

## Shechen Monastery Events Calendar: Winter/Spring 2014-15

Tibetan date	Western Date	Time	Program of Events 2014-15
3-9th day of 11th month	24-30 December 2014		Kagye Deshe Dupa "kagye tortog" Shechen Nepal
similar to above	similar to above		Shechen Bodhgaya : Rangjung Pema Nyingthik drupcho
1st day 12th month to 10th day 12th month	January 21-29 2015	daily	Nyingma Monlam in Bodhgaya, India
18th day, 12th month	6th February	all day	Ceremonies for anniversary of Kunkhyen Longchen Rabjam
		6.00 pm	Dialectics debate by the Shedra Students
20th day, 12th month	9th February	8.00 am	<b>Yamataka Drupchen Begins:</b> Blessing of the Ground
21st day, 12th month	10th February	6.00 pm	Blessing of the Torma
22-26th	February 11-15	6.00 am	Yamantaka Gutor, "torma throwing rites" to avert negativity of the new year.
27th day, 12th month	16th February	4.00 am	Prayers
		10.00 am	Cham, sacred lama dances related to the Yamantaka ritual
28th day, 12th month	17th February	3.00 am	Prayers
		1.00 pm	Conclusion of the ceremony with the burning of the Torma
29th day, 12th month (full moon, no 30th this month)	18th February	4.00 am	Offering tormas to dharmapalas and offering thanks.
<b>Tibetan New Year "Losar" 2142 (19th February 2015) Year of the Wood Sheep</b>			
8th day, 1st month	26th February	4.00 am	<b>Vajrasattva Drupchen begins (Minling Dorsem)</b>
		8.00 am	Blessing of the Ground and Tagön (Introductory ritual) for the Vajrasattva Drupchen
9th day, 1st month	27th February	3.00 pm	Closing the Mandala for the Minling Dorsem Drupchen
10th-15th day	28 Feb-5 March	6.00 am	Main part of the Minling Dorsem Drupchen for seven days (15th day also marks Chotrul Duchen)
17th day	7th March	3.30 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Minling Dorsem Drupchen
20th day	10th March	8. 00 am	Blessing of the Ground and Tagon For the Tsokchen Duepa & Four Ka'ma Drupchens
21st day	11th March	9.00 am	<b>Five Ka'ma Drupchen and Ceremonies begin Ka'ma Tsal Cham (Lama Dance associated with Ka'ma Teachings) Anniversary of Jamyang Khyentse Wangpo</b>
24th day	14th March	1.00 pm	(Gyenkod) Closing the Mandala For the Five Ka'ma Ceremonies
25th day 1st month, to 1st day 2nd month	15-21 March	all day	Main part of the Tshokchen Duepa Dupchen & Four Ka'ma Drupcho for Seven Days
30th day 1st month	20th March		Puja and Garcham (Dance)
1st day, 2nd month	21st March		Fire Puja & Anniversary of Penor Rinpoche
2nd day	22nd March	3.00 am	Receiving Blessing from the Mandala of Tshokchen Duepa & Four other Drupchens Anniversary of Terdak Lingpa
3,5,6 of 2nd month (NB 4th day missing)	23-25 March	9.00 am	<i>All Shechen Annual General Executive Meeting for Three Days</i>
8th day, 2nd month	27th March	6.00 am	<b>Ceremony of Lama Sangdu for Three Days</b>
9th day, 2nd month	28th March	5.00 am	Lama Sangdu Puja
		11.00 am	Rehearsal of the Tse-chu Dance Festival in the Courtyard
10th day, 2nd month	29th March	3.00 am	Lama Sangdu Puja
		9.00 am	<b>Great Tse-Chu Festival of Sacred Dances</b>
11th day, 2nd month	30th March	9.00 am	Lama Sangdu Empowerment
12th day, 2nd month	1st April	9.00 am	<i>Announcement for Annual Examination Results</i>
15th day, 2nd month to 8th day, 4th month	4th April to 26th May		<b>Monastery Vacation</b>