

Sakadawa

Mahayana Buddhist Association welcomes you to the celebration of the greatly kind **Guru Shakyamuni Buddha's Birth, Enlightenment and Mahaparinirvana**. This is a rare opportunity to create and multiply merits by millions of times.



We are holding various extensive merit-making activities here in Hong Kong as well as in one of FPMT's Monasteries in Nepal – Kopan Monastery and all its affiliated monasteries, starting from 22 May – the day of Buddha's conception, to 29 May – Guru Shakyamuni Buddha's Birth, Enlightenment and

Mahaparinirvana.

Pujas, Recitation & Light Offering

We are deeply honoured and joyful to announce that Kopan Monastery has again kindly accepted our request of inviting more than 1000 Sangha members to conduct the following Dharma practices on this occasion:

- ❖ Recitation of the entire **Kangyur** of over 100 volumes;
- ❖ Recitation of Heart Sutra 100,000 times and 16 volumes of **Prajanaparamita** Sutra in 3 versions;
- ❖ Conducting different pujas, prayers and mantras;
- ❖ Performing Guru puja, Tara puja, Medicine Buddha puja, Fire puja etc.; and
- ❖ Making numerous **light offerings at Kopan, Boudhanath Stupa** and **Soyambunathn Stupa** – two of the holiest places in Nepal.



Dedication

The merits will be dedicated for the following purposes:

- **for the long life of all the holy gurus;**
- **for the dying** – to help pacify their mind, and reduce their fear during the time of death;
- **for the deceased** – to bless and guide their mind to a higher state of rebirth and liberation;
- **for the sick** – to remove obstacles to mental and physical health;
- **for success in one's activities** – to remove obstacles to success of one's activities, be they worldly or dharma.
- **for world peace** – to eliminate war, famine, and disease and bring happiness of all mother beings. **Special dedication to all the natural disaster and earthquake victims.**

If you would like to sponsor these pujas, please fill in the attached form.

Prajanaparamita & Kangyur

Our kind Guru Shakyamuni Buddha achieved Buddhahood after three countless great eons of hard work and dedication for the sake of benefiting sentient beings. He left the greatest gift of all to us sentient beings – his realisation and discovery of individual potential – which allows us to follow his way and attain the same level as he did. The over 100 volumes of Kangyur teachings and 16 volumes of Prajanaparamita teachings are precious teachings which contain the direct instructions from Guru Shakyamuni Buddha from over 2500 years ago.

Kyabje Lama Zopa Rinpoche said, 'There is unbelievable, unbelievable merit in making it possible to read these holy scriptures by the Sangha members. The benefits are explained in The Condensed Jewel Quality:-

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Method of Donation

If you would like to make light offering at Kopan Monastery, Boudhanath Stupa and Soyambunathn Stupa and/or sponsor pujas during Sakadawa, please fill in the following form and send it back to us with the donation either by hand or by mail **before 25 May, 2018**. Thank you!

Details

Name: _____

Phone No.: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Light Offering

I would like to sponsor (please check one):

- 400 lights HK\$100
- 900 lights HK\$200
- 2,000 lights HK\$400
- 5,000 lights HK\$800
- 6,500 lights HK\$1,000
- 15,000 lights HK\$2,000
- 50,000 lights HK\$5,000



Pujas & Recitation

Please choose 1 of the following methods to sponsor the pujas (Guru, Tara, Medicine,) & recitation of (Kangyur, Heart Sutra, Prajanaparamita, and mantras):

- Sponsor by the number of names listed for dedication (HK\$100 per person):

Please specify the number of people: ____ and list out their names on the attached sheet.

- I would like to offer 1,000 Sanghas one of the following during the week of celebration of Sakadawa:
- Full day food and tea offering (HK\$13,500)
 - Only lunch (HK\$4,500)
 - Only breakfast (HK\$2,500)
 - Only dinner (HK\$3,500)
 - Butter tea or sweet tea offering (HK\$1000)
- Cash offering to 1,000 Sanghas
(HK\$1,000 / HK\$2,000 / HK\$5,000 / HK\$10,000 / HK\$_____.)



Donation by (please tick one):

- Cash
- Cheque (payable to Mahayana Buddhist Association Limited)
- Direct Debit (Hang Seng Bank, account no.: 232-2-076551)

Total amount enclosed: HK\$_____.

For enquiry, please feel free to contact us.



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Consider the merit obtained from building a stupa of the sorrowless state (the one gone to bliss), making the stupa of the 7 jewels, making as many of these to fill many thousands of ten millions worlds equalling the number of sand grains in the river Ganges, and making offerings to these stupas by many sentient beings (infinite sentient beings of all the existing worlds making offerings of lights, incense and flowers etc. 3 times a day for eons).

The merit created by reading, writing, keeping, making offering to, and paying respect to the Mother Prajnaparamita and Kangyur taught by Buddha who possesses the 10 Powers is infinitely greater than the former!

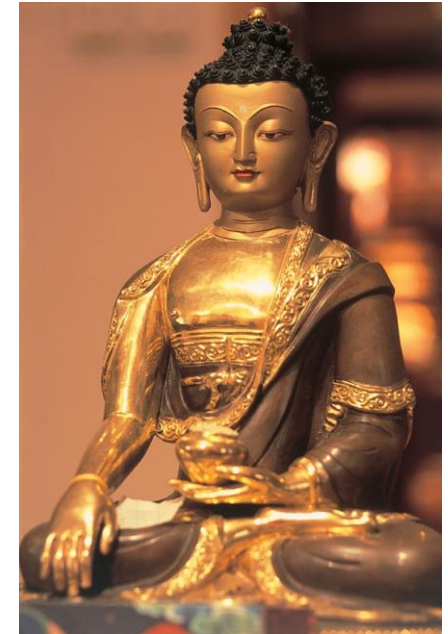
By contributing to the recitation of the Kangyur and Prajnaparamita, you create a vast amount of merit and there is so much purification. Even very heavy obstacles are removed.'

In India, Tibet and Nepal, there is a tradition of making request to the great monasteries to perform recitation of the Kangyur and Prajnaparamita sutras, when one experiences great obstacles, such as life threatening obstacles, obstacles for success or heavy sicknesses. By making extensive prayers and offerings with sincere motivation, unfavourable circumstances that bring problems can be changed. It is said that prayers performed by ordained ones are particularly powerful and effective as they are done on the base of pure morality. In addition, making offerings to an assembly of sangha during a puja collects extensive merit and purifies obstacles.

SAKADAWA

22 - 29 May 2018

Kangyur Recitation | Recitation of Heart Sutra 100,000 times | Prajanaparamita Sutra | Light Offering | Pujas



Shantideva said,

“May the teachings of the Buddha, which are the sole medicine for curing migratory being’s suffering and source of every happiness and joy, be materially supported and honoured, may the teaching abide for a very long time.”