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Bhutan Youth Development Fund

Sponsor a Monk

Did You Know?

Roughly one-third of children in Bhutan are stunted due to malnutrition.

Background

The Sponsor a Monk program was first initiated in 2004 at the Dechenphodrang Monastic School in Thimphu. With an increasing number of non-formally registered monks (Tozeys) awaiting state support, there was a clear need to give financial support to the monastery to meet the basic needs, especially the nutrition, of the growing children studying there.



Activities

1. Soliciting individual sponsorship donations of Nu. 500 per month per monk
2. Supporting monasteries to buy clothing and nutritious food for young monks
3. Monitoring and working with a monastic committee that manages the funds

Impact

- Since its inception in 2004, sponsored over 300 monks in eight different monasteries from six Dzongkhags/districts
- Currently supporting 133 young monks in Bhutan

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