global cost: 370 450 RMB

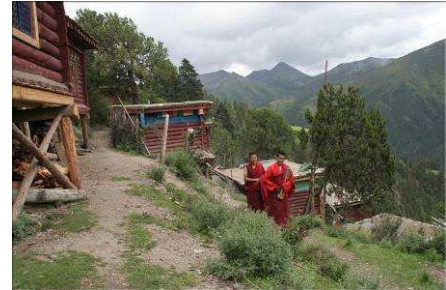
50 Garbage bins for the Retreat center area	In charge of the local population
Organizing and managing the collection of the garbage bins to a place to burn them, (Garbage bins, Garbage trucks etc...)	In charge of the local population
Building a place to burn	10 000 RMB
Cleaning the different places	In charge of the local population
Water pipe	60 000 RMB
3 ecological toilets (400 persons)	100 000 RMB
2 bathrooms with solar energy heater (400 persons)	200 000 RMB
40 solar panels (800 RMB X 40)	
15 Taps	450 RMB



The Dzongsar area and the toilet of the Buddhist college.



The retreat center area





2 Dzongsar area



Dzongsar is a valley located in Derge County, Khandze Prefecture, Sichuan Province. It is located four hours drive from the County town.

Dzongsar, Derge County



Dzongsar area is between 3400m and 4000m high. This is a beautiful authentic valley. 30 villages, 6000 persons, 70 % of farmers and 30 % of nomads.

Dzongsar area

Dzongsar area photos





3 About the association

Lab Dra Khampa mains « School of Kham » in Tibetan. *Lab Dra Khampa* is a French non-politic and non-profit making association. The association aims to help children and to cooperate in the development of common structures of the Dzongsar area. The Dzongsar program includes different projects with 3 aims:

- Education
- Environment
- Eco tourism

The Dzongsar Tibetan School project is one of the projects of the Dzongsar program.

Education:

Rebuilding the Dzongsar Tibetan primary school, currently under tent or outside and improve the bad conditions in the others primary schools. Improve the skills of teaching and build a middle school in order to give the children a sufficient education to manage themselves the future structures of the local economic system.

Environment and **E**co **T**ourism:

Education regarding the basic sanitary and healthy rules, protection of the ecologic system, organization of the garbage collection.

Helping in management of ecotourism and developing the local skills for the future job in local economic system.

Building a cultural centre:

Building a library, free health centre, a cultural and socializing meeting centre for children and their community

Lab Dra Khampa relies on French and international volunteers and the collected funds will be used to finance the different projects of the Dzongsar program.

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