

Biography of Her Eminence Mindrolling Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche

Mindrolling Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche is the eldest daughter of Kyabje Mindrolling Trichen Rinpoche, the 11th throne holder of the Mindrolling lineage, which has throughout its unique history had many accomplished and inspirational female masters. Rinpoche was also recognized by His Holiness the 16th Gyalwang Karmapa as the reincarnation of the Great Dakini of Tsurphu, Khandro Ugyen Tsomo, a respected and revered female master of her time. Thus, Mindrolling Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche is a holder of both the Nyingma and Kagyu lineages of Tibetan Buddhism.



Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche is widely renowned and has been teaching throughout the world for more than 30 years, while remaining actively involved with the Mindrolling Monastery in India. Rinpoche, along with her sister, Mindrolling Jetsün Dechen Paldrön, founded Samten Tse Nunnery and Retreat Centre in India in 1993, a retreat place for nuns and lay practitioners. Together they also established the Dharmashri Foundation, which aspires to preserve and translate some of the most important works of Tibet's Nyingma lineage.

In 2003, Jetsün Khandro Rinpoche established the North American seat of Mindrolling International, Mindrolling Lotus Garden Retreat Centre in Stanley, VA, USA. Rinpoche also initiated Mindrolling Charitable Society which has been providing support and assistance to numerous local charitable projects.

Most recently, Rinpoche also launched the Mindrol Lekshey Training Program, with the aim to provide traditional training and education in classical Tibetan Buddhist disciplines to dedicated lay practitioners from all over the world.

In addition, Rinpoche oversees numerous city centres and associations in Europe, including Samten Tse groups in France, Germany, Greece, Denmark, the Czech Republic, Poland, and Spain.

Rinpoche's book This Precious Life is available through Shambhala Publications. The full scope of Rinpoche's teaching and charitable activities, as well as audio and print versions of select teachings can be seen on the website https://www.khandrorinpoche.org

